

QIBA PET Myocardial Blood Flow (MBF) Biomarker Committee (BC)

Monday, November 13, 2023, at 10 am CT

Call Summary

Notes derived in part from Dr. Moody's slides

In attendance

Rob deKemp, PhD (Co-Chair)

Jonathan B. Moody, PhD (Co-Chair)

Ian S. Armstrong, MPhys, MSc, PhD

Charles Hayden, BS, MSEE

Nancy Obuchowski, PhD

John O. Prior, MD, PhD

Jennifer Renaud, MSc, BEng

RSNA Staff

Julie Lisiecki

Moderator: *Dr. Moody*

Discussion

- Reviewed updates to sections 3.8 - 3.13

Profile updates

- Section 3 is complete - Dr. Moody asked for all to review and comment
- Make certain rationale is covered for all three tracers: rubidium (^{82}RB), ^{13}N ammonia, and ^{15}O -water
- It was decided that a subsection (section 3.13) for image interpretation is not needed
- Appendix D will include recommendations for PET scanner-specific models and protocols for image acquisition and reconstruction
 - Include general best practices, such as recommended scatter correction settings, etc.
- Discussed QA assessment procedure for the test scanner using the MBF measurement
 - Some text formatting and streamlining are needed
 - The original document was prescriptive for the JDI system, and needs to be generalized to include other systems
 - Ms. Renaud to write first draft and provide saturation threshold details, etc.
 - Dr. Moody to draft tables from recommended protocols, including software versions
- Concept of a digital reference object (DRO) was introduced – more discussion needed
- Proposed inclusion of summary table of known standards values for reference to save time for users
- Consider assessment of like software capabilities for fitting a kinetic model
 - Could potentially be generating MBF estimates from dynamic data
- Consider using the polar map of MBF to derive the global and regional values for flow estimation

Continue discussion on next call

- O^{15} water radiopharmaceutical recommendations needed from Dr. Harms
- Minimum requirements to meet the claim and best practices

Paper

- BC members plan to draft a paper primarily on metaanalysis of test-retest data
- Dr. Obuchowski will be asked to review statistical aspects

New / ongoing action items: (please strike if complete)

- All – consider other papers that may have supportive data
- Dr. deKemp to draft a checklist for multi-center trial in Canada to see if sites can conform to the Profile
- Dr. Moody to draft publication based on Dr. Obuchowski's meta-analysis on MBF repeatability
- Dr. deKemp to craft a bias table and review the linearity plot, looking at K^1 vs. flow values
- Dr. deKemp to approach [ASNC](#) regarding future administrative support
- Dr. Moody to work on a DRO model; will look at QIBA work with DCE-MRI
- Dynamic phantom scan protocol in Section 4 Assessment Procedures to be fine-tuned by Dr. Moody

Next call: Nov. 20, 2023, at 10 am CT (2nd & 4th Mondays) | **Future calls:** 12/11, 12/18 (?)

QI Sessions and Activities at RSNA 2023 (McCormick Place, Chicago)

- *Building a Quantitative Imaging Research Study*, Tues., Nov. 28, 2023, from 11 am to 12pm CT. [Room S405](#). ([T4-RCP19](#))
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