

General Rules and Regulations for American Society of Animal Science Awards

(Revised September 2009)

I. The awards presented by the American Society of Animal Science at the Annual Meeting are as follows:

1. Professional Awards

The Morrison Award

American Feed Industry Association Award in Nonruminant Nutrition Research

American Feed Industry Association Award in Ruminant Nutrition Research

The Rockefeller Prentice Memorial Award in Animal Breeding and Genetics

Animal Growth and Development Award

Animal Industry Service Award

Animal Management Award

Animal Physiology and Endocrinology Award

Bouffault International Animal Agriculture Award

Corbin Companion Animal Biology Award

Distinguished Teacher Award

Early Career Achievement Award

Equine Science Award

Extension Award

Fellow Awards

L. E. Casida Award

Meats Research Award

Retiree Service Award

Special Board of Directors Awards

2. Graduate Student Awards

Omega Protein Innovative Research Awards

II. Nomination for Awards:

1. Any member of the American Society of Animal Science except Officers, members of the Board of Directors and members of the Awards Committees may make nominations. Self-nominations are not permitted. Nominees must be living at the time of the nomination.

2. Eligibility for awards requires Society membership for three consecutive years including the current year. Fellows are eligible to receive subsequent awards without payment of annual dues. Retired members are eligible if they were eligible at the time of retirement and meet the specific requirements of the award for which they are nominated. Serving as an ASAS Officer or Board Member does not preclude eligibility for any award. However, the nominee will be excluded from any role in the selection process. All members meeting eligibility requirements are eligible for all awards except that previous winners cannot be renominated for the same award and winners of the Morrison Award are not eligible for any other award except the Fellow Award and the Retiree Service Award.

3. Nominations are to be submitted electronically on the web site: <http://www.asas.org/awards.asp> by the published deadline. Nominations made in one year will **not** be automatically carried over to the next year.

4. Where lists of publications are requested, they should be listed in chronological order and grouped according to (a) refereed publications, (b) abstracts, (c) technical publications, etc., using the format specified in the most recent style guide for publication in the *Journal of Animal Science*.

5. Copies of publications authored by the nominee should not be submitted unless requested by the awards committee.

6. Supporting letters should not be solicited or submitted and will not be accepted unless requested in the rules for a specific award.

7. Each nomination must contain the following:

- a) Biography of the nominee not to exceed 2670 characters and spaces.
 - b) Summary statement (not to exceed 8000 characters and spaces) describing the importance of the nominee's contributions to the livestock industry for all nominations. Nominations for Teaching, Extension, and Casida awards require additional information: nominators should refer to details about those award nominations to learn the requirements.
 - c) One copy of citation for printing (not to exceed 1500 characters and spaces) and one copy of citation for reading at the awards ceremony (not to exceed 750 characters and spaces).
- Two or more persons may be co-nominated to share any of the awards except Teaching, Fellow and Casida awards.
 - Please refer to specific award description for further details.

8. Submitted nominations **that do not conform to the required format or contain materials beyond those called for will not be considered.**

9. Solicitation on behalf of any nominee is unacceptable and should be brought to the attention of the President-Elect.

10. A nominator may nominate a candidate for only one award per year with exception of Fellow Award.

11. No individual may win more than one award in one year with the exception of the Fellow Award. The Executive Committee shall resolve any conflict resulting from a nominee being selected for more than one award. The President-Elect will inform the appropriate Committee Chairs of the conflict and of action taken.

III. Awards Selection Committee:

1. All award committees shall consist of five members plus a chair selected from the ASAS Board of Directors (Morrison and Casida, Early Career Achievement and Equine Science awards have specific criteria). At least two members shall be replaced each year by a member in good standing of the American Society of Animal Science.

2. The Board of Directors shall make all appointments to award committees; the President shall make appointments to fill any vacancies that occur including interim appointments when a committee member is nominated for the award or nominates someone for the award for which he/she is involved.

IV. Duties of Members of Awards Committees:

1. The first duty of each Awards Committee is to vote to recommend to the President-Elect whether or not to present the award. If the vote is positive the committee shall proceed to select the award recipient. An award may be omitted for any given year if the Awards Committee decides that there are no qualified nominees or if the Executive Committee decides that an insufficient number of nominations have been received.

2. Each member of a committee will be given a web addresses from the Committee Chair.

3. Any member of a Committee may ask the Committee Chair to request additional information about a nominee from the principal nominator. Such information must be forwarded to the Committee Chair, who will transmit it to all members of the Committee.

4. Balloting must be completed in a timely manner.

V. Duties of Awards Committee Chair:

1. Receive from the President-Elect the web addresses for the nominations and certification that nominees are eligible.
2. Check information and data received and ascertain whether each nominee's dossier is complete and in order. If discrepancies are found, the Chair will inform the President-Elect.
3. Will provide each committee member the web address and the procedure for voting.
4. Request the Committee vote on whether or not to present the award that year.
5. Prepare electronic ballots as appropriate for polling of the Committee and notify the committee by email (See VII-Balloting for Award Winners).
6. Inform the President-Elect by email the name of the award winner. After receiving approval from the President-Elect, inform the following with copy to President-Elect (NOTE: Ballot results are **not** to be divulged.)
 - Nominator of winner
 - Awardee
 - Awards Committee members
 - Nominators of non winners (reminding them to resubmit nomination next year)

VI. Duties of the President-Elect:

1. The President-Elect shall be the primary liaison in all matters relating to the American Society of Animal Science Awards.
2. Send a call for awards nominations by mid-November (including deadline date) to all Society members in good standing.
3. Check to see that a nominator has not nominated a candidate for more than one award (except for Fellow).
4. Check with the business office to verify the eligibility of nominators and nominees.
5. Determine whether any member of an Awards Committee has been nominated or is a nominator for the award and if so notify the President of the Society, who will appoint an interim member to the committee.
6. After verification of eligibility of nominators and nominees by the business office, promptly send web addresses and instructions to committee chairs.
7. At the earliest feasible date, send a congratulatory letter to each awardee with a copy to the appropriate Committee Chair.
8. Coordinate with the Business Office to accomplish the following:
 - Send a list of all nominees, nominators, and awardees for permanent records.
 - Send a list of awardees to Board
 - Complete final edit of citations for both publishing and reading
 - Obtain photograph for awards program and Journal
 - Arrange for photo session and schedule with awardees and donors
 - Develop and print Awards Program

- Obtain/prepare Society supplied plaques/certificates to be presented during the Annual Meeting including Morrison, Casida, Bouffault and Fellows awards and retiring Board Members and Editorial Personnel.
 - Provide the names of awardees to the donors and request the name of person representing the donor at the Awards Program.
 - Work with Business Office to distribute news releases.
9. Coordinate with the Business Office in planning the program and serve as Master of Ceremonies.
 10. Send copies of award presentation pictures to recipients and donors after the annual meeting.
 11. Keep nomination materials and balloting records from for one year.

VII. Balloting for Award Winners:

FIRST BALLOT

1. The Chair (non voting) will prepare an electronic ballot of all eligible nominees and email each Committee member to go to the web site and rank all nominees with 1 for first, 2 for second, 3 for third etc. The Chair will tally the ballots. The nominee with the lowest tally **and** at least three first place votes will be declared the winner on the first ballot.

SECOND BALLOT (if necessary)

2. If no nominee received three first-choice selections on the first ballot, the Chair will prepare a second ballot based on the tally of the first ballot by listing the top five candidates (or fewer if less than five in the pool). Again the committee will rank the top five nominees 1 for first, 2 for second, etc. The Chair will tally the ballots. On the second ballot, a nominee who receives three first place votes **or** five points less than the next lowest nominee will be declared the winner.

THIRD BALLOT (if necessary)

3. If no nominee is declared a winner on the second ballot, the two nominees with the highest point total (lowest rank) will be dropped. The Chair will prepare a third ballot listing the remaining three nominees, however on the third ballot points will be 1 for first, 3 for second, and 5 for third. The Chair will tally the points. The nominee receiving three first place votes **or** the nominee with five points less than the next lowest nominee will be declared the winner.

FOURTH BALLOT (if necessary)

4. If the third ballot fails to produce a winner, the Chair will drop the nominee with the highest point total (lowest rank) and conduct a final ranking (1 for first and 2 for second) with the nominee having the lowest number of points declared the winner.

5. The Chair is empowered to break ties when necessary in preparing the second, third or fourth ballots.

6. At no time during the course of balloting shall the Committee Chair divulge to the members of the Committee the point totals received by the nominees during the balloting process.

Balloting for Fellow Award Winners:

FIRST BALLOT

1. The Chair will prepare an alphabetical list of all eligible nominees in each category and email a ballot to each Committee member with a request to rank all nominees, in each category that the committee member believes to be deserving of consideration. The Chair will assign 5 for first, 4 for second 3 for third, 2 for fourth and 1 for fifth. Additional nominees in a category will receive a 0 if the committee member believes that the nominee is worthy of further consideration and any nominee that the committee member believes is not worthy of further consideration will not receive any numerical score. The Chair will tally the ballots. The

nominee with the highest tally, in each category, will be declared the winner on the first ballot unless a majority of the committee members believed that each of the nominees in a category did not merit consideration. In that event, no Fellow will be awarded in that category. In the event of a tie for first place, the nominee with the largest number of first place ballots will be declared the winner (move on to 2nd place etc, if that still leaves a tie).

SECOND BALLOT

2. A maximum of five additional Fellows may be awarded and balloting will be done without regard to category. The Chair will prepare a second ballot based on the tally of the first ballot by listing all of the remaining nominees, except those which a majority of the committee excluded as unworthy of further consideration, alphabetically. Committee members will rank all of these nominees. The Chair will tally the ballots with 1 for first, 2 for second, etc. The five nominees with the lowest score will be named as Fellows. Ties will be broken by the number of first place votes (second place etc. if that still leaves a tie).
3. At no time during the course of balloting shall the Committee Chair divulge to the members of the Committee the point totals received by the nominees during the balloting process.
4. If the tie breaking procedures outlined in steps 2 and 3 do not bring a resolution, the Committee Chair can break ties.
5. Fellows will be announced by the category in which each one was nominated regardless of the number presented in each category.

VIII. Changes in Awards Regulations

The Board of Directors of the Society may make necessary changes in regulations for awards as needs arise.

IX. Awards Presentation

Awards will be presented at an Awards Ceremony during the Annual Meeting of the American Society of Animal Science. A representative of the donor will read the citation and make the presentation to the awardees; the Society President will represent the Society and the President-Elect will preside at the Awards Ceremony.

American Feed Industry Association Award in Nonruminant Nutrition Research

I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science American Feed Industry Association Award in Nonruminant Nutrition Research.

II. Nature of Award: A specified monetary award and a plaque.

III. Purpose: To stimulate research excellence in the nutrition of nonruminant animals.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination

1. Work must be original and concerned with nonruminant nutrition. Review articles will not be considered.
2. Research work published in the 10 years immediately preceding the year recognition is given will be eligible for consideration.
3. The research upon which the nomination is based must be different from that submitted for the PSA American Feed Industry Association Award in Nonruminant Nutrition Research when the nominee is a previous winner of or a candidate for the PSA AFIA Award in Nonruminant Nutrition Research.

V. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.
2. List of the nominee's research publications for the previous 10-year period.

American Feed Industry Association Award in Ruminant Nutrition Research

I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science American Feed Industry Association Award in Ruminant Nutrition Research.

II. Nature of Award: A specified monetary award and a plaque.

III. Purpose: To stimulate research excellence in the nutrition of ruminant animals.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination

1. Work must be original and concerned with ruminant nutrition. Review articles will not be considered.
2. Research work published in the 10 years immediately preceding the year recognition is given will be eligible for consideration.
3. The research upon which the nomination is based must be different from that submitted for the ADSA American Feed Industry Association Award in Ruminant Nutrition Research when the nominee is a previous winner of or a candidate for the ADSA AFIA Award in Ruminant Nutrition Research.

V. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.
2. List of the nominee's research publications for the previous 10-year period.

The Rockefeller Prentice Memorial Award in Animal Breeding and Genetics

I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science Rockefeller Prentice Memorial Award in Animal Breeding and Genetics.

II. Nature of Award: A specified monetary award and a plaque.

III. Purpose: To stimulate research excellence in breeding and genetics.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

1. Research is based on basic or applied research in breeding and genetics with any class of large or small animals.
2. All original research published by the nominee is eligible for consideration in selection of the awardees.
3. The research upon which the nomination is based must be different from that submitted for the ADSA Animal Breeding Award if the nominee is a previous winner or a candidate for the ADSA Animal Breeding Award.

V. Dossier must include the following materials:

- 1 Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.

2. List of publications concerning original research of the nominee.

Animal Growth and Development Award

I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science Award in Animal Growth and Development.

II. Nature of Award: A specified monetary award and a plaque.

III. Purpose: To stimulate research excellence in animal growth and development.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

1. Conduct of basic or applied research in any phase of growth or development of animals.
2. Original research published within 10 years proceeding the year of the award will be eligible for consideration.

V. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.
2. List of the nominee's research publications for the previous 10-year period.

Animal Industry Service Award

I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science Award in Animal Industry Service.

II. Nature of Award: A specified monetary award and a plaque.

III. Purpose: To stimulate a high level of service to the animal industry and to recognize those members who have distinguished themselves in service to the animal industry.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

1. Distinguished service to the animal industry.

V. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.

Animal Management Award

I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science Award in Animal Management.

II. Nature of Award: A specified monetary award and a plaque.

III. Purpose: To stimulate research excellence in biological or production management and to recognize those who have made significant contributions to production management.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

1. Nominees shall have conducted basic or applied research in animal behavior, environmental science, economics or other biological or production management. Publications in the 10 years immediately preceding the year of recognition will be eligible for consideration, or

2. Nominees shall have made significant contributions to production management, including contributions to identifying and alleviating world problems in animal production.

V. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.

2. List of the nominee's research publications for the previous 10-year period.

Animal Physiology and Endocrinology Award

I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science Award in Animal Physiology and Endocrinology.

II. Nature of Award: A specified monetary award and a plaque.

III. Purpose: To stimulate research excellence in physiology and endocrinology.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

1. Conduct of basic or applied research in physiology and endocrinology with all classes of large and small animals.

2. Research work published in the 10 years immediately preceding the year of recognition will be eligible for consideration.

V. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.

2. List of the nominee's research publications for the previous 10-year period.

Distinguished Teacher Award

I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science Distinguished Teacher Award.

II. Nature of Award: A specified monetary award and a plaque.

III. Purpose: Recognition of distinguished teachers of undergraduate and/or graduate courses in animal science.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

Be currently employed in teaching at the time of nomination, and to have been actively teaching for a period of not less than 8 years. This does not exclude section heads, department heads, or deans, providing they were also personally engaged in undergraduate and/or graduate classroom teaching during the school year. If disability or retirement is involved, nominees must have engaged in undergraduate and/or graduate teaching within 36 months prior to January 1 of the year in which presentation of the award is made.

V. Criteria for Evaluation of Nominees:

1. Ability to motivate and stimulate students.
2. The impression made on students by the mastery of the subject, techniques, vision and attitudes of the nominee.
3. Evidence of continual interest in the improvement of teaching.
4. The content and nature of the courses taught, with emphasis placed on responsibilities, organization of teaching materials, original contributions to teaching and ability to translate research into terms of useful practice.
5. Diversification of activities such as student counselor; training and placement; advisor for student clubs; service on departmental, college, and university committees; and research and extension activities. (Not all of these are essential as factors in consideration for the award.)

6. Extracurricular activities beyond regular teaching duties.
7. Service to agriculture and related industries.

VI. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.
2. Letters in support of the nominee from not less than five or more than 10 current or former students.
3. Letters from at least one representative of the nominee's institution regarding the nominee's activities in the areas defined in V. 1-7 above.
4. A list of materials developed or published by the nominee. This list should include items useful in teaching Animal Science, such as course outlines, curricula, books, research reports, visual aids, charts, tools or other contributions. Examples of the above items may **not** be included in the dossier.
5. A letter from at least one, but not more than four, persons representing agriculture and related industries stating the service of the nominee to animal agriculture.

Extension Award

- I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science Extension Award.
- II. Nature of Award: A specified monetary award and a plaque.
- III. Purpose: To stimulate outstanding achievements in animal science extension.
- IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

1. A nominee must have made outstanding and noteworthy contributions in animal science extension. Contributions may be in initiation and development of programs and projects in animal production or utilizable products of the animals. Extension teams are eligible for this award.
2. The nominee must be living and have been actively engaged in extension, for at least ten years immediately prior to nomination, in a State (Provincial) or Federal Extension Service with at least 25% of professional activity devoted to extension programs.

V. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.
2. Extent of the nominee's acceptance and application of concepts, recommended techniques, programs, etc., not to exceed 2670 characters and spaces.
3. Qualities of leadership as demonstrated by ability to influence others to act and adopt improved practices not to exceed 2670 characters and spaces.
4. Influence of the nominee's projects, programs, and the like on the livestock industry and the welfare of participating people not to exceed 2670 characters and spaces.

Fellow Award

- I. Name of Award: Fellow of the American Society of Animal Science.
- II. Nature of Award: Presentation of a plaque at the Annual Meeting of the Society.
- III. Purpose: To recognize distinguished service to animal science and the livestock industry over a long period of time.
- IV. Eligibility for Nomination: Persons who have rendered very distinguished service to the animal industry and/or to the American Society of Animal Science and had continuous membership in the Society for a minimum of twenty-five (25) years, and who are in good standing in the Society, are eligible.
- V. Selection: Maximum of ten Fellows awarded each year. Fellows are nominated in one of the five following categories: Teaching, Research, Extension, Administration and Industry. There will be at least one Fellow awarded in each category unless the committee deems that there are no deserving candidates nominated in a specific category.
- VI. Dossier must include the following materials:
 1. Completed on-line nomination that indicates for which of the five categories (Teaching, Research, Extension, Administration, and Industry) the person is nominated.
 2. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.

Bouffault International Animal Agriculture Award

- I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science Bouffault International Animal Agriculture Award.
- II. Nature of Award: A specified monetary award and a plaque.
- III. Purpose: To recognize and stimulate distinguished service to animal agriculture in the developing areas of the world.
- IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

The nominee shall have made a meritorious scientific contribution by way of teaching, research or other service to animal agriculture in one or more of the developing areas of the world over a period of five or more years. Particular attention will be paid to the long-time effects of the contributions.
- V. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.

2. List of most significant publications, courses taught, development plans, citations for services rendered, or other pertinent credentials not to exceed 8000 characters and spaces.

Corbin Companion Animal Biology Award

- I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science Corbin Companion Animal Biology Award.

- II. Nature of Award: A specified monetary award and a plaque.

- III. Purpose: To recognize and stimulate research and/or teaching excellence in companion animal biology.

- IV. Eligibility for Nomination

The nominee shall have made a meritorious scientific contribution by way of teaching, research or other service to companion animal nutrition or some other aspect of companion animal biology over a period of five or more years. Particular attention will be paid to the long-term effects of the contributions.

- V. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.

2. List of most significant publications, courses taught, development plans, citations for services rendered, or other pertinent credentials for the previous 10-year period not to exceed 8000 characters and spaces.

L. E. Casida Award

- I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science L. E. Casida Award.

- II. Nature of Award: A medal, appropriately mounted on a plaque, and a specified monetary award that will be presented at the Triennial Reproduction Symposium. The award is supported by interest derived from Casida Award Fund that was established through membership and other contributions and is managed by the American Society of Animal Science Foundation.

- III. Purpose: To recognize excellence in the education of graduate and/or post-doctoral students to conduct research in the area of reproductive physiology and endocrinology.

- IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

The quality education of graduate and/or post-doctoral students as evidenced by publication, with students as senior authors, of basic and/or applied research. The research published will be recognized as contributing to knowledge in reproductive physiology and endocrinology. The Award will be based on the quality of the nominee's graduate education and research program. Quality will be judged on evidence of use of statements of hypotheses, use of appropriate experimental design, use of appropriate tests of hypotheses for detection of significant differences, and clear presentation of results. Emphasis will be based on quality rather than quantity of work presented and on its relationship to the philosophy of L. E. Casida as expressed in his paper in the *Journal of Animal Science* (25:1236-1239, 1966).

- V. Award Selection Committee

1. An ASAS Director as Chair and the Triennial Reproduction Symposium Committee.

VI. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.

2. Statement presenting evidence for the conclusion that the nominee excelled in contributing to knowledge in reproductive physiology and endocrinology through both graduate and/or post-doctoral education and research as described in item IV.

3. A tabulation of former graduate and post-doctoral students, the year of their graduation, a listing of their publications as senior author co-authored with the nominee, and their current position and contributions.

VII. Award Presentation:

The L. E. Casida Award will be presented in conjunction with the Triennial Reproduction Symposium. The Chair of the Symposium will read the citation and present the Award to the recipient. The L. E. Casida Award recipient will present a paper of approximately 20 to 30 minutes in length. The paper will be electronically published in the Proceedings of that Triennial Reproduction Symposium. Neither the selection of the recipient nor the paper presented by the recipient should be influenced by the specific theme of that year's Triennial Reproduction Symposium. Rather, the paper should be structured to reflect the recipient's philosophies of graduate education and research and their inter-relationship.

Meats Research Award

I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science Award in Meats Research.

II. Nature of Award: A specified monetary award and a plaque.

III. Purpose: To stimulate research excellence in meat science.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

1. Completion of either basic or applied research in any phases of Meat Science.

2. Research work published in the 10 years immediately preceding the year recognition is to be given will be eligible for consideration.

V. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.

2. List of the nominee's research publications for the previous 10-year period.

Morrison Award

I. Name of Award: American Society of Animal Science Morrison Award.

II. Nature of Award:

A watch, a bust of Dr. Morrison mounted on a plaque, and a monetary award approved by the Board of Directors in keeping with the earnings of the trust fund established by the late F. B. Morrison of Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, author of the text and reference Feeds and Feeding, and his wife, Elsie B. Morrison. The award is award to be

presented each year to a member of the ASAS who has done outstanding recent research that has been of direct importance in livestock production, and is to be administered by the American Society of Animal Science under rules of its formulation.

III. Purpose: To stimulate research excellence of direct importance to livestock production.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

1. To be eligible for the Morrison Award a nominee shall have made a meritorious scientific contribution or discovery in research in the field of animal science.
2. Total accomplishment in a certain field as well as research relating to any particular problem may be the basis of the nomination for the award and such work shall be considered in determining recipients.
3. Winners of the Morrison Award shall not subsequently be eligible for other Society awards except the Fellow Award and the Retiree Service Award.

V. Award Selection Committee:

The Selection Committee will consist of six members including the ASAS Past-President as Chair. At least two members will be replaced each year.

VI. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II-7.

Early Career Achievement Award

I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science Early Career Achievement Award

II. Nature of Award: A 2-year complimentary membership in ASAS, registration for the Joint Annual Meeting, a travel allowance up to \$1500 for the Joint Annual Meeting, and recognition during the ASAS Awards Ceremony at the Joint Annual Meeting. Up to two recipients will be selected.

III. Purpose: To recognize achievement of young scholars working toward the mission of the ASAS: "The American Society of Animal Science fosters the discovery, sharing, and application of scientific knowledge concerning the responsible use of animals to enhance human life and well-being."

IV. Eligibility for Nomination: To be eligible the candidate must have completed their most recent degree within the past 10 years at the time of nomination. There are no restrictions on country of residence. Candidates do not have to be current members of ASAS, but their programs must serve the mission of ASAS.

V. Each nomination must contain the following by November 19, 2008:

- a) A biography of the nominee not to exceed 2760 characters.
- b) A summary of scholarly work noting the impact and originality of the work. This summary will not exceed 8,000 characters and spaces.
- c) Letters of support from 2 members of ASAS. Support letters that demonstrate the wider recognition of the candidate should be considered, including individuals other than the nominee's supervisor(s) and from outside the nominee's institutions(s) may be helpful.
- d) A proposed title of the presentation and a suggested program area (i.e. Breeding and Genetics, Meat Science and Muscle Biology, etc.)

- e) A citation for printing (not to exceed 1,500 characters and spaces) and a citation for reading at the introduction of the presentation (not to exceed 700 characters and spaces).

VI. Award Section Committee: The ASAS Upcoming Program Chair will chair the committee. The ASAS Sectional Directors and previous years' recipients will be the voting committee members.

VI. Award Presentation: Recipients will be required to:

- a) Present a 30-minute presentation at the Joint Annual Meeting highlighting their work.
- b) Submit an abstract for that presentation by the abstract submission deadline.
- c) Submit a manuscript highlighting the material presented for publication in the Electronic issue of the Journal of Animal Science
- d) Serve on the Early Career Research Award Committee in the following year.

ASAS Retiree Service Award

I. Name of Award: The American Society of Animal Science Retiree Service Award.

II. Nature of Award: Plaque/statue and free registration for annual meeting when recognized. Award information goes into the "Hall of Honor."

III. Purpose: Animal scientists, who continue their service to the Society after they retire from their primary professional career position, contribute valuable knowledge and experience to the Society. Exemplary service in this capacity should be encouraged and recognized by a formal award.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

1. At least three (3) consecutive years of membership in ASAS after retirement from the primary professional career position (or three consecutive years in the "retiree" membership category) must have elapsed immediately prior to the due date of nomination submission for the individual to be eligible for this award.
2. Primary award criteria involve service to ASAS, the affiliated sections, the ASAS Foundation and other ASAS activities by serving as officers, board members, standing or special committee members, meeting or symposia planners, etc. Pre-retirement activities or achievements **are not** considered for this award. This award is specifically intended to recognize service to ASAS, not the livestock industry.

V. Nomination dossier must conform to the following:

1. Refer to Nomination for Awards Sec II, points 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, and 11.
2. Each nomination must contain the following:
 - a) Biography of the nominee not to exceed 2670 characters and spaces.
 - b) Summary statement (not to exceed 8,000 characters and spaces) describing the nature and importance of the nominee's post-retirement service to ASAS
 - c) Citation for printing (not to exceed 1,500 characters and spaces) **and** a citation for reading at the awards ceremony (not to exceed 750 characters and spaces).
- e) One letter of support from any ASAS member other than the nominator.

Equine Science Award

I. Name of Award: The Equine Science Society and American Society of Animal Science Equine Science Award.

II. Nature of Award: A specified monetary award and a plaque.

III. Purpose: To recognize outstanding achievement in the areas of extension, research, teaching or agribusiness in the equine industry.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

1. To be eligible the candidate must be a current member of ESS and ASAS and a member of both associations for the past three years.
2. Candidate's accomplishments must have served the missions of ESS and ASAS in discover, dissemination, and/or application of knowledge that has benefitted the equine industry.
3. Area of achievement may be in extension, research, teaching and/or agribusiness as it related directly to the equine industry.

V. Dossier must include the following materials:

1. A biography of the nominee not to exceed 2,760 characters.
2. A summary of scholarly work noting the impact and originality of the work, not to exceed 8,000 characters and spaces.
3. Letters of support from at least two members of ESS and/or ASAS is required. Up to three additional letters may be submitted for a total of no more than five letters. A letter from an industry representative or producer is appropriate.
4. A citation for printing (not to exceed 1,500 characters and spaces) and a citation for reading at the introduction of the presentation (not to exceed 700 characters and spaces).

VI. Award Section Committee: The committee will consist of five committee members with at least three having membership in both ESS and ASAS. The chair of the committee will be an ASAS Director (non voting).

Recipient will be notified of the award that will be presented at the annual ASAS meeting. Recipient will also be recognized at the ESS meeting that follows the ASAS meeting.

Omega Protein Innovative Research Awards

Purpose:

To promote and reward original and innovative research using marine fish products (meal or oil) in nutritional programs for swine, poultry, beef, dairy, horses, aquaculture, and companion or exotic animals.

Nature of Award:

Omega Protein will provide \$5,000 annually to be awarded at the annual meeting of the American Society of Animal Science. Up to three awards will be given with stipends of \$2,500, \$1,500 and \$1,000.

Any individual who is currently enrolled in any graduate program and who is a member of ASAS is eligible. The required information must be submitted electronically on the web site: <http://www.asas.org/awards.asp> no later than February 9, 2009.

Selection of the recipients of the research awards shall be made by a Selection Committee appointed by the American Society of Animal Science Selection Committee appointed by the American Society of Animal Science shall make selection of the recipients of the research awards.

Eligibility:

1. Applicants must submit an abstract (Deadline-February 9, 2009) for presentation at the ASAS annual meeting. Abstracts must be related to research with marine fish products (meal or oil).
2. Applicants are not limited to the number of abstracts/applications submitted for consideration.
3. Abstracts found unacceptable as described in the ASAS "Quality Standards for Abstracts" will not be considered.
4. Abstracts must be accepted for presentation at the ASAS annual meeting (either poster or oral presentation).
5. In addition to the submitted abstract, an expanded abstract not exceeding five pages (characters and spaces) must be submitted by February 9, 2009, also on the web site.
6. Each application also should submit a biography not more than 1,500 characters and spaces in length and a citation of not more than 750 characters and spaces suitable for reading at the awards ceremony. Winners will be asked to submit a black and white head shot photo.
7. All entries must be submitted by February 9, 2009.

Nomination procedure:

Submit the nominations electronically on the web site: <http://www.asas.org/awards.asp> and must also submit the abstract for consideration for presentation at the meetings by submitting the abstract via the ASAS web site (www.asas.org) by the February 9, 2009 abstract deadline.

Selection criteria:

The abstract and expanded abstract will be judged on the following criteria:

1. Knowledge and understanding of literature
2. Creativity of idea or concept
3. Objectives clearly stated
4. Experimental design and methodology
5. Results (analyzed appropriately, novel or important findings)
6. Interpretation of results
7. Contribution to existing knowledge base
8. Conclusion and application

Special Board of Directors Awards

Individuals who are not members of ASAS, but who have made particularly significant contributions to animal agriculture, may be recognized by the Board of Directors by presentation of the Distinguished Support of Animal Science Award or the Basic Biological Science Award at the annual meeting of the Society. These awards are not presented annually but will be given at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Distinguished Support of Animal Science Award

I. Name of Award: Distinguished Support of Animal Science Award.

II. Nature of Award: A plaque and expenses to attend the annual meeting of the American Society of Animal Science.

III. Purpose: To stimulate contributions to animal science and the livestock industry by persons in industry or government.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

1. Major contributions to the field of Animal Science and/or livestock industry.
2. Documented accomplishments in service, regulatory or legislative activities.
3. Willingness to present a lecture at the annual meeting of the American Society of Animal Science.
4. Must be nominated by a member of the American Society of Animal Science.
5. The award will be presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Animal Science.

V. Award Selection Committee:

The Executive Committee of the American Society of Animal Science.

VI. Material to be supplied by nominator:

1. Seven copies of a dossier that contains the following:

- a. Biography of the nominee not to exceed 2670 characters and spaces.
- b. Documentation of nominee's contributions.
- c. A summary statement (not to exceed 8000 characters and spaces) describing the importance of the nominee's contributions to the livestock industry.

2. One copy of a citation less than 1,500 characters and spaces suitable for publication in the *Journal of Animal Science* and a citation of 750 characters and spaces suitable for reading at the awards ceremony.

Basic Biological Science Award

I. Name of Award: Basic Biological Science Award.

II. Nature of Award: A plaque and expenses to attend the annual meeting of the American Society of Animal Science.

III. Purpose: To stimulate excellence in basic research by biological scientists that will be of value to animal science and the livestock industry.

IV. Eligibility for Nomination:

1. Conduct basic research in areas potentially valuable to animal science and the livestock industry.
2. Research must be published in the 10 years immediately preceding the year recognition is to be given.
3. Must be nominated by a member of the American Society of Animal Science.
4. Willingness to present a lecture at the annual meeting of the American Society of Animal Science.
5. The award will be presented at the annual meeting of the American Society of Animal Science.

V. Award Selection Committee

The Executive Committee of the American Society of Animal Science.

VI. Material to be supplied by the Nominator:

1. Seven copies of a dossier that contains the following material:
 - a. Biography of the nominee not to exceed 2670 characters and spaces.
 - b. List of publications covering the research of the nominee for the last 10 years.
 - c. A summary statement (not to exceed 8000 characters and spaces) describing the importance of the nominee's contributions to the livestock industry.
2. One copy of a citation not to exceed 1,500 characters and spaces suitable for publication in the *Journal of Animal Science* and a copy of a citation not to exceed 750 characters and spaces suitable for reading at the awards ceremony.

External Awards

Each year the Society is invited to submit a nomination from among its members for each of several awards administered by other organizations. The ASAS External Awards Committee receives and evaluates nominations, selects a nominee to be endorsed by the Society, and forwards the selected nomination to the President for endorsement and submission to the appropriate organization on behalf of the Society.

Members can make nominations directly to the sponsors. However, the External Awards Committee will select only one nominee who will have the endorsement of ASAS. In order to simplify the selection process by the ASAS External Awards Committee, Society members are invited to make a very brief nomination statement and send it to any member of the Committee. The External Awards Committee selects the Society nominee and contacts the nominator to develop the full nomination, which then will be sent to the Chair of the External Awards Committee.

Contact the Chair of the ASAS External Awards Committee for more information. Currently, the following awards are considered:

The National Medal of Science

The awardee is selected by the President of the United States for outstanding contributions to the development of science. Nominations should be submitted by August 15 of the current year.

Saddle and Sirloin Club Portrait Award

The awardee is selected by a committee convened by the Saddle and Sirloin Club. Recognition is for outstanding contributions to animal agriculture. The awardee is recognized and the portrait is hung in the Saddle and Sirloin Portrait Gallery during the North American Livestock Exposition in the Executive Inn West and the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center, Louisville, Kentucky. All nominees must have a sponsoring group to underwrite costs of the portrait and the recognition banquet; the American Society of Animal Science does not pay the costs incurred. Nominations may be submitted to the Chair of the ASAS External Awards Committee by September 15. The Chair in turn will submit the nomination of the Committee's recommended nominee to the Chair of the Kentucky State Fair Board. ASAS will provide a letter of support for ASAS members nominated for awards/honors (excluding ASAS Awards) documenting their role in ASAS and contributions to animal agriculture. Recognition is given to the awardee at the awards program if he/she is an ASAS member.

The Alexander Von Humboldt Award

Awardee is selected for an outstanding single piece of significant agricultural research covering the immediate three-year period preceding the year in which the award is given. The nomination must be submitted by January 15 of the current year. Award is \$10,000.

The Edward W. Browning Award

The nominee is selected for contributions in improving food sources. Nominations should be submitted by December 15 of the current year. Award is \$5,000.

Council for Agricultural Science and Technology Charles A. Black Award

The Charles A. Black Award is to be awarded annually to a Food or Agricultural Scientist, actively engaged in research, who has made significant scientific contributions to his or her scientific field, and who is selected on the basis of significant abilities to communicate the importance of his or her work and of agricultural science to laypersons, policymakers, and media. These nominees may have demonstrated their ability to communicate either by written material, spoken material, use of television, radio, or other media.