Participation rules:

§ 1 Eligible participants and submissions

• Participation is limited to radiologists and radiographers ("submitter") with the permission of the institution employing the submitter ("institution"). Submission without the institution’s permission will not be accepted.

• Prerequisite for the participation is that each participating institution has one or more of the following CT scanners installed:
  • SOMATOM Spirit,
  • SOMATOM Emotion,
  • SOMATOM Sensation,
  • SOMATOM Perspective,
  • SOMATOM Definition AS,
  • SOMATOM Definition,
  • SOMATOM Definition Edge and/or
  • SOMATOM Definition Flash.

• Only images obtained with any of the above mentioned equipment and post-processed with a
  • syngo CT Workplace,
  • syngo MMWP or
  • syngo.via
  may be submitted.

• For participation any submitter shall register at the Siemens Right Dose Image Contest Website. Submitter may create his/her profile page with photo, name, role and name of his/her employing institution. In the context with the profile creation the name of the persons who have contributed to the acquisition of the image(s) may be listed on the Siemens Right Dose Image Contest Website. Submitter is obliged to obtain written permission from the contributor(s) prior to naming them.

Any images submitted need to be accompanied by:

• the clinical history of the patient.
• respective diagnosis in each case
• scan parameters (kV, mAs, Right Dose Technology)
• the explanation how the Right Dose for this case is achieved (max. 400 characters)
• applied dose values (CTDивol /DLP).

All data need to be completely anonymized, especially without limitation, any data may not containing any information that would directly or indirectly permit identification of a patient or other individual.
• The submissions may be made to participate in the Right Dose Image Contest in the following Categories:
  • Dual Energy
  • Neuro
  • Routine
  • Vascular
  • Cardiac
  • Pediatrics
  • Oncology
  • Trauma

• All submitters may submit as many cases as wanted – however only 1-5 images per case. Submissions may be made by multiple radiologists and radiographers within one institution.

• All submitters may submit several cases within the same category. These cases should be consistent and have the same scan protocol and clinical question. Any submitter of several cases should indicate his/her rationale for consequent dose optimization. The submitter should describe in detail the efforts spent to achieve consequent and consistent dose optimization in place to also participate in the contest regarding “Consistency Award” as a part of the Right Dose Image Contest 2013.

• By participating in the contest the submitters agree (with the permission of the employing institution) to submit the original but anonymized DICOM dataset to Siemens upon request.

• Siemens reserves the right to reject an image for participation, if images do not meet any of the criteria listed in this document.

• Images may be submitted in any image format, such as DICOM format, PNG, JPG or BMP.

• A screenshot of the entirely anonymized patient protocol needs to be submitted to avoid any submitter from potential manipulation of data (e.g. Dose Length Product) and to enable fair evaluation among the participants.

• Submission deadline is October 21, 2013, 00:00 CET.

• Submitters may not contact any of the judges about the Siemens Right Dose Image Contest.

• Siemens may at its own discretion decide which images to post on the website.

• By submitting an image, an institution represents that it has the right to submit images under its internal policies and under applicable governing law.

• By submitting an image, submitters represent and warrant that all images and information submitted are the original creation of the submitter, have not been copied in whole or in part from any other work, do not violate or infringe any copyright, trademark or other proprietary right of any person or entity, and are the sole and exclusive property of the submitter/employing institution.
Terms & Conditions of the Siemens Right Dose Image Contest 2013

§ 2 Prizes

• Winners will be announced in the calendar week of November 11, 2013 in a webcast on the image contest website.

• The institution employing the winning submitter will receive a trophy and a framed “Right Dose Certificate”. In addition, the winning submitter will receive a large print out of its image. The winning submitter will provide the trophy and the framed “Right Dose Certificate” to his/her employing institution.

• The winning image of the “Consistency Award” qualifies the winning submitter to give a 20 minutes presentation at a separate Siemens event pursuant to a written agreement to share the workflow and rationale resulting in the winning images.

§ 3 Image Rights

• By submitting an image, the submitter grants represents that the institution grants Siemens (and agrees to confirm that grant in writing) the right, including the right to grant sublicenses, to use any submitted information (including, without limitation, images, name of institution, clinical history, names of employees responsible for acquiring the image(s), submitters, portrait, picture, voice, videos, biographical information, etc) in any media, including, without limitation on Siemens Internet Web sites, in marketing presentations and sales efforts, testimonials and documentation, advertising and promotional material, and to print, publish, broadcast and use, worldwide in any media now known or hereafter developed, including but not limited to the World Wide Web, at any time(s), without limitation in amended and un-amended form, and without additional compensation. Notwithstanding the aforesaid, submitter specifically grants Siemens, its affiliates and agents the right to provide the information (including images, name of institution, clinical history etc) to third parties including without limitation (in digital form) internet platforms such as Facebook, internet forums or other communities as well as (in printed form) to museums or similar institutions for exhibitions or the like. The submitter also confirms that the participation in this contest meets the rules stated herein, that the information provided to Siemens is true and agrees that the information may be attributed to submitter person and/or institution.

• Siemens is authorized to present winning images at the RSNA 2013 in Chicago, USA.

• In addition the submitter hereby waives and represents that the institution waives all rights and claims against Siemens, its affiliates, agents and third party recipients arising from any kind of usage as set forth above. Siemens shall hereby be authorized to exercise all rights with regard to copyright law and/or other rights against third parties in its own name and at its own expense.
§ 4 Jury Evaluation

- The jury consists of members of the SIERRA (SIEMENS Radiation Reduction Alliance) expert panel (further information can be found under the following link: http://healthcare.siemens.com/computed-tomography/technologies-innovations/care-right/right-dose-levels). All jury members are listed on the website.
- The jury will choose a winner for each category:
  - Dual Energy
  - Neuro
  - Routine
  - Vascular
  - Cardiac
  - Pediatrics
  - Oncology
  - Trauma
- The jury will attribute 33% based on diagnostic image quality, 33% on right dose level and 33% to the explanation regarding “Right Dose” for the submitted case.
- The jury will not be given the name of the submitter, nor the name of the employing institution.
- Should the institution or the submitter be identifiable by a jury member, that jury member will be banned from judging on images from that institution.

§ 5 General Conditions

- By participating, the submitter represents and warrants that the participation in the contest and the acceptance of the prize (if applicable) is in full compliance with any applicable laws and regulations as well as any internal or external guidelines applicable to the submitter and the employing institution.
- The winning submitter(s) will be notified by webcast, telephone, mail or e-mail (at Siemens discretion), and may be required to sign and return a Customer Permission Form, and any other documentation reasonably requested by Siemens (especially but not limited to any documentation requested to document, support and/or effect the rights of Siemens as stipulated in these terms and conditions) within 14 days of notification. If the winner cannot be reached, or prize notification is returned as unclaimed or as undeliverable, or in case any noncompliance with the above the winner may be disqualified and an alternate winner selected, yet Siemens may still use the submitted images as set forth above.
- Siemens does not give any warranty whatsoever and shall have no liability whatsoever arising out of or in connection with this contest, such as, but not limited to any incorrect or inaccurate information, except in case of willful misconduct and submitters release and indemnify Siemens, and its respective officers, directors, agents, employees, and all others associated with the development and execution of this contest from any and all liability with respect to or in any way arising from this contest and/or acceptance or use/misuse of the prize.
- No recourse to legal action is permitted.