What Is Swine Nutrition Worth to Your Product Portfolio?

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Since 1944, the National Research Council, and now National Academy of Sciences (NAS), has published 11 editions of the Nutrient Requirements of Swine. As the primary reference for developing swine diets, how much value does it bring to your organization and your portfolio of products to support the pork industry?

The experts writing the new edition have said that it is needed to synthesize research published over the last 10 years. At this point, up for consideration in the new edition includes addressing the composition and nutrient bioavailability of a wide range of ingredients and their utilization by swine, further examining requirements for digestible phosphorus, reviewing the effects of feed additives and feed processing on energy and nutrient availability of commonly used ingredients, and assessing strategies to increase nutrient retention by the animals to reduce environmental pollution through excretion.

In collaboration with the National Pork Board, National Corn Growers Association and United Soybean Board, the Institute for Feed Education and Research is providing funds to support
the revision. We’re also making plans to inform the process. Once an expert committee is
finalized by the NAS, IFEEDER and other sponsors will join a virtual session to provide
perspective and references for the aforementioned topics as well as others to be considered.
Already on our list for consideration is methionine hydroxy analogs and bioavailability of trace
minerals.

We’re halfway to our fundraising goal with generous support from Berg + Schmidt, DPI and
Novus. If the Nutrient Requirements for Swine are an important resource for your
organization’s product portfolio, isn’t it worth an investment to support it?

Please [contact me](mailto:contactme@example.com) today if you would like to be involved in this effort.

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With the evolution in IFEEDER’s efforts and desire to be a resource for the industry and our allied
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Where You’ll Find IFEEDER Next

Looking for someone to speak to your team about IFEEDER’s work around industry sustainability, research or education? Contact Lara Moody.

Find IFEEDER at these upcoming events:

- May 2-4: “Collaborations in Communication” at the U.S. Roundtable for Sustainable Beef General Assembly – Boise, Idaho
- June 6-7: “Exploring the Path to Sustainable Feed” at the Field to Market Plenary and General Assembly – St. Louis, Mo.
- Oct. 31 – Nov. 2: Pet Food Association Canada Conference – Banff, Alberta, Canada
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