

OFFICIAL RULES for Life at the Frontiers of Energy Research Video Contest

1. ELIGIBILITY:

Only one (1) two (2) to three (3) minute video may be submitted per Energy Frontier Research Center (EFRC). The content must be primarily supported by or attributed to the EFRC program. Official entries can only be submitted by the EFRC Director. Videos should be filmed in high definition [16x9 aspect ratio (1920x1080)], but otherwise can use any format listed in the standard [YouTube video guidelines](#).

2. JUDGING/WINNER:

Judging will be by a jury of distinguished judges to be determined by the Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Basic Energy Sciences (BES). All entries will be viewed and judged by 4/22/2011. In addition, a "People's Choice Award" will be granted to the video with the most votes recorded on the *Science for Our Nation's Energy Future* website before 5 pm Eastern Time on 5/24/2011. Each participant selected as a potential winner must comply with all terms and conditions set forth in these Official Rules, and winning is contingent upon fulfilling all such requirements. The winners will be asked to provide a high resolution copy of their media file for promotional and display purposes. JUDGES' DECISIONS ARE FINAL ON ALL MATTERS.

3. TIMETABLE:

Intent to submit a video must be received by January 21, 2011 at 11:59 pm Eastern Standard Time ("EST"). Video entries must be submitted between January 21, 2011 at 11:59 pm Eastern Standard Time ("EST") and March 25, 2011 at 11:59 pm EST. Voting for the "People's Choice" award continues until May 24, 2011 at 5:00 pm EST. Administrator's computer system shall be the official timekeeping device for this Contest.

4. HOW TO ENTER:

Each EFRC uploads their video to their own YouTube account or institutional YouTube channel. The EFRC director sends the title and the video link to a representative on the BES EFRC team (Robin Hayes). The DOE or YouTube are not responsible for lost, late, ineligible, or incomplete entries or entries not received for any reason. Each EFRC center maintains the copyright of their video, but DOE reserves the right to use any submitted video at the *Science for Our Nation's Energy Future* event, on the *Science for Our Nation's Energy Future* event website, on any DOE website, or in any other DOE promotional material. By entering, the EFRC Director warrants that his or her entry (1) is original and does not infringe the intellectual property rights of any third party and (2) the content is primarily supported by or attributed to the EFRC program.

5. PRIZES:

Submitted videos may be played during the three day *Science for Our Nation's Energy Future* event and featured on the [DOE's YouTube channel](#), the external event website, and DOE websites. Two students or postdocs from each winning team will have their expenses paid to attend the *Science for Our Nation's Energy Future* event on May 25-27, 2011. Up to five (5) winning teams selected by the panel of judges and one (1) "People's Choice" award winning team will be honored on-stage and their videos screened during the plenary session directly before the reception and poster session on May 25, 2011. ALL TAXES ARE THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE WINNER. Prizes are awarded without warranty, express or implied, of any kind.

6. CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION:

Participation in any part of the contest constitutes full and unconditional acceptance of these Official Rules and the decisions of the contest judges. Nothing in these official contest rules shall obligate BES to publish or otherwise use any entry submitted in connection with this Contest. All federal, state and local laws and regulations apply. Entrants agree to be bound by the terms of these Official Rules, the YouTube Terms of Use, and by the decisions of BES which are final and binding on all matters pertaining to this Contest. By entering, Entrant represents and warrants that any videos and other materials submitted as part of Entrant's contest entry are original and will not constitute defamation or an invasion of privacy or otherwise infringe upon the rights of any third party, and that the Entrant owns or has the rights to convey any and all right and title in such videos and other materials. In addition, by entering, Entrant grants to DOE a non-exclusive, non-revocable worldwide, royalty-free, perpetual license to edit, publish, promote, produce, publicly display, republish, alter, edit, and make derivative works at any time and otherwise use entrant's submitted video, along with entrant's name, likeness, biographical information, and any other information provided by entrant, in any and all media, now existing or developed in the future, for any purpose, including without limitation editorial or promotional purposes, without further permission, notice or compensation (except where prohibited by law).

Acceptance of the prize constitutes permission for DOE to use Winner's name and/or likeness, biographical information, and video for promotional purposes without additional compensation, unless prohibited by law. By entering, entrants agree to hold DOE, YouTube, and its directors, officers, employees and assignees harmless for liability, damages or claims for injury or loss to any person or property relating to, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, their participation in this Contest, the videos

submitted, the acceptance and/or subsequent use or misuse, or claims based on publicity rights, defamation, invasion of privacy, or copyright or trademark infringement. False or deceptive entries or acts, as determined by DOE in its sole discretion, will render the Entrant ineligible. DOE, in its sole discretion, reserves the immediate and un-restricted right to disqualify any entrant or prize winner, if either commits or has committed any act, or has been involved or becomes involved in any situation or occurrence which DOE deems likely to subject DOE, entrant or winner to ridicule, scandal or contempt or which reflects unfavorably upon DOE in any way. If such information is discovered by DOE after a winner has received notice of his prize and before the prize is awarded, the prize may be rescinded in its entirety. Decisions of BES are final and binding in all matters related to this paragraph. BES is not responsible for any typographical or other error in the printing of the offer, administration of the contest, or in the announcement of the prize.

7. INTERNET:

Neither DOE nor YouTube is responsible for lost or late entries nor for electronic transmission errors resulting in omission, interruption, deletion, defect, delay in operations or transmission, theft or destruction or unauthorized access to or alterations of entry materials, or for technical, network, telephone equipment, electronic, computer, hardware or software malfunctions or limitations of any kind, or inaccurate transmissions of or failure to receive entry information by BES, YouTube, or presenter on account of technical problems or traffic congestion on the Internet or at any Web site or any combination thereof. If for any reason the Internet portion of the program is not capable of running as planned, including infection by computer virus, bugs, tampering (including by way of example automated voting), unauthorized intervention, fraud, technical failures, or any other causes that corrupt or affect the administration, security, fairness, integrity, or proper conduct of this contest, BES reserves the right at its sole discretion, to disqualify any individual who tampers with the entry process or any entry that has been the subject of such tampering by third parties, and to cancel, terminate, modify or suspend the contest. BES reserves the right to select winners from eligible entries received as of the termination date.

8. ENDORSEMENT: DOE does not control or guarantee the accuracy, relevance, timeliness or completeness of information contained in the submitted videos and does not exercise any editorial control over the information. DOE does not endorse the views expressed in the submitted videos.