

The Contributors

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* **Joseph Heckman, PhD** (New Jersey) grew up on a dairy farm. He is Professor of Soil Science and a research agronomist on the faculty of Rutgers University and has written extensively on fresh milk and soil science and on traditional organic farming.

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