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High School: Brown Deer High School

SMART Team Project: Get "Hooked" On *Brugia malayi* Asparaginyl tRNA Synthetase

College: University of Wisconsin Madison

Major: Biomedical Engineering.

Current career plans: medical school to become an orthopedic surgeon

Impact of SMART Teams: I feel that the SMART team experience has put me at a huge advantage in college. The work we did with posters and writing abstracts and presenting posters in a poster sessions specifically has really prepared me for college. In my first semester I

already had to put to together a poster and present it to over 300 students in a poster session. My group did extremely well and scored very high compared to the rest of the class, I believe my experiences really helped my team. Granted, my poster was on a new design for fire standpipe caps and the work in SMART team was on a much more complex protein, this process of sharing information is universal and found widespread in the scientific world. My skills learned and experiences with SMART team are invaluable.