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**Scott A. Rankin Receives
ADSA Food Specialties Award**

Savoy, IL — The American Dairy Science Association is proud to announce Scott A. Rankin of the University of Wisconsin–Madison as the 2006 recipient of the ADSA Food Specialties Award. The award was presented on Tuesday, July 11, 2006 during the awards ceremony at the ADSA Annual Meeting in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

The Food Specialties Award was created to recognize outstanding accomplishments in chemistry, biochemistry, microbiology, and engineering pertaining to the cheese and cultured dairy products industries. The winner must have made an important research contribution to chemistry, biochemistry, microbiology, engineering, or technology pertaining to the cheese and cultured dairy products industries within the five years immediately preceding nomination, and have been a member of the American Dairy Science Association for at least five successive years. This contribution may be published research data, plans, methods, processes, devices, or inventions, significant and beneficial to the cheese and cultured dairy products industries through either theory or practical application.

Scott A. Rankin, an associate professor in the Department of Food Science at the University of Wisconsin–Madison, received this award for his outstanding work in the area of dairy food flavor chemistry and dairy foods quality. He developed a simple method for the evaluation of volatile compounds in dairy products, which has seen extensive use in the dairy industry. He initiated a research program on the effects of gas atmosphere on the flavor attributes of shredded Cheddar cheese. During his study of the volatile fraction of annatto color, he discovered the antimicrobial properties of annatto extracts. His research work continues in dairy flavor chemistry and whey processing.

It is with great pleasure that ADSA presents Scott A. Rankin with the 2006 ADSA Food Specialties Award.

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