
Application of Advanced
Genetic Technology in Beef Cattle
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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2026

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| 8:00 AM | Welcome and Introductions
Step 1: Developing a Breeding Objective <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Identifying environmental constraints• Identifying marketing objectives• Economically relevant and indicator traits• Developing a breeding system: Crossbreeding• Breed selection |
| 10:15 AM | BREAK |
| 10:30 AM | Step 2: Animal/Sire Selection <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deciphering actual measurements, adjusted data, and ratios• Fundamentals of Expected Progeny Differences• Comparing EPD across breeds |
| 12:00 PM | Lunch |
| 1:00 PM | Selection Decision Risk Management <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The concept of accuracy• Possible change and confidence intervals• Multiple trait selection strategies• Utilization of Selection Indices |
| 3:00 PM | BREAK |
| 3:15 PM | Interactive Sire Selection Scenarios |
| 5:00 PM | Adjourn |

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2026

- 8:00 AM** Day 1 Review
- 9:00 AM** Genomics 101: Definition and simple uses
- Understanding the genome
 - What is a SNP?
 - Parentage
 - Defect Management
 - Genomically enhanced EPDs
- 10:30 AM** BREAK
- 10:45 AM** Applications of genomic tools by commercial producers
- Sire Selection
 - Replacement selection
 - Marker-Assisted Management
 - Future directions
- 12:30 PM** ADJOURN