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The Biomedical Applications in Molecular, Structural, and Functional Imaging conference held at Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld in Orlando, Florida was a tremendous success. There was a tremendous boost in the number of abstracts submitted and conference attendees over previous years. Chairs Barjor Gimi and Robert Molthen welcomed Daniel Sodickson from New York University, who delivered a visionary and inspiring talk on the renaissance in rapid imaging. The talk highlighted developments in hardware, image acquisition, and reconstruction that spanned multiple modalities and convincingly presented why the medical imaging field was poised for a quantum leap in the area of rapid imaging.

The diverse sessions included Novel Imaging Techniques and Applications; Innovations in Image Processing; Novel MR Techniques and Applications; Neurological Imaging; fMRI; Optical; Fluids and Cardiovascular; Cancer Imaging; Lung; and Bone, along with pleasant lunches and productive coffee breaks. The poster session was lively with numerous posters presenting very high-quality work. The judges selected *Treatment planning for image-guided neuro-vascular interventions using patient-specific 3D printed phantoms* by Megan K. Russ from The University at Buffalo for the poster prize, with honorable mentions for *Simplified correction of  $B_1$  inhomogeneity for chemical exchange saturation transfer (CEST) MRI measurement with surface transceiver coil* by Phillip Zhe Sun of Massachusetts General Hospital, *Investigating the use of mutual information and non-metric clustering for functional connectivity analysis on resting-state functional MRI* by XiXi Wang of University of Rochester Medical Center, and *Automated pipeline to analyze non-contact infrared images of the paraventricular nucleus specific leptin receptor knock-out mouse model* by Myriam Diaz Martinez of Vanderbilt University Medical Center.

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