



Association of Overseas Chinese Agricultural,  
Biological, and Food Engineers (AOCABFE)

海外华人农业、生物与食品工程师协会

# 2014 AOC Annual Business Meeting

5:30 - 6:30pm, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014

514AB, Palais des Congres de Montreal, Montreal, Quebec Canada

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# President Report – Lingying Zhao

## ■ Mission of AOC

- 1) Promote information exchange and networking;
- 2) Facilitate collaboration in research, foster educational exchange, and enable technology transfer; and
- 3) Encourage professional development.

The screenshot shows the AOC website homepage. At the top, it features the AOC logo and the text "海外华人农业、生物及食品工程师协会" and "Association of Overseas Chinese Agricultural Biological Food Engineers". Below the logo is a navigation menu with links for Home, Message From The President, About US, Join AOC, Support AOC, Board Members, and Peer Society and Associations. The main content area includes a "Latest News" section with several articles, a photo of a man speaking, and a section titled "AOC was established in 2001 as an independent, nongovernmental organization for professionals in the agricultural and related engineering fields worldwide." There is also a section for "AOC Fellow and Institutional Membership" with a photo of a woman.

The cover of the International Journal of Agricultural and Biological Engineering (IJABE) journal. The title "IJABE" is prominently displayed in large yellow letters. Below it, the full name "International Journal of Agricultural and Biological Engineering" is written. The cover features a colorful abstract design with a central image of a strawberry harvesting robot. The ISSN numbers "ISSN 1934-6344" and "e-ISSN 1934-6352" are listed at the top right. The volume and issue information "Vol. 5 No. 2" and "2012" are shown at the bottom right.

The cover of the AOCABFE Newsletter "IMPACT". The title "IMPACT" is written in large, bold, orange letters. Below it, the text "Association of Overseas Chinese Agricultural, Biological and Food Engineers" and "海外华人农业、生物与食品工程师协会" is displayed. The newsletter information "AOCABFE Newsletter Vol. 13 Issue 3 June 2014" and the website "http://www.AOC-web.org" are listed at the top left. The "In This Issue:" section lists several articles, including "China Exchange Forum", "AOC Annual Business Meeting", "AOC Award Banquet", "SAC Student Banquet", and "Featured Stories". A "President's Message" section is featured, with a photo of Dr. Hanwu Lei and the text "Together, we are making differences". The newsletter also includes a "Dear AOC members and friends" section and a "Member Interview" section.

# President Report--Sustain and improve existing AOC services & programs

- China Exchange session (Changying Li)
- AOC Business Meeting (Lie Tang)
- AOC Award Banquet (Lie Tang)
- SAC Student Banquet (Yongbo Wan & Fuqing Xu)
- SAC student Awards (Xuan Li, Naiqian Zhang)
- AOC Awards and Election (Zhuping Sheng)
- Improve AOC website (Lie Tang)
- Newsletter – IMPACT (Ning Wang & Bingjun He)
- IJABE Journal (Yingkuan Wang)

# President Report-New Services & Programs

- ✓ Membership development: one to one approach
- ✓ Institutional membership
- ✓ AOC Fellow (Hong Li)
- ✓ Professional development seminars (Hanwu Lei & Jiangtao Wei)
- ✓ Dynamic communication using aoc-web( Lie Tang)
- ✓ More student awards (Yongbo Wan and Naiqiang Zhang)
  - 2 Scholarly achievements, \$300 each
  - 3 Leadership and Service award (can be group-award): each \$300
  - 5 Student paper awards: \$300, \$250,\$200,\$150,\$100

# President Report – New AOC Programs in China

- International Forum on Sustainable Agriculture— Perspectives of China, United States, and Canada
  - August 20, 2013 during the biannual conference of the Chinese Society of Agricultural Engineering (Zhuping Sheng, Yubin Lan, and Yingkuan Wang)
- AOC special dinner gathering during the 18th World Congress of CIGR.
  - For AOC members and friends in China and around the world to meet.
  - For AOC to report its achievements and express its appreciations to the donors and supporters.
  - The gathering will be held in the evening (6:30-9:30 pm) of September 15, 2014, at the Guolin restaurant near China Agricultural University East Campus in Beijing, China.



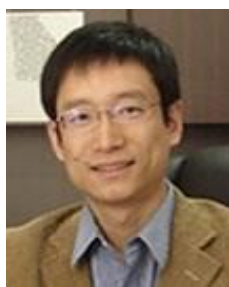
# President Report – Your continuous Support

- ✓ Voice your needs and assume ownership or leadership to AOC activities
- ✓ Promote AOC membership and bring at least one new member per year.
- ✓ Promote AOC missions and events
- ✓ Bridge AOC connections to sponsors
- ✓ Contribute to professional development forum or seminars
- ✓ Bridge AOC's connections with other professional societies

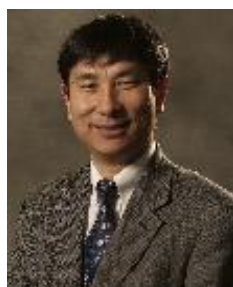
# 2013-2014 AOC Board Members



Lie Tang



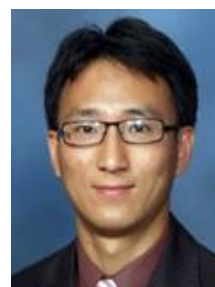
Changying Li



Zhuping Sheng



Jiantao Wei



Yufeng Ge



Hong Li



Hanwu Lei



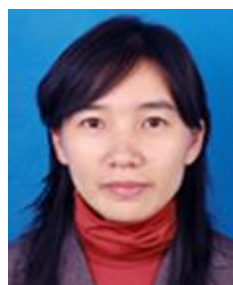
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Bingjun He



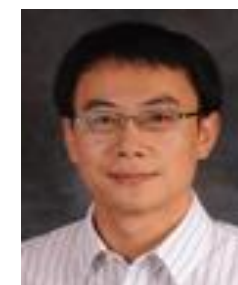
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Yubin Lan



Yongbo Wan



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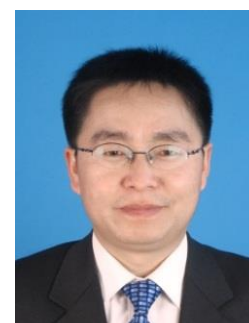
Thank you for  
your  
dedicated and  
excellent  
services.



Xiwen Luo



Jun Zhu



Yingkuang Wang



Dawen Sun



Xiusheng Yang

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# Election of Executive Board

## President-Elect Candidates



**Dr. Ruixiu  
Sui**



**Dr. Lie  
Tang**

## Member-at-Large Candidates



**Dr. Zifei Liu**



**Dr. Zhiming  
Qi**



**Dr. Liangcheng Yang**



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# SAC Chair's Report

-- Yongbo Wan, BAE, University of Kentucky

- Working closely with the AOC Executive Board and assisting AOC activities during ASABE AIM
- IMPACT news letter associate editors
- Student awards
- AOC Student Activity Listserv have 85 enrolled members currently
- Assisted Professional Development online webinar
- AOC SAC webpage and Facebook page



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# Treasurer Report

Old balance (Oct 31 2013):		\$28,415.13
<sup>1</sup> Expenses:	\$331.34	
<sup>2</sup> Income:	\$2,110.00	
New balance (today):		\$30,193.79

1 Expenses are AOC website maintenance fee and bank cash deposit fee

2 Income is the AOC banquet and membership fee collection in 2013 from ASABE headquarter.

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# Membership Committee (2013-2014)

Hong Li, Naiqiang Zhang, Zhuping Sheng, and Changying Li, and  
Lingying Zhao

## AOC Fellow Membership

**After 13 years development, AOC has transformed to a society including many distinguished scholars who are impacting our professions. Establishing AOC Fellow membership can recognize these distinguished members and enlarge AOC's impact through these members.**

**AOC membership committee put together a proposal and an Amendment to add "AOC Fellow" to the AOC member category.**

**AOC Board has approved a motion for AOC members to vote on an Amendment to the AOC Constitutions and Bylaws.**

# Membership Committee (2013-2014)

## AOC Fellow Membership

### **Bylaws, Article B5 and B6, be amended as follows :**

- A Fellow of the Society is an honor conferred for exceptional achievement by a Member of the Association in any one or more of the following areas - research, technology development, technology transfer, teaching, extension, consultancy, senior administration and communication, which advance the profession of agricultural, food, or biological engineering in its broad application.
- There shall be no direct admission to the Association as a Fellow; admission shall be only by transfer after a minimum of 10 years as a Member.
- A nomination for election to Fellow membership shall be referred to a Committee reporting to the Executive Board, which shall review the nominations and make recommendations to the Executive Board.
- Final election to Fellow will be done by approval of the Executive Board.
- The number of Fellow elected in any one year shall not be greater than 2 percent of members.
- Fellow Member who shall pay no annual dues or fees

# Membership Committee (2013-2014)

## **Rules, Article R5, be amended as follows:**

- A nomination for Fellow membership shall include the following information:
- Complete biographical statement
- Positions held and leadership responsibilities
- Accomplishments having significance relative to agricultural, food, and biological engineering
- Activities in professional societies
- Written statements by each of five or more members supporting the nomination.



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**Joint International Conference on Smart Agriculture  
(7<sup>th</sup> ISITA & 7<sup>th</sup> CCTA)**

**INCLUDE**

The 7<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Intelligent Information Technology  
in Agriculture (**7<sup>th</sup> ISITA**)

**AND**

The 7<sup>th</sup> IFIP International Conference on Computer and Computing  
Technologies in Agriculture (**7<sup>th</sup> CCTA**)

**48位外国专家 其中10位AOC成员**



2013-6-14 AOC主席盛祝平教授来访



2013-06-17兰玉彬教授来访



2013-07-15 韩树丰老师来访

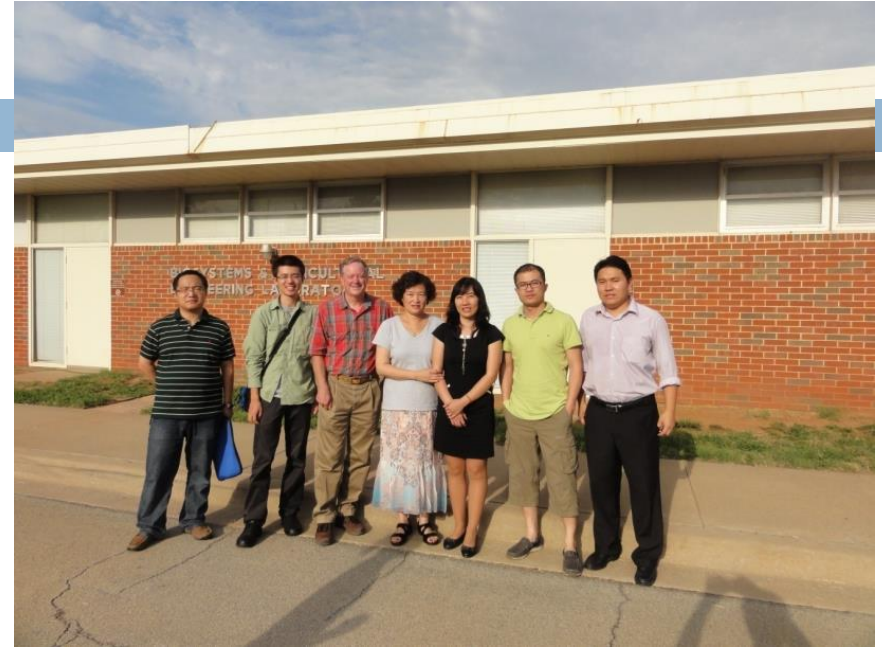
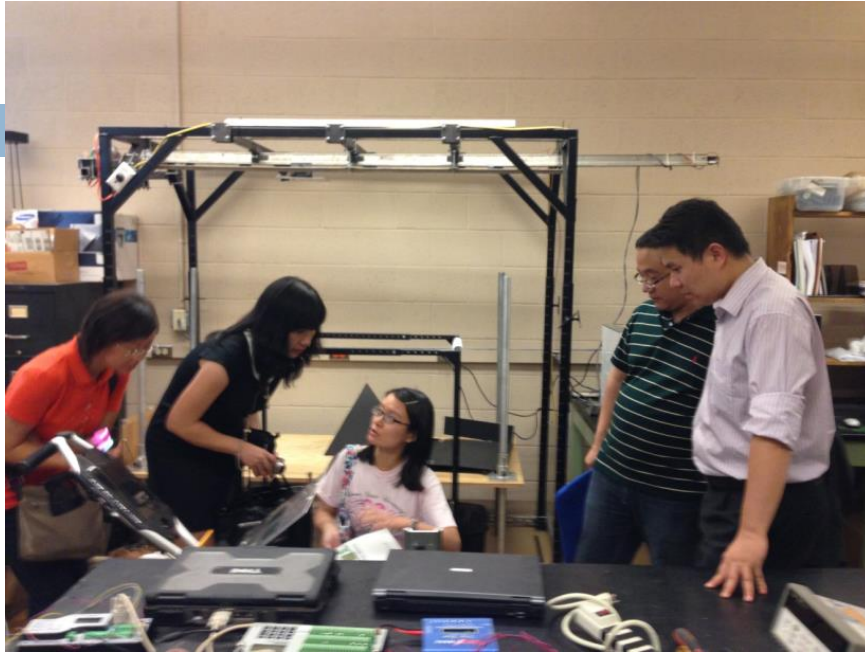


2013-12-09 NAAA会议华人参会者早餐会









# 18<sup>th</sup> World Congress of CIGR

International Commission of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering

Sept. 16-19, 2014 Beijing, China



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## 2014 AOC Editorial Board

### Chief Editors:



Dr. Bingjun He, U. of Idaho



Dr. Ning Wang, Oklahoma State U.

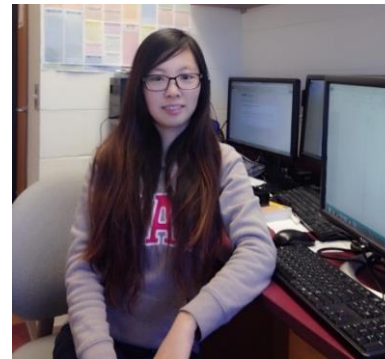
### Associate Editors:



Lei Zhu (朱磊)  
Washington State U.



Kai Liu (刘凯)  
Iowa State U.



He Ma (马荷)  
Iowa State U.



Meg Sheehan  
Oklahoma State U.



Xianhui Zhao (赵贤辉)  
South Dakota State U.



Junhua Tong (童俊华)  
Zhejiang U.  
Washington State U.



Tianjiao Zhang (张天娇)  
China Agricultural University  
Oklahoma State University

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- China Exchange summary
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- Banquet summary
- 2013 CSAE Conference Summary
- Photos of 2013 activities
- Job announcements

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- Call for News and Activities

- ✓ **Published three issues: December 2013, March 2014, and June 2014**
- ✓ **Plan on the fourth issue: September 2014**
- ✓ **University spotlights: Zhejiang University, Northwest Agricultural and Forestry University**
- ✓ **Feature stories: Two invited articles from Karen Weckler and Meg Sheehan on their recent China visits**
- ✓ **Interviews: recent graduates, successful researchers**
- ✓ **Report on AOC activities: Kansas City, 2013**
- ✓ **Reports on exchange activities**
- ✓ **AOC Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**
- ✓ **AOC Student Activity Committee Meeting Minutes**
- ✓ **2014 AOC Activities in Montreal**

# AOC Newsletter - IMPACT

The 2014 Editorial Board would like to thank all the great support from the AOC Board, members, friends and colleagues. Without your support, we will not be able to complete our task!

**“AOC Newsletter –IMPACT aims at connecting AOC with its members and stakeholders.” - *Mission of IMPACT***

**Your continuous support will make the IMPACT a better newsletter!**

IMPACT Columns:

- Academic exchange activities with China
- Feature stories: successful stories of AOC members, students, friends
- University spotlight: Overview of to university/research institute in the related areas worldwide
- Interviews: students, recent graduates, and professionals
- Other related stories

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# AOC Foundation

- Found in 2005
  - Promote AOC
  - Encourage and support scholars and students to participate in AOC activities
  - Help academic institutions, industries and government agencies worldwide better understand and promote agricultural, biological and food engineering in China.

# AOC Foundation

- How can **WE and Others** donate?
  - To foundation or activities
  - ASABE AOC Meeting and Award Banquet
  - CIGR Congress in Beijing Sept. 16-19
  - CIGR AOC gathering on Sept. 15



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# Professional Development

Hanwu Lei and Jiantao Wei

- ✓ **Goal:** to reach out AOC members and students, and connect them for their professional development and career advancement situated in practice in the form of forum and seminars

# AOC Webinar -- Job Search: Finding a Job in Academia or Industry?

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Washington State University  
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## AOC Webinar -- Job search: finding a job in academia or industry?

- ❖ Finding a job requires two major tasks: (1) understanding yourself and (2) understanding the job market. The purpose of job search is to create a need for you that best suits you and convince the employer to hire you for the position. Two university faculty and a couple of engineers from agricultural equipment industry will offer a webinar to provide their perspective on both academia and industry working experience, and talk about what kind of abilities the hiring company and academia are looking for from a candidate to match the open positions, as well as how to adjust yourself to the work life as an engineer or university faculty after leaving school. Detailed topics will include:
  - ❖ Similarities and differences between the academia and industrial jobs;
  - ❖ how to prepare and get ready for the academia and industrial jobs?
  - ❖ How to find resources and find jobs?
  - ❖ How to apply and interview for the industrial and academic jobs?
  - ❖ The job searching tips and steps are to: develop your system of looking for a job; make a passionate approach; highlight what makes you special; brainstorm ways to strengthen yourself; build your qualification; have good characters, show advantages and benefits in your presentation on yourself; make a quick and to-the-point presentation of yourself; talk stories that show you're successful; do your homework; highlight your performance on your résumé; and describe your performance as: "This is what I did. This is how successful I was".
  - ❖ Summary: AOC webinar is being developed to promote professional growth of AOC members. Through AOC webinar, you can listen success stories and interact with successful peer professionals. It also provides networking opportunities with fellow students, faculty, and industry professionals all around the world.
- ❖ Invited By: Dr. Hanwu Lei ([hlei@wsu.edu](mailto:hlei@wsu.edu)) and Dr. Jiantao Wei ([weijiantao@yahoo.com](mailto:weijiantao@yahoo.com))
- ❖ When: 03/25/2014 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Time Zone: (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US and Canada)

# Future Plan

- ❖ Solicit professional development topics from peers and students
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- ❖ Encourage more AOC members to participate

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# Improvements of AOC Web



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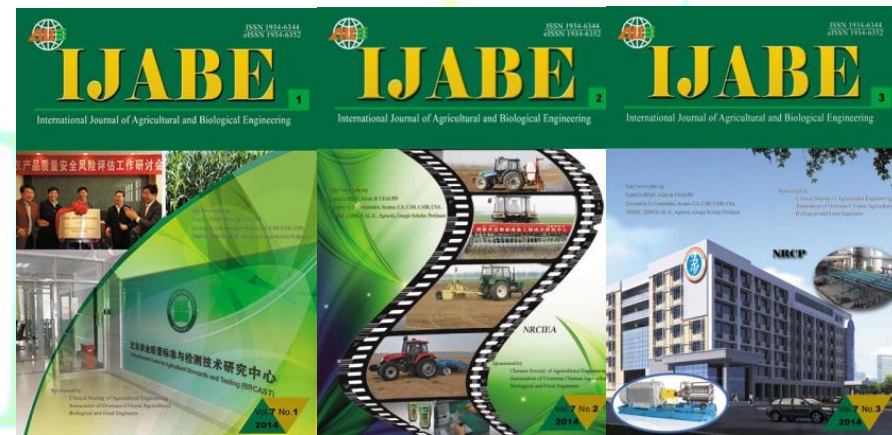
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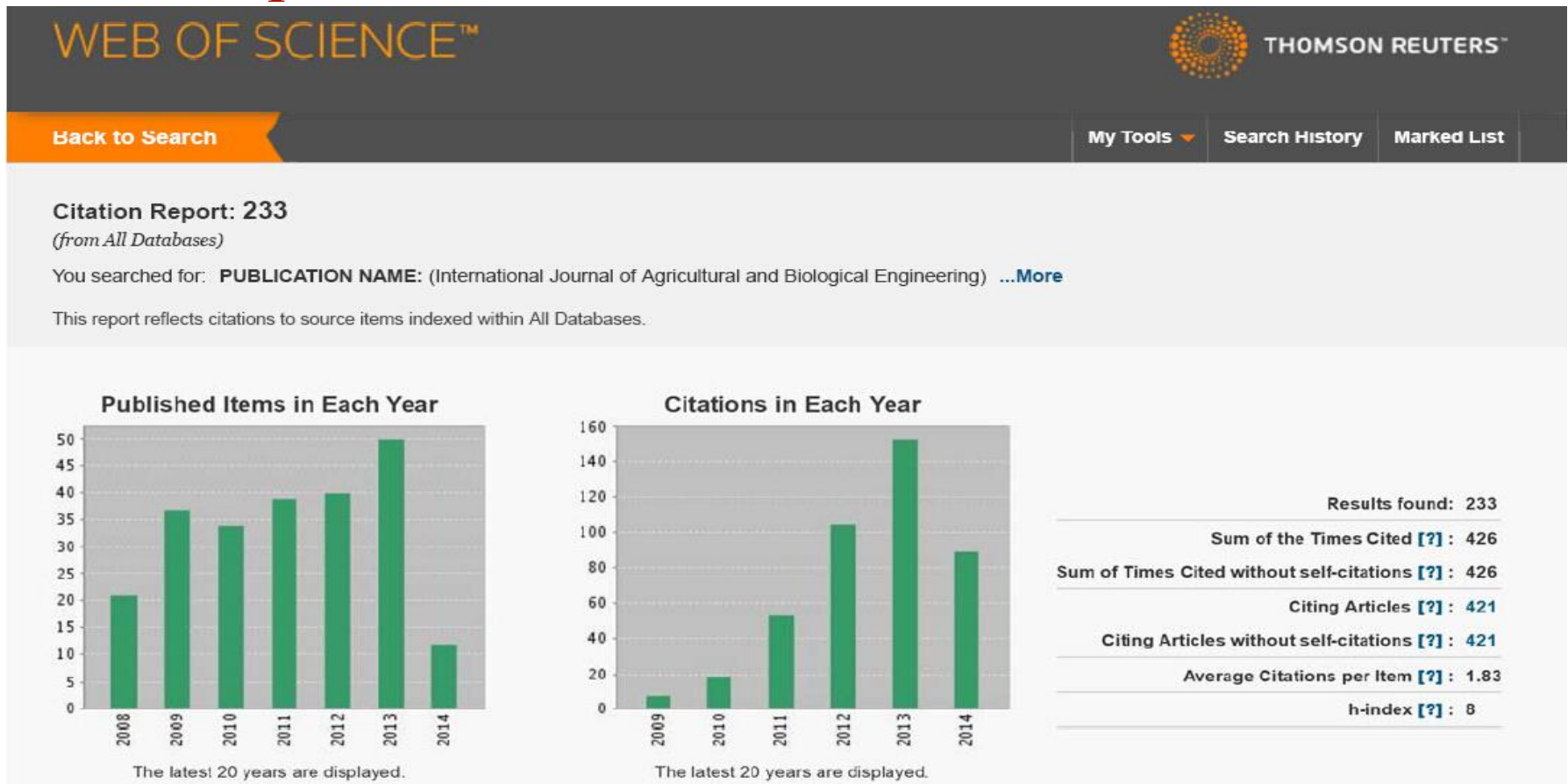
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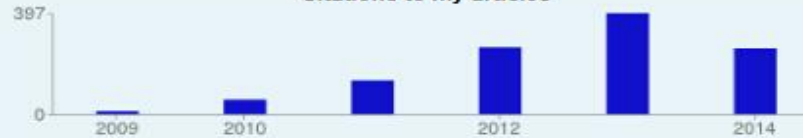
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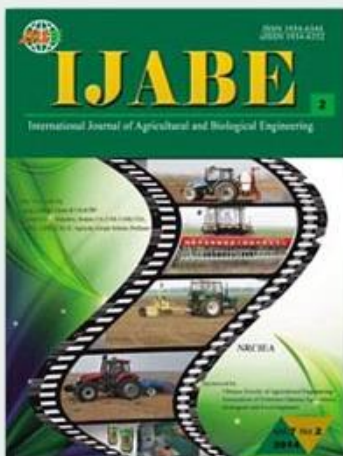
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- Reform the website of IJABE (Screen Capture as follows)
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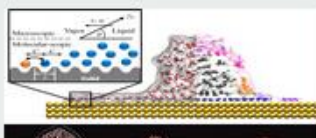
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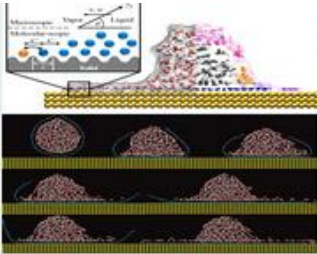


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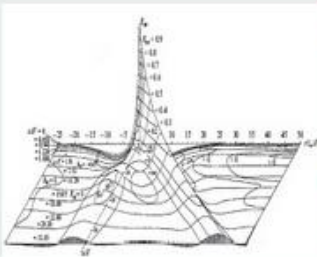
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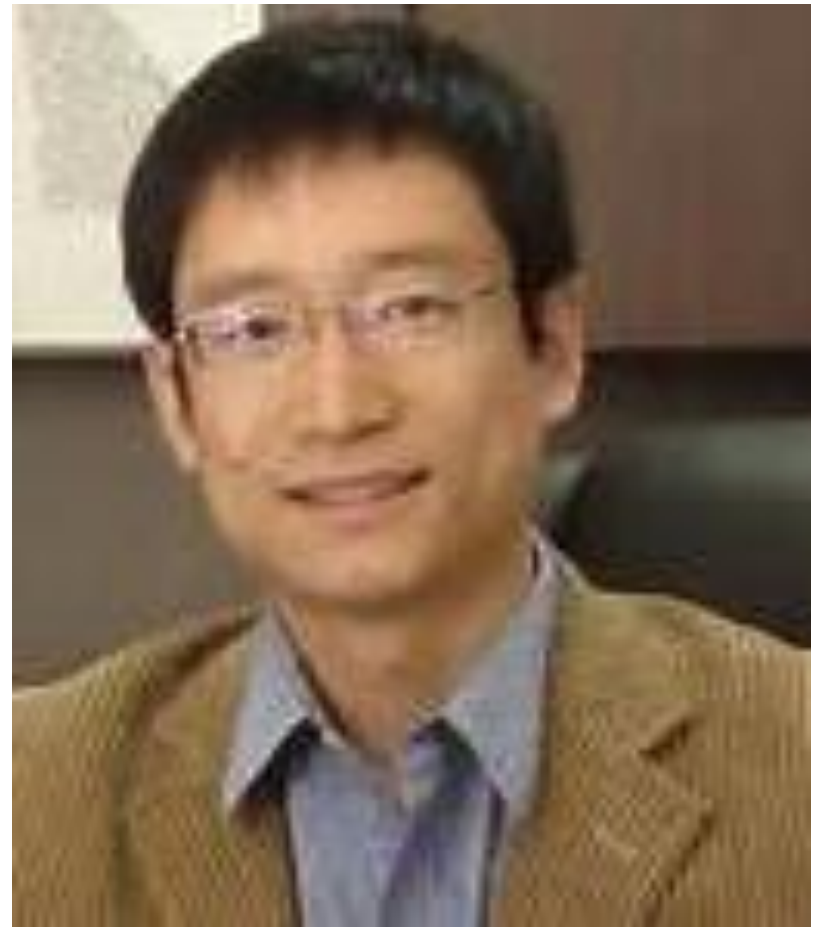
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Current President



Dr. Changying Li  
Incoming President

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# Standing on the Shoulders of Giants

Changying Li  
July 14, 2014

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- Continue good/successful programs: IMPACT newsletter, student paper competitions, IJABE, Awards...
- Better support and help students: travel awards, proposal awards, mentoring webinars...
- Support for early career faculty: proposal review, support letters...
- Fund raising: foundational chairs/donations
- Institutional membership
- Engage more stakeholders, reach out other communities
- Promote our good work/community
- China engagement



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- Continued support from past presidents, leaders
- Introduce new blood to AOC





Dr. Hong Li  
Vice President



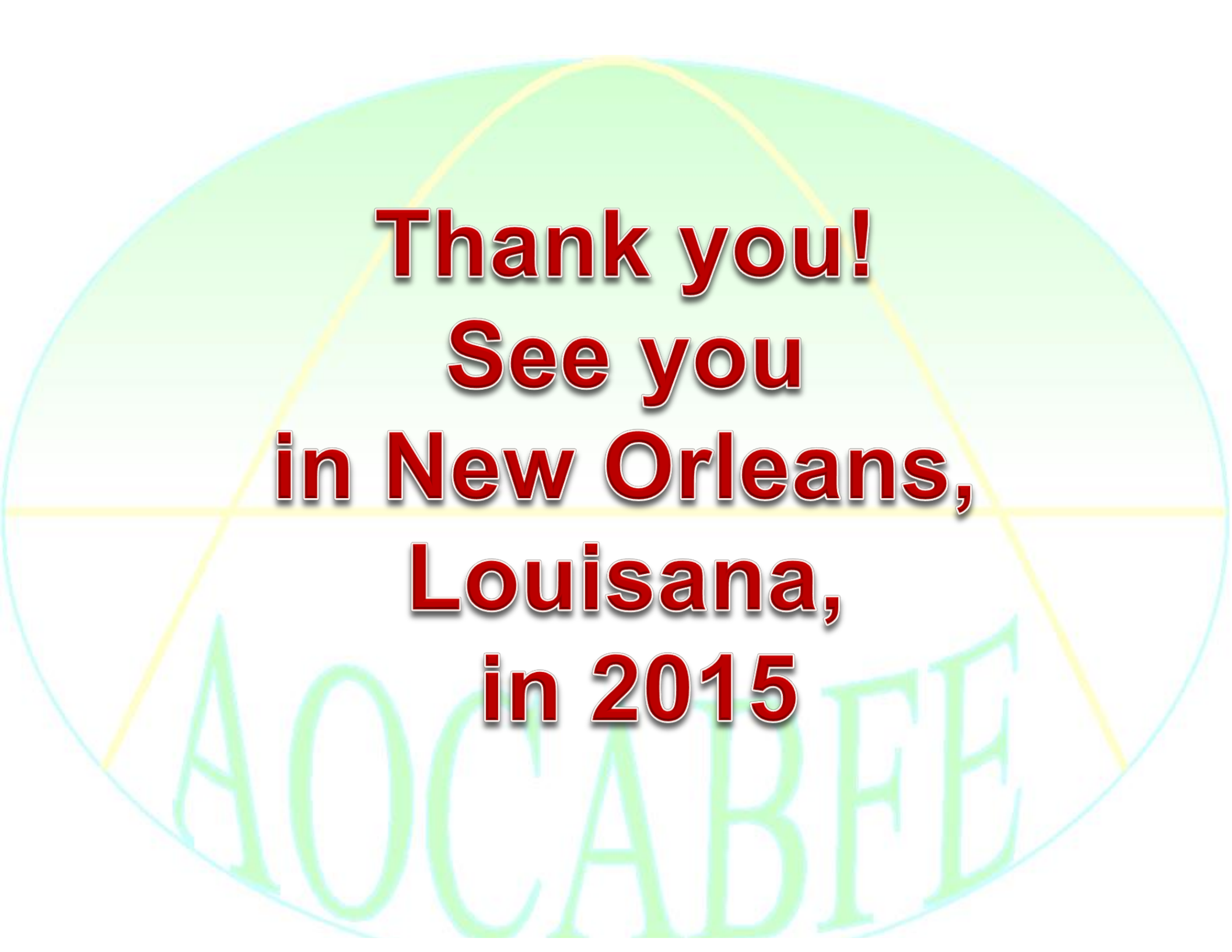
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**Louisiana,**  
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