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Silvio Crestana received a Master in Basic Physics in 1983 and a PhD in Soils Physics in 1985. His post doctoral studies in Soil Science and Environmental Sciences were performed at the University of California-Davis. He has authored many scientific papers and co-authored many patents.

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