

# 58th Annual Greenville County and South Carolina Regional Science and Engineering Fair 2012

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Awards—April 10th – Roper Mountain Science Center

### THE CHARLES H. TOWNES STUDENT RESEARCH AWARD

Recognizing Academic Excellence in Research by a High School Student

# **GREGORY WILSON**

Riverside High School

# Senior High School Overall Awards

First Place: Gregory Wilson, Riverside High School, Teacher: Karen Becker

"Look Ma, No Hands: A Study of Control Systems for Autonomous Vehicles" \$60 Visa Gift Card, Trophy & Certificate, \$60 Visa Gift Card to teacher

Second Place: Zachary Morgan, Greenville Tech Charter High School, Teacher: Jason Schmidt

"The Search for Natural Products with Mucilaginous Properties for the Protection of

Gastric Tissue"

\$50 Visa Gift Card, Trophy & Certificate, \$50 Visa Gift Card to teacher

Third Place: Richard Li, Southside High School, Teacher: Tom Rogers

"How is the Speed and Reliability of an Ad-Hoc Network Influenced by Proximity?" Award: \$40 Visa Gift Card, Trophy & Certificate, \$40 Visa Gift Card to teacher

Fourth Place: Deepti Athvale, Southside High School, Teacher: Tom Rogers

"Reaction Times of Central vs. Peripheral Vision"

Award: \$30 Visa Gift Card, Trophy & Certificate, \$30 Visa Gift card to

teacher

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#### **Category Winners**

**First Place:** \$25 Visa Gift Card, Medal & Certificate, Teacher - \$25 Visa Gift Card, **Second Place:** \$20 Visa Gift Card & Certificate; **Third Place:** \$15 Visa Gift Card & Certificate; **Fourth Place:** \$10 Visa Gift Card & Certificate: **Honorable Mention**: Certificate

**Biological Sciences** 

First Place Zachary Morgan, Greenville Tech Charter High School, Teacher: Jason Schmidt

"The Search for Natural Products with Mucilaginous Properties for the Protection of

Gastric Tissue"

Second Place Deepti Athvale, Southside High School

"Reaction Times of Central vs. Peripheral Vision"

Third Place Omar Abdeladl, Greenville Tech Charter High School

"A Backpack Adjustment A Day Keeps the Doctor Away"

Fourth Place Nida Ansari, Riverside High School

"What Effects Do Various Distraction Noises Have on an Adolescent's Ability to Complete

an IQ Test?"

Honorable Mention David Wilson, Greenville Tech Charter High School

"Food Habits of American Cockroaches"

Honorable Mention Eric Rohm, Greenville Tech Charter High School

"Testing for Caffeine"

**Environmental Science** 

First Place Mohit Gandhi, Southside High School, Teacher: Tom Rogers

"The Effects of Ferrofluid on Freshwater Algae"

Second Place Shelby Stuff, Greenville Tech Charter High School

"The Effect of Sunlight Angle on a Brick Water Heater & Comparison with Solar Water

Heating and Compost Water Heating"

Third Place Elizabeth Grabowski & Rileigh Wagner, J.L. Mann Academy

"Thriving Indoors"

Fourth Place Colin Rodwell, Greenville Tech Charter High School

"Cell Phone Radiation"

Math & Computer Science

First Place Richard Li, Southside High School, Teacher: Tom Rogers

"How is the Speed and Reliability of an Ad-Hoc Network Influenced by Proximity?"

Second Place Brendan Williams, Southside High School

"Generating a Sonar Effect on a Cell Phone"

Third Place Stephan Williams, Southside High School

"Characterizing Vibrations Using Android Phones"

Fourth Place Brenden Raulerson, Southside High School

"Evaluation of Sensor Accuracy on the Success of Machine Learning in Autonomous

Vehicles"

Honorable Mention Henry Noonan, Southside High School

"Evaluation of Android Phones as Research and Education Tools for Sound Analysis"

Physics & Engineering

First Place Gregory Wilson, Riverside High School, Teacher: Karen Becker

"Look Ma, No Hands: A Study of Control Systems for Autonomous Vehicles"

Second Place Rebeca Dominguez & Claire Pillsbury, Southside High School

"Underwater Mask Using Electrolysis"

Third Place Thomas Neff, Riverside High School

"Environmental Experiment of the Resonance of Different Materials When Used as

Soundboards"

Fourth Place Emily Hudson, Southside High School

"A Physical Model of Ear Canal Stenosis: The Effect of Diameter on Sound Transmission"

Honorable Mention Sai Bikkani, Karthik Chandrasekar & Michael Wang, Southside High School

"The Comparative Analysis of the Effectiveness of Ultra-Capacitors vs. that of Batteries"

## Senior Division Special Awards

American Institute of Chemical Engineers - \$50 to Individual; \$25 to each Team Member & Certificate Mohit Gandhi, Southside High School, "The Effects of Ferrofluids on Freshwater Algae" Rebeca Dominguez & Claire Pillsbury, Southside High School, "Underwater Mask Using Electrolysis"

American Society of Heating, Refrigerating & Air Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) - \$50 & Certificate Omar Abdeladl, Greenville Tech Charter High School, "A Backpack Adjustment A Day Keeps the Doctor Away"

Dr. Tom Goldsmith Electrical Engineering Award - \$50 & Certificate

Richard Li, Southside High School, "How is the Speed and Reliability of an Ad-Hoc Network Influenced by Proximity?"

Greenville County Science Teachers Association Aspiring Scientists Award -

\$25 to each Team Member & Certificate

**Sai Bikkani, Karthik Chandrasekar & Michael Wang,** Southside High School, "The Comparative Analysis of the Effectiveness of Ultra-Capacitors vs. that of Batteries"

Lander University Communications Award - \$25, Prize Bag & Certificate
Brendan Williams, Southside High School, "Generating a Sonar Effect on a Cell Phone"

Roper Mountain Science Center Team Spirit Award - \$25 to each Team Member & Certificate Elizabeth Grabowski & Rileigh Wagner, J.L. Mann Academy, "Thriving Indoors"

Sierra Club - \$50 & Certificate

Mohit Gandhi, Southside High School, "The Effects of Ferrofluids on Freshwater Algae"

S.C. American Water Works Association Excellence in Water Award- \$75 Award (mailed) & Certificate Mohit Gandhi, Southside High School, "The Effects of Ferrofluids on Freshwater Algae"

South Carolina Society of Professional Engineers - \$100 Savings Bond (mailed) & Certificate Gregory Wilson, Riverside High School, "Look Ma, No Hands: A Study of Control Systems for Autonomous Vehicles"

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**Gregory Wilson,** Riverside High School, "Look Ma, No Hands: A Study of Control Systems for Autonomous Vehicles" **Deepti Athvale,** Southside High School, "Reaction Times of Central vs. Peripheral Vision"

Charles Ellis & Austin Porter, Porter Home School, "Picking Up Drag: Improving the Aerodynamics of Pickup Trucks"

**U.S. Navy –** Medal & Certificate

**Zachary Morgan**, Greenville Tech Charter High School, "The Search for Natural Products with Mucilaginous Properties for the Protection of Gastric Tissue"

Colin Rodwell, Greenville Tech Charter High School, "Cell Phone Radiation"

Morgan Miles & Kelly Simmons, Greenville Tech Charter High School, "Sugar vs. Splenda"