

RSNA 2008

Imaging Informatics Updates

DICOM

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DICOM Update

- Supplement status as an indication of the scope and pace of DICOM activities
- Enhanced family of objects – features and new modalities
- Segmentation storage
- Radiation Dose reporting
- Display and presentation
- Encapsulated documents
- Specimen identification
- Hosted applications

2006 Supplements

- Sup 111 – Segmentation Storage
- Sup 112 – Deformable Spatial Registration Storage
- Sup 133 – Email Transport

2007 Supplements

- Sup 107 – Substance Administration Information
- Sup 110 – Ophthalmic Tomography Image Storage
- Sup 114 – DICOM Encapsulation of CDA
- Sup 116 – X-Ray 3D Storage
- Sup 127 – CT Radiation Dose Reporting

2008 Supplements

- Sup 117 – Enhanced PET Image
- Sup 122 – Specimen Identification (Revised)
- Sup 123 – Structured Display
- Sup 125 – Breast Tomosynthesis
- Sup 128 – Cardiac Stress Testing SR
- Sup 130 – Ophthalmic Refractive Measurements

Trial Implementation Supplements

- Sup 74 – RT Delivery Worklist
- Sup 95 – Audit Trail Messages
- Sup 96 – Unified Worklist

Letter Ballot Supplements

- Sup 119 – Instance & Frame Retrieve
- Sup 132 – Surface Segmentation
- Sup 137 – MPEG2 MP@HL

Public Comment Supplements

- Sup 120 – Extended Presentation States
- Sup 126 – Colon CAD SR
- Sup 129 – Electrophysiology SR, Log
- Sup 133 – Color Palette Storage & Q/R
- Sup 135 – SR Imaging Report Transformation to CDA
- Sup 139 – Enhanced XA/XRF Informative Annex
- Sup 140 – XA/XRF Presentation State

Work in Progress Supplements

- Sup 43 – Ultrasound ND Storage
- Sup 115 – Evidence Documents
- Sup 118 – Application Hosting
- Sup 121 – Modality Procedure Plan
- Sup 124 – Display Parameter Communication
- Sup 131 – Bone Mounted Implant Description Storage
- Sup 134 – Implantation Plan SR
- Sup 136 – DOT Mammography
- Sup 138 – Crestal Implant Storage
- Sup 141 – Enhanced MR Color Image
- Sup 142 – Clinical Trial De-identification
- Sup 143 – Macular Grid Thickness and Volume
- Sup 144 – Ophthalmic Axial Measures

Enhanced Image Objects

- “Old” objects
 - single frame
 - not up to date with technology changes (MDCT)
 - too much optional, ambiguous, or proprietary
- “New” (enhanced) objects
 - multi-frame (faster performance, better compression)
 - better organized (volumes, dynamic contrast)
 - encode advanced acquisition technique
 - mandatory rather than optional terms & attributes
- All new image types are enhanced family

Enhanced Image Objects Technique Attributes & Terms

SOP Class	CT		MR	
	Original	Enhanced	Original	Enhanced
Attributes (Mandatory)	18 (0)	41 (39)	44 (2)	103 (94)
Terms (Enumerated)	4 (2)	86 (18)	38 (9)	228 (47)

Trigger
Delay
Time

Temporal
Position
Index

48 ms

2



In-Stack Position

Stack ID = 1

1 \ 5 \ 2

Dimension
Index
Values

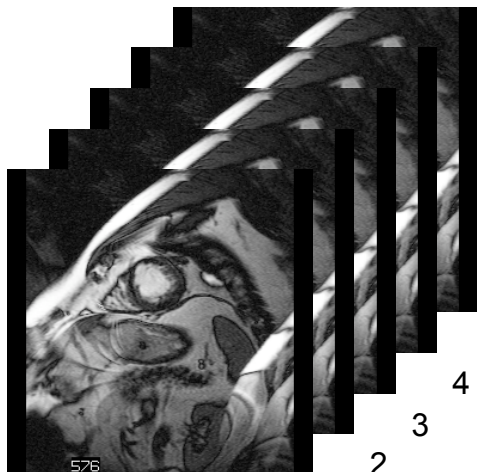
1\5\2
1\4\2
1\3\2
1\2\2
1\1\2

Dimension Index Pointers:

1. Stack ID
2. In-Stack Position
3. Temporal Position Index

0 ms

1



In-Stack Position

Stack ID = 1

Time (2)

1\5\1
1\4\1
1\3\1
1\2\1
1\1\1

Space (1)

Enhanced Image Objects

- 2002/03 – Enhanced MR
- 2004/07 – Enhanced CT
- 2005/09 – Enhanced XA/XRF
- 2007/01 – 3D X-Ray
- 2007/10 – Ophthalmic Tomography
- 2008/01 – Enhanced PET
- 2008/08 – Breast Tomosynthesis

Segmentation Objects

- Raster-based segmentation
 - encoded as an image
 - binary (is segment or not)
 - probabilistic (% voxel is likely to be segment)
 - occupancy (% of voxel is segment)
- Surface segmentation
 - 3D mesh – same as implant descriptions

Radiation Dose Encoding

- Increasing international public and regulatory scrutiny of radiation dose from imaging
- Existing encoding in images & PPS inadequate
- Need persistent object related to irradiation events
- SR-based encoding
- Sup 94 – Radiation Dose Report
- Sup 127 – CT Radiation Dose Report
- CP 687 – Dose Reporting for Mammography

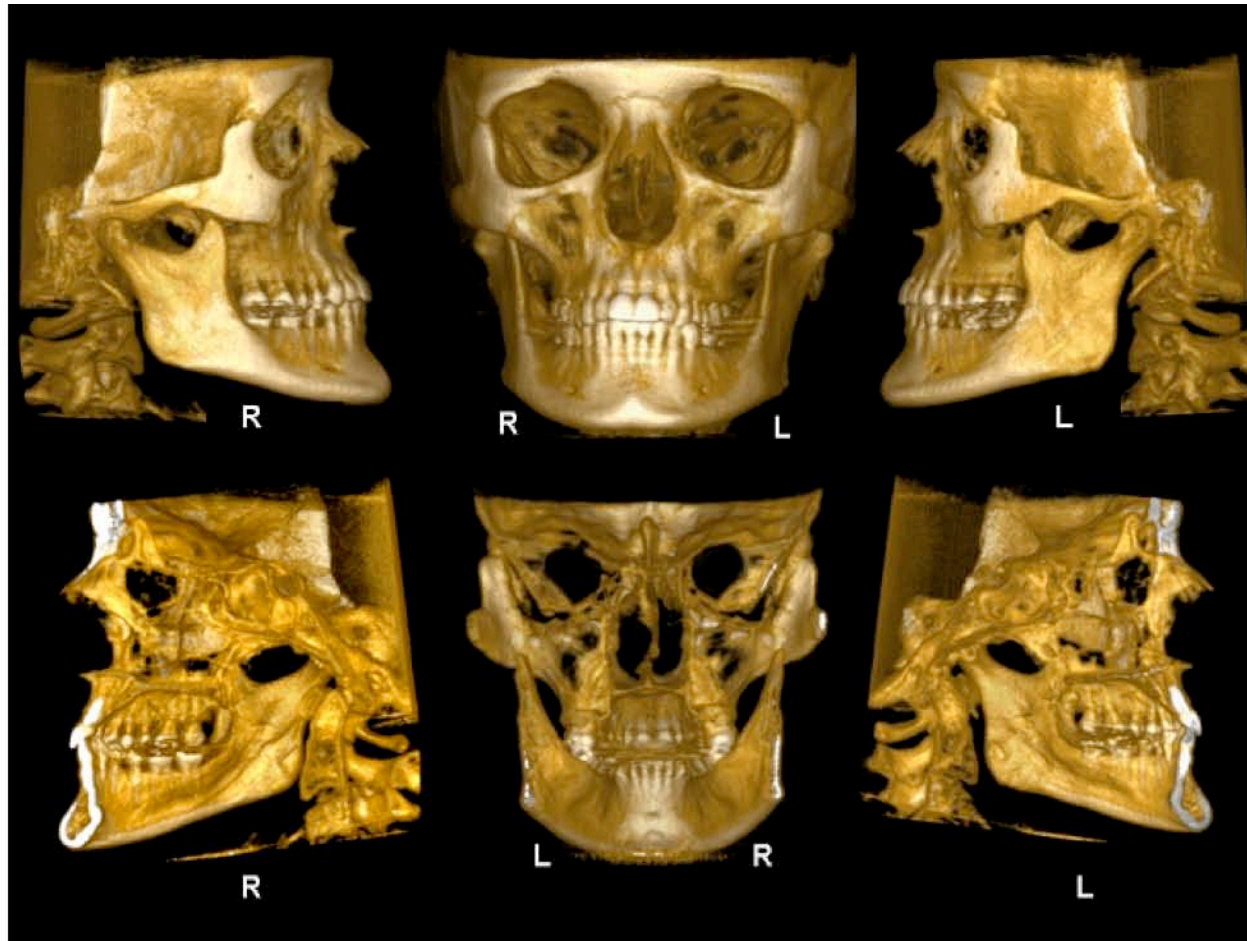
CT Radiation Dose Reporting

- Significant concern about radiation dose of screening MDCT exams
- Difficult to estimate/monitor from images alone
- Acquire, store and analyze information about “irradiation events” separately from images
- IEC defines metrics
- DICOM defines encoding in Sup 127 (as SR objects)
- NEMA (vendors) committed to timely implementation
- ACR CT dose registry will use Dose SR
- IHE Radiation Exposure Monitoring (REM) Profile

Display & Presentation

- **Structured Display**
 - how to layout specific sets of images
 - as opposed to hanging protocols, which are rules for a class of images
 - dentistry initiative, general mechanism
- **Communication of Display Parameters**
 - for managing display device calibration
 - centralized storage of QC results
 - JIRA initiative

Structured Display



Document Encapsulation

- For storing and distributing “external” documents within PACS
 - digitized paper
 - page oriented results
 - other structured document formats
- Sup 104 (FT 2005/03) - PDF
- Sup 114 (FT 2007/01) - CDA (HL7)

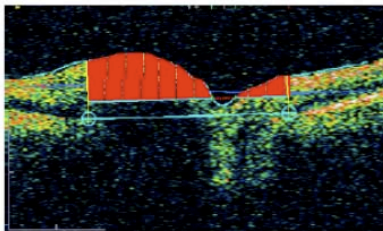
Encapsulated PDF

**STRATUS OCT
Optic Nerve Head Analysis Report - 4.0.1 (0056)**



DOB: 11/12/1932, ID: 148596, Female

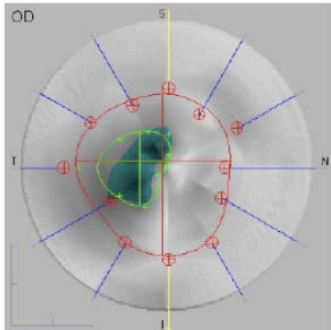
Scan Type: Fast Optic Disc: OD
Scan Date: 12/9/2007
Scan Length: 4.0 mm



Individual Radial Scan Analysis
Rim Area (Vert. Cross Section): 0.49 mm²
Avg Nerve Width @ Disk: 0.42 mm
Disk Diameter: 2.09 mm
Cup Diameter: 0.25 mm
Rim Length (Horiz.): 1.85 mm



Signal Strength (Max: 10) | 4



Optic Nerve Head Analysis Results
Vert. Integrated Rim Area (Vol.) 0.785 mm²
Horiz. Integrated Rim Width (Area) 1.959 mm²
Disk Area 2.917 mm²
Cup Area 0.599 mm²
Rim Area 2.318 mm²
Cup/Disk Area Ratio 0.205
Cup/Disk Horiz. Ratio 0.456
Cup/Disk Vert. Ratio 0.459

Plot Background:
 None Absolute Aligned and Shaded
Cup Offset for Topo (microns): 150
Cup Area (Topo): 0.428 mm²
Cup Volume (Topo): 0.024 mm³

SCAN 1 : Results not Modified.
SCAN 2 : Results not Modified.
SCAN 3 : Results not Modified.
SCAN 4 : Results not Modified.
SCAN 5 : Results not Modified.
SCAN 6 : Results not Modified.

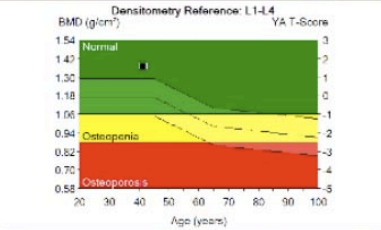
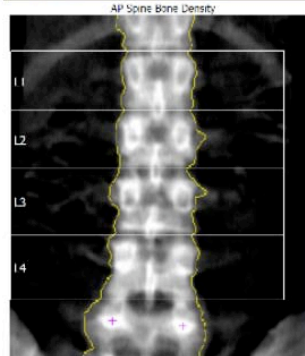
Signature: _____

Physician: _____, M.D.

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**GE Healthcare
726 Heartland Trail
Madison, WI 53717-1915**

Patient: Facility ID:
Birth Date: Referring Physician:
Height / Weight: Measured: 1/9/2002 10:41:55 AM (6.00)
Sex / Ethnic: Female Asian Analyzed: 10/1/2007 3:09:05 PM (12.00)



Region	BMD (g/cm ³)	Young-Adult T-Score	Age-Matched Z-Score
L1	1.357	1.9	2.0
L2	1.392	1.6	1.4
L3	1.353	1.3	1.7
L4	1.373	1.4	1.5
L1-L4	1.369	1.6	1.7

COMMENTS:

Image net for diagnosis
Printed: 10/2/2007 3:43:15 PM (12.00/0.0) 00:50:00:12.0 0.009.06 0.50xL05
28.3-1688-12.0%
3.05x.05.6.00.0.00
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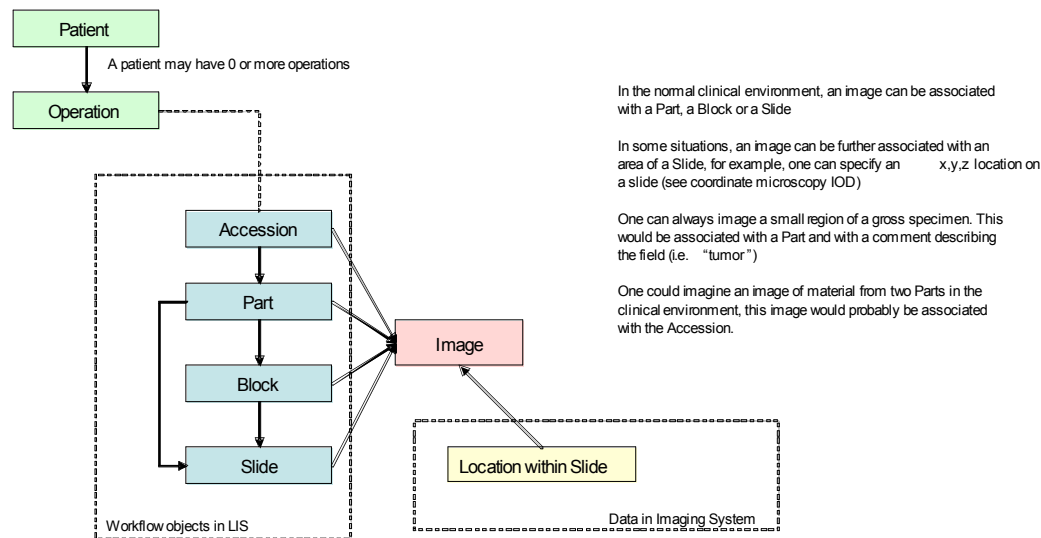
1 - Statistically 85% of people score fall within 1SD (± 0.010 g/cm³ for AP Spine L1-L4)
2 - IFA (Current NHANES, ages 30-39) / same (ages 30-40) AP Spine Reference Population (4330)
3 - Metric for Age, Weight (Masses 25-100 kg), QTY: 1
11 - World Health Organization - Definition of Osteoporosis and Osteopenia for Caucasian Women: Normal = T-Score at or above -1.0 SD; Osteopenia = T-Score between -1.0 and -1.5 SD; Osteoporosis = T-Score at or below -1.5 SD; (WHO definitions only apply when a young healthy Caucasian Women reference database is used to determine T-Scores.)

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Specimen Identification

- Sup 122 – Specimen Identification
- Renewed interest by pathology group
- Original attempt was too simplistic

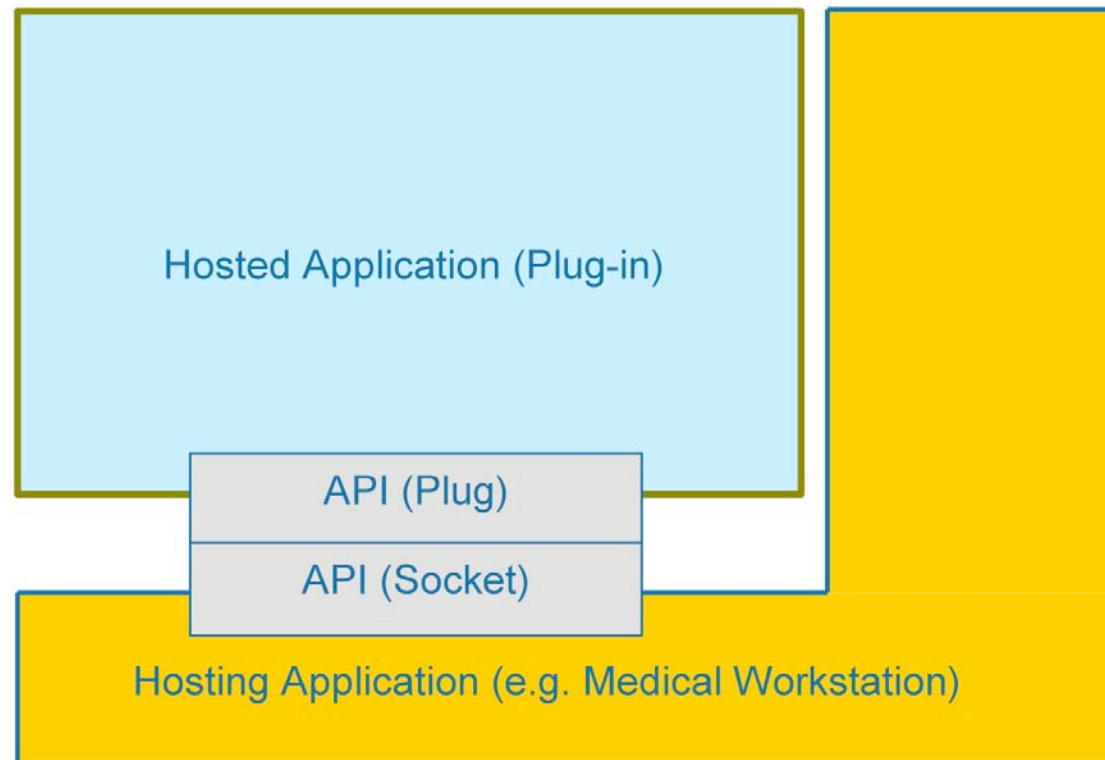
Integration of Images and LIS in Anatomic Pathology



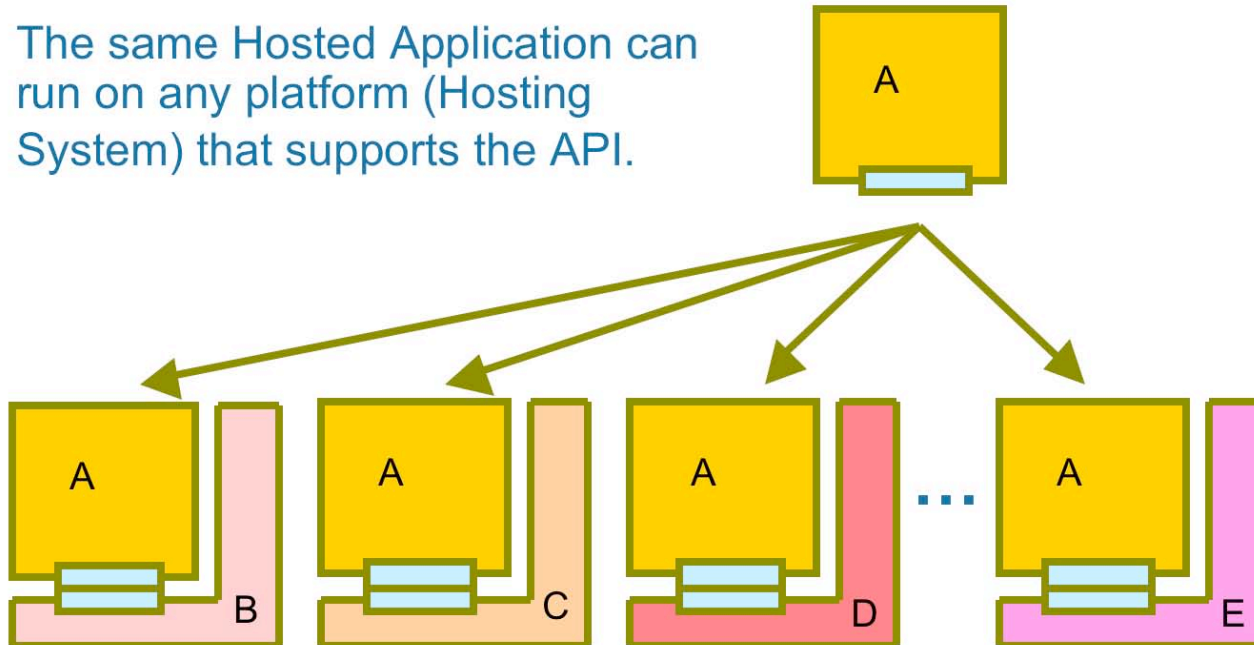
Other work ...

- Substance administration query/verify
 - e.g., for modality to check contrast sensitivity
- Unified worklist
 - re-visit use cases for General Purpose Worklist
 - 1:1 scheduled:performed steps
 - push (notify) & pull (query) models for tasks
 - RT first users
- Frame level retrieval
 - for large (enhanced) multi-frame images
 - e.g., to view an SR reference to a subset of frames

Hosted Applications



Hosted Applications



Hosted Applications

- Platform neutral hosting
 - Web Services end points on local host
- Bulk (pixel) data transfer
 - via URI's which may be local files
 - memory-mapped files for efficiency
- Meta-data interfaces
 - binary – entire original file
 - native – XPath query of DICOM attributes
 - abstract – N dimensional model

Conclusion

- DICOM continues to track modality technology advances and new modalities
- Revisiting outmoded objects
- Increasing diversity of non-image objects
- Greater 3D emphasis as registration, segmentation and fusion become routine
- Other innovative work in new areas, including hosted applications API