China has one-quarter of the world population. Therefore, sustainable development of Chinese agriculture to ensure food supply and to preserve the environment is crucial to China and to the stability of the world. Many scientists around the world have made significant contributions to Chinese agriculture, but their contributions have not been fully recognized by international scientific community.

Therefore, members of the Association of Chinese Soil and Plant Scientists of North America (ACSPSNA) have established the China Agricultural Science Award (CASA), which will be administered by the American Society of Agronomy (ASA). This award will recognize those individuals who are ASA-CSSA-SSSA members and have made significant contributions to Chinese agriculture by:

1. Impacting Chinese agricultural education
2. Promoting applications of new research and technologies in China
3. Influencing Chinese agricultural policies that benefit farmers and the environment
4. Improving the quality of Chinese agricultural research and technology transfer

The award amount is anticipated to be $1,000 per year and will be funded through an endowment held in the Agronomic Science Foundation.

How You Can Help

Your help is needed to permanently endow a fund through the Agronomic Science Foundation, that will support the China Agricultural Science Award in perpetuity. An endowment of $25,000 or more will be necessary to provide enough funds for an annual award (beginning in 2007, if funding permits).

The Agronomic Science Foundation (ASF) is an educational foundation, incorporated in 1967, to support professions in agronomy, crop and soil sciences. It supports the work of:
- American Society of Agronomy (ASA)
- Crop Science Society of America (CSSA)
- Soil Science Society of America (SSSA)

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Photo USDA-ARS: Food technologist Alley Watada (left) and horticulturist Ling Qi, who is visiting from China, prepare shredded carrots and other fresh-cut produce for automated measurement of respiration rate and ethylene production.

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