



Summary of the MAQC May-04-2006 Teleconference

The MAQC Project: Calibrated RNA Samples, Reference Datasets, and QC Metrics/Thresholds for Microarray Quality Control

Teleconference Date: May 04, 2006 (9 am PDT/11 am CDT/12 pm EDT/16:00 GMT)
Summary Date: May 08, 2006
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MAQC Website: <http://edkb.fda.gov/MAQC/> (Find all meeting summaries, *etc.*)

1. Update on Manuscripts Preparation:

The group's overall progress in manuscripts preparation was reviewed. Each team should follow the guidelines provided by *Nature Biotechnology* (3000 words plus six display items). The take-home messages for each manuscript should be clearly stated. Cecilie Boysen is coordinating an effort to cross-check the contents of all manuscripts in order to minimize potential overlap across manuscripts. Leming stated that the May 31 deadline for submission to *NBT* cannot be changed.

2. May 10 Deadline (V3 Drafts):

Each manuscript team needs to provide an updated draft by 11:59 pm CDT, Wednesday, May 10 to Leming Shi. Many organizations will use this version for legal review.

3. MAQC Consortium Membership:

After going through the list of 262 people currently on the MAQC mailing list, Leming Shi identified a list of 131 people who, based on his recollection, have made direct and significant contributions to the MAQC project in data generation, data analysis, and manuscripts preparation. This list was sent to the entire MAQC mailing list (262 people) on May 3. The final list of MAQC Consortium members will be included in MS-3.

- If your name is on the list of 131 people, please reply to Leming by e-mail to express your consensus of being listed as an MAQC consortium member along with updated contact information. *Otherwise, your name will be removed from the list.*
- If you feel that someone's name should be added, please let Leming know.
- If your name is not in the list of 131 people and you feel that you have contributed significantly to the MAQC project and want to be listed as a member of the MAQC consortium, please let Leming know.
- Reply must be received by **11:59 pm CDT, Tuesday, May 9, 2006.**

The purpose of limiting the number of consortium members is to better recognize those who have made direct and significant contributions to the MAQC project. Leming acknowledged those "observers" on the MAQC mailing list for their interests and encouragement, and invited them to actively participate in the next phase of the MAQC effort on predictive signatures

(<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20061800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2006/pdf/E6-5995.pdf>). All "observers" will remain on the MAQC mailing list.

4. Suggestions on Authorship of MS-3 (Main Paper):

Leming mentioned a few changes to the proposal on authorship of MS-3, and such changes will be reflected in the May 10 draft.

5. Laura Reid's E-mail Problems (MS-3):

Laura experienced e-mail problems on Friday, May 5. If you tried to send Laura your comments/suggestions on MS-3 on Friday, your message might have lost. Please try again.

Next MAQC Teleconference:

Thursday, May 18, 2006 (9 am PDT / 11 am CDT / 12 pm EDT / 16:00 GMT)

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