

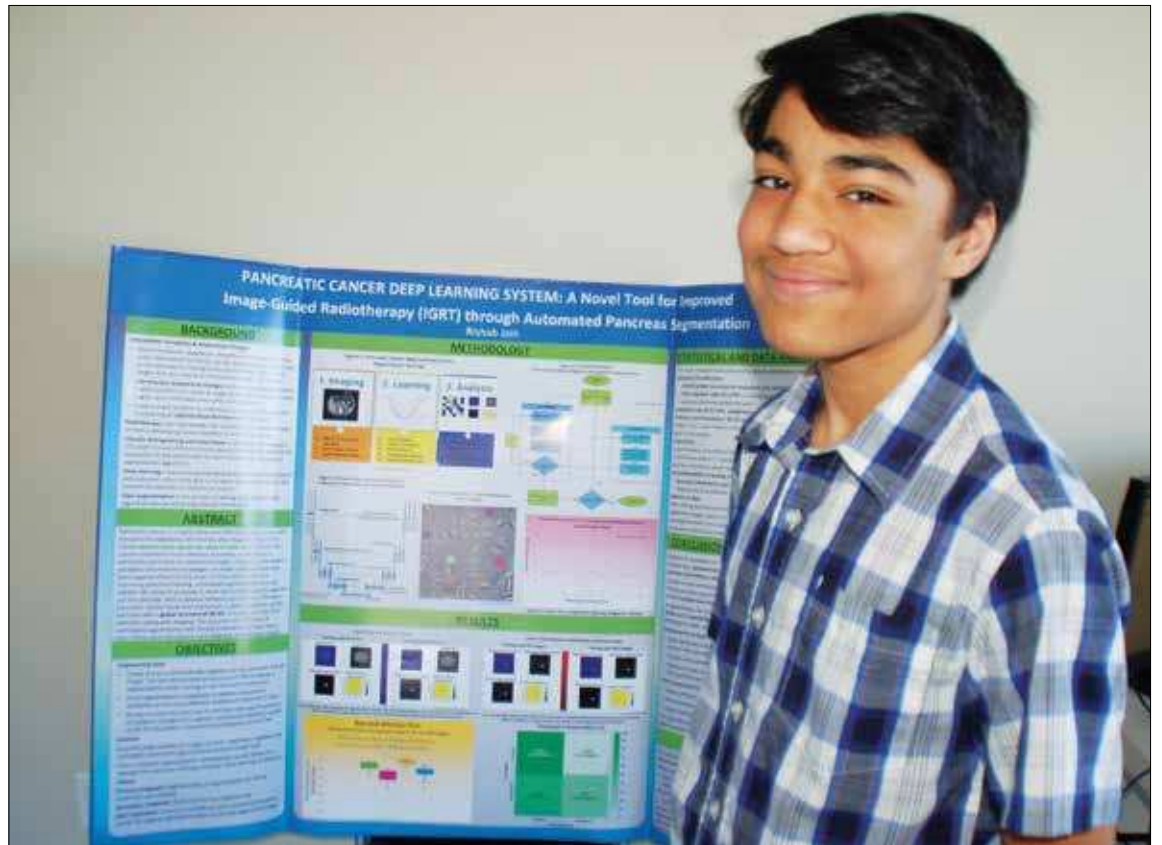


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A finalist for the title of "America's Top Young Scientist," Stoller Middle School student Rishab Jain credits other family members for getting him interested in scientific fields growing up.

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from India, said she's excited to see her son interested in a field that not only helps him, through learning, but also could benefit a lot of people all over the globe

who suffer the disease.

"That's always something that we talked to kids [about]...do something that can impact community. And that's what Rishab is probably trying to achieve. We're very excited and proud of him," she said.

Besides trying to improve cancer treatment effectiveness, the young inventor is pretty much just a normal kid that enjoys playing with Rubick's Cubes, swimming, reading, collecting Boy Scout merit badges, and going to summer camp.

He credits other family members for getting him interested in scientific fields growing up.

"I've always been inspired by my cousin and my brother exploring the medical field [a spinal surgeon and med student, respectively]. And on the other hand, my father is a hardware engineer at Intel. I got to do a lot of programming experiments with him,

so that's also really interesting. It's really cool to see both of those fields come together, the engineering and medical fields," Jain said.

He was also inspired by Steve Jobs, the former Apple CEO and computer innovator who died from pancreatic cancer in 2011 at the age of 56.

Over the summer, Jain will be working with another mentor, 3M scientist Dr. Döne Demirgöz, over Skype to further develop his technology before meeting her, and the other nine contestants, in real life in St. Paul, Minnesota in October where they'll compete for the grand prize of \$25,000 and the title of "America's Top Young Scientist."

When asked what he would do with the money should he win, Jain said: "I would definitely split up the money. I would spend a majority of it on my pancreatic cancer research and the rest of it I would probably keep...save it or keep it aside for college."

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