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**Daniel Z. Caraviello Receives  
National Milk Producers Federation Richard M. Hoyt Award**

**Savoy, IL** — The American Dairy Science Association is proud to announce Daniel Z. Caraviello of Dow Agrisciences as the 2006 recipient of the National Milk Producers Federation Richard M. Hoyt Award. The award was presented on Tuesday, July 11, 2006 during the awards ceremony at the ADSA Annual Meeting in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

The National Milk Producers Federation Richard M. Hoyt Award was created to recognize research efforts with direct application to problems of the U.S. dairy industry. The winner must be enrolled in or have completed within the preceding year a program leading to an advanced degree in a department of dairy science, dairy production, dairy processing, food science, or department with a similar curriculum in an accredited college or university in the United States, and have accomplished research with direct application to problems of the U.S. dairy industry. If the winner's degree work is completed, he/she must be employed by a U.S. company. The winner must also be a member of ADSA or of the Student Affiliate Division of ADSA.

Daniel Caraviello has authored or coauthored one book, twelve peer-reviewed journal papers, fifteen abstracts, and eight popular press articles during the last five years. Caraviello carried out the first large-scale application of survival analysis methodology for genetic evaluation of US dairy sires for daughter longevity, which provided an invaluable scientific basis for subsequent changes in the Holstein Association's Type-Production Index. He also utilized novel machine-learning algorithms to develop decision trees that predict reproductive performance of dairy cows. After he completed the PhD program at the University of Wisconsin in 2005, he joined Dow Agrosiences LLC as a statistical geneticist.

It is with great pleasure that ADSA and the National Milk Producers Federation present Daniel Z. Caraviello with the 2006 National Milk Producers Federation Richard M. Hoyt Award.

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