QIBA Communications Committee (QCC)

28 October 2022 at 11 AM CT Call Summary

In attendanceRSNAAnne M. Smith, PhD (Co-Chair)Maria Athelogou, PhDJoe KoudelikMajid Chalian, MD (Co-Chair)Dawn Matthews, MS, MBAJulie Lisiecki

Moderator: Dr. Smith

The following topics were discussed:

- Review of QIBA kiosk posters for RSNA 2022
- NVIDIA cloud software solutions to aid scientific research
- Suggestions for how best to engage CROs through pharma outreach

Updates:

Poster edits suggested:

- Suggested wording change: "If quantitation is important, some accreditation procedures are not sufficient to meet QIBA Profile claim conformance that is accurate and reproducible."
- Adjustment to the SA mark logo (slightly distorted)
- A different color for greater contrast between the maroon and red colors for the QIBA Profile Tracker graphic

NVIDIA solutions - Dr. Athelogou

- Dr. Athelogou gave an overview of NVIDIA's cloud-based solutions for healthcare
- NVIDIA is involved with research in the areas of genomics, radiology, robotics, and other areas
- NVIDIA provides free support to scientific research groups
- Topics discussed include MRI applications for segmentation, hardware and software transfer, and possible applications to QIBA data
- Additional follow up and guidance will be needed from Dr. Chung

Clinical Trials Outreach Ideas - Ms. Matthews

- Personal outreach will work the best with known contacts
- Biomarkers that could be used in clinical trials will capture the attention of CROs that manage Pharma trials
- "Hot topics," such as a new tracer or imaging biomarker needed to engage Pharma interest
- Marketing to both Pharma and CROs suggested as a starting point
 - Pharma decisions are made based on cost and what is most relevant to the business
- QIBA papers can be influential if they demonstrate improved performance and reproducibility, e.g., PET Amyloid manuscript, and how to use the Hoffman phantom
- Recommended QIBA contacts include current PET Tau members, Drs. David Scott (Clario), Greg Klein (Roche), and John Seibyl (Invicro)
- Other suggested pharma companies centered around brain research to contact:
 - MedPace
 - ImagePace
 - o IXICO
 - CALYX / PAREXEL
 - Takeda Pharmaceuticals (Dr. Schmid)
 - o ICON
- Suggestions were centered around brain research, though oncology would be another clinical trial area.

Ongoing action items (please strike if complete)

- Dr. Pepin's MRE promotion work to be shared as an example for other committees re: educational campaign
- Dr. Pepin to invite imaging CRO contacts re: their perspective and how they use QIBA Profiles in clinical trials
- Dr. Chung to work on making the connection between AI and QI and how QIBA fits into this picture
- RSNA staff to invite Drs. Cole and Pepin to next call to provide advice regarding clinical trials
- RSNA staff to invite Dr. Tom Grist again to the next call (if co-chairs agree)
- Dr. Smith to reach out to Dr. Schmid (Takeda Pharmaceuticals) and Dr. Seibyl (Invicro)

Next call: Thursday, December 8th at 11 am CT

Reference: About QIBA page: http://qibawiki.rsna.org/index.php/About QIBA

This new committee intends to help promote QIBA and the value of quantitative imaging to clinical trials and clinical practice and the broader radiology community