QIBA Perfusion, Diffusion and Flow – MRI Technical Committee Update Call  
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Call Summary  

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Cross-Scanner Methodologies  
- Drs. Kirsch and Chenevert have been working on clarification of nomenclature, acronyms, protocol parameters, etc., for better understanding of cross-vendor 1.5T and 3.0T methodology  
- Double-echo and single-echo scan choices varied across manufacturers; this may prove to be the primary difference between vendor systems  
  - E.g., Siemens software versions D (newer) and B (older) vary in their approach to echo time  
  - Dr. Ivancevic to confirm whether Philips systems default to single-echo  
- It will also be of interest to the group to see if there is any quantitative difference between single and double-diffusion weighting with the phantoms  
- Drs. Jackson and Dave to compare various GE system protocols and use Dr. Chenevert’s technical parameters template as a guide  
  - Goal to match acquisition settings as much as possible  

DWI Phantom Update (Dr. Boss)  
- Dr. Boss has received numerous requests for the DWI Phantom and is investigating out-sourcing production to a firm in Boulder, CO.  
  - Design improvements continue to the ice-water phantom.  
  - Bottleneck with NIBIB funding is preventing phantom production from moving forward  
- European collaborators have suggested that the phantom is too small; the current model was designed for use in a head coil and is deemed small at 19 cm dia  
- Clinically relevant numbers needed from the ADC phantom measurements for the next TC call, with accompanying graphics.  

DWI Profile Status (Dr. Boss)  
- Scanner imaging details from Drs. Kirsch and Chenevert have been incorporated.  

Action items:  
- Drs. Jackson and Dave to compare various GE system protocols and use Dr. Chenevert’s technical parameters template as a guide  

Next t-con: Wednesday, March 5th at 11AM (CDT)