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Upcoming Events

February 16-18 2010

National Bioscience Educators
Conference – Winnipeg
Red River College

April 6 and 7, 2010

TBI Lecture Series and Merck Frosst
Exploring Minds Workshop - Toronto

April 2010

SABC regional Competitions and
award ceremonies
Check
<http://sanofibiotalentchallenge.ca/>for
information regarding your local
competition

April 25th-27th, 2010

National SABC Competition and
Awards - Ottawa
NRC Headquarters



Finalists of the National Competition standing
in front of the National Research Council
Canada building May 6th, 2009.

Welcome to the first newsletter of
Bioscience Education Canada formerly
known as the Canadian Biotechnology
Education Resource Centre (CBERC).

Bioscience Education Canada (BEC) is
a national non-profit charitable
organization with a mandate to
improve the quality of bioscience
education in Canadian schools and
encourage more young Canadians to
pursue studies and careers of
Canada's growing bioeconomy.

Become an Associate of BEC

For only \$30 Cdn, become an associate
of BEC . Associates have access to web
casts of lecture series, curriculum
modules and field testing
opportunities for new resources as
well as discounts to BEC hosted
events. Visit
www.bioscienceeducation.ca for
details.

Sanofi Aventis BioTalent Challenge

The Sanofi Aventis BioTalent
Challenge gives students a real life
experience in a laboratory setting.
Students write proposals and are
matched with mentors in the scientific
community. Generously supported by
sanofi aventis, sanofi pasteur,
BioTalent Canada, NRC, Genome
Canada, CIHR and CFI, this challenge is
open to all students across Canada.
The 2010 competition is well
underway. Call your local coordinator
and see how you can get your students
involved. Find information about
your local competition at
<http://sanofibiotalentchallenge.ca/>

For more information please visit our website, www.bioscienceeducation.ca or
email info@bioscienceeducation.ca

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National Bioscience Educators Conference **February 16-18, 2009**

Join us for the 4th annual National Bioscience Educators Conference at Red River College in Winnipeg. The purpose of the conference is to bring biotechnology into the classroom by linking educators with experts and scientists and providing concrete resources to use. Confirmed speakers come from the Canadian Space Agency, the Biotechnology Agricultural community and Bioinformatics. Hosted by MINDSET of Manitoba and Bioscience Education Canada and generously supported by the Council of Biotechnology Information, this conference is not to be missed. Please visit www.bioscienceeducation.ca for further details and to see how associates of BEC receive a reduced conference registration fee.

Student Biodiversity Project hits the Newspapers

Students from across the country participated in a international research project in biodiversity. In a joint project with the University of Guelph and the Ontario Genomics Institute, Bioscience Education Canada recruited students from across Canada to participate in a National Market Survey. Using the Barcode of Life database the students determined if the labeling of fish was accurate and consumers were getting what they

paid for. Students sampled the fish, sent it to Guelph for analysis and then processed and analyzed their own data. They confirmed previous research that consumers should be aware that some of the fish is mislabeled. For a sampling of the media reports please see <http://www.thestar.com> "At the fish counter, you may not get what you pay for".

Opportunities for you and your students

Gowlings Biotechnology Essay Competition.

This competition is open to all students across the country. Students are invited to write and submit a 1500 word essay on the "Canada's Top Biotechnology Story of the Year". The winner's essay will be published and the winner receives \$5000. The deadline is May 30, 2010. More details can be found at www.gowlings.com

Amgen Teacher Award

The Amgen Award for Teaching Excellence (AASTE) recognizes and honours extraordinary science teachers at the K-12 level in British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario and Quebec. Please see www.amgen.com for details.

Ontario Genomics Institute Teaching Prize

The OGI awards its Genomics Teaching Prize annually to the Ontario secondary school teacher whose teaching best exemplifies OGI's commitment to building the future of genomics and proteomics research. Deadline July 9th, 2010.
www.ontariogenomics.ca

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