

## DELAWARE VALLEY SCIENCE FAIRS, INC.

# Intel International Science and Engineering Fair 2015 Awards Ceremony May 15, 2015 Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Society for Science and the Public, in partnership with the Intel Foundation, announced Awards of the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF) 2015. Student winners are ninth through twelfth graders who earned the right to compete at the Intel ISEF 2015 by winning a top prize at a local, regional, state, or national fair. This year's Intel International Science and Engineering Fair featured approximately 1,700 young scientists selected from 422 affiliate fairs in more than 75 countries, regions and territories.

### Award winners from the Delaware Valley Science Fairs

#### **Behavioral and Social Sciences:**

**Sarah Vicol**, 15, 10<sup>th</sup> Grade, High Technology High School, Lincroft, NJ *The Effect of Bilingualism on the Multitasking Ability of Adolescents* Grand Award: Fourth Place - \$500

#### **Biomedical and Health Sciences:**

**Ralph Ignacio Lawton**, 16, 11<sup>th</sup> Grade, PA Leadership Charter School, West Chester, PA Don't Be Led Ashtray: Toxicological Effects of Electronic Cigarettes on Inflammation and Lung Cell Viability with Comparison by Brand, Flavor, and Generation

Special Award: National Anti-Vivisection Society: Second Place - \$2,000 Special Award: National Institutes of Health: Second Place - \$1,500

Special Award: West Virginia University – Presidential Scholarship – Full Tuition

**Jeremy Wang**, 14, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade, Methacton High School, Norristown, PA Development of a Novel Biomarker Algorithm for the Early Detection of Liver Cancer Special Award: American Statistical Association – Honorable Mention

**Roy Ghosh**, 15, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade, Parkland High School, Allentown, PA *Novel Method of Circulating Prostate Tumor Cell Separation Using Adhesion Rolling in a Micropatterned, Microfluidic Device*Grand Award: Second Place - \$1,500

Special Award: - MIT - Lincoln Laboratory, Ceres Connection - Lifetime Naming of an Asteroid

#### **Energy: Physical:**

**Vikram I. Pandian**, 14, 9<sup>th</sup> Grade, Parkland High School, Allentown, PA *Measuring and GeoMapping Ambient RF Energy for Battery Free Applications* Grand Award: Fourth Place - \$500

#### **Environmental Engineering:**

Ananya Joshi, 17, 12<sup>th</sup> Grade, High Technology High School, Lincroft, NJ

Developing Effective Solar-Powered Agitators for Mosquito Control in Stagnant Water

Grand Award: Fourth Place - \$500

<u>Special Award</u>: Bruno Kessler Foundation: WebValley Program – Three Week Trip to Trento, Italy to further research

#### **Materials Science:**

Milind Jagota, 17, 11th Grade, Liberty High School, Bethlehem, PA An Efficient Computational Model for Metal Nanowire Transparent Conductors Grand Award: Fourth Place - \$500

#### Mathematics:

**Shashwat Kishore,** 18, 12<sup>th</sup> Grade, Unionville High School, Kennett Square, PA Signatures of Multiplicity Spaces in Tensor Products of sL2 and Uq(sL2) Representations Special Award: American Mathematical Society – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$500

#### Microbiology:

**Rachel Danielle Swope**, 16, 10<sup>th</sup> Grade, Central Bucks West High School, Doylestown, PA *Isolation of a Bacteriophage for Staphylococcus aureus from Rumen Fluid*Special Award: American Society for Microbiology – 5<sup>th</sup> Place - \$400

#### Plant Sciences:

Rachel Paige Weinstein, 16, 11<sup>th</sup> Grade, Biotechnology High School, Freehold, NJ The Effects of Varying Methods of Gibberellic Acid Exposure on the Growth and Development of Wild-Type and PKL1-1 Mutant Arabidopsis thaliana

Grand Award – Third Place – \$1,000

Since 1949, Delaware Valley Science Fairs, Inc. (DVSF) has stimulated interest in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) among middle and high school students in the tristate region. Our vision is to bring parents, teachers and industry together to stimulate and nurture young people so that they can grow and develop into contributing members of the community. DVSF's philosophy is that students learn by doing. They learn how to think, how to identify problems that need to be solved, and to design solutions to those problems.

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