

CSAS MATTERS

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Presidents Message:

Dear colleagues, members and friends of the Canadian Society of Animal Science,

I welcome everyone with profound gratitude for the opportunity to serve this esteemed organization. I am humbled and honoured to be the President of this revered organization, especially as we round off a century of learning, training and networking.

We thank our predecessors and partner organizations, on whose shoulders we stood to confidently engage the future and create a better learning and training environment for future scientists and scholars. I firmly believe that collaboration and curiosity are keys to our collective organizational success. Interdisciplinary alliances will equip us with the necessary tools to advance our knowledge toward solving current issues related to animal research that will increase food security and affordability of diverse quality and nutritious animal protein products.

As we sail through the next 100 years, I am confident that we will continue to grow the membership by delivering objective-based solutions through sound research and providing adequate training opportunities for all scholars. I have had the privilege of building relationships and expanding the scope of research activities throughout my career. We will build on these to increase our numbers and continue strengthening a cross-disciplinary community to address emerging issues associated with the affordability of animal protein, artificial intelligence, climate change and social license. I am encouraged and inspired by the membership's dedication to the Society's activities and the unalloyed support from our event sponsors.

I want to thank all the past and new members of the CSAS Executive for their commitment to building a resilient and more robust organization. Together, we will continue to serve the animal science community and deliver world-class services to members and stakeholders. I would also like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the members of the different committees of the Society, volunteers, and sponsors who continue to support our outstanding researchers and students. I also look forward to working with every member, mentor, colleague and student as we grow our community and provide essential solutions to advance our individual and collective goals. I will be honoured to meet each person at our 2025 Centennial Celebrations.

Warm regards,

Dr. Obioha Durunna

President, Canadian Society of Animal Science

New CSAS Executive Members:

Welcome to Dr. Stephanie Collins our new Eastern Director!



Dr. Stephanie Collins is an Associate Professor of Nutrition / Nutritional Biochemistry in the Faculty of Animal Science and Aquaculture at Dalhousie University.

Dr. Collins is an animal nutritionist with a focus on balanced feed formulation, nutritional modeling and micro-components of the diet. She specializes in the research of novel feed ingredients and their application to animal feeds.

2024-2025 Executive Board for CSAS

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Tim McAllister and Greg Penner

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**Membership Manager CSAS/Director of Meetings and
Membership:** Melissa Burnett

CSAS Website Coordinator/ASAS Chief Operations Officer:
Justin Bartlett

Save the Date: July 6-10, 2025

The 2025 Annual Meeting will take place at the Diplomat Beach Resort in Hollywood, Florida . When not in session, you are just steps away from soaking up the breezy South Florida lifestyle at the lagoon pool with ocean views or the alabaster beach.

For more information, visit: <https://www.asas.org/meetings/annual-2025>





Call for 2025 Awards
Nominations:
Deadline to submit
March 31, 2025!



Nominated individuals must be current members of the Canadian Society of Animal Science

Nominations (except for Honorary Life Membership) must be accompanied with the following as electronic files (PDF or Word file(s) preferred):

- Completed Nomination Form, which includes:
- Name, address, phone number, and email address of nominator(s).
- Reason for nomination: Reason for nomination: state why this nominee is proposed (max 800 words Times new roman 10 pt single space).
- CV of Nominee (include education, employment, service to the profession (books and papers published, courses and number of students taught, industry activities, consultations, overseas involvement, etc.), and honors and awards already held).
- A summary suitable for incorporation into a citation if the nominee wins the award (maximum of 250 words).
- For nominees for the Canadian Animal Industries award in extension and public service, letters of support from farm organizations on a local, provincial and/or national level are required.
- Please forward all nomination documents to the CSAS Awards Chair via email: csas_awards@asas.org

For more information, visit: <https://www.asas.org/CSAS/awards>

Want to participate in our events? *Become a CSAS Member!*

- ✓ Foster animal agriculture solutions for a hungry world.
- ✓ Ensure humane care of livestock.
- ✓ Get recognition through CSAS sponsored awards.
- ✓ CSAS sponsored travel awards for students to attend annual meetings.
- ✓ Discounted cost of registration for annual meetings.
- ✓ Reduced cost to subscribe to Canadian Journal of Animal Science (CJAS).
- ✓ Discounted page charges for accepted manuscripts in CJAS.
- ✓ Be the first to know when a new issue of CJAS is available.
- ✓ Quality networking among members.
- ✓ Quality networking among professional animal science societies globally.
- ✓ On-line access to the membership list.
- ✓ Participation in membership discussions on CSAS events/activities/issues.

Membership is open to persons currently or previously employed in research, teaching, administration, extension, production, marketing, or otherwise interested in any field pertaining to the animal industry. There are three categories for membership including regular members, retired members, and student members (undergraduate or graduate). Student applicants must complete the education profile when signing up.

**Renew your membership or join today at
<https://www.asas.org/CSAS/csas-membership>**

Or Get Involved!

Want to become involved in the Canadian Society of Animal Science? Join the executive committee!

Grad students can get involved too! Become an ambassador – grow your professional network and work with great people.

Up and Coming Research:

Our CSAS members are making extraordinary contributions to the science of animal agriculture. Check out these recent publications by CSAS members in the Canadian Journal of Animal Science (CJAS):

To explore other publications in CJAS or to submit your own manuscript, visit:
<https://cdnsiencepub.com/journal/cjas>



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