Hi All,

Now that that IBS2012 is over, we want to publicly thank everyone involved in making this meeting an exciting event. We had 10 talks, 92 (+few unlisted) posters, 350+ registrants, and a similar number of attendees.

First **congratulations** to the four **Poster Prize Winners** (in alphabetical order):

* **David Burstein**, Poster #12 "Fishing for Virulent Factors: Machine Learning Prediction and Experimental Validation of Bacterial Effectors"
* **Eilon Sharon**, Poster #69 "Inferring gene regulatory logic from high-throughput measurements of thousands of systematically designed promoters"
* **Assaf Weiner**, Poster #83 "Systematic dissection of roles for chromatin regulators in a yeast stress response"
* **Yishai Yehuda,** Poster #88, "How the time of replication shapes the genomic structure"

Each of the winners will receive a prize of $250 courtesy of the **Sudarsky Center for Computational Biology,** and the **Edmond J. Safra Center for Bioinformatics**.

**Prize winners, please contact Dikla Soae** (cc'd)**.**

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* Our exciting lineup of **speakers** who gave excellent and inspiring talks: **Manoli Kellis, Erez Levanon, Irit Gat Vicks, Esti Yeger Lotem, Nir Friedman, Yaron Shavtal, Iftach Nachman, Shai Shen-Orr, Ido Amit,**and **Hanah Margalit.**
* All the **poster presenters**. We had an impressive poster session both in the number of posters and their scientific quality.
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Last but not least, thanks for everyone that showed up and participated. We hope this was as exciting for you, as it was for us.

We look forward to see you in the next IBS meetings.

Amos Tanay, Yael Mandel, and Nir Friedman