QIBA Perfusion, Diffusion and Flow – MRI Technical Committee Update Call
Wednesday, 30-April-2014 at 11 AM CDT

DRAFT Call Summary

Participants

Marko Ivancevic, PhD (Co-Chair)  Dena Flamini, RT  Brian Taylor, PhD
Mark Rosen, MD, PhD (Co-Chair)  Daniel Gembris, PhD  Jihong Wang, PhD
Daniel Barbriak, MD  Edward Jackson, PhD  Ona Wu, PhD
Michael Boss, PhD  Hendrik Laue, PhD  RSNA
Thomas Chenevert, PhD  Thorsten Persigehl, MD  Joe Koudelik
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Proposed Agenda:

• QIBA Project Updates QIBA Artificial Data Evaluation Software (Dr. Laue)
• MITA MR Section Co-Organizes Standards Workshop with NIST- July 14-15 at NIST in Boulder (Dr. Boss)
• Phase III Project Updates (Drs. Laue, Persigehl, Boss and Chenevert)
• DCE-MR Profile Compliance Update (deferred)--Please send comments to Dr. Guimaraes

Phase III Project Updates

• Dr. Boss: DW-MRI ADC Phantom
  o DWI Phantom PVP vials have been ordered
  o 15 Phantoms to be purchased which will exhaust the Round-3 funds; the intent is to split the cost with NIST; Drs Boss and Jackson to discuss fabrication and budget logistics off-line
  o Committee Members would have initial access to these phantoms for round-robin field testing
• Dr. Chenevert: Software Development for Analysis of QIBA DW-MRI Phantom Data
  o Discussed the general framework of the data collection and is aware of impending changes
  o Defining implementable protocols for testing of both 1.5T and 3.0T systems
  o The goal is to complete by the end of the year
• Dr. Laue: Development of a Tool to Evaluate Software Using Artificial DCE-MRI Data and Statistical Analysis
  o The DICOM data will be compared to the original Barbriak DCE-MRI DRO data and results will be shared within a few weeks
  o Expecting to present initial results at the May QIBA meeting in DC
• Dr. Persigehl: DCE-MRI Phantom Study to Evaluate the Impact of Parallel Imaging and B1 Inhomogeneities at Different MR Field Strengths of 1.0T, 1.5T, and 3.0T
  o The subcontract is still in negotiation and should be executed in a few days
  o Dr. Rosen suggested that Dr. Persigehl join the next ACRIN 6701 t-con as well as contacting Dena Flamini, RT re the Phantom shipping schedule-back to Cologne to maximize data acquisition.
  o Dr. Jackson has two unfilled Phantoms at UW which could be shipped

Round-4 Project Proposal Evaluations

• The QIBA Steering Committee reviewed the initial concepts and gave their preliminary rankings
  o Most PIs received initial comments and edits to their projects
  o Dr. Rosen will read through the comments and give his initial thoughts
  o For clarification when reading the comments, the projects are as follows:
    ▪ Project 8: Dr. Barbriak
    ▪ Project 9: Dr. Jackson
    ▪ Project 10: Dr. Laue
Dr. Jackson will circulate all projects to the co-chairs and the PIs for their comments; Dr. Laue to provide the updated version of his project

• All Round-4 project revisions to be sent to RSNA staff (qiba@rsna.org) no later than EOB on May 12th
• The next Steering Committee t-con will be May 15th when revisions to the projects will be discussed
• Prioritization of the projects will take place at the face-to-face meeting on May 20th

MITA MR Section Co-Organizes Standards Workshop with NIST- July 14-15 at NIST in Boulder* (Dr. Boss)

• Dr. Boss to send registration details to RSNA Staff for circulation
• The speaker list will be 30-35 people and will be available by the end of the week—the total number of participants is projected to be 100.
• Dr. Boss will inquire as to whether or not the recorded sessions and presentations will be available to those who are unable to attend.

Reminder to Currently Funded Project Leaders: All QIBA/NIBIB Round-3 projects are to be completed no later than September 29th, 2014.

Next t-con:
A decision will be made by the QIBA PDF-MRI Co-chairs as to whether or not to cancel the Wednesday, May 14th t-con due to the ISMRM Meeting in Italy; announcement to follow.