

ADNI Biostat call, 19 December 2006

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Laurel noted that the draft analysis plan has been sent out quite widely now. We have requested comments and edits back by first week of January and will plan to turn this around by mid January.

Mike asked about Mike Weiner's communication about a meeting with FDA. The statistics folks will continue in discussions but some meetings will be held that are broader and include imaging and neurology folks. This is likely to be organized by Executive Committee (or at least a higher level than our group).

Some of the FDA imaging folks would like to see more detail on the methods for imaging and for clinical outcomes. Danielle will e-mail a copy of whatever documents we have (the original grant, subsequent modifications.) John noted most of this is not addressed in analytic plan; Danielle can send things after call.

Recruitment continues well; we anticipate finishing around April or May. John was on the first half of MRI call so no word on how we are doing with getting data uploaded in form that we can analyze. Images were supposed to be available for labs. Karen was going to do a walk-through to show them how to access images. There is supposed to be a call on Friday. Karen Crawford at LONI received some information from voxel-based groups on what they will submit. She has a nice spreadsheet. Danielle doesn't think it includes any summary measures like maximal t or global summary. Numerical summary labs have sent information on hippocampal volume and WMH and stroke, but no information from Nick Fox or Anders Dale. Norbert has sent exactly what hippocampal volume measures and the allowable ranges. We think that images are going to LONI and summary measures to ADCS but this is still not set up. Bill Jagust has not decided on PET regions he will focus on yet. We need to push to get these measures decided and into the database.

Rob asked about training sessions; they will be held once we have data. We had thought of spring quarter, 2007, but will have to see how the data release proceeds.

We will NOT have a call on 2 January; the next call will be 16 January 2007. Happy New Year!