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Iowa State University researchers receive \$1 million grant to study antimicrobial resistance in animal production

An interdisciplinary team of researchers at Iowa State University has received a nearly \$1 million grant to study antimicrobial resistance in animal production systems. The three-year grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Institute of Food and Agriculture will allow ISU researchers, along with personnel at USDA and Grinnell College, to advance the technological tools used to detect antimicrobial resistance and form strategies to slow its spread.

Antimicrobial resistance develops when harmful organisms such as viruses, bacteria and fungi no longer respond to medications used to combat them. Antimicrobial resistance poses a growing threat to the health of both humans and animals, said Adina Howe, an assistant professor of <u>agricultural and biosystems engineering</u> and the principal investigator on the grant.

"It's a real global threat to public health," Howe said. "Infections will persist and spread if the treatments we have stop working."

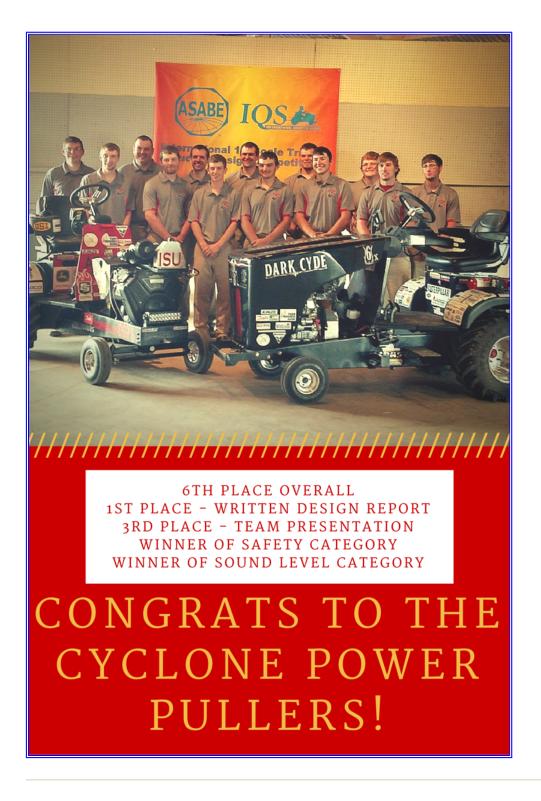
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Photos: Flume Demo (L) & FSMA Training (R)



Team collects hardware at 2016 1/4-Scale Competition



Video: Spring 2016 Senior Capstone



Video by Jared Calvert

Making an impact - ABE research and extension highlights

PI: Kurt Rosentrater

Award Amount: \$36,000 Title: Assessing the efficacy of novel preservative for ethanol coproducts

PI: Mark Hanna

Award Amount: \$15,083 Title: Anhydrous ammonia distribution with prototype additive injections

PI: Michelle Soupir

COI: Dan Andersen

COI: Adina Howe

Award Amount: \$251,549

Title: Effect of manure application timing and management on the persistence and transport of antibiotics and antibiotic-resistant bacteria in corn and soybean production systems

PI: Dirk Maier

COI: **Charlie Hurburgh** Award Amount: \$88,698 Title: Cochran program for eastern Europe and Eurasia-grain logistics to increase efficiency and decrease technical barriers to trade in Ukraine

Video: 3D scanning research



Video by Jared Calvert

Buchele authors book on the cotton gin

Wesley Buchele, professor emeritus of agricultural and biosystems engineering, has co-authored a book titled <u>"Who Really Invented the Cotton Gin? Unraveling</u> the Mystery and Folklore of a Critical Agricultural Innovation." Before retiring in 1989, Buchele taught farm machinery design for 43 years. He holds 23 patents, including the rotary threshing and separating cone-cylinder used in all modern rotary grain combines, and the large round baler. Early in his professional life, Buchele spent three years research cotton mechanization in the Mississippi Delta.

In memoriam

<u>Andrew James "A.J." Benjamin</u> ('06 agricultural engineering), 33, of Dunlap, died July 21.

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- AST alum plans new grazing system
- ITec alum promoted to CEO of Toro
- <u>ABE alum selected as NMSU dean of College of Agricultural,</u> <u>Consumer and Environmental Sciences</u>
- ITec alum named new Edinboro University president
- AST alum announced in Kent Corporation personnel move
- ITec grad named CALS Young Alum of the Month

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