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### Valley of the Sun Welcomes AABP!

The 2018 51<sup>st</sup> AABP Annual Conference is off to a great start with a large attendance in Phoenix. This week started off with 14 Preconference Seminars, a special Food Animal Educators Symposium on Wednesday, and the Welcome Reception sponsored by Boehringer Ingelheim.

"AABP welcomes attendees to our 51<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference and we hope everyone has a great time getting excellent CE and connecting with peers, colleagues and new friends," says AABP Executive Vice President Dr. K. Fred Gingrich, II.

AABP President-Elect and 2018 Program Chairman Dr. Glenn Rogers says, "The AABP Annual Conference presents a golden opportunity to not only learn from outstanding speakers, but to share our experiences, face-to-face, with fellow bovine veterinarians and students from throughout North America and the world."

### Food Animal Educators Symposium

The first AABP Food Animal Educators Symposium was held yesterday in Phoenix. There were 36 educators representing 24 different colleges from the U.S. and Canada in attendance.

"As bovine faculty, we are responsible for educating future bovine practitioners, and what the future of bovine veterinary medicine looks like is changing incredibly fast," says symposium coordinator Dr. Emmanuel Rollin. "This year, we expanded from a short breakfast meeting into a full day symposium, which allowed us to really dissect the issues we face and take the time to come up with actionable steps to improve the connection between the students, the faculty, bovine practitioners and the AABP organization."

Rollin said the group learned from each other how they can be more effective in their respective colleges, and also work together better. "We discussed and prioritized the challenges in bovine education on which we can work together and have a positive influence. This includes things like curriculum

development, communicating with students about what to expect in the profession, and creating a roadmap for success that will help guide students toward valuable experiences outside of their college curriculum."

Rollin says the issues we discussed will continue to be worked on by symposium attendees in the coming months in collaboration with AABP, and will ultimately improve bovine education both during and after veterinary school.



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### AABP Welcomes Invited Industry Guests

AABP is affiliated with and/or works with other industry organizations. Representatives from several organizations are present at the conference including:

- Academy of Veterinary Consultants
- American Association of Swine Veterinarians
- American Veterinary Medical Association
- National Cattlemen's Beef Association

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### AABP Board of Directors

Your AABP Board of Directors and officers at the AABP Board Meeting.



**Front Row (L-R):** Dr. Carie Telgen, Dr. Christine Navarre, Dr. Mark Thomas, Dr. Eric Behlke, Dr. Lee Jones, Dr. Dale Moore, Dr. Vickie Cooper, Dr. Gerry Koenig

**Back Row (L-R):** Dr. Bryan Halteman, Dr. Tom Massie, Dr. Joe Hillhouse, Dr. Hunter Lang, Dr. Wayne Shewfelt, Dr. Mike Apley, Dr. Glenn Rogers, Dr. Carl Meyer, Dr. Mark Hardesty, Dr. Jeff Ondrak, Dr. Calvin Booker.

Also in attendance were representatives from the American Veterinary Medical Association, the American Association of Swine Veterinarians, the Academy of Veterinary Consultants, and the National Cattlemen's Beef Association.

### 2018 AABP Foundation Competitive Research Grant Awards

The 2018 AABP Foundation Competitive Research Grant Awards were given to:

- Dr. Matthias Wieland, Cornell University  
*A controlled trial assessing the effect of two different drying off protocols on the risk of new intramammary infection and well-being in dairy cows*
- Dr. Elizabeth Homerosky, Veterinary Agri-Health Services, Alberta, Canada  
*Impact of meloxicam on IBR, BRSV, PI3, and coronavirus titers when administered concurrently with a modified live respiratory vaccine in abruptly-weaned beef calves*

### Welcome Reception Brings Attendees Together

It was a beautiful evening in Phoenix at the AABP Welcome Reception, sponsored by Boehringer Ingelheim Vetmedica, Inc. Food, drinks and fellowship were a great way to kick off the show!



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Also at the reception, Dr. Clifford King, King Veterinary Services, Jerome, Idaho, received the 2018 Dairy Quality Assurance Veterinarian of the Year Award sponsored by Boehringer Ingelheim and the Dairy Quality Center.



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Pictured, Keith Carlson, Dairy Quality Center (left), and last year's recipient, Dr. Robert Harding, accepting the award on behalf of Dr. King.