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How it works

g.tec donates this prize for outstanding and innovative research done in the field of Brain-Computer Interface. Each year, a renowned research laboratory is asked to judge the submitted projects and to award the prize. The jury consists of world-leading BCI experts recruited by the awarding laboratory.

This competition is open to any BCI researcher or group worldwide. There is no limitation or special consideration for the type of hardware and software used in the submitted project.

Write a clear description in English that is no longer than two pages. The document has to include your full name(s), the first author's affiliation, project title, brief description and current status of the work, images, figures and tables (if needed). Send the document as a pdf file by e-mail before July 01, 2015 to: **bci.award2015@gtec.at**

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How projects are scored

The jury will score the submitted projects on the basis of a list of criteria. Your project should get high scores in one or more of the criteria to get a high ranking. Thus you may consider the following points when writing your submission:

- does the project include a novel application of the BCI?

- is there any new methodological approach used compared to earlier projects?

- is there any new benefit for potential users of a BCI?

- is there any improvement in terms of speed of the system (e.g. bit/min)?

- is there any improvement in terms of accuracy of the system?

- does the project include any results obtained from real patients or other potential users?

- does the approach work online/in real-time?

- is there any improvement in terms of usability?

- does the project include any novel hardware or software developments?

Retrospect 2014

In 2014, this prize was awarded by the Intitute of Knowledge Discovery, Graz University of Technology, at the 6th International Brain-Computer Interface Conference 2014 in Graz, Austria. Chair of the jury was Gernot R. Müller-Putz.

The 2014 winner was:

K. Hamada, H. Mori, H. Shinoda, T.M. Rutkowski (The University of Tokyo, JP, Life Science Center of TARA, University of Tsukuba, JP, RIKEN Brain Science Institute, JP)

Project: "Airborne Ultrasonic Tactile Display BCI"

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