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The NC 229 group is working on a project rewrite for submission this year. The group has asked once again to retain the NC229 designation.

I am supportive of the request to retain the NC229 designation as this “acronym” has been associated with several collaborative initiatives. Examples include health committees associated with the American Association of Swine Veterinarians and the National Pork Board. The NC229 group also sponsors annual symposium at the Conference of Research Workers in Animal Diseases. In addition, the NC229 name is well known by various clinical veterinarians and biological industries that work with swine respiratory and reproductive diseases. Thus, the group has a national and international recognition and changes in the name of the group, specifically the number would lead to confusion and a loss of identity that this group has worked to achieve.

Thanks

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