

QIBA Quantitative CT Committee

Monday, November 23, 2009

11 AM CDT

Call Summary

In attendance

P. David Mozley, MD (co-chair)
Lawrence Schwartz, MD (co-chair)
Kristin Borradaile, MS
David A. Clunie, MBBS
Patricia E. Cole, PhD, MD
Charles Fenimore, PhD
John Fraunberger
David Gustafson, PhD
Philip F. Judy, PhD
Michael McNitt-Gray, PhD

James Mulshine, MD
Kevin O'Donnell
Nicholas Petrick, PhD
Anthony P. Reeves, PhD
Yuanxin Rong, MD, MPH
Hiro Yoshida, PhD

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Fiona Miller
Susan Anderson, MLS
Joe Koudelik

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Reminder to respond to Doodle poll at <http://www.doodle.com/d4k5guwd3tnag28d> for staffing Meet the Expert sessions at QIBA posters during RSNA 2009

Update on COPD/Asthma committee

- Have developed matrices for density and morphology (Dr Lynch) in preparation for developing Claims for Profile(s)
 - Matrices 2&3 to be harmonized
- Mr Buckler attended COPD Gene investigators' Denver meeting in early November 2009
- Mr Buckler and Dr Judy continuing work on defining groundwork
- Mr Levine has completed micro-CT scans to characterize phantom foam materials; Dr Judy will scan same materials with mini-CT
- Roadmap from roundtable has not been discussed yet in the committee
- Discussion of organizing a conference in spring 2010 on COPD mitigation schemes; Dr Crapo conducting preliminary polling of availability

Discussion of neoadjuvant window of opportunity Profile

- The Lung Nodule Protocol in the UPICT template is the base for the neoadjuvant window of opportunity Profile
- Group discussion on modifying specific elements and values
 - Draft title: Surgical management for detected cancer (early stage)
 - Operative management of lung cancer (stages 1-3a in which the tumor is <1cm)
 - Probably related to stage 1 or 1-2; stage 3 includes a primary with nodal involvement
- The use of this Profile will be more for research than therapeutic use
 - Involves expression profiling (by molecular testing) to determine whether target is modified by drug exposure in short time period (2-3 weeks) before surgical intervention
 - Rigorous quality control measures are critical
 - Profile will push the technology
- May consider two Profiles for neoadjuvant; one window of opportunity and one neoadjuvant therapy
 - Window of opportunity is a pipeline research activity which involves smaller trials at experienced centers; more a biomarker trial than a therapeutic trial
 - Observing range of response of small, focal tumors
 - Profile would adhere to tighter precision, e.g. "bull's eye" ideal ranges with 2mm recon identified as minimal

- Patients are expected to survive longer; radiation doses are similar to cancer clinical trials
- Scalability into clinical application would be technology dependent, pushing the limits of technology and challenging
- Phantom use and strict QC crucial
- A neoadjuvant therapy trial would not require the same strict QC, etc.
- Profile editing:
- Mr O'Donnell made changes in the draft document and will post on wiki
 - Changes included recommendations for slice thickness as thin as possible, e.g. 1.25mm or less for early stage lung cancer
 - Dr Schwartz could provide examples from large trials
 - Setting of 16 slice (Acceptable), 64 slice (Target) and 64+ (Ideal)
 - Note to consider 'multi-thickness' values for tumor and surrounding areas
 - Algorithms related to resolution and slice thickness—high resolution images with high functioning algorithm, high resolution images with normal (soft tissue) algorithm, normal resolution images with normal algorithm
 - Want single breathhold
 - Field of view and pixel size to be tied together for entire lung view
 - Clarifying involvement of adrenal glands
- Continue editing values and notes in section 7.1.2 table related to Data Structure

Next Steps

- Mr O'Donnell to post draft neoadjuvant window of opportunity Profile on wiki
- Dr Mulshine to supply verbiage for Executive Summary section
- Continue discussion of a tutorial page for clinicians on imaging physics
- Agenda for next call to include continued work on Profile
- Next group call to be scheduled for Dec 7 at 11 am CST