

Lauren Christian Swine Genetics Symposium

2004 NSIF Annual Meeting

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The Passions of Lauren Christian

- Lauren Christian – The Mentor
- Lauren Christian – The Scientist
- Lauren Christian – The Industry Friend

Lauren Christian – The Mentor

- Advisor to undergraduate students
- Major Professor to 45 M.S. and 17 PH.D. students
- Served on many other graduate student committees
- Friend, coach and role model
- Legacy in his academic progeny

Lauren Christian – The Scientist

- Breeding systems
- Genetics of Pork quality
 - Composition
 - PSE
- Structural soundness in pigs
- Use of ultrasound for composition determination
- Selection for efficiency of growth
- Lean growth modeling
- Increase accuracy of genetic components
- Communication to the scientific community

Lauren Christian – The Industry Friend

- Passion for the entire swine industry
 - All industry organizations, NPPC, IPPA, Breed Associations, Breeding Companies, Allied Industries, Producers, etc.
- Great vision of trends in the industry
- Communicate complex issues at all levels
- Had a major impact in the industry
- International reputation

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