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Pietro Cerveri è nato il 22 Aprile 1969 a Milano – Italia. Ha ottenuto il titolo di Laurea in Ingegneria Elettronica nel 1994. Da Marzo 1995 a Giugno 1996 ha prestato servizio militare in qualità di Ufficiale di complemento nell’Arma dei Carabinieri. Da Settembre 1996 alla fine del 1998 ha lavorato in qualità di Assistente di ricerca presso l’istituto di neuroscienze e bioimmagini del CNR di Milano. Nel 1998 ha iniziato il dottorato di ricerca in Bioingegneria presso il Dipartimento di Bioingegneria del Politecnico di Milano e ha ottenuto il titolo nel 2001 con la tesi “Symbolic Representation of Human Anatomical Knowledge. Attempting Integration with Visual Information”. Il programma di dottorato e’ stato condotto nell’ambito del progetto internazionale “Visible Human Dataset project” finanziato dal National Institute of Health (Bethesda, MD – USA). Dal 2001 al 2007, è stato Assegnista di ricerca presso il Dipartimento di Bioingegneria del Politecnico di Milano e Professore a Contratto del corso Ingegneria dei Sistemi Cognitivi nel Corso di Laurea magistrale in Ingegneria Biomedica (Facoltà di Ingegneria dei Sistemi) del Politecnico di Milano. Dal 2008, è Ricercatore di Ruolo presso il Dipartimento di Bioingegneria del Politecnico di Milano. Dal 2009, è Docente del corso di Neuroingegneria (Facoltà di Ingegneria dei Sistemi) .

Pietro Cerveri ha trascorso all’estero i seguenti periodi, in cui ha svolto attività di ricerca e insegnamento, presso National Institute of Health, Bethesda MD, USA in qualità di Ricercatore (1998), Universita Estadual de Campinas, Campinas Brasile in qualità di Professore Invitato (2003, 2010), Electronic Arts, Vancouver CA, in qualità di Software Engineer). Le sue principali attività di ricerca riguardano: Visione artificiale, Biomeccanica del movimento, Informatica medica, Immagini biomediche, Chirurgia assistita al Computer, Radioterapia e Robotica medica.

CARRIERA ACCADEMICA

- 1994 Laurea in Ingegneria Elettronica - Politecnico di Milano
- 2001 Dottorato di Ricerca in Bioingegneria - Politecnico di Milano
- 2001-2006 Assegnista di ricerca presso il Dipartimento di Bioingegneria - Politecnico di Milano
- 2006-2008 Consulente del Dipartimento di Bioingegneria – Politecnico di Milano
- 2004–2008 Professore a contratto del corso Ingegneria dei Sistemi Cognitivi (5CFU) – Corso di Laurea in Ingegneria Biomedica - Facoltà di Ingegneria dei Sistemi (II) - Politecnico di Milano
- 2008-2010 Ricercatore universitario di Ruolo non confermato, Politecnico di Milano (Settore: ING-INF 06)
- 2010 Ricercatore universitario di Ruolo confermato, Politecnico di Milano (Settore: ING-INF 06)
- 2008-2009 Docente del corso Ingegneria dei Sistemi Cognitivi (compito istituzionale), Corso di Laurea in Ingegneria Biomedica - Facoltà di Ingegneria dei Sistemi (II) - Politecnico di Milano
- dal 2009 Docente del corso Neuroingegneria (parte II 5CFU) (compito istituzionale), Corso di Laurea in Ingegneria Biomedica - Facoltà di Ingegneria dei Sistemi (II) - Politecnico di Milano

PARTECIPAZIONE A PROGETTI DI RICERCA E INDUSTRIALI

- **2013-2015 Progetto Nazionale** finanziato da Ministero dell’Istruzione dell’Università e della Ricerca. “Protesi di mano biomeccatroniche dotate di percezione tattile bioispirata, interfacce neurali bi-

direzionali e controllo sensori-motorio distribuito". P.I. E. Guglielmelli - Università "Campus Bio-Medico" ROMA. Ruolo: Co-Responsabile – Unità di Ricerca Politecnico di Milano (1.2M€).

- **2012-2014 Progetto Nazionale** finanziato da AIRC Short-term high precision radiotherapy for early prostate cancer with concomitant boost on the dominant lesion. P.I. Dr. B. A. Alicja Jereczek. Ruolo: Responsabile Unità Operativa Politecnico di Milano (450k€).
- **2012-2013 Progetto Industriale** finanziato da CNAO (Centro Nazionale di Adroterapia Oncologica). "Sviluppo di un sistema di imaging robotica per una sala di trattamento di adron-terapia". P.I. G. Baroni - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: .Responsabile di Workpackage.
- **2010-2013 Progetto di ricerca Europeo** "ULICE - Union of Light Ion Centers in Europe" FP7-INFRA-2008-1.1.2). P.I. G. Baroni - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: Partecipante.
- **2010-2013 Progetto di ricerca Europeo** "ENVISION - European NoVel Imaging Systems for ION therapy" N. 241851. P.I. G. Baroni - Politecnico di Milano Ruolo: Partecipante.
- **2010-2014 Progetto Europeo** EU-US ATLANTIS PROGRAMME, COOPERATION IN HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING. "CRISP - International Dual Degree in Computing, Robotics and Imaging for Surgery Platform" P.I. G. Baselli - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: Responsabile tecnico e scientifico (144k€).
- **2010-2012 Progetto Nazionale** finanziato da Ministero dell'Istruzione dell'Università e della Ricerca "Innovative modular micro robotic instruments for transluminal endoscopic surgery". P.I. P. Cerveri – Unità di Ricerca Politecnico di Milano (135k€).
- **2009-2010 International Project** finanziato da European Space Agency: TEC-MMG/2009/8 "Self propelled Instrument Carrier for surgery through natural orifices". P.I. P. Cerveri - Politecnico di Milano (25k€).
- **2008-2010 Progetto di ricerca Europeo** "ROBOCAST: ROBOT and sensors integration for Computer Assisted Surgery and Therapy" (FP7-ICT-2007-215190). P.I. G. Ferrigno - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: Responsabile di Workpackage (3.5M€).
- **2008-2009 Progetto Interuniversitario** finanziato da Politecnico di Milano e Politecnico di Torino "ORTHOROB, ORTHOpaedic Surgery and ROBOTics" P.I. G. Ferrigno - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: Responsabile di Workpackage (75k€).
- **2007 Progetto di ricerca Collaborativa Regionale** finanziato da FSE INGENIO e regione Lombardia "New technologies for surgical navigation". P.I. P. Cerveri - Politecnico di Milano. (30k€).
- **2006-2007 Progetto di ricerca industriale italiano** finanziato da LIMA Lto (Udine, Italia). "Ultrasound for detection of landmarks and anatomical surfaces in surgical navigation". P.I. R. Dellaca' - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: partecipante (130k€).
- **2005-2007 Progetto di ricerca nazionale** finanziato da Ospedale San Bortolo (Vicenza, Italia). "Innovative methods for 3D image registration in the domain of radiosurgery using the CyberKnife". P.I. C. Francescon - San Bortolo Hospital. Ruolo: partecipante (70k€).
- **2005-2006 National Industrial Research Project** funded by LIMA Lto (Udine, Italy). "Technologies and methods for surgical navigation in knee and hip arthroplasty". P.I. G. Ferrigno - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: Responsabile di Workpackage (350k€).
- **2005-2006 Progetto di sviluppo industriale nazionale** finanziato da DIES srl (Roma, Italia) "VIMS : An innovative system for surgical training in ophthalmic mini-invasive surgery". P.I. N.A. Borghese - Università degli Studi di Milano. Ruolo: Responsabile di Workpackage (70k€).
- **2005-2006 Progetto di ricerca nazionale** HINT-Lecco finanziato da Fondazione CARIPOLO. "Biomechanical models of the hand and methods for parameter estimation in the domain of Haptics " P.I. C. Frigo - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: partecipante.
- **2002-2004 Progetto di sviluppo industriale nazionale** finanziato da BTS Engineering (Milano, Italy): "Model-based human motion tracking" P.I. G. Ferrigno - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: Responsabile tecnico e scientifico (60k€).
- **1999-2003 Progetto di ricerca nazionale** finanziato da ASI (Agenzia Spaziale Italiana): "ELITE-S2": Leader: Prof. G. Ferrigno - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: Responsabile di Workpackage (440K€).
- **2000-2002 Progetto di ricerca nazionale** finanziato da IEO – Istituto Europeo di Oncologia (Milano, Italia), "Development and implementation of new methodologies for management and analysis of

large scale micro-array genomic data. Studies of differential regulation.” P.I. P.G. Pelicci – European Oncology Institute. Ruolo: Responsabile di Workpackage (75k€).

- **1998-2000 Progetto di ricerca Internazionale** finanziato da National Library of Medicine, NIH . Bethesda, (MD - USA) "Visible Human Dataset". P.I. M.J. Ackerman,. Italian P.I. F. Pincirolì - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: partecipante (45k€).
- **1998-2000 Progetto Nazionale** finanziato da Ministero dell’Istruzione dell’Università e della Ricerca. “Sviluppo di Agenti Software per Sistemi Informativi Sanitari” Co-P.I. F. Pincirolì - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: partecipante (110k€).
- **1998-1999 Progetto di ricerca nazionale** finanziato da ASI (Agenzia Spaziale Italiana) “ELITE-S2 Phase A Feasibility study 2000 PI”. P.I. G. Ferrigno - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: partecipante (125K€).
- **1997-1999 Progetto di ricerca Europeo EC Brite-EuRam Project BE96-3433 “ANNIE: Application of Neural Networks to Integrated Ergonomics,”** Co-P.I. Prof. G. Ferrigno - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: partecipante (2.8M€).
- **1997-1998 Progetto di ricerca industriale** co-finanziato da BTS Engineering (Milano, Italia) and Centro di Bioingegneria Fondazione Don Gnocchi (Milano, Italia). “Procedure innovative di calibrazione di sistemi video per l’analisi del movimento umano” P.I. A. Pedotti - Politecnico di Milano. Ruolo: partecipante (30k€).

RESPONSABILITA’ DIRETTE IN PROGETTI DI RICERCA E INDUSTRIALI

- **Responsabile Unità Operativa** Politecnico di Milano **2012-2014 Progetto Nazionale** finanziato da AIRC Short-term high precision radiotherapy for early prostate cancer with concomitant boost on the dominant lesion.
- **Responsabile di Workpackage 2012-2014 National Project** funded by CNAO (Centro Nazionale di Adroterapia Oncologica). WP 2. Robotic framework.
- **Co P.I. 2010-2013 International Project:** “CRISP - International Dual Degree in Computing, Robotics and Imaging for Surgery Platform” funded by European Commission Programme EU-US ATLANTIS PROGRAMME, COOPERATION IN HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING.
- **P.I. 2010-2012 National Project** funded by Ministry of Education and University: Innovative modular micro robotic instruments for transluminal endoscopic surgery”.
- **P.I. 2009-2010 International Project** funded by European Space Agency: TEC-MMG/2009/8 “Self propelled Instrument Carrier for surgery through natural orifices”.
- **Responsabile di Workpackage 2008-2010 European Project:** FP7-ICT-2007-215190 “ROBOCAST: ROBOt and sensors integration for Computer Assisted Surgery and Therapy”. WP 6: System integration.
- **P.I. 2007 National Collaborative Research Project** funded by FSE INGENIO (Lombardia Region) “New technologies for surgical navigation”.
- **Responsabile di Workpackage 2005-2006: National Industrial Research Project** funded by LIMA Lto (Italy) “Technologies and methods for surgical navigation in knee and hip arthroplasty”. WP 2. Intraoperative software framework.
- **Responsabile di Workpackage 2005-2006 National Industrial Development Project** funded by DIES srl (Roma, Italy) “VIMS : An innovative system for surgical training in ophthalmic mini-invasive surgery”. WP 2. Camera calibration and surgical tool trajectory tracking.
- **Responsabile di Workpackage 2001-2004: National Research Project** funded by ASI (Italian Space Agency): “ELITE-S2 Phase A Feasibility study 2000 PI”. WP 3. Camera calibration and 3D reconstruction.
- **Responsabile di Workpackage 2000-2002: National Research Project** IEO – Istituto Europeo di Oncologia (Milano, Italy), “Development and implementation of new methodologies for management and analysis of large scale micro-array genomic data. Studies of differential regulation”. WP 3. “Data management, clustering methods and analysis.

INCARICHI ISTITUZIONALI

- membro del Collegio di Dottorato in Bioingegneria - Politecnico di Milano (2012)
- membro del Collegio di Dottorato in Bioingegneria - Politecnico di Milano (2013-2015)
- membro del Collegio del Corso di Studi in Ingegneria Biomedica, Facoltà di Ingegneria dei Sistemi - Politecnico di Milano (2004-2012)

INCARICHI DIDATTICI

- esercitatore incaricato per il corso di Fondamenti di Bioingegneria Elettronica - Facoltà di Ingegneria dei Sistemi (II) - Politecnico di Milano – Docente: Prof. G. Ferrigno, Anni accademici: 2001-2002, 2002-2003, 2003-2004, 2004-2005, 2005-2006
- esercitatore incaricato per il corso di Biosensori e Microtecnologie - Facoltà di Ingegneria dei Sistemi (II) - Politecnico di Milano – Docente: Prof. G. Ferrigno, Anni accademici: 2004-2005, 2005-2006, 2006-2007
- Professore a contratto nell'ambito del corso di dottorato "Tecnologie Elettroniche in Ingegneria Biomedica" della Scuola di Dottorato di Ricerca in Bioingegneria del Politecnico di Milano. Anno accademico: 2002-2003
- Professore a contratto nell'ambito del Master Universitario di II Livello "Ingegneria in Chirurgia" presso il Politecnico di Milano su principi di Chirurgia Ortopedica Assistita al Calcolatore. Anni accademici: 2005-2006, 2006-2007, 2007-2008
- Professore a contratto presso l'Accademia di Bergamo per le Scienze Avanzate - Villa ELIOS (BG), del corso Informatica di base per la Medicina. Anni accademici: 1998-1999, 1999-2000, 2000-2001
- Cicli di lezioni e esercitazioni per i corsi di Informatica Medica I, II – Facoltà di Ingegneria dei Sistemi (II) - Politecnico di Milano – Docente: Prof. F. Pincioli. Anni accademici: 1998-1999, 1999-2000;
- Cicli di lezioni per il corso di Sistemi Intelligenti Naturali e Artificiali, Facoltà di Ingegneria dei Sistemi (II) - Politecnico di Milano – Docente: Prof. G. Ferrigno. Anni accademici: 2001-2002, 2002-2003.
- Cicli di lezioni per il corso "Sistemi intelligenti" con argomento: "Computazione evolutivista". Docente Prof. N.A. Borghese, Università degli Studi di Milano. Anno accademico: 2005-2006.

INCARICHI DI RICERCA

- (09/1996 - 09/1997) Istituto di Neuroscienze e Bioimmagini del CNR di Milano nell'ambito del progetto: "Ricostruzione tridimensionale automatica del movimento umano da sistema video a stereo camera". Riferimento: Dr. Alberto Borghese;
- (09/1997 - 09/1998) Centro di Bioingegneria della Fondazione Don Gnocchi di Milano e del Politecnico di Milano nell'ambito del progetto: 'Nuove metodologie e implementazione di un sistema automatico per la calibrazione di un sistema video per la cattura del movimento umano in tre dimensioni'. Riferimento: Prof. Antonio Pedotti;
- (09/1999 a 10/1999) National Library of Medicine del National Institute of Health a Bethesda MD, USA nell'ambito del progetto Visible Human Project finanziato dal National Institute of Health, USA. Riferimento: Dr. Micheal Ackermann;
- (09/2000 – 09/2001) Istituto Europeo di Oncologia (IEO) nell'ambito del progetto "Sviluppo e implementazione di metodologie di gestione e analisi di dati di espressione genomica ottenuti da macro/micro arrays. Studi sulla regolazione differenziale; Riferimento: Pier Giuseppe Pelicci;
- (09/2001 – 09/2002) Dipartimento di Bioingegneria del Politecnico di Milano nell'ambito del progetto ELITE-S2 "Metodologie e tecnologie per l'acquisizione in 3D del movimento umano in microgravità" finanziato da ASI (Agenzia Spaziale Italiana). Riferimento: Prof. Giancarlo Ferrigno;
- (06/2005 – 12/2006) Dipartimento di Scienze dell'Informazione – Università degli Studi di Milano nell'ambito del Progetto VIMS "Sviluppo di un sistema per il training in microchirurgia oftalmica". Riferimento: Prof. Alberto Borghese;
- (01/2012 – 12/2013) Centro Nazionale di Adroterapia Oncologica nell'ambito del progetto "Sistema di Imaging robotico in sala di trattamento adroterapico" Riferimento: Presidente CNAO Dr. Eugenio Borloni.

CONSULENZE PROFESSIONALI

- (07/2000 - 8/2000) Electronic Arts Canada di Vancouver (British Columbia, Canada) nell'ambito delle attività riguardanti l'animazione di caratteri virtuali a partire dalla misura di movimenti umani. Riferimento: Pauline Moller;
- (01/2004 - 01/2005) Netcont srl (Milano) nell'ambito del progetto "Implementazione di servizi WEB per la contabilità on-line". Riferimento: Dr. Stefano Inzoli;
- (01/2005 - 06/2005) Valtechnic SNC e Rally-art Mitsubishi-Italia nell'ambito del progetto "Studio di fattibilità di un sistema di monitoraggio dell'attività dinamica di auto da rally tramite sensoristica specifica". Riferimento: Fabio Merazzi;
- (11/2005 - 02/2006) DS Medica (Milano), società del Gruppo DS MediGroup, nell'ambito del Progetto "Applicazione di modelli tridimensionali del corpo umano nel campo dell'ispezione dermatologica". Riferimento: Livio Campari;

ATTIVITA' DI REVISIONE SCIENTIFICA DI PROGETTI E PUBBLICAZIONI

- (06/2009 - 07/2009) Esperto valutatore invitato da EU ICT for Health, under Call 4 of the Information and Communication Technologies Theme of FP7. Call Objective ICT-2009.5.2: Patient Safety (PS).
- (11/2011 - 01/2012) Esperto valutatore invitato da Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada. Collaborative Health Research Projects Selection Panel NSERC/CRSNG.
- revisore per le seguenti riviste internazionali:
Annals of Biomedical Engineering, IEEE Transaction on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence, Medical Physics, Medical & Biological Engineering & Computing, Journal of Neuroscience Methods, Clinical Biomechanics, Computer Methods in Bioengineering and Biomechanics; Medical Engineering and Physics, Computers in Biology and Medicine, International Journal of Medical Robotics and Computer Assisted Surgery, Sport Biomechanics, Journal of Biomechanics.

PREMI E INVITI

2012

- Oratore invitato a Robotica – The International Humanoid and Service Robots Expo, Milano 7-8 Novembre 2012. "Robotics between research and clinical application: the experience of CART-CAS laboratory of the Politecnico di Milano".

2010

- Professore invitato nel post graduation course "Fundamentos e Métodos Quantitativos para Biomecânica" at University of Campinas (Brazil) finanziato by FUNCAMP foundation. Titolo: "Methods and technologies in Sport Science".
- Oratore invitato in the Symposium of Science and Technologies in Sport - University of Campinas (Brazil).
- Oratore invitato presso European Space Agency ESA-ESTEC Keplerlaan 1, 2200AG Noordwijk ZH, The Netherlands. Titolo: "Innovative surgical robotics for natural-orifice transluminal endoscopic surgery: perspectives for space applications".
- Membro invitato del Comitato "The Hamlyn Symposium on Medical Robotics" The Royal Society of Science in London (UK).

2008

- Premio "Migliore Innovazione" a K-Idea – Scientific technological park *Kilometro Rosso. Robotic technologies for the vision in mini-invasive transluminal endoscopic surgery*. Bergamo (Italia).

2006

- Professore invitato presso Università degli Studi di Milano (Italia). Titolo: "Evolutionary computation".

2003

- Professore invitato University of Campinas (Brazil). Titolo: "Biomechanics and Sport Science".
- Professore invitato European School Marseille, (France) Titolo: "Technologies and new methods for human motion analysis".

SUPERVISIONE DI CANDIDATI DOTTORATO DI RICERCA E POST-DOC

Linea di ricerca: *Biomeccanica del movimento*

- Amanda Piaia Silvatti – PhD student in Physical Education (Campinas University, Brasile) finanziata da FAPESP (Brasile). Stage at Politecnico di Milano (2010-2011) supported by CAPES foundation (Brasile).
- Nicola Lopomo - Dottorato di ricerca in Bioingegneria (Politecnico di Milano) finanziato da Istituti Ortopedici Rizzoli (Bologna, Italia)
- Emiliano Gambaretto - Dottorato di ricerca in Bioingegneria (Politecnico di Milano)

Linea di ricerca: *Immagini biomediche, chirurgia assistita al Computer, radioterapia, robotica medica*

- Joseph Stancanello – Dottorato di ricerca in Bioingegneria (Politecnico di Milano) finanziato da Ospedale San Bortolo (Vicenza, Italia).
- Marialuisa Mandelli - Dottorato di ricerca in Bioingegneria (Politecnico di Milano) finanziato da Istituto neurologico Besta (Milano, Italia).
- Paolo Patete – Post doc finanziato da EON medica (Italia).
- Matteo Seregni – candidato Dottorato di ricerca in Bioingegneria (Politecnico di Milano) finanziato da MIUR.
- Aurora Fassi - candidata Dottorato di ricerca in Bioingegneria (Politecnico di Milano) finanziato da MIUR
- Cynthia Zazzarini – Assegnista di ricerca finanziato da MIUR.
- Andrea Pella – Post doc finanziato da CNAO (Pavia, Italia).
- Antonella Belfatto – candidata dottorato di ricerca in Bioingegneria (Politecnico di Milano) finanziato da MIUR.

ATTIVITA' DI RICERCA SCIENTIFICA

Pietro Cerveri's scientific research activity has spanned *machine vision, biomechanics, medical image processing, medical informatics, computer assisted surgery* and *medical robotics*. He has carried out both innovative basic and applicative researches mainly in bioengineering and biomedical fields collaborating with engineers, mathematicians, surgeons, biologists and physicians. The results were proved by more than 50 papers, published in peer-reviewed journals. He carried out research in a small-size mono-disciplinary team and in greater multi-disciplinary groups as well. Since 1998 he has been participating in different national and international research project and national industrial project in quality of WP participant, WP responsible and principal investigator.

MACHINE VISION: in this scientific area, Pietro Cerveri started its activity by coping with the calibration of multi-camera systems and dealt with methods and technologies for object and human motion real-time tracking. He conceived innovative methods for camera calibration based on Evolutionary Computation validated across different motion capture systems. He developed calibration and tracking applications that were acquired by an Italian Company in the field (BTS Engineering, Milano – Italy). The related scientific aspects were object of publication in ISI peer-review international journals of the biomechanical community. In particular, the innovative evolutionary approach was published in the most relevant scientific journal (IEEE Transaction on Evolutionary Computation) in the area of evolutionary computation. Due to his skills in this field of research he collaborated to different research and industrial projects: **a)** in July-August 2000 he was recruited by Electronic Arts Canada in Vancouver (British Columbia, Canada) as a software engineer to collaborate to a project for the development of automatic algorithm for camera calibration of multi-camera system (20 cameras); **b)** since 1999 to 2004 he was involved in the project "ELITE-S2" funded by Italian Space Agency (ASI) where he was responsible of Workpackage 3 "System calibration". The project consisted in the development of a new motion capture platform for acquisition of astronaut movements in microgravity conditions (physiological motion adaptation to microgravity); **c)** since 2005 to 2006, he was involved in a national industrial project funded by DIES srl (Roma, Italy), named "VIMS : An innovative system for surgical training in ophthalmic mini-invasive surgery", as responsible of the Workpackage 2 "Camera calibration and tip tracking".

BIOMECHANICS AREA: in this scientific area, Pietro Cerveri coped with the problem of the human kinematic estimation from surface markers for clinical and sport applications. Starting from the development of full body kinematic models, he focused its investigation on the analysis of anatomical subparts as the spine, the lower limb and the hand. He developed method to the estimation of kinematic parameters (centers and axes of rotation), he faced the problem of reduction of the effect of soft tissue artifacts and developed innovative algorithm based on state-space filters and neural networks for the simulation of human-like trajectories, and volume capture for the motion analysis without surface markers. The results of such activities were extensively published in ISI peer-review international journals. The corresponding papers now constitute the state-of-the art for motion estimation techniques. Since 2005-2006, he participated to a project in cooperation with by Biomotion Laboratory-Mechanical Engineering Department – Stanford University, Stanford, CA (USA) named "Markerless Motion Capture". At present time, he is involved in a project co-funded by Nuclear Medicine Department and CERMAC - San Raffaele Scientific Institute aiming at using MRI-based bone surface models to analysis the kinematics of hand and finger joints. He is now a participant in National Project funded by Ministry of Education, University and Research. "Biomechatronic hand prostheses endowed with bio-inspired tactile perception, bi-directional neural interfaces and distributed sensori-motor control" (2013-2015).

MEDICAL INFORMATICS AREA: in this scientific area, the research activity of Pietro Cerveri can be split in two main subjects: knowledge representation and bioinformatics. As far as the knowledge representation is concerned, he spent he doctoral period dealing with the problem of symbolic anatomical knowledge representation and the integration of such information with the visual information coming from image (histological, morphological) data. His doctoral program was co-funded by the National Library of Medicine, National Institute of Health in Bethesda (MD - USA) under the "Visible Human Dataset" (the greatest digital archive in the world of histological images of a human cadaver) project. He investigated semantic networks

and database technology as infrastructure for representing and coding symbolic information. He focused his research on conceptual classification, ontology and digital medical vocabularies as UMLS and SNOMED to cite few. He developed a software framework for joining visual and symbolic anatomical information by allowing an interactive querying of digital images. The results of the doctoral period were published in ISI peer-review international specialized journals.

In the bioinformatics field, Pietro Cerveri dealt with the management and the analysis of human genetic data (genomic differential expression data) coming from micro, gene-chips, oligonucleotides arrays. He collaborated to a project funded by IEO – European Institute of Oncology (Milano, Italy), called “Development and implementation of new methodologies for management and analysis of large scale micro-array genomic data. Studies of differential regulation” aiming at developing a SW platform for the management and analysis of large scale micro-array data of differential gene expression. In particular, he was responsible of the Workpackage 3 “Data management, clustering methods and analysis”. He developed automatic procedures for managing huge amount of genomic data (5-25GB every study), algorithms for intra-inter experiment calibration, for data clustering and statistical analysis of differential genomic expression and co-expression. The results of this research activity were published in ISI peer-review international specialized journals.

MEDICAL IMAGE PROCESSING, COMPUTER AIDED SURGERY, RADIOTHERAPY AND MEDICAL ROBOTICS: in this broad scientific area, Pietro Cerveri dealt with medical image processing, - segmentation, fluoroscopic image rectification, multi-modal volume registration (CT-MR, CT-ANGIO) - for planning of the radio-surgery treatment through the Cyberknife. He extensively collaborated with San Bortolo Hospital in Vicenza (Italy) and Department of Neurosurgery, Neuromed IRCCS, 86077 Isernia (Italy). Particularly, he contributed to the development and validation of methods for registration (rigid and non-rigid) based on the mutual information paradigm. The work focused the automatic identification in the images of organs at morphological and functional risk. He is co-author of a number of publications on the subject in ISI peer-review international journals in the realm of medical physics. In computer aided surgery scientific area, the research activity of Pietro Cerveri focused formerly on Orthopaedics. In particular, he dealt with navigation for knee and hip surgery. He developed registration algorithms based on bone-morphing, method to compute intra-operatively the limb mechanics starting from measurements of points or areas on the bone surfaces, automatic methods to computed the optimal positioning and size of the prosthesis, method for real-time visualization. From 2005 to 2006 he was involved in an Industrial Research project funded by Lima Ito (Udine, Italy) named “Technologies and methods for surgical navigation in knee and hip arthroplasty”. He was responsible of the Workpackage 5 “Intra-operative software module”. His activity in this field evolved as he moved to the design and development of intra-operative monitoring devices that led to a number of patents. In 2007, he was leader of the *Collaborative Research Project* funded by FSE INGENIO (Lombardia Region) “New technologies for surgical navigation” where he investigated different technologies for surgical navigation. Since 2007, he has been participating to the *National project* funded by Politecnico di Milano and Politecnico di Torino “ORTHOROB, ORTHOPaedic Surgery and ROBotics” (2007-2009) in quality of responsible of Workpackage 2 “Robot interface”. Since January 2008, he has been participating in the *European Project*: FP7-ICT-2007-215190 “ROBOCAST: ROBOT and sensors integration for Computer Assisted Surgery and Therapy” (2008-2010) in quality of responsible of workpackage 6 “System interface”. Along this direction, in early 2010 he started a research activity in collaboration with Niguarda hospital in Milano (Italy) with the goal of developing innovative robotic technologies for abdominal surgery. In this domain, Pietro Cerveri was principal investigator of two projects, namely “Self propelled Instrument Carrier for surgery through natural orifices”, concerning a feasibility study on robotics for surgery in microgravity funded by the European Space Agency (2009-2010) and “Innovative modular micro robotic instruments for transluminal endoscopic surgery” (2010-2012) funded Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research. In the field of radiotherapy, He was recently started a collaboration with Centro nazionale di Adroterapia Oncologica and he was included in three main projects: “Robotic imaging system for hadron-therapy room” (2012-2013), “ULICE (Union of Light Ion Centers in Europe, FP7-INFRA-2008-1.1.2) (2010-2013) and “ENVISION - European NoVel Imaging Systems for ION therapy” (2010-2013). In the first project, he was responsible of the WP 2. Robotic framework to manage the feasibility analysis, the robot selection, room setup, robot programming and safety measures. Within ULICE, he is currently

cooperating in the development of innovative strategies for real-time tumor tracking in hadron-therapy using artificial neural networks. Within Envision, he is currently cooperating in the development of a HW/SW framework for real-time steering of the particle beam in hadron-therapy to cope with tumor localization uncertainty.

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