

Department of Energy

Office of Science Washington, DC 20585

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Dear Student:

Congratulations! You have been selected to attend and compete in the Science and Energy Research Challenge (SERCh) to be held in Argonne, IL on November 14-15, 2010.

Over 320 students applied, and your poster entry was chosen for its professionalism and quality science. The preliminary scorers saw an array of outstanding posters.

This is an **all-expense paid** trip for you and your faculty advisor from your university (NOT your laboratory mentor or university PI.)

You will receive an e-mail from ORAU/DOE with further instructions about a travel authorization. We need for all students to make arrangements *as soon as possible* after receiving the notification from ORAU. Please gather your faculty advisor's current contact information (e-mail address, phone number) if it is different from the application — you will need this information to make the travel arrangements. We cannot reimburse travel arrangements made on your own.

You also need to complete the biographical information at https://applicationlink.labworks.org/serch.nsf/Students?OpenForm by October 15, 2010. We will create a Bio Book for networking

The SERCh event includes the poster competition, speakers, and a lab tour. I hope that you take advantage of this excellent opportunity to network with and learn from premiere junior scientists and faculty from around the country, and I look forward to meeting you all.

Please convey this good news with your faculty advisor and lab mentor!

Sincerely,

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