



Beam Instrumentation Workshop '08 (and more by the minute)

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First Things First: BIW '08



- Biennial meeting, thirteenth in a series
 - BIW'06 was held at Fermilab
 - Used stand-alone JACoW database, but not a fullfledged JACoW conference (published with AIP)
- Typically some 100 attendees, 60-70 papers
- Not refereed

Decision taken by organizing committee to publish with JACoW (considered in '06 but the subject came up too late to turn around on it)



May 4–8, 2008

Granlibakken Conference Center

Lake Tahoe, California

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2008 BEAM INSTRUMENTATION WORKSHOP

The 2008 Beam Instrumentation Workshop (BIW08) program committee is pleased to invite you to the beautiful shores of Lake Tahoe, California for its 13th biannual meeting. Sponsored by the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, the workshop will be dedicated to exploring the physics and engineering challenges of beam diagnostic and measurement techniques for charged particle accelerators. The meeting will feature

- plenary and poster sessions,
- tutorials,
- vendor exhibits,
- multiple opportunities for informal discussions and collaborations,
- presentation of the winner of the 2008 Faraday Cup Award, sponsored by Bergoz Inc. France.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

- Abstract submissions: February 29, 2008
- Early registration: March 24, 2008
- Late registration: April 28, 2008
- Hotel reservations: April 11, 2008
- Paper submissions: May 8, 2008

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A momentous decision: switching to JACoW



- The oversight committee took a decision at PAC '07 to publish with JACoW rather than AIP
- We're not paperless (maybe/yet)
 - Some communities (including their sponsors) like a paper *Proceedings*
 - I'll continue encouraging a CD or a memory stick rather than paper, either as the only tangible product or as the free default product (with paper as an extra-cost option a la PAC'03)
 - We *are* using the JACoW template rather than AIP-style 6x9
- Not planning to publish slides nor posters
 - Workload
 - Disincentive for “real” publication
- Now getting SPMS running at LBNL
 - Abstract submission opens with the new year
 - Papers due by end of conference

Anticipated editorial/paper reception effort



- Probably intramural to LBNL due to small scope/budget
 - Should I take this up with committee? (Tahoe is a nice place!)
 - Seriously, whole *Proceedings* is about the size of a single PAC poster session
- “Editing” means format/compliance checking and normalization in usual JACoW fashion, i.e., substantive and language editing is responsibility of authors
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- Papers to JACoW site summer 2008 (provided I learn the power of the word, “No”!)
 - Enforcing deadlines
 - Not taking on any more conferences in the same timeframe than I’ve already got



**Another possible, stand-alone SPMS use
(with your permission): SORMA West 2008**

SORMA: east is still east and now west is west (and at Berkeley they will meet)



Symposium on Radiation Measurements and Applications

UC Berkeley, June 2-8

- Held every four years at University of Michigan (11 times)
- Some 200 attendees, four days
- Now that is SORMA East, and SORMA West will be held every four years, so the conference is available every two years
 - Has become more or less a detector conference with multi-agency sponsorship and a substantial homeland security (etc.) emphasis
 - We hope UC Berkeley will become the standing locale for SORMA West

“If you want something done, ask someone busy” (story of all your lives, I’m sure!)

Where SORMA West 2008 fits in with JACoW



This was an eleventh-hour (or even later) opportunity, as conference planning cycles go

- Learned in early spring 2007 that a conference in June 2008 was desired
- Needed an abstract/manuscript handling system
 - For various reasons decided not to port the Michigan system
 - Must be standalone SPMS user (not fullfledged JACoW conference)
 - Publishes in refereed literature (traditionally Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A)
 - SORMA needs to manage the refereeing cycle
 - Would like to tighten up the typical ~1 year publication cycle

So... may we?

Great minds think alike: AAC '08



Advanced Accelerator Concepts Workshop

- Last held 2004 at Brookhaven and 2006 at Argonne; looks like 2008 at LBNL or UC Berkeley
- Small and invitation-only
- Publishes in AIP Conference Proceedings
 - They considered using INDICO; I suggested that standalone SPMS might be possible/preferable
 - This is breaking news

What we've learned thus far:



- LBNL staff will probably “solo” all three of these small conferences.
- Getting SPMS installed at a new site, esp. in a full recharge environment with many competing priorities, can be a bit exasperating.
 - We knew Matt was a treasure. So is his availability to us.
 - Abstract/manuscript acceptance and program management is a frequent, widespread need, and an SPMS installation could make a person all too popular.
 - Conference organizers know their subject matter, and might know organization, but probably don't know publication logistics.
 - Everybody who's heard of JACoW thinks well of it.

We owe JACoW a great debt of gratitude...