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The publishers of *Physiological Measurement* (PMEA), IOP Publishing, in association with the journal owners, the Institute of Physics and Engineering in Medicine (IPEM), jointly award an annual prize for the best paper published in PMEA during the previous year.

The responsibility for deciding the ultimate winner falls to the Editorial and International Advisory boards of the journal. A shortlist is constructed using the comments and ratings of our expert referees. For the 2010 award, 6 papers were considered. After the construction of the shortlist, it was then down to our board members to personally assess and rank the papers.

This year, we had a close contest with a worthy winner. We have much pleasure in advising readers that the 2010 Martin Black award goes to Martin Mendez et al for their paper investigating the automatic screening of obstructive sleep apnea.

Automatic screening of obstructive sleep apnea from the ECG based on empirical mode decomposition and wavelet analysis
Martin Mendez, Jeroen Corthout, Sabine Van Huffel, Matteo Matteucci, Thomas Penzel, Sergio Cerutti and Anna Maria Bianchi
2010 *Physiol. Meas.* 31 273–89

All of the shortlisted papers were of great merit, and the full top-6 is listed below (in alphabetical order). In 2011, we have already published many high quality papers that should make next year’s award very competitive. We look forward to seeing the outstanding work that will be published by our authors during the rest of the year.

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