



## ADSA®-ASAS Graduate Student Call for Presentations

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Graduate Competition submission options have been updated for the 2015 ADSA®-ASAS Joint Annual Meeting. ADSA Production Division graduate members, ADSA Dairy Foods Graduate Division members, ADSA Southern Branch graduate members, Northeast ASAS-ADSA graduate members, and ASAS Companion Animal members will present their papers in competition sessions early in the course of the three-and-a-half-day meeting. ADSA Production Division Graduate competitors will also be allowed to present their papers within their subject area. National ADSA Production Graduate competitors are also eligible for sectional competition.

### ADSA-ASAS Graduate Student Competitions

Your first section preference should be one of the following graduate student paper competitions:

- National ADSA Dairy Foods Poster Only
- National ADSA Dairy Foods Oral Only
- National ADSA Production Oral Only (MS or PhD)
- National ADSA Production Poster Only (MS or PhD)
- ADSA Northeast Branch/ASAS Northeast Section Only
- ADSA Southern Branch Only
- ASAS Companion Animals Competition

Competitors must be members in good standing in their respective national organizations and, if applicable, the sponsoring section or branch. The ADSA MS and PhD Production Oral and Dairy Foods Oral competitions and the ADSA Northeast Branch/ASAS Northeast Section, ADSA Southern Branch, and ASAS Companion Animals competitions are for oral presentations only; posters will not be accepted for these competitions. The ADSA MS and PhD Production Poster and Dairy Foods Poster competitions are for posters only and oral presentations will not be accepted.

ADSA National Production Division graduate competition members must also select their subject area as the second preference and contact headquarters if they would like to present that abstract within that section as a poster only. You must e-mail your intent to present the abstract as a poster no later than **March 3, 2015**. Please include your tracking number, title, subject area, and corresponding author in an e-mail to [abstract@assoqhq.org](mailto:abstract@assoqhq.org).

## NATIONAL ADSA COMPETITIONS

### GENERAL INFORMATION

Contests for the ADSA Graduate Student Paper Presentation and Poster Presentation will be held in both the Dairy Foods and Production Divisions of ADSA. The Dairy Production Division will have both oral and poster contests, with an MS and PhD division in each. Students can compete in only one contest each year. A certificate and cash award will be presented to the first, second, and third place winners in each division. All participants must be members of ADSA. A photograph and a brief résumé, including

name, address, telephone number, degrees and date received, professional work experience, areas of research, scholarships and fellowships received, professional activities and memberships, and other special interests, should be sent along with the abstract to the division contest chairperson (see subsequent information). The résumés will be used to write the citations of the winners. Papers will be presented as a separate session within the **Production Division**. The paper is to represent original research by the contestant. In developing the plan of research and in preparing for the oral presentation, the contestant should have such counsel from the major professor as is normally expected. Some requirements for the submission of abstracts differ between the two divisions. Consult the information given for the appropriate division.

### **PRODUCTION DIVISION ORAL CONTESTS (MS and PhD separate)**

An institution is entitled to enter one participant per department in each of the MS and PhD **Production Division** contests. Students who have placed first, second, or third previously may not enter this contest type again unless they change degree programs (i.e., MS winners can compete at the PhD level). They can, however, compete in the poster competition at the same degree level. Contestants must submit an oral entry for the competition. If they wish, this can also be presented in a regular subject matter session as a poster presentation. The graduate student is not required to present in both the graduate contest and the regular section. To enter the contest, follow the instructions for submitting an abstract by using the web abstract submission form at <http://www.jtmtg.org/2015/>. In addition, submit a letter indicating the appropriate division and your desire to enter the contest, signed by your major professor and the department head, as well as a brief résumé (see General Information) and a photograph. This letter should be uploaded at the time of abstract submission in the file upload section shown during the abstract submission process. If you would prefer to submit this letter by traditional means, please include the letter and 1 copy of the abstract, including the online submission tracking number, a brief résumé (see General Information), and a photograph, to be sent to **Eric D. Reid, Cooperative Feed Dealers, 26 McCulloch Ave., Ravenna, NY 12143-1324, e-mail: ericreidomt@gmail.com**. All submissions must be received by **11:59 p.m. CST on March 3, 2015**.

### **PRODUCTION DIVISION POSTER CONTESTS (MS and PhD separate)**

The contests for the ADSA Graduate Student Poster Presentation (MS and PhD) will be held in the Production Division of ADSA. A certificate and cash award will be presented to the first, second, and third place winners. All participants must be members of ADSA. An institution is entitled to enter two participants per department in each of the MS and PhD contests. Students who have placed first, second, or third previously may not enter this contest type again unless they change degree programs (i.e., MS winners can compete at the PhD level). They can, however, compete in the oral competition at the same degree level. Contestants must submit a poster entry for the competition. If they wish, this can also be presented in the regular subject matter session as an oral or poster presentation. The graduate student is not required to present in both the graduate contest and the regular section. The poster must represent original research by the contestant. Each contest participant will be assigned a time for all the judges to visit the poster at the same time. Judges will have 12 minutes to ask the student questions about the poster. In developing the plan of research and in preparing for the poster presentation, the contestant should have such counsel from the major professor as is normally expected. To enter the contest, follow the instructions for submitting an abstract by using the web abstract submission form. In addition, submit a letter indicating the appropriate division and your desire to enter the contest, signed by your major professor and the department head, as well as a brief résumé (see General Information) and a photograph. These materials should be uploaded at the time of abstract submission in the file upload section shown during the abstract submission process. If you would prefer to submit this letter by traditional means please include the letter and 1 copy of the abstract, including the online submission tracking number, a brief résumé (see General Information), and a photograph, to be sent to **Jeffrey L. Firkins, The Ohio State University, 2029 Fyffe Ct, 223 Animal Science Bldg., Columbus, OH**

**43210-1007, fax: (614) 292-1515, e-mail: firkins.1@osu.edu.** All submissions must be received by **11:59 p.m. CST March 3, 2015.**

### **DAIRY FOODS DIVISION ORAL CONTEST**

There is no restriction on the number of participants from each institution for the Dairy Foods Division Contest. To enter the contest, follow the instructions for submitting an abstract by using the web abstract submission form at <http://www.jtmtg.org/2015/>. In addition, please include as part of your abstract submission (in the file upload section) a letter indicating your desire to enter the contest, signed by your major professor. Submissions must be received by **11:59 p.m. CST March 3, 2015**, and letters may also be sent directly to **David McCoy, S75 W12470 Stratford Ct., Muskego, WI 53150, fax: (847) 627-3294, e-mail: david.mccoy@rosedmi.com**. The submitted abstracts will be evaluated by a committee, and **up to 10 finalists** will be selected for the Dairy Foods Graduate Paper Presentation Contest. The selected finalists will be notified by April 15, 2015. Contestants selected as finalists will give their presentations in the same session. Contestants not selected as finalists will present their papers as part of the regular research paper sessions. **The selected finalists will also be required to submit 4 copies of an extended abstract to David McCoy by April 30.** The extended abstract (typed, single-spaced) will consist of a one-page Introduction, one-page Materials and Methods, and two-page Results, Discussion, and Conclusions (no more than four pages total). Judging criteria and point distribution for the expanded abstract and oral presentation are located online at <http://www.jtmtg.org/2015/>. Finalists will be asked to send a brief résumé and a photograph, as described in the General Information.

### **ADSA DAIRY FOODS DIVISION POSTER CONTEST**

There is no restriction on the number of participants from each institution for the Dairy Foods Division Poster Competition. All participants must be members of ADSA. The poster presenter can present only one poster during the poster competition. Contestants must submit an abstract entry for the competition. To enter the contest, follow the instructions for submitting an abstract by using the web abstract submission form. In addition, please include as a part of your abstract submission (in the file upload section) a letter indicating your desire to enter the contest, signed by your major professor, by **11:59 p.m. CST March 3, 2015**; this letter may also be sent directly to **Elizabeth Ng, Daisy Brand, 3636 Leon Rd, Garland, TX 75041-4037, fax: (972) 271-7440, e-mail: eng@daisybrand.com**. The submitted abstracts will be evaluated by a committee, and accepted abstracts will be selected for the Dairy Foods Division Graduate Poster Contest. The contestants will be asked to send a brief résumé and a photograph.

## **SECTIONAL COMPETITIONS**

### **ADSA NORTHEASTERN BRANCH/ASAS NORTHEASTERN SECTION GRADUATE ORAL COMPETITION**

The ADSA Northeastern Branch/ASAS Northeastern Section Annual Meeting will be held in conjunction with the 2015 ADSA-ASAS Joint Annual Meeting. Graduate students must be members in good standing in their respective national societies and a member of the Northeast Section/Branch. Graduate students will not be able to participate in both the national and the Northeast competitions unless they submit 2 different abstracts, 1 for the Northeast ADSA competition and 1 for the national ADSA competition. If an ADSA student wishes to participate in the national ADSA competition, he or she must follow the procedures for either the Production or Dairy Foods Division, as stated previously. This is an oral competition only; posters will not be accepted. First, second, and third place winners will be recognized with a certificate and will be awarded 1 of 3 cash awards (\$300 for first place, \$200 for second place, and \$100 for third place.) The Northeast ADSA/ASAS will provide \$150 in travel support for all participants in the competition, with a maximum of 3 entries from each member institution. Participants are expected to attend the Northeast ADSA/ASAS luncheon, where the winners and

recipients of travel stipends will be announced. A complementary ticket for the Northeast ADSA/ASAS luncheon will be provided for all participants. If you have any questions regarding the Northeast ADSA Competition, please contact **Kristen E. Govoni, University of Connecticut, phone: (860) 486-2480, e-mail: [kristen.govoni@uconn.edu](mailto:kristen.govoni@uconn.edu)**. All abstract submissions must be received by **11:59 p.m. CST on March 3, 2015.**

#### **SOUTHERN ADSA GRADUATE ORAL COMPETITION**

The Southern ADSA Branch Annual Meeting will be held in conjunction with the 2015 ADSA-ASAS Joint Annual Meeting. Graduate students will not be able to participate in both the national and Southern ADSA competitions unless they submit 2 different abstracts, 1 for the Southern section and one for the national section. If a student wishes to participate in the national ADSA competition, he or she must follow the procedures for either the Production or Dairy Foods Division Competition, as stated previously. If you have questions regarding the Southern ADSA competition, please contact **Shannon Davidson, North Carolina State University, phone: (919) 515-4045, e-mail: [sdavid@unity.ncsu.edu](mailto:sdavid@unity.ncsu.edu)**. All abstract submissions must be received by **11:59 p.m. CST on March 3, 2015.**