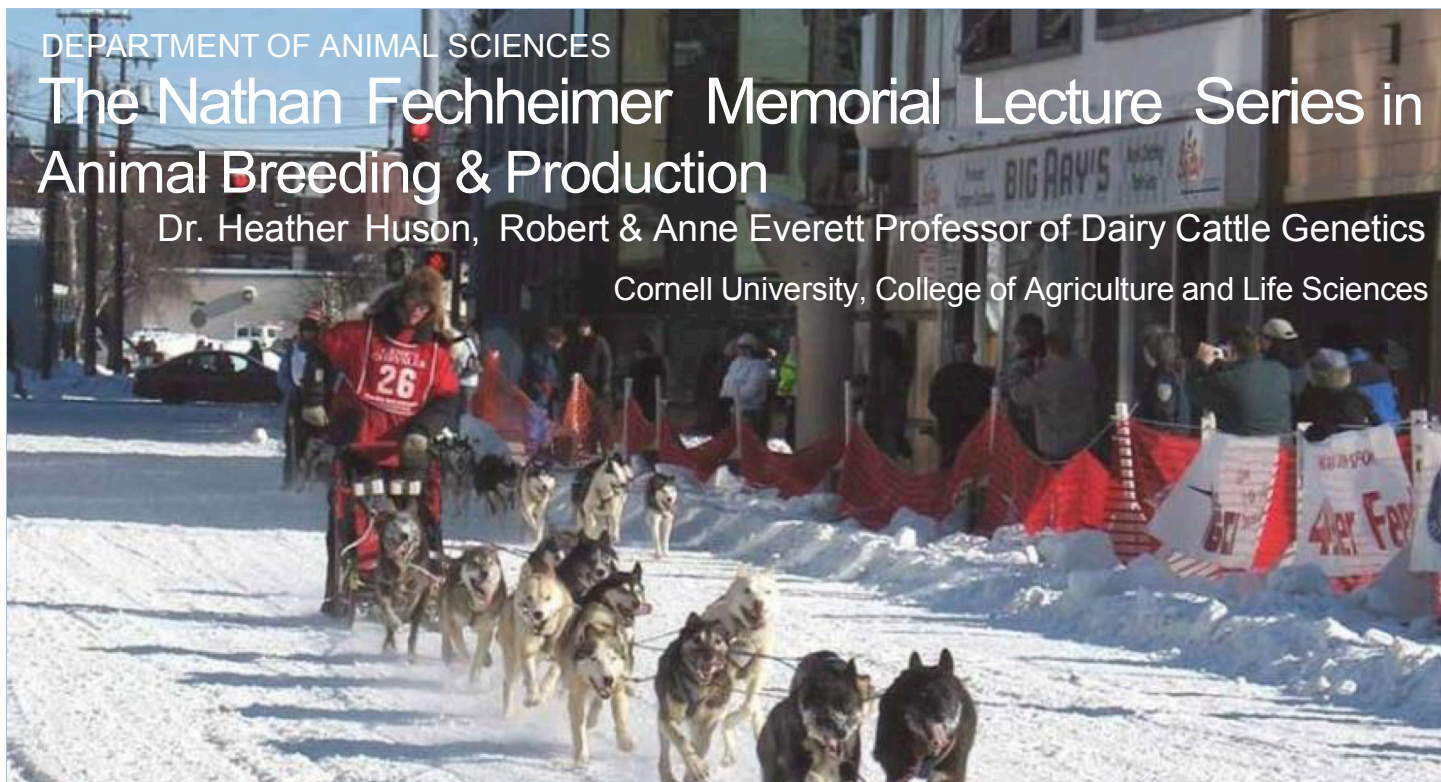


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Dr. Huson's research is in dairy cattle and goat production and improvement via genetic influences. Her interests in genetics did not begin with cattle, though, but with sled dogs. As an avid sled dog racer, she pursued the sport to Alaska with an added interest in the genetics of performance in Alaskan sled dogs. She earned a doctorate from the University of Alaska but found herself back in the lower 48 with a fellowship opportunity at the National Institutes of Health. Her jump from dog to livestock genetics started with a post-doc appointment at the USDA Bovine Functional Genomics Laboratory in Maryland. That move led her to a project sampling goats across Africa and an appreciation for the benefits genetics research offers to both people and animals. Her current focus at Cornell includes improving overall dairy cattle performance, Criollo cattle ancestry and trait improvement, and African goat improvement.



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