

High School Student Research Proves Antioxidant In Green Tea Kills Breast and Cervical Cancer



Marietta, Feb 18, 2019 ([IssueWire.com](http://www.IssueWire.com)) - Stephen Litt, a 9th grader enrolled in the Kennesaw Mountain High School Academy of Mathematics, Science and Technology (Magnet program). exhibited his updated, Phase IV research, at the Cobb-Paulding Science Fair. The student's research made national headlines two years ago when he proved that tumors could be prevented in planarian worms exposed to the antioxidant, EGCG.

Presently, Stephen's research crossed into the human realm in a university BSL-2 laboratory and proved that EGCG causes human Breast and Cervical cancer cells to cease functioning while normal breast cells remained unaffected. He earned a first-place award and earned a coveted spot as a finalist at the INTEL International Science and Engineering Fair to be held in Phoenix, Arizona on May 12-17, 2019. The Intel International Science and Engineering Fair (Intel ISEF), a program of Society for Science & the Public (the Society), is the world's largest international pre-college science competition.

Each year, approximately 1,800 high school students from more than 75 countries, regions, and territories are awarded the opportunity to showcase their independent research and compete for on average \$4 million in prizes.

Today, millions of students worldwide compete each year in local and school-sponsored science fairs; the winners of these events go on to participate in Society-affiliated regional and state fairs from which the best win the opportunity to attend Intel ISEF. Intel ISEF unites these top young scientific minds, showcasing their talents on an international stage, where doctoral level scientists review and judge their work.

In May, Stephen will represent Kennesaw Mountain High School and the Cobb County School District at the ISEF competition.

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