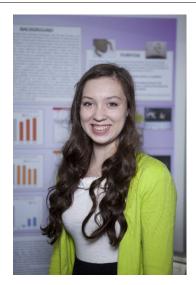




CWSF 2013 - Lethbridge, Alberta



Assessing Environmental Toxicities: Amphibians as Bioindicators

Challenge: Environment Category: Intermediate

Region: City: School:

Abstract: In this project, commonly encountered substances (analgesics,

contraceptives, antibiotics, cosmetic ingredients, tap water) were evaluated for developmental toxicity and teratogenic effects on embryonic stages of the African-clawed frog for the purpose of classifying these substances in their respective MSDS's, and to isolate potential factors in the decline of amphibians. In addition, excess exposure to UV-B rays were quantified to

monitor their direct effects on amphibians.

Awards	Value
Challenge Award - Environment - Intermediate	\$750
Sponsor: Encana Corporation	
Excellence Award - Intermediate - Gold Medal	\$700
Sponsor: Youth Science Canada	
Western University Scholarship	\$4 000
Gold Medallist - \$4000 Entrance Scholarship	
Sponsor: Western University	
Total	\$5 450



