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# Addendum I: More about FDA The actual grant application

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# FDA Issues and Ideas

- “Base workstation” has clinical mode (FDA 510K)
- Switches to research mode on demand
  - Clearly marked to user
  - Automatic de-identification
  - Some users can only be in research mode
    - Site determination / IRB
- DICOM WG23 plug-ins: 2 kinds
  - Approved (Vendor/FDA)
  - WIP (works in progress)
    - Only available in research mode

# FDA Issues and Ideas: Process

- Current NA-MIC/vTK/iTK builds/dashboards, etc.
  - NECESSARY but not SUFFICIENT
- Must extend robust process back to design
  - UML? Sparx Systems Enterprise Architect?
- Goal: Introduce process to FDA stepwise
  - Versus at end of development
- Goal: Freeze base workstation and take changes through FDA within 90 days

# The Grant

- 1R01-124379-01
  - “A Translation Workstation for Cancer Research Imaging”
- Submitted: January 17, 2006
- Pending Review: July 2006 (Yikes!)
- Assigned:
  - NCI
  - NIBIB
  - Roadmap Intitatives
  - NIGMS

# The Team

- Northwestern
  - Pat Mongkolwat PhD
  - Alex Kogan
  - 2 x SW Engineer TBD
  - 2 x Grad Students TBD
  - 1 x Undergrad TBD
- Isomics
  - Stephen Pieper PhD
  - Alex Yarmarkovich PhD

# Two Specific Aims

1. Enhance NA-MIC's flagship software Slicer with:
  1. Clinical functionality
  2. Standards based interoperability
2. Test the null hypothesis:

There is no difference in the time it takes a diagnostic radiologist to perform a set of tasks related to interpreting a lung cancer imaging research study using a state-of-the-art commercial workstation and the time it takes to perform the same tasks on the enhanced Slicer workstation.

# Clinical Functionality

- Authoring tool for DICOM S/R objects
- Basic medical image display and manipulation
  - All 17 DICOM image objects (!)
  - Mapping DICOM objects directly into Slicer model (Isomics)
- DICOM WG23 support
- Hanging Protocols
- Annotation and Measurement
- Normal and Structured Reports (dictation out of scope)
- Security and de-identification

# IHE Interoperability

- IHE Consistent Presentation of Images
- IHE Reporting Workflow
- IHE Key Image Note
- IHE Teaching File and Clinical Trial Export
- IHE Evidence Document (for SIAM)
- IHE Audit Trail and Node Authentication



# Can we improve the research process?

- Give accession number to radiologist
- Retrieve study from worklist
- Retrieve historical case
- View current study
- View historical study
- Measure mass in new study
- Measure mass in old study
- Dictate report
- Export images from PACS
- Load study into 3D workstation
- Perform volumetric calculation of mass
- Dictate research report (from template)