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### **Yijie He Receives the Midwest Young Scholar Award from the Midwest Section of the American Society of Animal Science**

**March 08, 2021** – Yijie He is the recipient of the 2021 Midwest Section of the American Society of Animal Science (ASAS) Young Scholar Award, presented to him this week during the virtual ASAS Midwest Section Annual Meeting. Don't miss Mr. He's presentation on March 10, 2021 at 11:05 AM CST in the Nonruminant Session.

Yijie He was born in Karamay, Xinjiang, China. He earned his bachelor's degree in Animal Science and Technology at China Agricultural University in 2012. He earned his M.S. in Animal Science from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities in 2015. His master thesis focused on identifying characteristics of slow growing pigs and risk factors associated with slow growth. After completing his master degree, Yijie worked at Ralco Nutrition for two years as Research Assistant. He joined the Animal Biology Graduate Group at the University of California, Davis, in 2017. Yijie He completed his PhD degree in December 2020. His dissertation focused on "Effects of Dietary Bacillus species on performance and disease resistance of weaned pigs".

The ASAS Midwest Young Scholar program recognizes and features the research accomplishments of recent Ph.D. graduates or current Ph.D. students in the advanced stages of their program at the annual Midwest ASAS meeting. The Midwest Section of the American Society of Animal Science sponsors this award.