

# QIBA Contrast Enhanced Ultrasound (CEUS) Biomarker Committee (BC) Call

Friday, June 12, 2020; 11 AM CT

## Call Summary

### In attendance

Mike Averkiou, PhD (Co-Chair)

Paul Carson, PhD

Sherwin Chan, MD, PhD

Wui Chong, MD

Christian Greis, PhD

George Kapodistrias, PhD

Reinhard Kubale, MD

Andy Milkowski, MS

Nancy Obuchowski, PhD

### RSNA

Joe Koudelik

Julie Lisiecki

**Moderator:** Dr. Averkiou

### Approval of 05.08.2020 call summary

- The summary was approved as presented

### Phantom Study Manuscript Updates

- Dr. Averkiou submitted the manuscript to *Investigative Radiology* for its special issue on contrast media, to be published in October and is currently inspecting the proofs
  - Investigative Radiology* was selected due to the research nature of the manuscript; *Radiology* tends to focus on more clinically relevant topics
- Dr. Averkiou shared some highlights from the paper, including promising repeatability results on different scanners that represent multiple permutations of systems and software
- He will distribute the paper to the BC once the proofs are edited
- Though the paper focuses on in vitro studies, it may help to guide claim development for the CEUS Profile

### QIBA Profile – In progress

- Drs Averkiou and Barr to follow up with Drs. Chung and Laue regarding the QIBA DCE-MRI Profile as a CEUS guide
- Dr. Averkiou has started compiling Profile sections but needs help with clarifying the claims
  - More help is needed with clinical context in particular, and clinician input is vital
- The Executive Summary has been drafted; all are asked to provide feedback
  - The focus will be on bolus transit (wash-in and washout), for liver lesions
- A proposed placeholder title is, “CEUS Bolus Quantification”
  - Future versions of the Profile may include other clinical applications, e.g., neonatal brain evaluation, kidney, prostate, breast cancer, inflammatory bowel disease, etc.
  - There may be regulatory aspects that will need to be considered in future discussions
- Collaborative drafting of the Profile was emphasized, as there is a need for diverse expertise
  - Dr. Averkiou emphasized that no contribution is too small, and he is happy to put into words the ideas that others may wish to contribute
- RSNA Staff has created a [Google form](#) for interested BC members to sign up to co/author Profile sections
- All are asked to think about the claims before the next call, as they will inform the rest of the Profile
  - Volunteers are needed to complete the literature search

### Action items:

- All are asked to sign up for drafting Profile sections using the [Google form](#)
- All are asked to consider directions for the claims, to be discussed on the next call – and to forward suggestions to the co-chairs: Drs. [Averkiou](#), [Barr](#), and [Erpelding](#)
- Drs. Averkiou and Barr to follow up with Drs. [Chung](#) and [Laue](#), Co-Chairs of the DCE-MRI BC

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The next scheduled QIBA ultrasound calls will be as follows at 11 am CT, unless otherwise noted:

<b>07/03</b>	RSNA holiday – no calls	<b>08/07</b>	SWS BC
<b>07/10</b>	CEUS BC	<b>08/14</b>	CEUS BC
<b>07/24</b>	SWS BC – TBD	<b>Aug</b>	US Qtr 3 Coordinating Cttee – TBD

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**Helpful Resources:**

- Examples of **Profiles** can be found on the QIBA Wiki here: <http://qibawiki.rsna.org/index.php/Profiles>
- Link to the **US Shear Wave Speed Profile** – which recently completed public comment: [http://qibawiki.rsna.org/images/b/b7/QIBA\\_US\\_SWS\\_Profile\\_10.21.19.pdf](http://qibawiki.rsna.org/images/b/b7/QIBA_US_SWS_Profile_10.21.19.pdf)
- **QIBA Profile template:** [http://qibawiki.rsna.org/index.php/QIBA\\_Profile\\_Template](http://qibawiki.rsna.org/index.php/QIBA_Profile_Template)
- **How to Write a QIBA Profile:** [http://qibawiki.rsna.org/index.php/How\\_to\\_Write\\_a\\_Profile](http://qibawiki.rsna.org/index.php/How_to_Write_a_Profile)
- **Claim Guidance:** [http://qibawiki.rsna.org/index.php/Claim\\_Guidance](http://qibawiki.rsna.org/index.php/Claim_Guidance)
- All Profile Editors are encouraged to join the QIBA Process Committee to learn about QIBA writing tips and processes and network with other Profile Editors to exchange best practices

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