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University of Florida Grad Student Receives NMPF Dairy Research Award

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI – Eduardo de Souza Ribeiro, a doctoral student in animal sciences at the University of Florida, today received the National Milk Producers Federation Richard M. Hoyt Award for dairy-related research.

Ribeiro was recognized during the awards ceremony at the annual meeting of the American Dairy Science Association in Kansas City. NMPF Vice President for Dairy Foods and Nutrition Beth Briczinski made the scholarship presentation.



A native of São Joaquim, Brazil, Ribeiro (pictured at right) has done extensive research in reproductive physiology and management of dairy cows. He earned a master's degree from the University of Florida in 2011 and is currently in the animal molecular and cellular biology program there. His research has resulted in 24 publications, of which he was the lead author on eight.

Briczinski called Ribeiro an exemplary student who has already made significant contributions to the U.S. dairy industry. "In light of his ongoing work to advance dairy science, Eduardo richly deserves this award," she said.

The Richard M. Hoyt Award is a joint project of NMPF and ADSA, with NMPF providing the scholarship money. The award recognizes research efforts with direct application to problems in the dairy industry. The winner must be enrolled in or have completed a program leading to an advance degree in dairy science, dairy production, dairy processing or a similar curriculum.

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The National Milk Producers Federation (NMPF), based in Arlington, VA, develops and carries out policies that advance the well being of dairy producers and the cooperatives they own. The members of NMPF's cooperatives produce the majority of the U.S. milk supply, making NMPF the voice of more than 32,000 dairy producers on Capitol Hill and with government agencies. For more on NMPF's activities, visit our website at www.nmpf.org.

The American Dairy Science Association (ADSA) is an international organization of educators, scientists, and

industry representatives who are committed to advancing the dairy industry and keenly aware of the vital role the dairy sciences play in fulfilling the economic, nutritive, and health requirements of the world's population. Together, ADSA members have discovered new methods and technologies that have revolutionized the dairy industry.