

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2011 PROJECT SUMMARY

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Project Title

Waste for Waste: Get a Hair Cut, Save a Beach

Abstract

Objectives/Goals

The objective is to determine what type of human hair absorbs crude oil from salt and or fresh water the most.

Methods/Materials

Nylon stockings, crude oil, iodized salt, water, plastic containers, barrel, beaker, measuring cups, gloves, apron

Place nylon stocking stuffed with human hair of one variety and place in plastic container with crude oil **Results**

The brunette hair soaked up the most crude oil from the salt and fresh water.

Conclusions/Discussion

My results supported my hypothesis, indecating the brunette hair would soak up the most crude oil. While researching, i was enlightened about the dangerous effects of oil spills and the chain reaction they cause.

Summary Statement

Using human hair to soak up crude oil from water.

Help Received

Local hair shoppes helped collect hair; Mother helped take pictures; Grandfater helped with oil disposal.