QIBA Perfusion, Diffusion and Flow – MRI Biomarker Committee (BC) Call

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Call Summary

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Moderator: Dr. Boss

DSC TF Update (Dr. Wu) *some information taken from presentation slides

- Status of Profile development: Draft Version 1.0
  - Literature search refinement underway
    - Dr. Wu provided a virtual tour of the Zotero library where articles found in the DSC literature search are being compiled
    - Volunteers needed to assist with the literature review
    - Aim to have reproducibility studies sorted into types by the end of August
  - K2 removed as a Claim
  - Use of gadolinium contrast agents to be synchronized with DCE Profile
  - Rough draft of Profile to be circulated for review by the DSC TF by the end of 2017
    - Suggestion for DSC TF Profile-Writing subgroup to request feedback from the full DSC TF before a complete draft is finished

- Status of “Round 5” Funded Projects (Dr. Wu)
  - Dynamic Susceptibility Contrast MRI (DSC ΔR2*) Phantom
    - Goals:
      - Develop prototype DSC phantom from which a gradient of R2* values will be measured
      - Create generic acquisition protocols to assess CNR of R2* measurements and stability across time across multiple vendors
      - Estimate reproducibility and feasibility of performing these measurements across multiple centers (5 sites) at multiple time points (one-week apart)
    - Progress:
      - Phantom (NIST – Katy Keenan)
        - Same layout as that used for DWI phantom consisting of 13 vials, inner and outer rings with same concentrations, 3 vials with 0%
        - Components: agarose + GdCl3+EDTA
• MRI acquisition protocol to be sent to other sites and tested on other vendors

• Software Analysis
  o Matlab GUI (inspired by Drs. Chenevert and Malyarenko, University of Michigan) for ROI placement
  o Accept DICOM or NifTI format (flip images if necessary)
  o Reads 3 rotations
  o Outputs change in R2*

• Status of “Round 6” Funded Projects (Dr. Wu on behalf of Dr. Erickson)
  - A web-based tool for creating DSC DROs - interface/software to select input image parameters has been developed
    - Two of three software packages were collected for creating DSC DROs, and a web-based interface was created
      o Python, used at Mayo, was converted to MATLAB at MGH
      o Vanderbilt: prefers to share pixels rather than software; required storage being evaluated versus extracting from The Cancer Imaging Archive (TCIA), which will have very large collection

  - User Interface (UI) was developed by Mayo
  - Initial testing of online analytics under the new Girder platform may be performed by Drs. Barboriak and Laue; Dr. Boss to follow up with Dr. Erickson for details
  - UI is modeled in FLASK, Dr. Quarles to provide pixel data for testing
  - Provides a model/template for other DRO creation tools that can be referenced from the QIBA website at: https://www.rsna.org/QIDW/)
  - Profile completion hinges upon completion of this groundwork project

  - Next Steps:
    - Obtain data from Quarles and decide correct ‘size’
    - Confirm UI is useable
    - Convert UI to Web (FLASK)
    - Convert compute models to Docker
    - Connect Web UI to Docker (Grunt)
    - Load UI and compute modules into Amazon Web Services (AWS)

QIBA Dashboard (Dr. Boss)
• Outlines every step in the Profile process and allows group designee to track and mark tasks as they are completed
• Coordinating Committee tab needed with a general modality activity overview to be shared with the Steering Committee
• This document is currently being tested, but Dr. Boss to send Google Sheet link to PDF-MRI Task Force leaders if Mr. O’Donnell confirms that it is ready for distribution
Upcoming PDF Task Force Updates:

- August 2: DCE Task Force
- August 16: DTI Task Force
- August 30: ASL Task Force
- September 13: DWI Task Force
- September 27: DSC Task Force

- If you plan to attend the 2017 RSNA Annual Meeting, the QIBA Working Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 29, 2017, 2:30 – 5 PM

Next PDF-MRI BC Call: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 at 11 AM CT

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