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## **KEGS Foundation Announcement**

### **20 Geophysics Scholarships Awarded for 2015/16**

#### **For Immediate Release**

The Directors of the KEGS Foundation are very pleased to announce the awarding of a near-record 20 scholarships totalling more than \$17,000 to ten undergraduate and ten graduate students in geophysics at thirteen Canadian universities for the forthcoming academic year (2015/16).

These awards mark the sixteenth year of the KEGS Foundation's scholarship program directed at fostering the education of future geophysicists in Canada. The high number of recipients and the level of scholarship awards for 2015/16 reflect both the number of well qualified applicants and the continued strong financial support of the Foundation by the geophysical and exploration community across Canada despite a significantly reduced level of overall activity in the mineral resource sector. In focusing its efforts on supporting undergraduates, the Foundation regrets that its resources were not sufficient to extend support to several well-qualified and deserving graduate students.

The ten undergraduate recipients from eight universities who have been awarded KEGS Foundation scholarships for 2015/16 are:

Beatriz Lombeida, Memorial University (WAMIC Scholarship)

Jennifer Adam, University of New Brunswick ®

Zachary Sala, Queen's University

Anastasia Smolina, McMaster University

Wesley Campbell, University of Waterloo

Sean Bettac and Robert Ritchie, University of Alberta

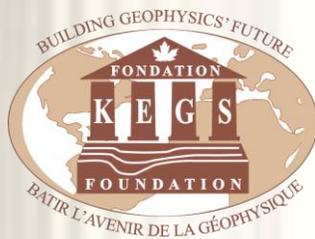
Matthew Griffiths (BCGS Scholarship) and Collin Paul (KEGS Pioneers Scholarship),  
University of Victoria

Gustavo Avendano, University of British Columbia

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Lastly, the KEGS Foundation wishes to congratulate those Canadian students who have received scholarships from the SEG Foundation, including several past recipients of KEGS Foundation support, notably Sara Devriese (University of British Columbia) who received a Stan Ward Scholarship.

The Directors extend their best wishes for further success to all the above recipients in their studies and future careers. They also acknowledge with gratitude the continuing support of the Foundation and its scholarship program by the Canadian exploration and geophysical community, including recent major donations by Phoenix Geophysics, Lamontagne Geophysics, BC Geophysical Society, KEGS, Agnico-Eagle, Peter Kowalczyk and the Canadian Mining Hall of Fame, along with various individuals who took advantage of the Foundation's matching donation program established with very generous corporate and individual support. Renewed support is encouraged to enable the continuation of this important program in future years.

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