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SPEAKERS:
J. Bernauer, Institute for Medical Information, Germany, "Classification Issues for Medical Concept Representation:
P. Brown/C. Price, NHS Centre for Coding and Classification, UK, "Semantic Definition in Version 3 of the Read Codes"
K. E. Campbell, Stanford University School of Medicine, USA, "Scalable Methodologies for Distributed Development of Logic-based Convergent Medical Terminology"
W. Ceuster, Het Moorhof, Belgium, "The Distinction Between Linguistic and Conceptual Semantics in Medical Terminology and Its Implications for NLP-Based Knowledge Acquisition"
W. G. Cole, University of Washington, USA, "Cognitive Evaluation of Medical Software Usability"

R. A. Côté, Sherbrooke University, Canada, "SNOMED-Based Standard Information Model"

P. de Vries Robbe, University of Nijmegen, The Netherlands, "Health Care Classifications and Terminological Modeling"

P. Degoulet, Broussais University Hospital, France, "Semantic Integration From the Point of View of Concept Representation"

D. A. Evans, Carnegie Mellon University, USA, "New Approaches to Natural-Language Processing For Medical Applications: Exploiting Resource-Poor Techniques and the 'Empirical' Data of Texts"

C. Friedman, Columbia University, USA, "Issues for Natural Language Processing of Clinical Reports"

S. Garrod, University of Glasgow, Scotland, "How Groups Coordinate Their Concepts: Implications for Decision Making in Health Care Teams"

S. M. Huff, University of Utah, USA, "Linking Medical Vocabulary to a Clinical Data Model Using ASN.1 (Abstract Syntax Notation 1)"

J. Ingenerf, GSF Institute, Germany, "Conceptual and Statistically Oriented Classification"

S. B. Johnson, Columbia University, USA, "Conceptual Graph Grammar: A Simple Formalism for Sublanguage"

A. T. McCray, National Library of Medicine, USA, "NLP: Methods, Issues, Applications"

M. A. Musen, Stanford University School of Medicine, USA, "Formal Medical Ontologies and Software Development"

E. Nygren, University of Uppsala, Sweden, "From Paper to Computer Screen: Human Information Processing and Interfaces to Patient Data"

A-M. Rassinoux, Vanderbilt University, USA, "Issues in Modeling Just the Important and Relevant Concepts in Medicine for Medical Language Understanding"

A. Rossi Mori, Istituto Tecnologie Biomediche, Italy, "The CEN-TC 251 Approach to Support Development of Terminological Services for Health Care Telematics"

R. A. Rocha, University of Utah School of Medicine, USA, "Evaluation of a Semantic Data Model for Chest Radiology: Application of a New Methodology"

F. Schmalhofer, Deutsches Forschungszentrum für Kunstliche Intelligenz GmbH, Germany, "Cooperative Knowledge Evolution: A Construction-Integration Approach to Knowledge Discovery in Medicine"

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R. Spiro, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA. *Evaluating and Meeting the Demands of Complex Medical Cognition: Hypertext and the Problem of Expert Flexibility*
M. Stefanelli, University of Pavia, Italy, *Towards Cooperative Patient Management Through Medical Ontologies*
P. Zweigenbaum, Assistance Publique-Paris Hospitals, France, *From Text to Knowledge: A Unifying Document-Oriented View of Analyzed Medical Language*

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Mon., Jan. 20 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Tues., Jan. 21 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 22 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

SPECIAL EVENTS:
Sun., Jan. 19 6:00 pm Welcoming Reception
Mon., Jan. 20 6:30 pm Formal dinner
Tues., Jan 21 4:30 pm St. Augustine Tour and Lightner Museum Reception

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