## Proposals Sought For Jersey Research

REYNOLDSBURG, Ohio — The American Jersey Cattle Association (AJCA) Research Foundation has issued a request for research proposals to be funded in 2004 addressing significant problems to the Jersey breed and Jersey milk producers.

The foundation sponsors annual competitive research grants providing partial or full funding. Awards have averaged \$4,800 per project from 1994 through 2003. More than \$570,000 has been awarded for more than 130 investigations since 1988.

Priorities for research funding are:

- Nutrition of high-producing Jerseys (particularly practical feeding methods to maximize production of valuable milk components);
- · Factors affecting yield of products manufactured from Jersey milk;
- · Factors affecting net income, longevity, and lifetime profit;
- Breeding plans to optimize genetic gain while maintaining genetic diversity:



- Biological and economic efficiencies of Jerseys; and
- Factors affecting management of Jersey calves.

The application deadline is Dec. 1. The AJCA Research Advisory Committee will evaluate the proposals, then forward its recommendations to the AJCA board of directors, which will award funds at its meeting in March 2004.

Evaluative criteria for submissions are merit (potential to advance practical knowledge, creative approach to the problem); competence (high probability of successful completion within the proposed time frame); and relevance (problem derived from one of the areas of research priority).

The announcement for research proposals is posted http://www.usjersey.com/Programs/ Researchprogram.html. For more information, contact Carl W. Wolfe, director of research and genetic program development, at the American Jersey Cattle Association, 6486 E. Main St., Reynoldsburg, OH 43068-2362.

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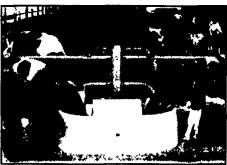
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