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## **Institute Research Helps Woman Link Pollutants to Coal Plant** <sup>[1]</sup>

Monday, January 16, 2012

[Battle to Breathe](#) <sup>[2]</sup> from [NPR Intern Edition](#) <sup>[3]</sup>.

## **PSU-DUT Joint Center for Energy Research Releases Report** <sup>[4]</sup>

Wednesday, February 29, 2012

The PSU-DUT Joint Center for Energy Research has released its first report detailing the Center's activities to date, research focus areas, and joint publications. It also includes a comprehensive list of faculty affiliated with the Center and their areas of expertise. The report will be distributed as part of the Center's third workshop in Dalian, China. The Joint Center for Energy Research is a research endeavor between Penn State and Dalian University of Technology (DUT) in China.

## **Student receives 1st place in the SPE regional student paper contest** <sup>[5]</sup>

Friday, April 27, 2012

Riteja Dutta, a master's student in petroleum and natural gas engineering, won the 2012 Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE) Rocky Mountain/Mid-Continent/Eastern Region student paper completion with her presentation, Laboratory Study of Fracturing Fluid Migration due to Spontaneous Imbibition in Fracture Tight Formations. The completion was held during the April 16 conference at Missouri University of Science and Technology. SPE coordinates 10 regional student paper contests at the undergraduate, master's and doctorate level.

## **Graduate Student Yu Noda takes first prize at student poster competition**

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Tuesday, March 6, 2012

Yu Noda, a graduate student in the Department of Energy and Mineral Engineering was awarded first prize for his poster, Conversion of Lignocellulosic Biomass by Sequential Combination of Organic Acid and Base, at the 2012 Bioenergy Symposium. The Symposium was held on February 29 and this year's focus was Pathways to the Future ? Short Rotation and Perennial Crops.

## **Third Joint Center for Energy Research Workshop a Success**

Tuesday, April 3, 2012

On March 21-23 Penn State and Dalian University of Technology held the third workshop for the Joint Center for Energy Research (JCER). The workshop was held in Dalian, China and was attended by over 80 faculty, students, and administrators from both universities.

The workshop consisted of presentations of current research endeavors by various faculty members as well as discussions around further collaborations. The group also toured Dalian University of Technology research laboratories.

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