

**"2009 Frank L. Haynes Graduate Student  
Research Competition Award Committee Report"**

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The awards were funded by the Frank L Haynes Graduate Student Research Competition Award Fund.

1. Ten students participated in the competition: 6 Ph.D. and 4 M.S. students.
2. They made presentations in the following sections: Breeding and Genetics (3), Plant Protection (5), Physiology (1), and Utilization and Marketing (1).
3. They were from seven institutions: Michigan State University (2), Nova Scotia Agricultural College (2), Oregon State University (1), Queens University (1), University of Idaho (1), University of Maine (2), and University of New Brunswick (1).
4. The students came from seven countries: Canada (1), France (1), India (1), Peru (1), Philippines (1), South Korea (1), and the USA (4).
5. The winners were:
  - a. **1st place - Gina Greenway**, M.S., Utilization and Marketing, University of Idaho, 'Forecasting Organic Potato Demand'.
  - b. **2nd place - Calvin Glaspie**, M.S., Plant Protection, Michigan State University, 'Tolerance of Potato Mini-tubers to PRE and POST Herbicide Applications'.
  - c. There was a **tie for 3rd place:**  
**3rd place - Julien Pompon**, Ph.D., Plant Protection, University of New Brunswick, 'The Characterization of *Solanum chomatophilum* Resistance Mechanism to Aphid Potato Pests'.
  - d. **3rd place - Nicole Nichol**, Ph.D., Breeding and Genetics, Michigan State University, 'Evaluation of *CBF1* Transgenic Potatoes'.
  - e. **4th place - Jose Ortega**, M.S., Breeding and Genetics, Oregon State University, 'Premier Russet: A Source of Strain-specific Resistance to Potato Virus Y (PVY)'.

Respectfully submitted  
Kathy Haynes, Chair