ADNI Biostatistics Conference Call Minutes: December 7, 2010

Present on call: Laurel Beckett, Danielle Harvey, Arnold Huang, Fred Immerman, Bill Billing, Mike Donohue, David Verbel, Davd Shera, Nandini Raghavan,

Mike Donohue updated us on new data. They have an update with U Pittsburg with PiB data; they removed pons. RBM data were uploaded, with both a raw file and a processed file, and documentation that explains the difference. Thanks to Fred Immerman for helping to push that along and make it available. Fred says that the primer should be helpful to explain the data analysis. There is also an appendix with the SAP. The UCSD MRI data now have an ICV measure.

Holly Soares has expressed interest in working with a graduate student on the RBM. We are trying to sort out the financial tricks.

As sites get approved for ADNI GO, there will be a trickle of data flowing in; so far LONI has not released for analysis. So analyses will focus on original ADNI-1 data.

Analyses are proceeding. Laurel and Danielle have doctoral students working on various projects. Laurel is starting a project to do a careful description of change in the ADNI ApoE4.

Danielle asked about the industry data documentation and management group; their next meeting is this week, and they will update us.

Nandini asked about a mechanism for reporting ADNI data inconsistencies and Mike D suggested just sending to the ADNI or ADCS and they will go to Sarah and rest of team.

The next official ADNI group meeting (ISAB, Steering Committee) will be in Los Angeles April 8 and 9, 2011. The organizers have set aside a room for the biostatistics folks to get together the morning of April 8. Danielle, Laurel, Mike Donohue and Anthony Gamst will be there. Please let us know if you are interested in joining us for informal biostatistics discussions or other activities (showing our research results, talking about analysis issues and plans, whatever!)

Our next call is Tuesday, January 4, 2011.