

Thanks to all for your help in making the 2009 JAM (the Joint Annual Meeting of the American Dairy Science Association (ADSA®), the Canadian Society of Animal Science (CSAS) and the American Society of Animal Science (ASAS)) a great success. Preliminary figures show that over 2,650 members and guests attended the meeting, including nearly 400 first time attendees! Fifty-four countries were represented in Montreal by 1,773 attendees at this truly global gathering.

The 37 symposia/workshops, 810 oral and 1,066 poster presentations at the JAM covered a wide range of subject matter areas. Much of the work will be reported in greater detail through articles that appear in the *Journal of Dairy Science*® and other peer reviewed or producer focused publications during the coming months.

A noteworthy part of the meeting is recognition of individuals for their work. All of the awards are important, but three provide special recognition for long-term contributions to ADSA and the dairy industry. The awards and this year's honorees are:

- ADSA Award of Honor – Dr. Mike Hutjens, University of Illinois
- ADSA Distinguished Service – Dr. Stanley Gilliland, Oklahoma State University
- ADSA Fellow – Dr. Dale Bauman, Cornell University; Dr. Peter J. Hansen, University of Florida; Dr. D. Wayne Kellogg, University of Arkansas and Dr. Marcus E. Kehrli, USDA

A full listing of award recipients, and information about them, will be available soon at

<http://www.adsa.org/awardpress.asp>.

Next year's Joint Annual Meeting of ADSA and ASAS will be held July 11 to 15, 2010 in Denver, CO. We will provide you with more information about the meeting in the coming months, but invite you to mark your calendars now for this one-of-a-kind meeting.

Thank you again presenters, volunteers, staff and all other participants.