# Intel ISEF 2013 Special Award Organizations Ceremony May 16, 2013 Phoenix, Arizona

Society for Science & the Public, in partnership with the Intel Foundation, announced the Special Award Organization winners of the Intel ISEF 2013. Student winners are ninth through twelfth graders who earned the right to compete at the Intel ISEF 2013 by winning a top prize at a local, regional, state or national science fair.

# Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society

Founded in 1886, Sigma Xi is the international honor society of research scientists and engineers, with a distinguished history of service to science and society. This multi-disciplinary society includes members who were elected based on their research achievements or potential, and historically, more than 200 members have won the Nobel Prize. The Society is pleased to offer awards for the best demonstration of interdisciplinary research.

### First Life Science Award of \$ 2,000

EV301

A Novel Model for Inflammatory Bowel Disease: Using U937 and COLO320DM Cell Lines, to Propose a Pathway by which Environmental Toxin, 4-Nonylphenol, May Promote an Inflammatory Response

Albert Kim, 17, Manhasset Secondary School, Manhasset, New York Byeong Ho Jung, 15, Herricks High School, New Hyde Park, New York

### Second Life Science Award of \$1,000

ME304 The Effects of Riluzole and Superoxide Dismutase on ALS *C. elegans* Model Strain AM725

Karalyn Nicole Pappas, 16, Manhasset High School, Manhasset, New York Stephanie Ying, 16, Manhasset High School, Manhasset, New York

### First Physical Science Award of \$1,500

EN305 The Rate of Lead (II) Hydroxide Deposition in a Concrete Water Holding Tank: An Investigation of Water Distribution Systems in Third World Countries

Shujat Ali Khan, 17, East Meadow High School, East Meadow, New York Shamoon Syed Rizvi, 17, East Meadow High School, East Meadow, New York

MA302 Simulation of Protein Folding using Monte Carlo Methods in a Triangular Lattice

Niranjan Balachandar, 16, Shepton High School, Plano, Texas Nirali Kunjan Thakor, 15, Shepton High School, Plano, Texas

### **Honorable Mention**

EM304 The Effect of Single-Walled Carbon Nanotubes on Regeneration and Activity of

 $\label{localization} \textit{Dugesia do roto cephala}, \textbf{Growth of } \textit{Chlorella vulgaris}, \textbf{and Embryonic Development of } \\$ 

Lytechinus variegatus

Archie Chakming Kong, 16, Manhasset Secondary School, Manhasset, New York Randy Tung, 16, Manhasset Secondary School, Manhasset, New York Arthur Wang, 16, Manhasset High School, Manhasset, New York

# EV303 Predicting Earthquakes by Monitoring the Electron Content of the Ionosphere

Nicolas Javier Marone, 18, Ort Henri Ronson, Ashqelon, Israel Aviv Rabinovich, 18, Mevoot Hanegev, Kibbutz Shoval, Israel

## ME311 Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma: An Analysis of Drug Therapy Options

Anvita Gupta, 15, BASIS Scottsdale, Scottsdale, Arizona Sejal Aggarwal, 16, BASIS Scottsdale, Scottsdale, Arizona

# PH312 The Effects of Temperature on the Index of Refraction of Water

Charlyn Castro Manuyag, 17, Waipahu High School, Waipahu, Hawaii Fely Marie Gregorio Magaoay, 18, Waipahu High School, Waipahu, Hawaii