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### Adisseo announces the winners of the first Adisseo Research Grant (2021-2024).

The two winners of the first **Adisseo Research Grant** call were announced during the last WPC webinar held on November 9<sup>th</sup>.

The two projects were:

- “How to feed **broilers** during **infection** with, and recovery from, **coccidia** in **different environments: functional role of amino acids.**” presented by **Prof. Ilias KYRIAZAKIS** (AFBI, Northern Ireland, UK) and **Prof. Oluyinka OLUKOSI** (University of Georgia, USA).
- “**GutMIVir** – Understanding the contribution of the **gut microbiota** to **mucosal immunity** and **antiviral defences** in the **chicken.**” presented by **Dr. Rodrigo GUABIRABA (INRAe)**, **Prof. Bernd KASPERS** (LMU in Germany) and **Prof. Lonneke VERVELDE** (UEDIN/Roslin, UK).

The **1<sup>st</sup> Adisseo Research Grant** was launched mid-May in the aim of encouraging international labs to collaborate on some of the main challenges of the feed industry. Those challenges include sustainability, antibiotic bans, new feedstuffs, early feeding and hot conditions.

For this €1M grant, Adisseo relies on an independent Scientific Committee, which includes 5 members from academia: Prof. **Markus Rodehutscord**, University of Hohenheim (Germany), Prof. **Mike Kidd**, University of Arkansas (USA), Prof. **Richard Ducatelle**, Ghent University (Belgium), Prof. **Nilva Sakomura**, UNESP (Brazil), Prof. **Yuming Guo**, China Agricultural University (China) and 10 representatives from the feed industry: Dr. **Mario Penz** (Cargill), Dr. **Roy Brister** (Tyson), Dr. **John Halley** (JBS), Dr. **James Pei** (LIHUA), Dr. **Thierry Maucotel** (LDC), Dr. **Marcus Reginatto** (BRF), Dr. **Marné Meyer** (NOVATEK), Dr. **Nurul Basar** (NOURISH), Dr. **Pairat Srichana** and Dr. **Ferry Poernama** (JAPFA).

80 pre-proposals were received end June. 32 were initially selected and 7 got through to the final stage with a complete evaluation before the international Scientific Committee selected the two winners. The outcomes of these promising projects will be posted regularly.

A new Adisseo Research Grant 2022-2025 call will be launched end January 2022. The winners will be announced at the WPC 2022 in Paris (August 7-11). Applications for collaborative research projects, on poultry or swine, aiming to increase scientific and technical knowledge of the industry, are welcome. The projects should address the feed industry challenges to be shortly specified.

**Find more information about the Adisseo Research Grant on the Adisseo website:**

<https://www.adisseo.com/en/adisseo-research-grant/>