

**2006 Boehringer Ingelheim  
Advancement in PRRS  
Research Award Recipients**

**Scott Dee, DVM, MS, Ph.D.**

University of Minnesota, St. Paul, Minnesota

*Evaluation of blood swabbing and jugular ventipuncture blood collection for the detection of peracute PRRSV infection in gilts.*

**Claudia Munoz-Zanzi, DVM, MPVM, Ph.D.**

University of Minnesota, St. Paul, Minnesota

*Sensitivity of PRRSV PCR for pooled serum and blood swab samples of boars during acute infection to model and evaluate protocols for negative boar studs.*

**Jeff Zimmerman, DVM, Ph.D.**

Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa

*Evaluation of different diagnostic tests in detecting PRRSV in "meat juice" samples to determine if PCR-positive meat samples in convalescent animals contain infectious virus levels.*

**For more information on the Advancement in PRRS  
Research Award please visit [www.PRRSresearch.com](http://www.PRRSresearch.com).**



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**Supporting Research  
to Unlock the  
PRRS Mystery**



Advancement in PRRS  
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Formerly known as the “Mystery Swine Disease,” now known as Porcine Respiratory and Reproductive Disease (PRRS), the disease is still a mystery in many ways. Today, thanks to extensive ongoing research and industry support, there is much we know about this devastating virus. Unfortunately, there is still much to learn. That’s why Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica, Inc., supports and promotes the Advancement in PRRS Research Award Program.

Boehringer Ingelheim is committed to aiding the scientific approach to research for the purpose of understanding and managing the PRRS virus. Each year the PRRS Research Award Program exposes unique aspects of PRRS infection and transmission to focus and improve the PRRS knowledge database.



The opportunity to apply the scientific results to management practices is a critical factor of consideration for each proposal.

### The PRRS Research Award

Again this year, Boehringer Ingelheim will award a total of \$75,000 (USD) for three research studies from proposals submitted by swine researchers, practicing and teaching veterinarians, students and others in the swine industry within the NAFTA Region (United States, Canada and Mexico). The proposals are selected based on their practical application and ability to improve the diagnosis, transmission, control and prevention of PRRS virus.

#### **Project Selection Criteria**

- Probability of successfully completing the project
- Potential for economic impact to the swine industry
- Originality of the project components
- Scientific quality of project

### How to Submit Your Proposal

Submit your completed proposal for a year-long research study by January 1, 2007, along with the other required materials listed as follows, to:

#### **Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica, Inc.**

Attn: Trudy Luther  
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For more information and complete submission instructions, please visit us at [www.PRRSresearch.com](http://www.PRRSresearch.com).

#### **Project Proposal Submission Requirements**

- Year-long Research
- Completed Boehringer Ingelheim Cover Sheet
- Curriculum vitae
- Two Letters of Recommendation

### Peer Review and Practical Application

Selected research projects will examine practical methods to control, manage and possibly eradicate the PRRS virus, so peer review is an essential step in the process. Once a year-long research project is completed and submitted for peer review, the independent PRRS Research Review Board conducts a second evaluation and assessment for the project’s potential impact on PRRS management and/or eradication. Additional awards may be provided based on this assessment period.

### The Independent Review Board

The PRRS Research Review Board is completely independent and has revolving seats to ensure that the Board remains impartial and infused with new ideas. The renowned members consist of swine industry professionals including practicing swine veterinarians and researchers.

#### **Luc Defresne, DVM**

*Seaboard Farms, Shawnee Mission, Kansas*

#### **Locke Karriker, DVM, MS**

*Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa*

#### **Tim Loula, DVM**

*Swine Vet Center, St. Peter, Minnesota*

#### **Bill Mengeling, DVM, Ph.D., Dipl. ACVM**

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#### **Daryl Olsen, DVM**

*AMVC Management Services, Audubon, Iowa*