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From the Bottom Up: Self-Assembly by Lateral Capillary Forces II

Division: Physical & Mathematical Sciences

Category: Senior

Region: South Fraser **City:** Surrey, BC

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Abstract: The project devises a method of self-assembly which utilizes a liquid-object

meniscus gradient. Because like-menisci, either positive or negative, will provoke an attraction between objects, this investigation discovers the point at which meniscus differences cause repulsion rather than attraction. The smaller the discrepancy, the more combinations of object pairings are possible, leading to greater possibilities regarding self-assembled pattern

intricacy.

Biography

Throughout my high school career I have openly searched for and strived to reach as many opportunities as possible. My passion for science has led me to the Canada Wide Science Fair, as well as to other fantastic theoretical physics/molecular biology endeavours that I have thoroughly learned from. I voluntarily tutor math and English to students grades 8 through 12 and I train in Shotokan Karate 3 times a week. I hope to learn new languages and continue to enrich my life both through culture and knowledge as I continue my studies at McGill University.

Awards	Value
Dalhousie University Faculty of Science Entrance Scholarship	\$2 000
Senior Silver Medallist - \$2000 Entrance Scholarship	
Sponsor: Dalhousie University, Faculty of Science	
UBC Science (Vancouver) Entrance Award	\$2 000
Senior Silver Medallist - \$2000 Entrance Scholarship	
Sponsor: The University of British Columbia (Vancouver)	
University of Ottawa Entrance Scholarship	\$3 000
Senior Silver Medallist - \$3000 Entrance Scholarship	
Sponsor: University of Ottawa	
The University of Western Ontario Scholarship	\$2 000
Silver Medallist - \$2000 Entrance Scholarship	
Sponsor: University of Western Ontario	
Silver Medal - Physical & Mathematical Sciences - Senior	\$700
Sponsor: Encana Corporation	
Total	\$9 700



