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Sudbury Students Win National Recognition at 2026 Canada-Wide Science Fair

(SUDBURY, ON) – The Sudbury Regional Science Fair (SRSF) Committee is proud to celebrate the outstanding achievements of seven local students who represented the region at the 2026 Canada-Wide Science Fair (CWSF), held from May 23 to May 30 in Edmonton, Alberta.

Sudbury's delegation, comprising seven student finalists presenting six innovative projects (including one partner project), joined nearly 400 of Canada's brightest young minds at the Edmonton EXPO Centre for a week of intense competition, discovery, and STEM excellence. The students were accompanied by SRSF President Christine Legrand and SRSF committee member Hayden Reaume, staying on campus at the University of Alberta.

Throughout the action-packed week, the finalists faced rigorous panels of professional judges for both Excellence and Special Awards. In addition to defending their research, the students honed their science communication skills by presenting their work to hundreds of visiting school groups and members of the public during the CWSF STEM Expo.

Beyond the competition, the finalists participated in enriching STEM experiences, including hands-on laboratory sessions at the university. They also enjoyed classic Edmonton hospitality with a full-day excursion to the TELUS World of Science, Fort Edmonton Park, and the West Edmonton Mall, while connecting with like-minded peers from coast to coast through social events and traditional pin-trading.

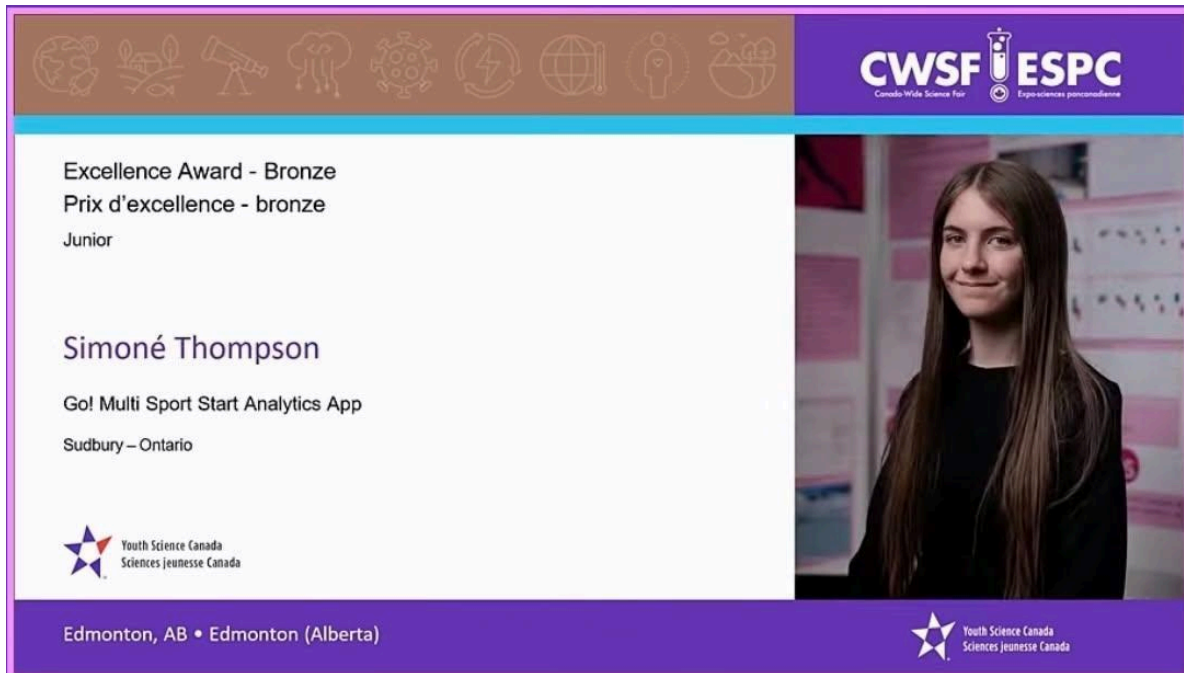
The SRSF Committee extends its heartfelt congratulations to all the finalists for their dedication, scientific curiosity, and exemplary representation of Northern Ontario on the national stage. An event of this magnitude is made possible through the unwavering support of local educators, families, and community partners. The SRSF extends its sincere gratitude to its platinum-level sponsors: AlgoLibre Inc., Science North, Laurentian University (including the Faculty of Science, Engineering, and Architecture, and the School of Natural Sciences), the CIM - Sudbury Chapter, Vale, Glencore, Conseil scolaire catholique Nouvelon, Rainbow District School Board, Sudbury Catholic District School Board, Conseil scolaire du Grand Nord, Ontario Power Generation, and SHAD Canada.

Sudbury's young scientists continue to inspire our community with their innovation, creativity, and commitment to making a meaningful difference in the world

2026 Canada-Wide Science Fair Results

EXCELLENCE AWARD – BRONZE – JUNIOR DIVISION – Canada-Wide Science Fair
Simoné Thompson

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Marymount Academy, Sudbury Catholic District School Board



The certificate features a header with science icons and the CWSF ESPC logo. The main text area is white with purple borders, containing the award name, student name, project title, and location. A photo of the student is on the right. The footer is purple with the Youth Science Canada logo and location.

Excellence Award - Bronze
Prix d'excellence - bronze
Junior

Simoné Thompson

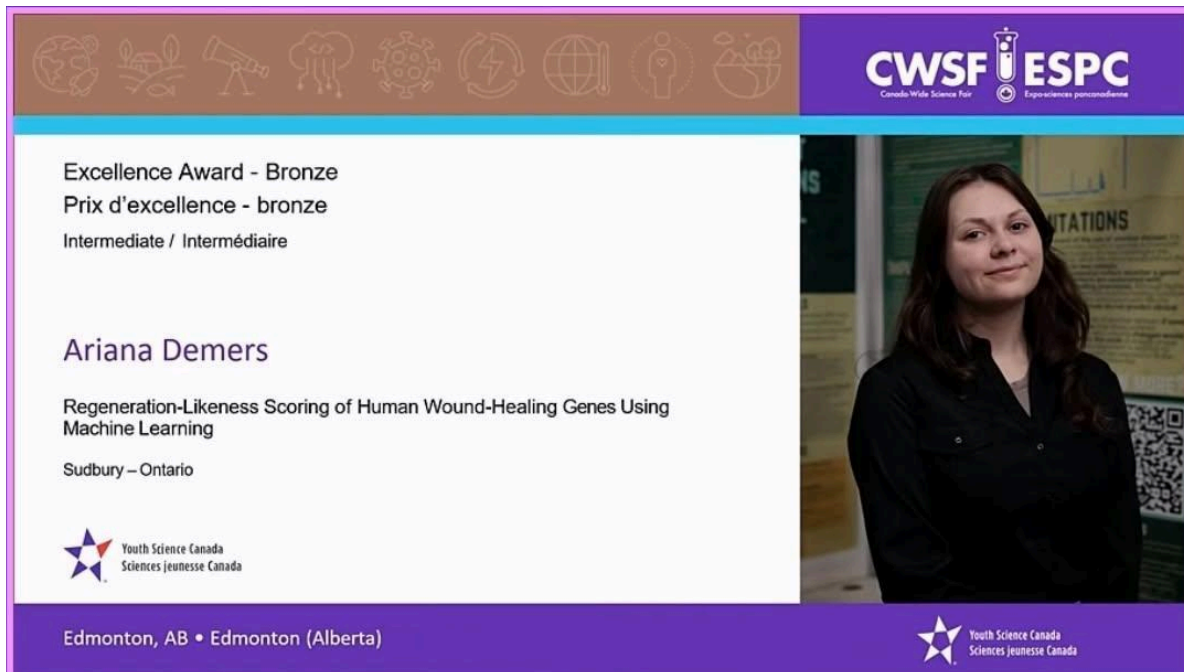
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EXCELLENCE AWARD – BRONZE – INTERMEDIATE DIVISION – Canada-Wide Science Fair
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The Sudbury Regional Science Fair Committee congratulates the medal winners and all the students who attended the CWSF, as they represented the city, their school board, and their schools exceptionally well.

Other Canada-Wide Science Fair Finalists from Sudbury:

Kruz Bradley

De-Muck the Yuck

Northeastern Elementary School, Rainbow District School Board

Ishan Shukla

Bio-Plastics

Lo-Ellen Park Secondary School, Rainbow District School Board

Farheen Binte Shams

Dose-Dependent Teratogenic Effects of Retinoic Acid on Cardiac Morphogenesis: A Folic Acid Rescue

Lockerby Composite School, Rainbow District School Board

Maria Luisa Palotino Dos Santos and Alexander Crossgrove

The Peatland pH Project

Lockerby Composite School, Rainbow District School Board



Caption: Ishan, Kruz, Alex, Simoné, Farheen, Ariana and Maria are Sudbury Regional Science Fair Finalists. They are standing in front of the Alberta Jubilee Auditorium beside a purple CWSF-ESPC flag.

All results are available here: <https://cwsf-espc.ca/awards/>

The award ceremony can be viewed on Youth Science Canada's YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/CJwOKe6rGOA?si=2vopQP7jphOkNTOO>

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