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Cezar Ernesto Detoni was born to Pedro Antonio and Elisabeth Detoni on 22 February 1952, in Erechim RS. Brazil. He received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Agronomy from the Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul in 1975. His Master of Science in Crop Science was obtained from the Universidade Federal de Vicosa in 1986.

In 1976, he started work as an extension agent in Bahia (Brazilian state), and in 1981 he change his career to be a research scientist in a governmental agricultural research enterprise EBDA/EMBRAPA, where he is employed until today.

In August 1993, he enrolled in a Ph D program in the Department of Crop and Soil Environmental Sciences at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. After completing this degree, he will return to Brazil and will apply the knowledge acquired in his work.

He is father of two children, Pablo (13) and Cassia (11), and has a wonderful wife Dina.