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Development of Advanced Algorithm in Non-Linear Curve Fitting for Dynamic Susceptibility Contrast in Human Brain

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Purpose: To develop an advanced non-linear curve fitting (NLCF) algorithm for performing dynamic susceptibility contrast study of the brain.

Materials and Methods: The first pass effects give rise to spuriously high estimates of Ktrans for the voxels that represent the large vascular components. An explicit threshold value was used to reject voxels.

Results and Conclusion: The blood perfusion and volume estimation were accurately evaluated in the T2*-weighted dynamic contrast enhanced (DCE)-MR images. From each of the recalculated parameters, a perfusion weighted image was outlined by using the modified non-linear curve fitting algorithm. The present study demonstrated an improvement of an estimation of the kinetic parameters from the dynamic contrast-enhanced (DCE) T2*-weighted magnetic resonance imaging data with using contrast agents.

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