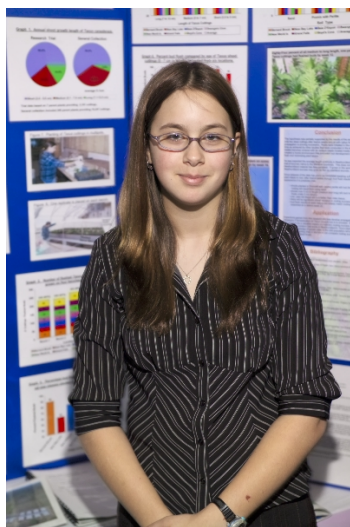


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Taxes a Pain! Taxus a Cure!

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Abstract: *Taxus canadensis* domestication was initiated using native Newfoundland sources. This shrub contains paclitaxel, a chemical used to treat cancer patients. Winter propagation by rooted cuttings was evaluated. Effects of genetic material, soil type, shoot age and length were analysed. Bud flush was examined as a predictor of future rooting success.

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