

Conference Event

And the winners of \$ 1,000 are ...

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Given the popularity of our last year's special conference event ("Crack the Safe") among conference attendees, we decided to keep entertaining you at our stand in 2009. This year's challenge: test your knowledge of EEG, EEG / fMRI, Brain Mapping and our company & products by answering 4 quiz questions and win US \$ 1,000.

For both ISMRM (held in Honolulu/USA) and Human Brain Mapping (San Francisco/USA), we created a pool of approximately 50 questions relating either to EEG research or to our company. A computer then randomly selected 4 questions for each conference attendant who volunteered to take part. To make the task easier, 3 possible answers were presented with each question. Anyone who answered all the questions correctly was automatically entered in the prize draw held at the end of the conference.

At the ISMRM (April 19th – 23rd), dozens of participants took on the challenge and most of them proved to be real experts in the field.

Although some of the questions were (we must admit) a little tricky, many participants either knew or worked out the right answers. The lucky winner of the 1000 US Dollars – drawn by a computer-controlled lottery wheel – was Anders Eklund, a PhD Student from the University of Linköping (Division of Medical Informatics, Department of Biomedical Engineering) in Sweden, the country which will host the ISMRM 2010. Hau'oli*, Anders! (*Hawaiian for "congratulations")

Two months later, we ran the same competition at the HBM in San Francisco / USA (June 19th – 21st). Again many attendees decided to test their knowledge and take part in the quiz. In the end, the lucky winner in San Francisco was Cosimo Del Gratta, Associate Professor of Physics from the Gabriele D'Annunzio University (Department of Clinical Sciences and Bioimaging) in Chieti, Italy. Cosimo had already taken the quiz in Honolulu but was not lucky enough to win there. 8 weeks later, he made it. Well done, Cosimo!



Anders Eklund, MSc



Prof. Cosimo Del Gratta

Brain Products Inside

Who is who: Dr. Michael Jachan as new software developer

by Dr. Michael Jachan, Software Developer

Dr. Michael Jachan holds both a PhD and an MSc in telecommunications/signal processing from Vienna University of Technology, awarded in June 2006 and June 2001 respectively.

In 2001/2002, he was employed at the Telecommunications Research Center (ftw) in Vienna where he worked on an xDSL system simulator.

Between 2002 and 2006, he was employed as a research and teaching assistant at the Institute of Telecommunications and Radio-Frequency Engineering at the Vienna University of Technology.

From 2006 to 2009, he worked at the FDM (Freiburg Center for Data Analysis and Modeling), University of Freiburg, where he was involved

in a cooperative project combining the Physics Department and the Department of Neurology.

Since April 2009, he has been working as a software developer at Brain Products GmbH where he specializes in algorithm implementation and the design of graphical elements. His research interests include statistical inference, time-frequency signal processing, and EEG processing.

