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JUST six drivers have been selected for the 2011 World Rally Championship Rally Academy, and two of them are Australian.

Brendan Reeves and Molly Taylor took part in the Pirelli Star Driver Shootout in Spain on the weekend, vying for a free place in the academy for next season. And they were both picked as successful candidates, meaning each will run six rounds of the '11 WRC, fully-funded, in a Ford Fiesta R2.

The academy is also open to other young drivers, at a fee of 118,000 pounds. The winner will win a 500,000 euro scholarship prize.

"This is a dream come true for me," said Reeves.

"I would really like to thank Pirelli and the FIA for giving junior drivers the opportunity to compete for such a fantastic prize. There is nothing else like it in rallying, and for them to give young drivers like myself the chance to become a WRC driver is awesome."

"I am overwhelmed and incredibly excited," added Taylor.

"It's not every day an opportunity like this comes along! I don't think it has fully sunk in yet."

"My focus has always been working towards the WRC, so to be sitting here today knowing that this is actually a reality is surreal.

"This is just the beginning and the hard work starts now. I'm buzzing."

The other four drivers selected for the program were Craig Breen (Ireland), Andrea Crugnola (Italy), Fredrik Ahlin (Sweden), and Jan Cerny (Czech Republic).