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CURIOUS SCIENCE STUDENTS ACHIEVE OUTSTANDING RESULTS AT NATIONAL COMPETITION

Science Fair Foundation BC supports Provincial Team at this Week's Canada-Wide Science Fair in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island

May 17th, 2012 Vancouver, BC - With health science projects leading the way, 77 participants from 14 regions throughout BC and the Yukon presented projects at this week's Canada-Wide Science Fair in Charlottetown, PEI – the highest level of science fair competition in Canada. **BC and Yukon students brought home 105 awards.**

Projects included the “*Smart Knee Assistant*” which provides an innovative dynamically adaptive knee support; “*Mythbusting Mouth Guards*”, a study that resulted in rethinking the design of mouth guards to prevent concussions and a “*Wheelchair Bowling Ramp*”. These are just some of the innovative projects that speak to the youth's concern about safety and mobility.

Joining hundreds of the country's brightest young scientific minds, BC and Yukon students competed for medals, cash awards, scholarships and other prizes worth approximately \$1 million. Over 1,000 student finalists, delegates and judges participated in the 51st Canada-wide Science Fair.

Participating in three categories based on school grade:

Junior – Grades 7 and 8
Intermediate – Grades 9 and 10
Senior – Grades 11 and 12

BC and Yukon students received 1 platinum, 4 gold, 5 silver and 32 bronze medals as well as 14 special awards and 49 scholarships for a total of \$144,350 (*Detailed projects and specific awards attached*)

About the Science Fair Foundation of BC

The Science Fair Foundation supports science fair activities throughout the Province each year to promote science education through The Science Fair Program. Our goal is to foster curiosity and build for the future. Our mission is to sustain and enhance the science culture of youth in BC and to build BC's future by supporting science and technology education.

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