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Student Presenter(s)	<u>Project Title</u>	Mentor(s)
Ayush Agarwal Dougherty Valley HS (CA)	Generative Adversarial Training on Synthetic Data for Large-Scale Histopathology Image Segmentation	Dr. Dimitris Samaras Computer Science
Irene Antony Half Hollow Hills HS West (NY)	Subchondral Bone Engineering: Regeneration of Cartilage-Bone Interface to Replace Knee Prosthetics	Dr. David Komatsu Orthopaedics
Mutahara Bhuiyan Jericho HS (NY)	Heavy Metal Ion Remediation via Nitrooxidized Cellulose Nanofibers	Dr. Benjamin Hsiao <i>Chemistry</i>
Adrian Chen Great Neck South HS (NY)	Peroxidase-Mediated Labeling of Periplasmic Proteins in Mycobacteria	Dr. Jessica Seeliger <i>Pharmacological Sciences</i>
Bethany Chen Winston Churchill HS (MD)	Targeting gC1qR with Novel anti-U937 Monoclonal Antibodies	Dr. Berhane Ghebrehiwet <i>Medicine</i>
Maggie Chen Canyon Crest Academy (CA)	Targeted Bone Regeneration: Gold Nanoparticles and Low Intensity Pulsed Ultrasound as Combinational Therapy for Osteogenic Stem Cell Differentiation	Dr. Yi-Xian Qin Biomedical Engineering Dr. Ya S. Wang Mechanical Engineering
Theresa Chen Cranbrook Kingswood Upper School (MI)	The Role of FHL2 in the Development of Adult-Born Hippocampal Neurons	Dr. Shaoyu Ge Dr. Qiaojie Xiong Neurobiology & Behavior
Caitlin Chou Herricks HS (NY)	A Mobile Platform for Natural Sound Recognition	Dr. Aruna Balusubramanian Computer Science
Brendon Choy Hunter College HS (NY)	Cutting off Cancer: Design and Synthesis of Novel Vascular Disrupting Agents	Dr. Iwao Ojima Chemistry, Institute for Chemical Biology & Drug Discovery
Hannah Cole Newton South HS (MA)	SR-18662: A Novel Compound that Inhibits Growth of Colorectal Cancer Xenografts	Dr. Vincent Yang Dr. Agnieszka Bialkowska Medicine
Peter Connors The Harker School (CA)	Potential Implications of Ocean Acidification on Bivalve Immunity and Energy Reserves	Dr. Bassem Allam School of Marine & Atmospheric Sciences
Eli Doyle Earl L. Vandermeulen HS (NY)	Effect of a Single Dielectric Layer Between Ferroelectric Films During Growth	Dr. Matthew Dawber <i>Physics & Astronomy</i>
Kathleen Esfahany Ward Melville HS (NY)	Population Decoding in Mouse Visual Cortex	Dr. Il Memming Park Neurobiology & Behavior
Ella Feiner Horace Mann School (NY)	Exploring Posterior Growth in <i>D. rerio</i> Using a Live Cell Cycle Biosensor	Dr. Benjamin Martin Dr. David Q. Matus Biochemistry & Cell Biology

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Nathan Geist Knoxville Catholic HS (TN)	Analysis of Aqueous NaCl Solutions through Molecular Dynamics Simulations	Dr. Philip Allen Dr. Marivi Fernandez-Serra Physics & Astronomy
Geoffrey Glass Los Altos HS (CA)	Meta-Salmon: Big Data Insights From Transcript- Level Quantification of Public RNA-seq Data	Dr. Robert Patro Computer Science
Jenny Huang Montgomery HS (NJ)	Transcriptomic Changes in Crohn's Disease- associated Adherent-Invasive <i>Escherichia coli</i> strain LF82 during Invasion of Intestinal Epithelial Cells	Dr. Ellen Li <i>Medicine</i>
Neha Hulkund Tesla STEM HS (WA)	A Deep Learning Approach to Multiple Sclerosis MRI Lesion Segmentation	Dr. Tim Duong <i>Radiology</i>
Raphael Iskra Commack HS (NY)	The Effects of Nitazoxanide on the Chaperone/Usher Pathway	Dr. David Thanassi Physiology & Biophysics
Julie Jones The Pembroke Hill School (KS)	Modeling Particle Selection in the Suspension- Feeding Bivalves, <i>Mercenaria mercenaria</i> and <i>Argopecten irradians</i>	Dr. Emmanuelle Pales Espinosa School of Marine & Atmospheric Sciences
Alexander Ke North Hollywood HS (CA)	Microvascular and Neuronal Dynamics of SPIO-Au Nanoparticle Transport	Dr. Ya S. Wang Mechanical Engineering
Kavya Kopparapu Thomas Jefferson HS for Science & Technology (VA)	Automatic Necrosis Segmentation from Glioblastoma Whole Slide Images using Deep Learning	Dr. Fusheng Wang Biomedical Informatics, Computer Science
Jessica Li The Pingry School (NJ)	Design, Synthesis, and SAR Study of Novel FABP Inhibitors as Anti-Inflammatory and Anti- Nociceptive Drugs	Dr. Iwao Ojima Chemistry, Institute for Chemical Biology & Drug Discovery
Tiffany Liu The College Preparatory School (CA)	Peak and Location Detection of Synaptically Evoked Dendritic Calcium Signals Using Automated Image Processing of Acute Coronal Brain Slices	Dr. Joshua Plotkin Neurobiology & Behavior
Chiu Fan Bown (Leo) Lo Jericho Senior HS (NY)	Numerical Modeling of Scattering Scanning Near- Field Optical Microscopy on Phonon Resonances in Silica and Sapphire	Dr. Mengkun Liu Physics & Astronomy
Angelyn Loh Herricks Senior HS (NY)	The Role of VSS Complex in Balancing the PI Levels of Prospore Membranes for Sporulation in <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i>	Dr. Aaron Neiman Biochemistry & Cell Biology
Thomas McGee Cold Spring Harbor HS (NY)	The Effects of Optogenetic Stimulation of Basolateral Amygdala Terminals in the Dorsal Striatum and its Implications in Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder in Mice	Dr. Joshua Plotkin Neurobiology & Behavior
Nicole Meister Centennial HS (MD)	Improving Robustness of the NSLS-II X-ray Scattering Image Neural Network with Data Augmentation	Dr. Dantong Yu Electrical & Computer Engineering & BNL

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Aaron Min Smithtown HS East (NY)	Furfuryl Alcohol Dehydration Reaction over Aluminum and Titanium Oxide Supported Tungsten Oxide Catalysts	Dr. Taejin Kim Materials Science & Chemical Engineering
Jake Nieto Commack HS (NY)	<i>In Silico</i> Analysis of Bioactive Ligand Binding to Human Liver Fatty Acid Binding Protein (FABP1)	Dr. Steven Glynn Biochemistry & Cell Biology
Kyanna Ouyang Ridge HS (NJ)	Effects of Neutral Ceramidase Inhibition by C ₆ Ureaceramide in Intestinal Epithelial Cells Transformed with Oncogenic PI3K	Dr. Yusuf Hannun SB Cancer Center
Charles Pan Newark Academy (NJ)	Analysis of In-Situ X-Ray Diffraction Data of Growing BTO/PTO Heterostructures	Dr. Matthew Dawber <i>Physics & Astronomy</i>
Jennifer Pan Arnold O. Beckman HS (CA)	Protein Folding Pathways from an Accelerated <i>in silico</i> Approach Combining Broad General Knowledge with Detailed Atomistic Physical Models	Dr. Ken Dill Laufer Center
William Peng Manhasset HS (NY)	Exploring Color Confinement and Hadronization in Quantum Chomodynamics (QCD) through Semi-Inclusive Deep Inelastic Scattering	Dr. Abhay Deshpande Dr. Nils Feege Physics & Astronomy
Kyle Pilotti Sanford Calhoun HS (NY)	Predicted and Observed Wind Profiles over Southampton, NY	Dr. Brian Colle School of Marine & Atmospheric Sciences
Sneha Ramshanker American School of Warsaw, Poland	Analysing the Effect of Second and Third Order Chromatic Dispersion on Ultrafast Laser Pulses for Applications in High Speed Lock-in Spectroscopy	Dr. Thomas Allison Chemistry, Physics & Astronomy
Sikata Sengupta <i>Ridge HS (NJ)</i>	Supervised and Unsupervised Methods for Exploring User Stances and Preferences	Dr. Niranjan Balusubramanian Computer Science
Katharine Shao Detroit Country Day School (MI)	Investigating the Effect of Low Intensity Vibration on the Inflammatory Response of Pre-adipocytes	Dr. Clinton Rubin, Dr. Mei Lin Chan Biomedical Engineering
Aditya Sidapara <i>BASIS Scottsdale HS (AZ)</i>	NucleoVec: a Natural Language Processing-inspired Framework for Nucleotide Sequence Analysis using Vector Space Models and Machine Learning	Dr. Thomas MacCarthy Applied Mathematics & Statistics
Gilbert Spencer Half Hollow Hills HS West (NY)	A Novel Method to Deconvolute the Ice Core Record of Carbon Dioxide	Dr. John Mak School of Marine & Atmospheric Sciences
Kenneth Stier Bergen County Academies (NJ)	Characterization C1q and gC1qR Expression in MSTO Mesothelioma Cells for Targeted Therapies	Dr. Berhane Ghebrehiwet <i>Medicine</i>
Annie Sui Hunter College HS (NY)	Constructing <i>Burkholderia cepacia</i> Complex Strains to Express mCherry for <i>in situ</i> Imaging during Infection	Dr. James Bliska Molecular Genetics & Microbiology

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Shobhita Sundaram Greenwich HS (CT)	Elucidating the Impact of Mutations on Protein-DNA Binding Using Molecular Dynamics Simulations	Dr. Carlos Simmerling <i>Chemistry</i>
Nathan White North Hollywood HS (CA)	BatTracker: Precise Infrastructure Free 3D Positioning of Mobile Devices	Dr. Fan Ye Electrical & Computer Engineering
Brandon Wong Bergen County Academies (NJ)	Stress Relaxation of Swine Femoral Articular Cartilage in Confined Compression and Indentation	Dr. Yi-Xian Qin Biomedical Engineering
Michelle Xu Arnold O. Beckman HS (CA)	Towards <i>de novo</i> Design of Protein-Peptide Interactions: Assessing Peptide Binding Site Specificities	Dr. Dima Kozakov Institute for Advanced Computation Science
Sherry Xu Troy HS (CA)	Intraspecific Genome Size Variation in <i>Draba verna</i>	Dr. Jesse Hollister <i>Ecology & Evolution</i>
Andrew Wu* Spackenkill HS (NY) *Independent HS Research	Developing Motion-Controlled Video Games as an Alternative Approach to Stroke Rehabilitation Therapy	Dr. Clinton Rubin, Dr. Mei Lin Chan Biomedical Engineering
Jason Yang West Windsor-Plainsboro HS North (NJ)	Using Evoked Responses to Assess Forelimb Recovery following Cervical Spinal Cord Injury in Rats	Dr. Prithvi Shah Health & Rehabilitation Sciences
Andre Yin Westview HS (CA)	Desalination with Thin-film Nanocomposite Membranes	Dr. Benjamin Hsiao <i>Chemistry</i>
Justin Zhang Thomas Jefferson HS for Science & Technology (VA)	Automated Hand Detection in Video with Deep Learning	Dr. Minh Hoai Nguyen Computer Science

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