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

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Moderator: Dr. Boss

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- The aspect ratio was changed, freeing up white space and room for more images
- Text was divided into two columns for readability
- Synopsis of all Round 4 projects to be included, may move Dr. Barboriak's Round 4 DRO project to DROfocused poster
- There was discussion on including section text about the ongoing ACRIN trial; Dr. Rosen to submit material
- Round 5 projects will be indicated as "planned," as individual project subcontracts have not yet been awarded
- Synopsis of all Round 5 projects to be included; text already received from Dr. Malyarenko (DWI DRO project) and Dr. Wu (DSC susceptibility phantom project)
- Revised text for Accomplishments and Summaries sections is still needed, placehold text on poster drafts
- PDF-MRI BC members were asked to review the author list on the MR poster and to send missing names to Dr. Boss at: michael.boss@nist.gov
- A potential DRO poster was discussed
 - o This poster will likely be MR-focused, rather than cross-modality
 - o Dr. Boss will create framework for this poster and then distribute it for group feedback

DWI Phantom Update (Dr. Boss)

- Dr. Boss aims to have all NMR spectrometer equipment assembled and initial NMR diffusion measurements completed by the 2015 RSNA Annual Meeting
- There have been challenges in keeping the temperature stabilized at 0°C in the NMR magnet bore
- Testing for variance across PVP batches (PVP9 vs PVP 10) is expected by next call

Other Discussion

- As part of the Profile writing process, it is necessary to investigate variance between software packages, and vendor scanner models; Profile appendices will include performance specifications
- Dr. Jackson devised a guide for GE on how to efficiently construct a protocol
- Dr. Chenevert took the lead on Philips and will circulate information to contributors
- A status update on the Vendor Subcommittee will be provided by Dr. Kirsch on a future call