



## Investment in Animal Agriculture Research

The National Association for the Advancement of Animal Science (NAAAS) focuses on advocating for an increased federal investment in the animal sciences. Comprised of leaders from animal, dairy and poultry science departments from universities across the United States, the group addresses the importance of animal agriculture research and the need to improve the overall federal funding for this research.

As the world's population grows and natural resources become limited, animal agriculture research is necessary now more than ever to improve efficiency in order to continue providing safe and abundant food supplies for the growing global community. Demand for food is expected to increase from 70 to 100 percent by 2050. Animals will and must play a critical role in meeting this demand.

The overall level of public funding for agricultural research has been stagnant for the past 30 years. NAAAS is working to reverse the trend in declining public funding and to reiterate the economic and social value of animal agriculture.

## What does NAAAS do?

- Provide focused advocacy to increase funding for animal, dairy and poultry sciences.
- Serve as a common voice for animal agriculture researchers.
- Actively work with Congress and the Administration to promote the importance of investing in animal science.
- Work closely with like-minded groups such as the American Society of Animal Science and the Animal Agriculture Coalition in addition to key national and regional industry associations.

## Become a Member

Animal, dairy and poultry science departments from colleges and universities located in the United States may join NAAAS membership. Industry, commodity, scientific and other organizations may join as associate members. Membership includes regular updates on policy developments and notification of opportunities to communicate with policy makers about the animal sciences.

**Departmental Membership Dues** – Based on the number of faculty (tenure and non-tenure).

- 40 or more \$10,000
- 30-39 \$7,500
- 20-29 \$5,000
- Under 20 \$2,500

**Associate Membership Dues**

- National Organizations \$1,000
- State/Regional Organizations \$500