

- I. Minutes 5/23 QIBA meeting
 - a. Rosen test-retest
 - i. Goals
 1. Test-retest repeatability
 2. 20% CV Ktrans IAUGC
 3. most DCE repeatability studies are single-institution or industry driven. Experience in practice lacking.
 - ii. Proposal
 1. Test-retest evaluation prostate DCE and DWI in 30 patients across 6 centers
 2. Primary target "tumor" = whole prostate
 3. Secondary target = dominant prostate tumor nodule
 - iii. Rationale
 1. Patient population – prostate cancer patients
 - a. DCE and DWI already used
 2. Prostate good surrogate for mets
 3. No need for specialized training/education regarding "target lesion" selection
 - a. Techniques for large volume DCE evolving which may in future obviate need for tumor "selection"
 4. No motion/physiologic variability
 - iv. Statistics
 1. Endpoint statistics is a question. Which variables?
 - a. COV
 - b. Repeatability
 - c. Interclass correlation
 2. Power test-retest study
 - a. Upper limit/lower limit
 3. Absolute or relative units
 - a. Effect of Shapiro-Wilk testing/log-transformation on type/units of repeatability result reporting
 - b. Barboriak (Barnhardt) 2009 article has been revealing
 4. Ratio within SD(u)/SD(L) –
 - a. Effect of patient number on test-retest "accuracy"
 - b. Alternatively look at width of 95% CI of wSD
 5. Findings suggest that n=30 patients adequate for power analysis
 - v. Challenges
 1. Avoid endorectal coil
 - a. No coil correction
 - b. Must have 3T
 - i. Ongoing QIBA evaluation of effects of susceptibility & BI inhomogeneity on DCE and DWI accuracy
 2. Arterial inflow

- a. Requires larger DCE-MRI slab
 - b. Parallel imaging for improved temp. resolution
 - c. Automatic AIF selection (see below)
- vi. Aims
- 1. Primary
 - a. Test-retest performance repeatability coefficient of K_{trans} and $IAUGC_{BN}$ and measured by median pixel values of the whole prostate
 - b. Test-retest assessed by RC of D(t) and measured by median pixel values of whole prostate
 - c. ? add coffee break on visit 2
 - 2. secondary
 - a. test retest on tumor
 - b. effect of reader on RC of DCE and DWI
 - i. 2 readers
 - c. determine whether t1-dependent or t1 independent methods for Gado quantification in DCE produce differing values for RC for K_{trans} and $IAUGC_{90bn}$
 - i. use subtraction (delta SI)
 - 3. exploratory
 - a. explore the correlation between DCE and DWI metrics from both whole prostate and dominant tumor nodule as target lesions
- vii. Target sites
- 1. 2 each: GE, Siemens, Philips
 - 2. 30 total subjects
 - 3. 5 subjects per site (max 10 per vendor)
- viii. Qualifications
- 1. Available body MRI radiology PI
 - 2. Adequate clinical prostate experience & referral base
 - 3. Constant 3T imaging available
 - 4. Phantom imaging specs met
 - a. DWI (Chenevert), DCE (Jackson/QIBA v2)
- ix. Breast ADC data
- 1. Higher variance in Espree ADC values
- x. Minimum tech specs for qualifying 3T MRI scanner with QIBA DCE phantom
- 1. VFA R1 fidelity relative to IR standard
 - 2. SI linearity with respect to R1
 - 3. Positional invariance of R1
 - 4. Difficulties
- xi. 3T imaging plan
- 1. Visit I
 - a. Anatomic imaging
 - i. Include e-coil if clinically indicated at site

2. Visit 2
 - a. Functional data
 - b. ? coffee break DWI
- xii. DWI
 1. SE-EPI
 2. Fat sat
 3. AP phase
 4. Parallel imaging 2x
 5. 5mm
 6. 0,100,600,800
 - a. 100,600,800 ADC
- xiii. ? dual transmission
 1. only Phillips has the capability
- xiv. Consensus
 1. Axial spgr
 2. Ap phase
 3. Parallel 2x
 4. 5mm SNR
 5. increase slab to alleviate arterial in flow (32 slices)
 - a. offset with prostate in inferior portion of slab
 6. other specs per QIBA profile
 7. 8-10 seconds temporal resolution
 8. 2cc/sec
- xv. Analysis
 1. Single core lab
 2. If fail replace with new subject
 3. Reader study
 - a. 2 readers
 - b. each evaluate combined imaging
 - c. visible tumor nodule > 5mm?
 - i. if no (either reader), replace subject for tumor endpoints
 4. Segmentation
 - a. Whole prostate & dominant tumor nodule
 - b. Performed on both DWI and DCE
- xvi. Modeling
 1. Automatic AIF
 - a. Avoids reader choice of slices
 - b. Avoids randomness of inflow error variation
 - c. Quality of data for accurate AIF
 - d. Future use of data for reference tissue method
 2. 2 compartment modeling
 - a. vp
 - b. pixel-specific delay times
 - c. dual analysis
 - i. t1 specific primary analysis for aim I

- ii. signal difference method
 - 3. improving temp. resolution
 - a. bandwidth
 - i. GE 250, S:400, P 314 ? higher
 - b. Matrix (phase)
 - i. Why not lower to 128
 - c. Increase frequency FOV
 - i. To allow partial phase fov <80
 - d. Partial K/fractional NEX
 - 4. Automated AIF segmentation
 - a. ? Either utilize this methodology
 - b. ? second reader
 - xvii. ? exploratory aims of alternative modeling for assessing Kep, Vp
 - xviii. sites
 - I. PENN,
- II. Profile v2
 - a. Claim
 - i. Based on clinical diagnostic challenges in areas utilizing DCE without quantitative rigor
 - b. Areas for consideration
 - i. 3T
 - ii. parallel imaging
 - iii. BI inhomogeneity
 - c. Organ subtypes
 - i. Prostate
 - ii. Breast
 - iii. Glioma
 - d. Diagnostic protocol that is attempted to be more quantitative
 - e. User
 - i. Pharma for v1
 - ii. Now
 - I. Diagnostic challenges
 - iii. Profile for diagnostic assessment
 - f. Starting point for clinical practice
 - g. Action item
 - i. Topic list needs for 3T profile
 - ii. Post-processing (3rd compartment)
 - iii. Clinical applications
- III. Phantom work
 - a. ?publish v1 phantom work
 - b. v2 phantom
 - i. 1 site, 2 field strength
 - ii. UM, UChicago (Phillips)
 - c. Endpoint is a recommendation on how we should do phantom work and which phantom to do.
- IV. Publications

- a. White papers
 - b. Profiles
 - c. Papers based on phantom work thus far
- V. Activities for upcoming 3 years
- a. Version 1 extension for phantom work
 - b. DCE version 2 profile (3T)
 - c. DWI profile
 - i. Timeline
 - ii. ? additional need for phantom and analysis work
 - 1. need for more test retest in humans
 - 2. development of a phantom with varying ADC values
 - 3. digital reference object (ADC)
 - iii. lack of funding will limit either the quality of the Profile or delay the Profile
 - d. ?dynamic phantom
 - i. Rajan FDA
 - ii. Canadian dynamic phantom
 - e. RIC
 - i. Benefits to QIBA MR modality committee
 - ii. Digital reference object comparison of vendor specific packages as compared to centralized approach
 - iii. Working with users to troubleshoot
 - iv. Working with vendors to see the utility of a centralized data storage site
- VI. DICOM
- a. Need for adaptation of DICOM fields
- VII. DWI assignments
- a. See Michael Boss' document.