

## **Electronic Supplementary Material**

### **Contents**

|                               |               |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>I. Supplemental Tables</b> | <b>page 2</b> |
|-------------------------------|---------------|

**Supplementary Table 1.** Magnetic resonance imaging protocols used in the present study

| MRI parameter           | T2-weighted imaging |           | T2-weighted imaging | T1-weighted imaging | T1-weighted imaging |
|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                         | TRA                 | SAG       | (3D)                | (2D)                | (3D)                |
| Skyra/Verio (3.0 Tesla) |                     |           |                     |                     |                     |
| Sequence                | TSE                 |           | SPACE               | TSE                 | VIBE                |
| Flip angle (degrees)    | 90/90               | 90/90     | 120/T2var           | 90                  | 11                  |
| TR (ms)                 | 4540/4500           | 4020/4000 | 3000/2700           | 500                 | 4.38                |
| TE (ms)                 | 86/83               | 86/79     | 181/185             | 9.5                 | 1.56                |
| Field of view (mm)      | 200/200             | 200/230   | 250                 | 200                 | 250                 |
| Reduction factor        | 2/2                 | 2/2       | 2                   | 2                   | 2                   |
| NEX                     | 2/2                 | 2/2       | 1.4                 | 2                   | 1                   |
| Thickness (mm)          | 2.5/3.0             | 2.0/3.0   | 1                   | 3                   | 0.9                 |
| Intersection gap (mm)   | 0.8/0.9             | 0.6/0.9   | 0                   | 0.9                 | 0                   |
| Avanto (1.5Tesla)       |                     |           |                     |                     |                     |
| Sequence                | TSE                 |           |                     | TSE                 | VIBE                |
| Flip angle (degrees)    | 90                  | 90        |                     | 90                  | 12                  |
| TR (ms)                 | 3500                | 4000      |                     | 519                 | 6                   |
| TE (ms)                 | 83                  | 76        |                     | 8.7                 | 2.19                |
| Field of view (mm)      | 200                 | 250       |                     | 200                 | 250                 |
| Reduction factor        | 2                   | 2         |                     | 2                   | 0                   |
| NEX                     | 2                   | 1         |                     | 2                   | 1                   |
| Thickness (mm)          | 3                   | 3         |                     | 3                   | 1                   |
| Intersection gap (mm)   | 0.3                 | 0.45      |                     | 0.3                 | 0                   |

*2D* two-dimensional, *3D* three-dimensional, *TR* repetition time, *TE* echo time, *NEX* number of excitations, *TSE* turbo spin echo, *VIBE* volume interpolated breath-hold examination, *SPACE* sampling perfection with application optimized contrast sing different flip angle evolutions.