

# SPEAKERS

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Phil is an associate professor at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. He received his D.V.M., and M.S. degrees from the Universidade Federal Do Rio Grande do Sul in Brazil, and his Ph.D. from the University of Illinois. Since 2012, Cardoso

has established a unique program that seamlessly blends his teaching, extension, and research efforts. Phil and his students have published over 75 peer-reviewed manuscripts (original research and invited reviews) and 3 invited book chapters to date.



### **Mike Hutjens, Ph.D.**

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Mike was raised on a Holstein farm near Green Bay, Wisconsin. He has graduate degrees from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. Since 1979, he has been a member of the University of Illinois Animal

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### **Derek Nolan, Ph.D.**

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Derek grew up on a dairy farm in Northeast Iowa. His passion for agriculture led him to Iowa State University where he earned his degree in Dairy Science. Derek completed both his Master's and Ph.D. at University of Kentucky with a research

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