Milk Components: Opportunities for Maximizing Farm Gate Returns and Meeting Manufacturing Needs

Conference Objective

Maximizing milk components has historically been one of the biggest challenges of dairy management. Milk component yield (not milk volume) continues to be the key driver of dairy profitability.

The conference will emphasize influences on milk components, both fat and protein, during production with input from processing, foods, and economics. Attendees will explore ways to improve linkages between milk components at the farm level and milk processing characteristics to help better understand what happens on farm and how this may impact processing. In addition, the conference will look at ways to help suppliers of raw materials, including milk producers and nutritionists, be aware of changes in the global situation affecting the need for milk components and future economic opportunities and challenges.

Conference Themes

- Present and future opportunities for maximizing milk fat and protein yields
- Addressing on farm milk component challenges
- Milk component economics
- What is the processor and manufacturer looking for?
- Commercial analysis of milk components-challenges and new innovations
- Global situation: present and future outlook for supply and demand

Who Should Attend?

Professionals from academia and milk co-operatives, those representing nutrition and milk processing companies, dairy consultants, and international representatives from both academia and industry would benefit from this interactive program. Graduate Students and early career professionals are especially encouraged to attend.

Registration

Registration postmarked by September 10, 2011 is $375.00 for ADSA-ASAS-ARPAS members and $425.00 for non-members, which includes sessions and most meals. After September 10, the registration fee will be $475.00 member/$525.00 non-member, and will be accepted on an availability basis. To optimize interaction among participants, registration will be limited to the first 120 applications received.

Accommodations

All participants are responsible for making their own lodging reservations. The conference will be held at Eaglewood Resort and Spa in Itasca, IL. Reservations can be made online at the Conference Accommodations link at http://www.adsa.org/discover/22ndDiscover_2011.htm

Travel

The 106-acre Eaglewood Resort & Spa is strategically located in northwest Chicago, just 35-minutes from downtown, and 20 minutes west of O’Hare International Airport. The resort is easily accessible via major airports and roadways, and within reach of the area’s spectacular attractions. Go to http://www.eaglewoodresort.com/Location/location_directions.asp for detailed driving instructions.

For complete conference information, including the latest program and registration materials, go to: http://www.adsa.org/discover/