

PPCF awards four poster prizes at the 32nd EPS Conference on Plasma Physics

On behalf of the international journal *Plasma Physics and Controlled Fusion* (PPCF) (<http://www.iop.org/EJ/journal/0741-3335>) I am proud to announce the winners of the PPCF Student Poster Prize. Four awards were made for the best poster presented at the 32nd European Physical Society Conference on Plasma Physics (<http://eps2005.ciemat.es/>) held in Tarragona, Spain on 27 June – 1 July 2005.

The four prizes, one in each topic covered by the conference, of €150 were awarded to the following students:

Magnetic Confinement Fusion: Mr T Oishi, University of Tokyo, Japan
'BES on compact helical system for density fluctuations with edge transport barrier formation'

Beam Plasmas and Inertial Fusion: Mr J F Vieira, Instituto Superior Tecnico, Portugal
'Optimizing wave breaking and self injection in the laser wake field accelerator'

Dusty and Low Temperature Plasmas: Ms T Antonova, MPI-Garching, Germany
'Attractive force in 3D clusters'

Basic and Astrophysical Plasmas: Mr A Stark, Greifswald University, Germany
'Ion dynamics in a collisionless magnetic reconnection experiment'

Once again, the judges were impressed with the enthusiasm and standard of the presentations given by the students. I would like to thank them for participating in the prize and to say a well deserved 'Congratulations' to the four winners.

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