



Western Canadian Association of Swine Veterinarians Conference

Thursday, October 23 to Friday, October 24, 2025

Delta Bessborough, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan

PROGRAM

| Thursday, October 23 | | |
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| 7:00 a.m. | BREAKFAST | |
| 7:55 a.m. | Announcements | Dr. Cordell Young (WCASV President) |
| THEME: Influenza | | |
| Chair – Dr. Cordell Young, WCASV President | | |
| 8:00 - 8:45 a.m. | Rhodes Lecture: Influenza from the US perspective and approach to regional vaccines | Bailey Arruda, USDA - REE-ARS |
| 8:45 - 9:00 a.m. | Moderated discussion | |
| 9:00 - 9:45 a.m. | Ecology and evolution of swine influenza in Canada | Susan Detmer, University of Saskatchewan, WCVN |
| 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. | BREAK | |
| 10:15 - 11:00 a.m. | Experiences developing a regional influenza vaccine in Quebec | Marie-Claude Poulin, Centre de développement du porc du Québec inc. |
| 11:00 - 11:45 a.m. | Regulatory perspective for developing regional influenza vaccines in Canada | CFIA, speaker TBD |
| 11:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | Awards Ceremony – presented by the WCASV Executive | |
| 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. | LUNCH | |
| THEME: Swine Health | | |
| Chair – Melissa Desrochers, WCASV Vice-President | | |
| 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. | Brush up on pathology: interactive session | Yanyun Huang, Prairie Diagnostic Services Inc. |
| 2:00 - 2:30 p.m. | Reproductive diagnostics for practitioners | Yanyun Huang, Prairie Diagnostic Services Inc. |
| 2:30 - 3:00 p.m. | Pestiviruses: what we've learned | Bailey Arruda, USDA - REE-ARS |
| 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. | BREAK | |
| 3:30 - 4:00 p.m. | Grad student research presentations | |
| 4:00 - 4:30 p.m. | Poster session | |
| 4:30 - 5:45 p.m. | WCASV Business meeting | |
| 6:00 p.m. | Reception | |
| 7:00 p.m. | Banquet | |



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| Chair – Nick Hawkins, WCASV Past-President | | |
| 8:00 – 9:00 a.m. | A mental health toolbox for a time in need | Erin Wasson, University of Saskatchewan, WCVM |
| 9:00 – 9:45 a.m. | The importance of a functional microbiome in pigs | Ben Willing, University of Alberta, Department of Agricultural, Food & Nutritional Science |
| 9:45 – 10:30 a.m. | Approach to solving ventilation problems | Jose Luis Landero, Gowans Feed Consulting |
| 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. BREAK | | |
| 11:00 – 11:25 a.m. | Sometimes is actually the feed! | Blaine Tully |
| 11:25 – 11:50 a.m. | Glasser’s case | Brad Chappell |
| 11:50 – 12:15 p.m. | Sapovirus that looked like coccidiosis | Cesar Caballero |
| 12:15 – 12:20 p.m. | Closing Remarks | John Harding, University of Saskatchewan, WCVM/Cordell Young, WCASV |
| LUNCH TO FOLLOW | | |