QIBA Perfusion, Diffusion and Flow – MRI Biomarker Committee (BC) Update Call
Wednesday, February 17, 2016 at 11 AM (CST)
Call Summary

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DCE TF Update – MR Vendor Task Force Interaction (Dr. Laue)

- The MR Vendor Task Force was invited to attend the DCE TF call on February 9
  - Forty participants joined this call, including representatives from Siemens, Philips, GE, DCE TF members and PDF-MRI BC members
  - Discussion focused on vendor-specific solutions to clinical B1 mapping variation
  - Vendors had variable approaches for B1 measurement and were at various steps in offering B1 correction
  - John Kirsch volunteered to coordinate on behalf of all vendors that have offered to provide vendor-specific information for inclusion in the appendix of the DCE Profile version 2.0
  - Metadata associated with each imaging method will be critical
  - The following specific data components have been requested:
    - Pulse sequences available: names, parameters (typical scan time, 2D/3D, etc.)
    - B1 mapping techniques – inclusion of pros/cons/literature references
    - DICOM tags to facilitate interpretation (including the unit of the output value) or work towards standardized output
  - 3 Main Categories:
    - Currently available as part of standard commercially available (with the required software platform)
    - Research or purchasable options currently available (with the required software platform)
    - Future works in progress and timelines (if this can be shared) -- this will not be included in the Appendix but will be used to guide ongoing development of the profile
  - The need for a B1 phantom was identified
    - Potential Round-6 groundwork project
    - Features of this B1 phantom included the need for anatomically relevant dimensions and features (e.g. can we model Air/bone interfaces) and the possibility of B1 and T1 measurement in a single phantom
    - The initial step will be to evaluate the potential to modify the existing DCE phantom to meet the needs for B1 measurement
Round 5 Project / DWI-DRO Update (Dr. Malyarenko)

- Project Title: “DWI-DRO development for ADC analysis”
- Project Goal: Provide DWI DRO for relevant range of tissue diffusion values and Rician noise utilizing standard diffusion DICOM attributes for SW testing and acquisition optimization
- DWI-DRO Project Deliverables:
  - Q1:
    - Definition of parameter range specifications suitable for DRO derivation
    - Definition of DICOM-compliant trace-DWI DRO metadata attributes
  - Q1 Aim: adequate sampling of DWI parameter space and standard meta-data definition to generate mono-exponential ADC maps required by conventional ADC analysis algorithms
- The MR Vendor Task Force will be invited to attend an upcoming DWI TF call

Other Business

- Round-6 Projects (Dr. Jackson)
  - Request for new groundwork proposals for 2016-17
  - Timeline for submitting and reviewing new project proposals will be distributed soon; deadline for submission to RSNA is April 15
  - Reminder to focus groundwork proposals to Profile completion and/or conformance procedures
  - Funding has been secured for this second year; total cross-modality funding will be similar to Round-5

Next PDF-MRI Biomarker Committee Call: March 2, 2016 at 11 AM CST