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### **Dr. Charles Beard Research Excellence Award Nominations Being Accepted by USPOULTRY**

USPOULTRY and the USPOULTRY Foundation are accepting nominations for the Dr. Charles Beard Research Excellence Award through July 1. The goal of the award is to recognize outstanding completed research projects, funded by USPOULTRY or the USPOULTRY Foundation, that have made a significant positive impact on the poultry industry. The nominee may be recognized for multiple completed USPOULTRY research projects, all focused on the same subject area.

Nominations can be accepted from the universities and research institutions that conduct poultry research, as well as from anyone in the research community or any USPOULTRY member, staff and sponsored committee. Self-nominations are also allowed. Nominations should focus on research projects completed within the past five years but may include projects completed at an earlier time if a project's impact has only recently become recognized. Additional information about the award can be found [here](#).

To submit a nomination, please send a letter to Dr. Denise Heard, vice president of research, at [dheard@uspoultry.org](mailto:dheard@uspoultry.org). The letter should include the nominee's name, a brief description of the nominee's research accomplishments and the impact of the research.

The recipient of the Dr. Charles Beard Research Excellence Award will be the primary researcher who conducted the recognized research project(s) and will receive round-trip transportation to, and two nights' lodging at, the International Production & Processing Expo (IPPE) in Atlanta, Georgia. A cash prize of \$1,500 will also be awarded. The award will be presented at IPPE during the International Poultry Scientific Forum by Dr. Heard and the chairman of the Foundation Research Advisory Committee.

USPOULTRY and its Foundation operate a comprehensive research program incorporating all phases of poultry and egg production and processing. Since the inception of the research program, USPOULTRY has reinvested more than \$35 million dollars into the industry in the form of research grants, with the International Poultry Expo, part of IPPE, as one of the primary sources for the funding. More than 50 universities and federal and state facilities have received grants over the years.

### **About USPOULTRY**

U.S. Poultry & Egg Association (USPOULTRY) is the All Feather Association progressively serving its poultry and egg members through research, education, communications and technical services. Founded in 1947, USPOULTRY is based in Tucker, Georgia.