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Introduction

This is the 28th year for our conference, *Infrared Imaging Systems: Design, Analysis, Modeling, and Testing.* Over the years, we have witnessed the creation of IR focal plane arrays, IR scene projectors, MTF measurement techniques, and the Night Vision Integrated Performance Model (NVIPM). As government and private industry interests change, our conference has had swings in the number of papers presented and attendees. Currently, we seem to be on a rise.

We have not written an introduction to these proceedings for many years. The papers are self-explanatory and do not require any comment. We are pleased that all the authors provided professional presentations and quality manuscripts.

In 2016, our conference committee created a Best Paper Award based upon the presentation. In case of ties, the most downloaded paper is considered. We are proud to recognize:

Best presentation

David P. Haefner, Brian P. Teaney, and Bradley L. Preece, "Modeling demosaicing of color corrected cameras in the NV-IPM", Proc. SPIE 9820, Infrared Imaging Systems: Design, Analysis, Modeling, and Testing XXVII, 982009 (May 3, 2016); doi:10.1117/12.2235781.

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Austin A. Richards and Martin Huebner, "A new radiometric unit of measure to characterize SWIR illumination", Proc. SPIE 10178, Infrared Imaging Systems: Design, Analysis, Modeling, and Testing XXVIII, 101780C (May 3, 2017); doi:10.1117/12.2261459.

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