









# Possible QC Watchdogs

- Staff
- Company
- · ISO 9001, '2, '3, '4
- Industry
- Government



#### 3 Most Famous Lies

- 1. "The check is in the mail."
- 2. "I'm from the government and I'm here to help you."
- 3. "I only want to use the semen in my own herd."







Requirements (R) & Guidelines (G)

- · Sire Health (R)
- · Sire Management (R)
- · Semen Disease Control (R)
- Semen Evaluation and Extension (G)





#### A.I. Sire Health

#### **An Industry Standard QC Effort**

# **Pre-Entry Health Testing**

- Tuberculosis (≤60 days)
- Brucellosis (≤ 30 days)
- Leptospirosis (5 serotypes) (≤ 30 days)
- Bovine Viral Diarrhea (≤ 30 days)
- Physical Exam





# Isolation Health Testing

(60 Days)

- Tuberculosis
- Brucellosis
- Leptospirosis (5 serotypes)
- Campylobacteriosis (up to 6x)
- Trichomoniasis (up to 6x)
- -BVDV





# Resident Herd Semiannual Health Testing

- Tuberculosis
- -Brucellosis
- -Leptospirosis (5 serotypes)
- Trichomoniasis
- Campylobacteriosis

# Special Export Disease Testing -BLV -BTV -EHD -VS -Q Fever -IBR -Johne's Disease -etc.

# **Sire Management QC**

- Travel
- Housing
- · Water/Feed
  - Quality and Quantity
- Bedding/Comfort
- Waste Disposal





#### **General Hygiene Control QC**

- Clean Bulls
- Clean Collections
- Clean Evaluation
- Clean Processing



# **Semen Identification QC**

- @ Collection
- @ Initial Evaluation
- @ Through Sex Sorting
- @ Straw Printing
- @ Straw Filling
- @ Racking
- @ Caning





#### Semen Extender QC

- Ingredients and Weights
  - Eggs
  - Milk
  - Sugars
  - Salts
- Extender QC
  - pH
  - Osmolarity
  - Components
- Preparation Chronology
  - Steps 1, 2, 3 ....



#### **Semen Antibiotics QC**

- Brand X
- Preparation Chronology
  - Steps 1, 2, 3 ....
- Weights
- · Raw Semen Addition
- Extender Addition



#### **Processing QC**

- · Volume (weight)
- Cell Numbers
- · Initial Viability
- Morphology
- · Cells/Straw
- Extender Addition Chronology
  - Time
  - Temperature





#### **Processing QC**

- · Straw Printing
  - Essential Information
  - Clarity
- Filling and Sealing
  - Identification
  - Full Straws
- Freezing
  - Time
  - Rate
- I.D.Caning
  - I.D.





# Periodic Procedural Quality Assurance

- Balances
- Temperatures
- · Osmolarity /pH meter
- Volume
- Hygiene
- · Cell Numbers



#### **Pre Freeze Semen Traits QC**

- · Motility and Rate
- Morphology
- Contaminants
  - Blood
  - Pus
  - Dirt

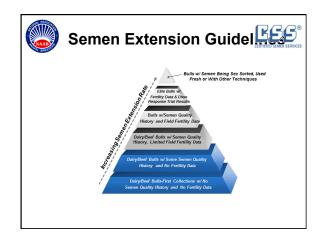


#### **Post Freeze Semen Traits QC**

- Motility
- Incubated Motility
- Morphology
- FLO Cytometry
- Cell Membrane Integrity
- Sperm DNA Integrity
- Sire I.D.

# A.I.'s Purpose

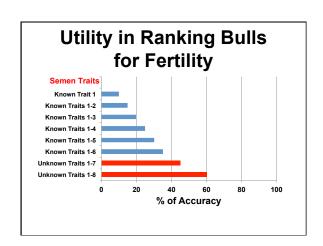
To Provide Highly Fertile Semen from High Genetic Value Sires to Enhance the Productivity and **Profitability of their Offspring** 



#### Why QC?

- Eliminate Garbage
- Predict Fertility Ranking
- Sleep better at night





# Fertility Ranking of Bulls

(The Ultimate QC)

- **Dairy Bulls:** 
  - Relative Breeding Efficiency+2.5 (SS Progeny Test Herds)
  - ATA (Regional DHI Processing Center)
  - SCR (USDA Sire Conception Rate)+2.9
- **Beef Bulls:** 
  - Hearsay: ("Joe says...")
  - Innuendo: ("His daddy was..."
  - Swag Estimates ("I'd bet...")
  - Gripe Factor: ("He really sucks!!!")



# Dr. D's BIF Message:

If you wish to do something useful.

"Create a Beef Bull **Fertility Ranking** System."



