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SYMPOSIUM TO HIGHLIGHT GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES ON NUTRITION PROFILING

April 1, 2008– The American Society for Nutrition (ASN) Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology 2008 will feature a symposium on nutrition profiling, a topic which is fast becoming a cornerstone of nutrition solutions aimed at improving public health. The speakers will present current global perspectives on the 2005 recommendations of the Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee to develop a scientifically valid definition for nutrient density.

“Nutrition profiling is rapidly becoming a tool used around the world to help consumers build better diets. The PIC symposium breaks new ground in bringing leading experts from around the globe together to discuss science-based development and application of nutrition profiling,” said Gregory Miller, PhD, co-chair of the symposium along with Roger A. Clemens, DrPH. Miller is executive vice president of science and research at the National Dairy Council and Clemens is associate director of the regulatory science program at the USC School of Pharmacy.

The panelists, Janet King, PhD, Adam Drewnowski, PhD, Barbara Schneeman, PhD, and Michael Gibney, PhD, will address the following aspects of nutrition profiling: how to make choosing nutrient dense foods more appealing to consumers; how the Nutrient Rich index was created; the regulatory implications of nutrient profiling; and the European Union’s perspective on profiling schemes. “We hope to provide a multi-faceted look at helping consumers make wise food choices,” said Miller. “After all, that should be the common goal for all these schemes.”

The symposium will take place Monday, April 7 at 10:30 am in the San Diego Convention Center, Ballroom 6A and is made possible with assistance from the National Dairy Council.

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