



TO: American Dairy Science Association (ADSA) Members
Poultry Science Association (PSA) Members
Asociación Mexicana De Producción Animal (AMPA) Members
American Society of Animal Science (ASAS) Members

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RE: Call for Abstracts – ADSA, PSA, AMPA, ASAS, ARPAS, Northeast
Branch/Section of ADSA-ASAS, and ADSA Southern Branch 2007 Meeting

The 2007 Joint Meeting of ADSA, PSA, AMPA, and ASAS is scheduled for July 8–12, 2007, in San Antonio, Texas. This meeting will address many topics and issues of interest to you as a scientist or practitioner involved in teaching, extension, research, and commercial activities in all areas of animal agriculture.

Visit our 2007 meeting website (<http://adsa.psa.ampa.asas.org/meetings/2007/>) to find instructions for electronic submission of abstracts (deadline: 11:59 pm CST, February 14, 2007). Other valuable information on the website includes:

- Contact Information for Program Committee Chairs
- Graduate Student Paper Contest Information
- Undergraduate Student Paper Contest Information
- Instructions for Poster Presentations
- Graduate Student Poster Contest Information
- Special Event Request Form (deadline is January 10, 2007)
- Program Highlights
- Quality Standard for Abstracts
- Housing Form
- LCD Presentation Information
- Special Audio-Visual Request Form

The 2007 Joint Meeting Planning Committee and the associated program committees have planned an exciting program that includes ~35 symposia. Sessions will include panel discussions, internationally known speakers, workshops, keynote session speakers, and other formats as well as traditional poster and oral presentations. The outstanding planning by these committees has ensured that this will be a value-packed meeting. Visit the website (<http://adsa.psa.ampa.asas.org/meetings/2007/>) for a complete listing of symposium titles.

Special efforts are underway to attract graduate and undergraduate students as well as industry personnel to the 2007 Joint Meeting. New to the joint meeting concept will be the inclusion of several symposia geared to help all students succeed in some aspect of the animal agriculture industry.

This year we are again able to provide the Cyber Café and meeting rooms that are equipped for electronic presentations and preloaded sessions. Presentation files will be submitted before the meeting to allow the staff to prepare CDs for each session ahead of time. The specific dates will be provided closer to the time abstracts are accepted.

ADSA, PSA, and ASAS 2007 Award Nominations

ADSA 2007 award nominations (part 1 of the nomination process) are due December 22, 2006, with complete supporting materials (part 2 of the process) due by February 16, 2007. Please go to <http://www.adsa.org/awards.asp> for a full listing of available ADSA awards and nomination information.

PSA 2007 award nominations open December 1, 2006, and close at 11:59 pm on March 1, 2007. Please go to <http://www.poultryscience.org/awards.asp> for a full listing of available PSA Awards and nomination information.

The deadline for ASAS 2007 awards is February 21, 2007. Please go to <http://www.asas.org/awards.asp> for a full listing of available ASAS awards and nomination information. Be sure to check out a new award that is being initiated this year—the ASAS Early Career Award.

Participants in the 2007 Joint Meeting will find the newly expanded Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center nestled downtown along the famed San Antonio River Walk. San Antonio, now the nation's eighth largest city, is a festive mix of deeply rooted traditions and 21st century cosmopolitan flair. The legendary Alamo, located in the heart of downtown San Antonio, is a shrine and museum today. The San Antonio River Walk is made up of cobblestone and flagstone paths that border both sides of the San Antonio River, 20 feet below street level, and winds its way through the middle of the business district. Add these famous attractions to world-class shopping, dining, and the many other sites in San Antonio and participants in the 2007 Joint Meeting are certain to leave with memories that will last a lifetime.

Information will be posted to the website (<http://adsa.psa.ampa.asas.org/meetings/2007/>) as it becomes available. Check the website frequently for updates.

Whether or not you decide to submit an abstract, do plan now to join us in San Antonio!

The pre-registration booklet will be available for all members in spring 2007. Be sure to watch your mailbox and take advantage of the deadline for the early registration fees (June 6, 2007).