Title of Session: 
Innovative Technology in Mental Healthcare

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Details of Session:
Although traditional psychotherapy is undoubtedly effective for many, some mental health professionals are actively searching for new treatment methods based on innovative technology. Ultimately, they argue that alternative and/or complementary forms of treatment other than psychotherapy are necessary.

Innovative technology will radically change the way mental healthcare is delivered. We think there are likely to be tremendous possibilities. Not only the potential improvements to medication delivery mechanisms are being studied, but it is also likely that innovative technology will also help people with mental health problems simply to lead the sort of lives they want through tools for well-being.

The purpose of this special session on “Innovative Technology in Mental Healthcare” is to exchange the new ideas, trends and research results in the following research fields:

- Internet-supported mental healthcare
- Mobile and wearable technology in mental healthcare
- Brain-computer interfaces in mental healthcare
- Virtual/augmented reality in mental healthcare
- Robotics in mental healthcare
- Vision systems in mental healthcare
- Intelligent decision support in mental healthcare
- Social media in mental healthcare
- Specific sensors and actuators in mental healthcare
- Other aspects of innovative technology in mental healthcare

Both researchers and practitioners are welcome to submit their contributed papers.

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