



Dr. Jean Fontaine, Founder & President, Jefo Group

Jean Fontaine is a renowned and respected businessman. He holds a bachelor's degree in agronomy from Laval University, an honorary doctorate from the University of Montreal, and the title of Commander of the Order of Agronomic Merit of Quebec. As the founder of Jefo, a global leader in non-medicated nutritional solutions for animals, he has embodied an innovative and forward-thinking vision of animal nutrition for more than four decades.

Since the company's foundation in 1982 in Saint-Hyacinthe, Qc., Canada, he has built a prosperous and innovative group that now employs more than 450 people around the world, exports to over 65 countries, and generates revenues exceeding 450 million dollars.

Originally specialized in high-performance, non-medicated feed additives, Jefo made a major strategic shift in the early 2000s to develop natural solutions based on organic acids and essential oils, supporting the sustainable reduction of antibiotic use in livestock production.

Under Jean Fontaine's leadership, the company developed the Jefo Matrix Technology, an innovation that enables the targeted and gradual release of active ingredients in the intestine, ensuring optimal absorption and outstanding results. A pioneer in preserving added value feed components, Jefo continues to stand out today with research results recognized on an international scale.

An influential businessman deeply committed to his community, Jean Fontaine actively supports the Faculty of Veterinary Medicine at the Université de Montréal as well as the Jefo Foundation, thereby contributing to the advancement of knowledge, the next generation of agricultural professionals, and the visibility of Canada's agri-food sector.

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