

Dr. Charles Rosenkrans, Jr. was born and raised in Missouri. He is the eldest of five sons; all four surviving sons are Animal Science graduates from the University of Missouri, Columbia. Between his BS (1981) and MS (1984 from UMC) he was a self-employed dairy farmer near Paris, Missouri. In 1988, he completed his doctorate in animal science (reproductive physiology) at Kansas State University. His interest in embryonic growth and development lead him to conduct research in macrophage surveillance of tumor cells as a Wesley Postdoctoral Scholar in the KSU Biology Division, and as a W.R. Grace Research Associate in the Meat and Animal Sciences Department at University of Wisconsin, Madison.

Rosenkrans started his professional career at the University of Arkansas in January 1991. During his career at U of A, he has been promoted through the professorial ranks. In 2013, he was appointed Jack G. Justus Professor for Teaching Excellence. He has served as the advisor and research director for more than 50 graduate students, and dozens of undergraduate students. His collaborations with students and colleagues have resulted in more than 300 refereed and non-refereed publications. In addition to serving as professor of Animal Science, Rosenkrans served three years as Co-Director of the Wally Cordes Teaching and Faculty Support Center for U of A campus. He was an active member of the intercollegiate Cell and Molecular Biology program at U of A, and coordinated CEMB seminar each fall semester. Currently, he just completed five years as department chair and professor in animal and veterinary sciences at Clemson University.

Rosenkrans has been an active member of IETS for nearly three decades. During that time, he has been an invited speaker at our annual meeting, DABE committee member, and an evaluator for the student competition. After appointment to IETS Foundation Board, Rosenkrans led the effort to establish an undergraduate student competition, and subsequently, he chaired the student competitions. Rosenkrans actively advocated for Foundation establishment and support of the IETS Early Career Awards, and use of the "3-Minute Thesis" technique as a communication tool for the Peter Farin awardees. It was an honor for Rosenkrans to complete his term on the IETS Board of Governors.

Statement from Rosenkrans: "IETS is important to me because my mentors thought it was the society were innovative science met application and practice. Over the decades, I have found that my mentors were correct. As IETS has matured as an organization we had growing pains, but through leadership, the organization has survived and is thriving again. As vice president, I would strive to represent the membership. It has been my privilege to mentor many faculty and students, and in that role, I strongly support professional meeting presentations and attendance. The IETS meetings are inclusive and welcoming for mentees and seasoned members as well. I would continue to champion greater trainee participation in our meetings and leadership. From the beginning, IETS has facilitated scientific data transfer and application. As technologies and science have evolved, so has IETS. Our committees (CANDES, DABE, and HSAC) and Morulas are very important to that evolution and growth. As vice president, I would champion open exchange of ideas pertaining to research, instruction, and practice. I also would be interested in determining if there is interest in developing a greater number of innovation workshops or other events that would increase the IETS impact. Our organization has the opportunity

and responsibility to frame the public portrait of the science related to animal technologies. I would be honored to serve as vice president of IETS and to help frame our society's future."