



PHD BIOENGINEERING – THESIS FINAL DEFENSE

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THESIS: PHYSIOLOGY BASED MACHINE LEARNING AND DATA ANALYTICS FOR PERINATAL MONITORING

COMMITTEE MEMBERS			SCHEDULE OF THE DAY	
Prof. Laura Burattini	Prof. Petar Djuric	Prof.ssa Anna Maria Bianchi	15:00 – 15:15	Committee Meeting
Università Politecnica delle Marche – Ancona	Stony Brook University Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering	Politecnico di Milano Dipartimento DEIB	15:15 – 16:15	PhD Student NICOLO' PINI Thesis presentation - Discussion
			16:15 – 16:30	Committee meeting
			16:30	Award Ceremony

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Thesis title: PHYSIOLOGY BASED MACHINE LEARNING AND DATA ANALYTICS FOR PERINATAL MONITORING
A novel framework for a comprehensive maternal, fetal, and neonatal profiling

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Abstract:

The definition of perinatal period covers pregnancy, delivery, and postpartum. During this lifetime interval, mothers-to-be and their children are strongly interconnected resembling a dynamic system in rapid evolution. Additionally, the perinatal period plays a crucial role in shaping early stages of life and has profound repercussions with the potential to extend beyond the first years of life. Nevertheless, the majority of the investigational approaches in this field lack of longitudinal perspective and tend to study mothers, fetuses, and babies as independent entities. The scope of this Ph.D. thesis is to propose an innovative framework towards a comprehensive and rigorous characterization of the perinatal period as a continuum. The original methodological contribution centers on the utilization of tools encompassing machine learning, artificial intelligence, and advanced signal processing techniques towards data imputation, non-parametric clustering, prediction, and network physiology analysis. The quantitative framework proposed in this Ph.D. thesis is expected to contribute toward promoting healthy pregnancy, safe childbirth, and reduce adverse outcome by building a sustainable network for perinatal health monitoring trained on heterogenous data fusion. The ultimate goal is to inform monitoring solutions for risk assessment with dynamical and longitudinal indicators of perinatal health.