

## **Rosanna Degani Young Investigator Award**

Computing in Cardiology 2013 was proud to host the twenty-first Rosanna Degani Young Investigator Competition. Rosanna Degani was a pioneer in the field of electrocardiology from the Institute for Research on System Dynamics & Bioengineering in Padova and Chairperson of the Organizing Committee of the 18th Computers in Cardiology Conference in Venice, September 1991. In her memory the Venice Local Organizing Committee and the Board of Directors of Computing in Cardiology established this award, to encourage young investigators and to provide a living memorial to Rosanna Degani.

On the basis of written manuscripts submitted before the meeting, four finalists were invited to Zaragoza as guests of the Conference to present their research during the opening plenary session. All finalists were given an opportunity to answer questions on their research. The presentations and research papers were judged by a panel of experts.

The winner of the 2013 Rosanna Degani Young Investigator competition was Julia Ramírez, from the University of Zaragoza in Spain. The manuscript "*Prediction of Sudden Cardiac Death in Chronic Heart Failure Patients by Analysis of Restitution Dispersion*" can be found on page 1 of the proceedings.

## **Gary and Bill Sanders Poster Awards**

Gary and Bill Sanders established the Poster Awards in 1997 to recognize, celebrate, and promote excellence in poster presentations. They donate awards each year for the three posters judged best in each poster session. Bill is a past President. In gratitude for their many contributions to Computing in Cardiology throughout its entire history, the Board named the Poster Awards in their honor. The winners of the seventeenth annual Gary and Bill Sanders Poster Awards were Matthijs JM Cluitmans, Kei Ito, Rudys Magrans, John Wang, Parastoo Dehkordi, Catalina Tobón.

## **PhysioNet/Computing in Cardiology Challenge 2013**

The PhysioNet/CinC Challenge was introduced in 2000. Each year, participants use shared data to study a set of Challenge problems, which this year were on the topic of noninvasive fetal ECG. The winners of the fourteenth annual Challenge were:

Event 1:

- (1) Maurizio Varanini, Gennaro Tartarisco, Lucia Billeci, Alberto Macerata, Giovanni Pioggia, Rita Balocchi, CNR
- (2) Piotr Podziemski, Jan Gieraltowski, Warsaw University of Technology
- (3) Rui Rodrigues, Universidade Nova de Lisboa

Event 2:

- (1) Maurizio Varanini, Gennaro Tartarisco, Lucia Billeci, Alberto Macerata, Giovanni Pioggia, Rita Balocchi, CNR

- (2) Piotr Podziemski, Jan Gieraltowski, Warsaw University of Technology
- (3) Luigi Yuri Di Marco, Alberto Marzo, Alejandro Frangi, University of Sheffield

Event 3:

- (1) Piotr Podziemski, Jan Gieraltowski, Warsaw University of Technology

Event 4:

- (1) Fernando Andreotti, Maik Riedl, Tilo Himmelsbach, Daniel Wedekind, Sebastian Zaunseder, Niels Wessel, Hagen Malberg, Dresden University of Technology
- (2) Jukka A Lipponen, Mika P Tarvainen, University of Eastern Finland
- (3) Maurizio Varanini, Gennaro Tartarisco, Lucia Billeci, Alberto Macerata, Giovanni Pioggia, Rita Balocchi, CNR

Event 5:

- (1) Fernando Andreotti, Maik Riedl, Tilo Himmelsbach, Daniel Wedekind, Sebastian Zaunseder, Niels Wessel, Hagen Malberg, Dresden University of Technology
- (2) Jukka A Lipponen, Mika P Tarvainen, University of Eastern Finland
- (3) Maurizio Varanini, Gennaro Tartarisco, Lucia Billeci, Alberto Macerata, Giovanni Pioggia, Rita Balocchi, CNR

Unofficial entry:

Joachim Behar, Julien Oster, Gari Clifford, Oxford University

Unofficial scores among the top three in all five events, including top scores in Events 1 and 2. They competed unofficially but were ineligible for awards since they were among the organizers of the Challenge.

## Future Meetings

The 2014 conference will be held September 7-10 in Cambridge, MA, USA

The 2015 conference will be held in Nice, France

## Web Site

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