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## **Major Funding Announcement Increases Research Capability**

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan – The Prairie Swine Centre was recognized for its leadership in original and practical pork production research last month at a ceremony hosted jointly by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, and Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food. In acknowledging the importance of this funding Dr. John Patience, President of Prairie Swine Centre, noted “this funding will allow the Centre to address concerns of the industry to seek new information in the area of housing and management of gestating sows. Recent announcements in the U.S. and Canada by the pork packing industry have placed a timeline on innovations expected in this area. Pork producers in Canada who have succeeded in developing a level of production expertise and animal performance that is the recognized around the world, are now looking for new knowledge that can assist them in accommodating the perceptions of better animal welfare in groups without giving up the performance advantages that they have developed over the years”.

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Prairie Swine Centre Inc., located near Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada is a non-profit research corporation affiliated with the University of Saskatchewan, and is recognized globally for its contributions to practical, applied science in pork production in the disciplines of Nutrition, Engineering and Animal Behaviour.

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