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# Foreword

Welcome to the conference. Our mission as a research center is to build a knowledge and technology base which will allow the dairy-forage industry to exploit fully the use of forages for the production of milk and other value added products. Our objective for this meeting is to foster communication among the diverse interests that constitute the dairy-forage industry.

You will see from the presentations at the conference that we emphasize a multidisciplinary approach to research and that we have a mixture of both applied and basic approaches to problems. Effective communication is crucial to the success of research and outreach efforts within an industry as diverse as ours. We hope our conversations together will sharpen the focus of our collective efforts.

We invite you to periodically check our home page on the World Wide Web. We update this with reports and occasional news items, and we value any suggestions or questions that might arise from your visit to our site. The address is <http://www.dfrc.wisc.edu>. A word search in any of the major internet search engines using 'dairy forage' should also bring it up.

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