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**'EXCELLENCE IN SPORT – EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS'**  
*BC students selected for Team Canada at USA International Science Fair*

**VANCOUVER, BC:** Five British Columbia students are among sixteen of Canada's brightest high school scientists that have been selected by Youth Science Canada to represent Canada at the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (Intel ISEF) May 9 - 15 in San Jose, California. Intel ISEF is the world's largest science fair.

Team Canada-ISEF was selected by a distinguished panel of 15 university faculty, industry researchers, educators and Team Canada alumni through a competitive national selection process that began in October and concluded Sunday as part of Youth Science Month.

Last year, Team Canada-ISEF brought home six grand and three special awards.

The British Columbia students are:

- **Claire Edgcumbe**, Vancouver BC  
*Do NMDA receptors affect early brain development?*
- **Kimberly Gulevich** – Fort St. John BC  
*Got Gas?: Feasibility of a Methane Capture System*
- **Taneille Johnson**, Fort St. John BC  
*Functional Analysis of Telomerase Mutations in Dyskeratosis Congenita*
- **Mary Zhao** – Vancouver BC  
*Grasping Water: Exploring a Novel Method of Inducing Precipitation*
- **Jonathan Zhou**, Coquitlam BC  
*Constructing Inverse Limits With Upper Semi-Continuous Functions*

The three Metro Vancouver students will be participating in the Greater Vancouver Regional Science Fair at UBC and the Fort St. John students will be participating in the Northern British Columbia Regional Science Fair.

Regional Science Fairs in British Columbia during April include:

SOUTH FRASER SURREY	April 8 – 9, 2010 Kwantlen Polytechnic University Surrey
GREATER VANCOUVER VANCOUVER	April 8 – 10, 2010 University of British Columbia
WEST KOOTNEY & BOUNDARY CASTLEGAR	April 10, 2010 Selkirk College
VANCOUVER ISLAND VICTORIA	April 10 – 12, 2010 University of Victoria
NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA FORT ST. JOHN	April 13, 2010 North Peace Senior Secondary



**All media are invited to attend these highly visual, highly energetic events.**

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