

## MAKING PROGRESS TOWARDS A COPD AND LUNG NODULE PROTOCOL

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## **Consideration for developing a multi-task protocol**

- My view from a technical implementation perspective
- What issue should the joint protocol solve?
  - Clinical
    - Identify clinical conditions to accommodate
      - CPOD conditions
      - Lung nodule conditions
      - Joint conditions
      - New conditions/research exploration
    - Application area
      - Which are real-world clinical?
      - Which are research?
  - Measurements
    - Define QI functions/measurements to accommodate based on clinical task above
      - Set of well defined measurements
      - Radiomics approach
      - Deep learning approach

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## **Consideration for developing a multi-task protocol**

- Technical Implementation
  - Define imaging requirements
    - Answering question on previous slide will help determine imaging requirements for a single protocol
      - Or need for additional studies to determine protocol requirements
    - Is the joint protocol drive by the COPD needs, lung nodule needs or a combination?
      - If driven by one technique then this becomes less a protocol development issue and more a distribution/use issue
  - Determine the QA/QC required for each task
    - Physics measurements
    - Phantoms measurements
    - User training/qualifications

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