

ADNI Conference Call  
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Danielle filled in for Laurel on today's call. She updated the group on Laurel's plan for the presentation in Boston. This presentation will be very similar to the one presented earlier in the month in Washington, D.C. and will focus on the analytic plan, some preliminary analyses based on a few of the neuropsychological measures, and encouraging the different groups to start submitting imaging summary measures to ADCS.

On the last MRI call, Danielle reminded the labs to start submitting summary measures as soon as they have data generated, rather than waiting until all images have been processed. Data may be submitted in batches, but hopefully "smaller" batches, so we can begin to look at the data! We need data before we can plan the workshop on data access and data analysis for which many people are anxiously awaiting. Paul Thompson reported on that call that his lab had done some preliminary TBM analyses on 40 normals, 40 MCI, and 40 AD and was considering submitting to LONI deformation maps for each subject.

The PET call focused on the work to be done in Bill Jagust's lab at UC Berkeley. He will be generating ROI summaries. Some summaries will be anatomically based, while others may be based on a "meta-analysis" of cross-sectional studies in the literature (few to no longitudinal PET studies reported in the literature).

Monica reported that ADCS is actively corresponding with the different labs processing MRI and PET data to get forms created so they will be ready for data submission when labs are ready to send in data. This effort is currently the top priority at ADCS. They have also been in communication with the biomarker group, who is still deciding on what exactly will be generated. Monica thought some of that information would be provided soon.

Next call: May 8, 2007