



CNI User Meeting

DECEMBER 7, 2018



CNI User Meeting Agenda

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- Scheduling Discussion
- Long-Range Plans
- Flywheel Migration & How-To
- New CNI Features
- Comment / Question Session

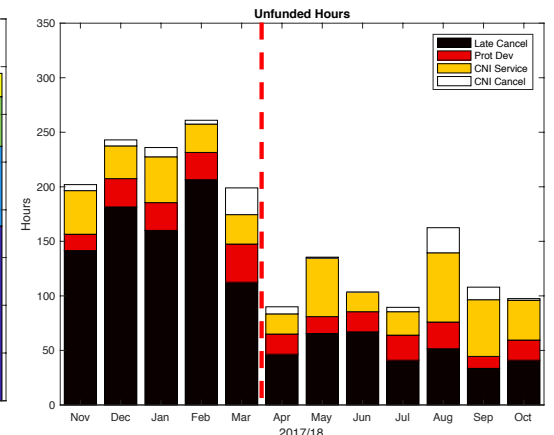
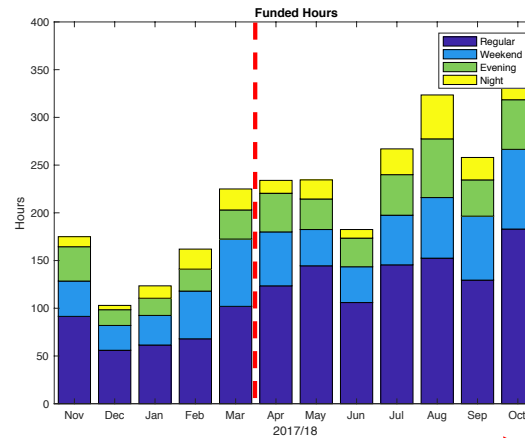
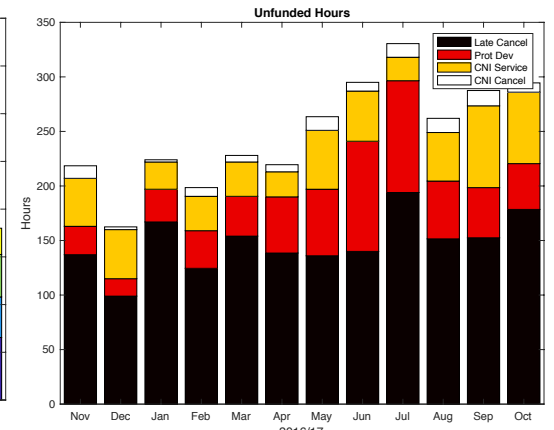
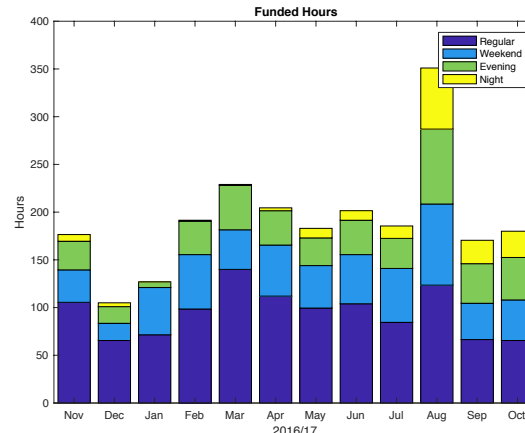
Scheduling Discussion

- Scheduling status mid-2017—3/18:
 - CNI schedule almost fully booked for 6 months in advance
 - Large # cancellations with 1-3 days notice
 - Low effective scanner usage



Scheduling Discussion

- New policy effects
 - Increased daytime usage
 - Fewer cancellations
 - Highest ever usage 10/2018



New Policy →

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Scheduling Discussion – Reviews Nov 2018

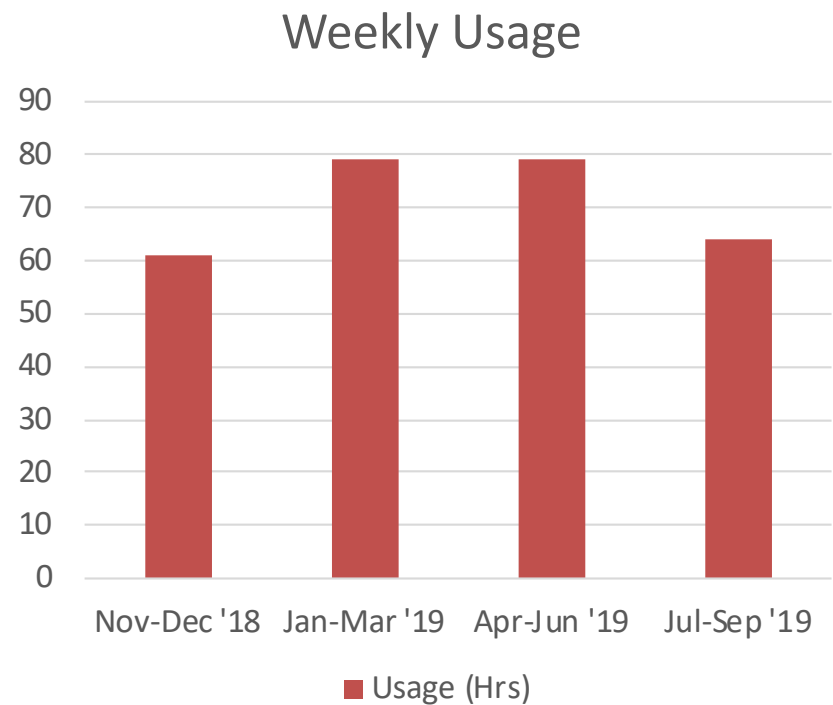
- Comments regarding scheduling difficulties
 - Protocols that have multiple scan dates (baseline/followup or pre/post-treatment) are hard to schedule
 - Protocols that require near-term scanner access are very hard to schedule
 - Extend schedule access beyond 8 weeks; limit schedule access to 4 weeks
 - Implement a quota limit for each lab

Scheduling Discussion – Reviews Nov 2018

- Interest in using other centers?
 - 50% No
 - If scanner demand stays the same: 20% No, 30% Yes
- Can CNI do anything to help migration to other centers?
 - Yes, establish a common MRI scanner schedule; implement a mechanism to keep protocols in sync across multiple scanners
 - No – have dedicated auxiliary equipment at CNI that is not available elsewhere
 - No – convenience of having pre-interview and scan in our building is significant
 - No – ambiance of waiting area, mock scanner, and environment is too much of a win for scanning children to leave
 - No, switching to data from different system in middle of study could create a confound
 - No, too challenging for staff to commute to scan at other centers
 - Prefer scanning at CNI as 1) we have a longitudinal study and 2) it is much more tailored to our needs than other centers

Scheduling Discussion – Reviews Nov 2018

- User poll shows projected usage of 260 – 340 hrs/month
- Less than Oct. 2018 – 440 hrs
- Not all responses received yet

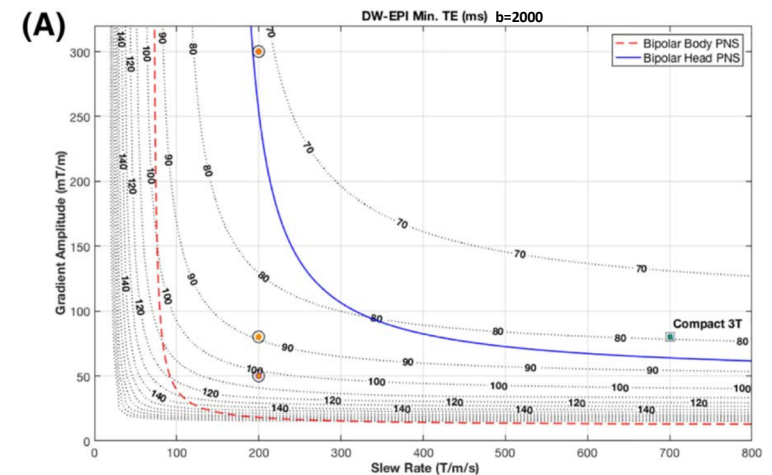
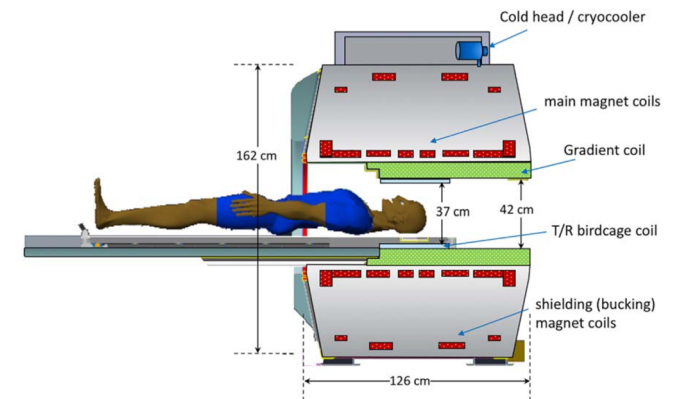


Scheduling Discussion – Round Table Meetings

- Thank you to everyone who participated
- Very useful suggestions / discussion
 - Adding calendar “release request” feature
 - Color coding of subject scheduling difficulty
 - Implementing a lab / grant quota
 - Blocking off time for short-term release
- Scheduling policy changes
 - CNI will book 2-3 blocks of 2-hours each week, releasing them when they are within the 2-week window
 - Will continue to monitor scanner demand

Long-Range Plans

- \$3.5M NSF Major Research Instrumentation proposal
 - Psychology (Wandell), Radiology (Glover), Electrical Engineering (Pauly, Kerr)
- GE compact 3T head-only system
 - Low weight, low He volume magnet
 - One system at Mayo Clinic (Bernstein)
 - Very high slew rate (700 mT/m/ms)
 - Improved gradient amplitude (80 mT/m)
- Site location will be basement of Packard EE building (~3,000 sq. ft. identified)
- First 2 years of operation covered by NSF proposal, will translate into a service center



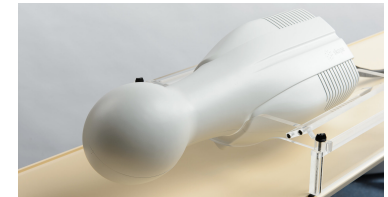
Lightweight, compact, and high-performance 3T MR system for imaging the brain and extremities

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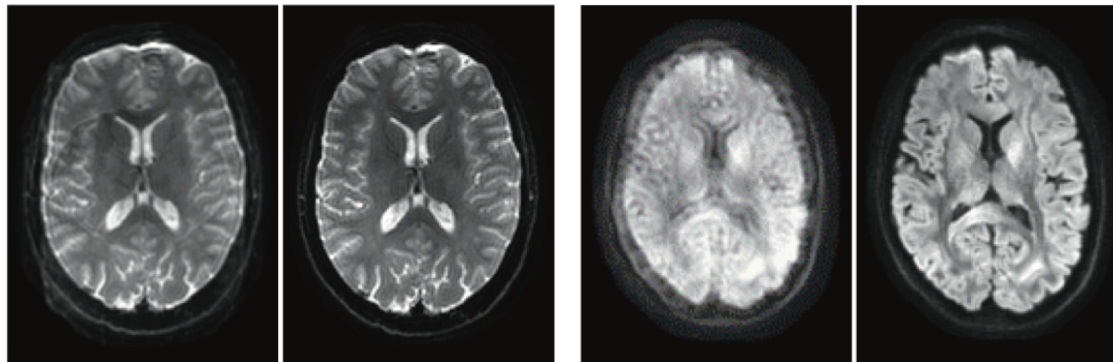
- NSF proposal will also include Skope system
- Measures field dynamics at up to 1Mhz and 3rd order spherical harmonics (an MR oscilloscope)
- Correction of actual encoding reduces artifacts and allows for optimizing sequences for improved SNR
- An enabling technology for non-Cartesian acquisitions that will highly benefit from compact 3T performance



Processing &
Acquisition System



Field Camera

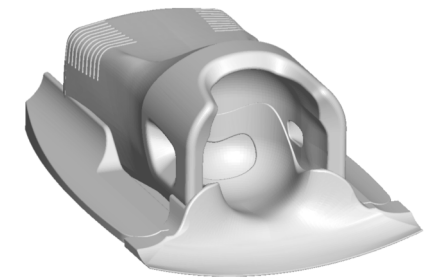


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without correction

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with correction

[2] single-shot spiral
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with correction



Integrated Field Camera & 16-
Channel Receive Array

Long-Range Plans

- CNI upgrade to Premier system
 - Wider bore: 70cm vs 60cm
 - Increased receiver channel count (140)
 - Increased peak gradient amplitude (80 mT/m)
 - DTI SNR improved due to shorter TE, but gradient heating limits efficiency gains
 - Large 48-channel head coil (separable)
 - Nova 32-channel coil still compatible
 - 8-channel head array incompatible
- Lucas Premier system availability allows us to conduct thorough evaluation prior to upgrade
- Installation
 - Planned start Dec. 2019
 - Four to six week downtime



A brief history of NIMS

CNI Data Management – Core mission

- Data Integrity
- Usability
- Future Innovations
- Collaboration

NIMS (2011-2018)

- 6 servers
- 100s of HDDs
- 17281 Sessions
- ~200TB data

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NIMS – Why we moved

Considerations

1. Scalability
2. Technology
3. Features

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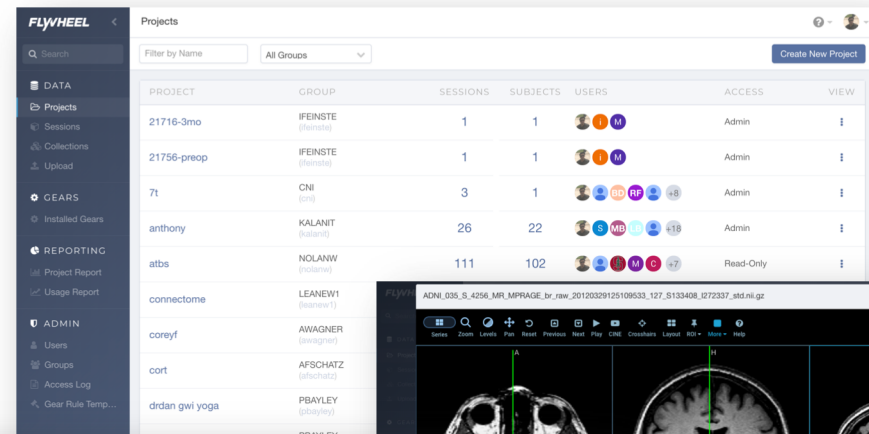
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Benefits

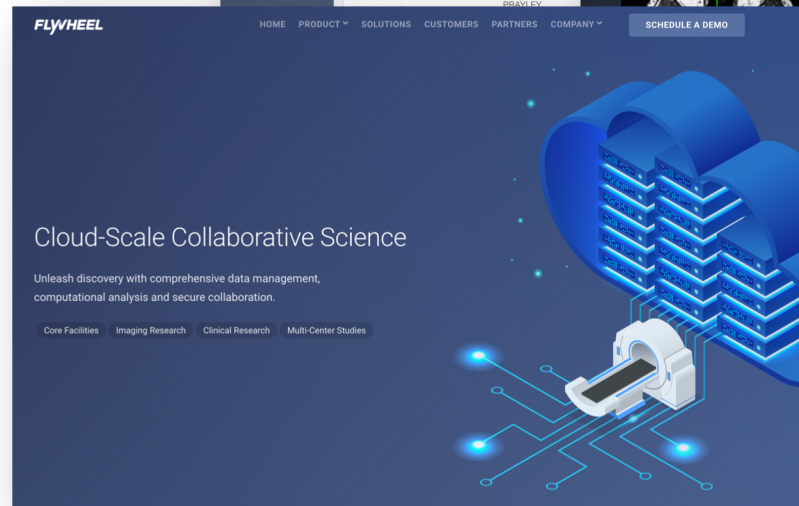
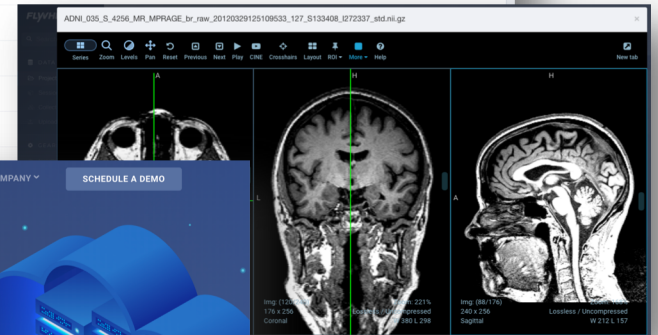
- Cloud hosted
- Truly scalable
- Dynamic Data processing (Gears+Rules)
- Project/User Management
- Collections
- Visualization
- CLI
- SDK...

Usage

- ~5000 Sessions
- 100,000+ Gears Run
- ~80TB



PROJECT	GROUP	SESSIONS	SUBJECTS	USERS	ACCESS	VIEW
21716-3mo	IFENSTE (ifenste)	1	1		Admin	
21756-preop	IFENSTE (ifenste)	1	1		Admin	
7t	CNI (cni)	3	1		Admin	
anthony	KALANIT (kalanit)	26	22		Admin	
atbs	NOLANW (nolanw)	111	102		Read-Only	
connectome	LEANEW1 (leanew1)					
coreyf	AWAGNER (awagner)					
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NIMS – The Move

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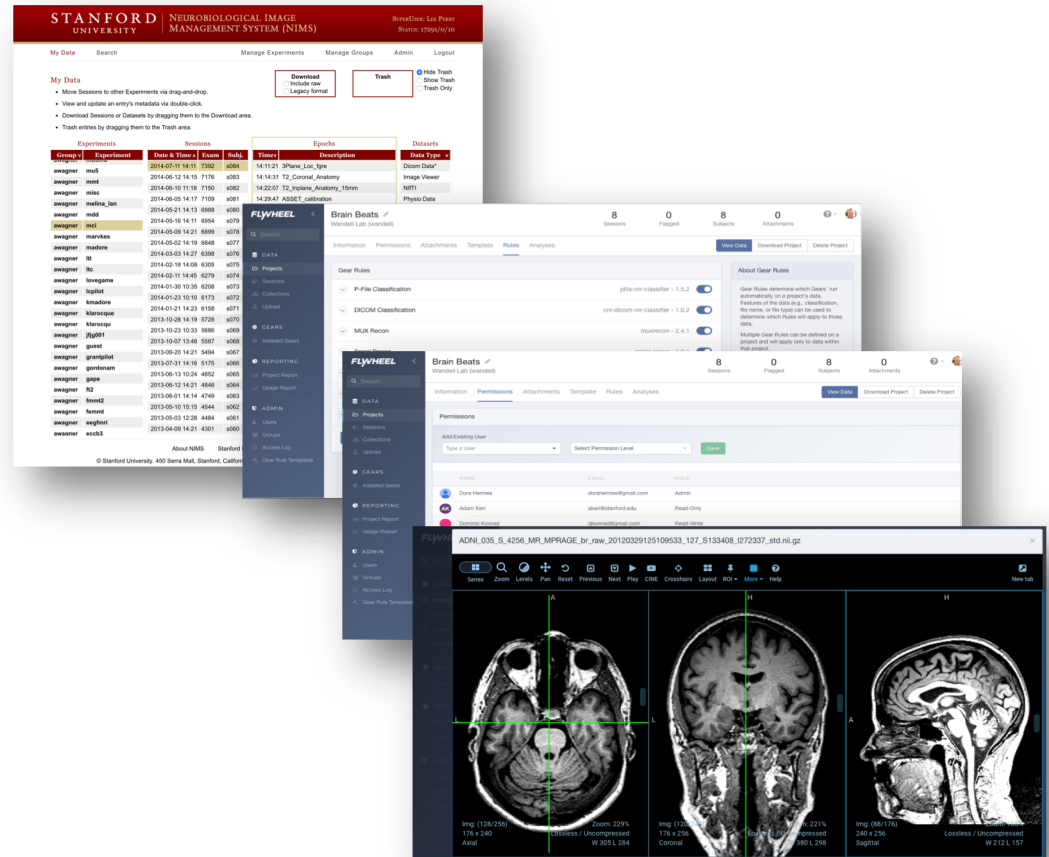
- Flywheel begins shadowing NIMS
- Access provided to all users

September 2018

- Full switch to Flywheel
- NIMS no longer receiving new data

Going forward

- Migration of specific projects
- Migration of all NIMS data



NIMS – The Move

Things to know about the move ...

- NIMS Feature Parity +
- Logins and permissions
- Sorting remains the same
 - Patient ID

`<subject_code>@<group>/<project>`

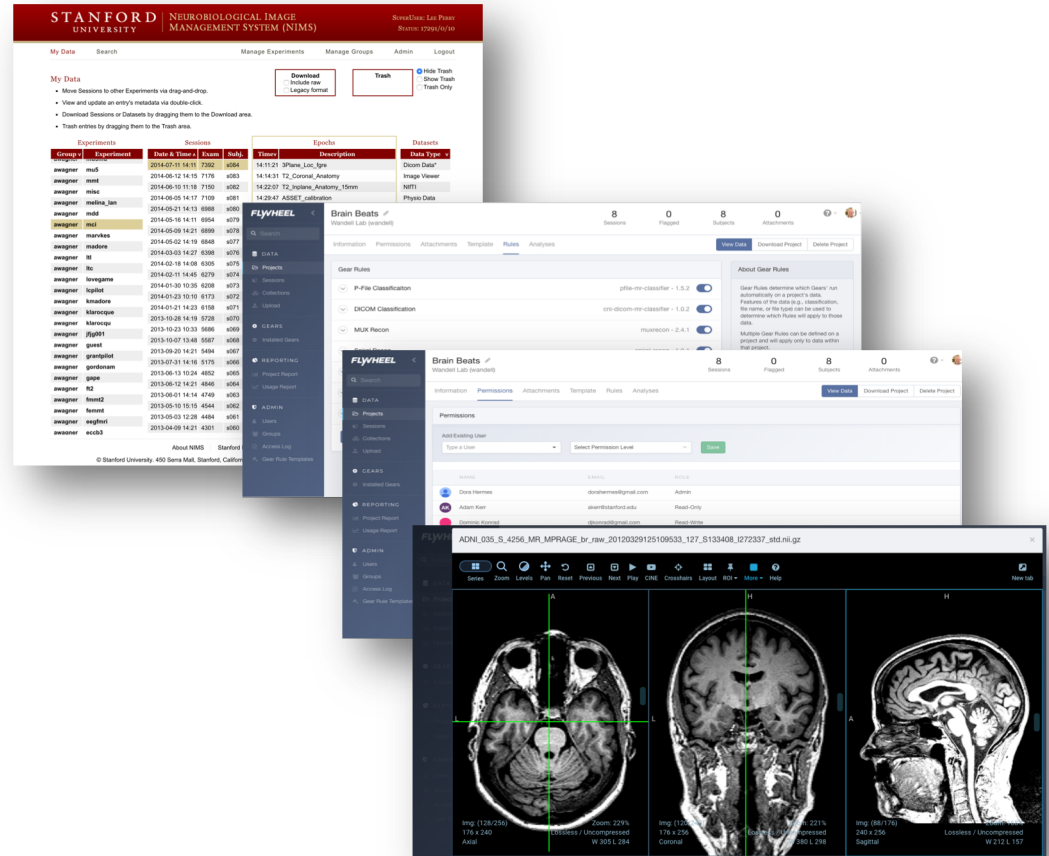
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- Session Labels

`label_<label_name>`

- Session Tags

`tag_<tag_name>`




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The Researcher's Data &
Analysis Platform

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FLYWHEEL

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New CNI Features

- Advances in in-vivo spectroscopy techniques and analysis
 - Implemented and supporting several spectroscopy sequences both for GABA specific and multi-metabolite data acquisition
 - Automated voxel placement tool
 - Flywheel support for Gannet & LCModel
- Increasing number of exams at CNI incorporate MRS in protocol (~10% for FY18)
- Regular spectroscopy user meeting
- Contact Laima Baltusis for more information

New CNI Features

- The Laima Box
 - Organized input devices and video control into server rack for more robust and easier operation
 - Improved distribution of trigger signals
 - Video projector system interface still needs work
- Biohazard Handling and CLIA Waiver
 - Applied for Clinical Lab status with CADPH and CLIA waiver (allows over-the-counter tests onsite)
 - Carolyn Rodriguez is our Clinical Lab Director (Thanks!)
 - Biohazard waste bins and collection in place



New CNI Features

- Eye tracking support
 - New camera mount and camera head installed
 - Improved sight line to subject eye
 - Can be easily moved out of sight if undesired
 - Use of long-range illuminator is problematic, so near-range illuminator still preferred



New CNI Features

- Actively working towards a migration from CNI SMS (or MUX) sequences to GE Hyperband
 - Advantage to users will be an improved user interface, robustness and near real-time image reconstruction on the scanner host
 - Implementing Split-Slice GRAPPA reconstruction in product pipeline
 - We will conduct thorough comparison of image quality and SNR between sequences with goal of satisfying investigators with any concern about method equivalence

Help Maintain a Productive Environment

- Please stay on time
- Please return all supplies & equipment as necessary so they are ready for the next user
- We all enjoy a nice facility – please keep it looking that way by cleaning up
- Please help us to ensure good data quality
 - Please review your data in a timely fashion
 - Regular QA scans cannot capture all system problems / errors
 - Let us know of any problems as soon as possible

Future CNI User Meetings

- Every 3-6 months
- Inviting “Power Pitch Talks” from user labs for next meeting
 - Brief presentation of research goals & methodology
 - Goal is to foster collaboration and share best practices
- Will host more small meetings to focus on scheduling policy changes if warranted by scanner demand