NATIONAL DAIRY FOODS RESEARCH CENTERS

RESEARCH AND INNOVATION RESOURCES

DAIRY INNOVATION LABS

FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

TECHNICAL TRAINING AND SHORT COURSES

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

FUTURE PROOFING
National Dairy Foods Research Centers, supported by Dairy Management Inc. (DMI), ensures the U.S. dairy industry stays relevant to consumer needs and preferences, drives innovation, contributes to a healthier planet, and creates a profitable and agile U.S. dairy value chain.

Established in 1987, the network is made up of six dairy centers encompassing over 20 universities across the United States. The Center’s mission is to ensure that the U.S. dairy industry continues to nourish the world by offering safe, quality, and innovative dairy products. The mission is enabled by providing the dairy industry access to research leaders who provide innovative solutions through their world-renowned research programs. The centers are also instrumental in developing talent who are the industry’s future. The dairy innovation labs at the centers assist the industry in concept creation, prototype development, troubleshooting, scale-up, and sensory services. The centers also offer technical training and short courses that ensure that the industry talent is continuously updated on technological advancements in product innovation, quality, and safety.

For over 30 years, the centers have contributed to building a vibrant U.S. dairy industry that continues to innovate and nourish the world.

Dairy Management Inc.™ (DMI) is funded by America’s nearly 32,000 dairy farm families, as well as dairy importers. Created to help increase sales and demand for dairy products, DMI and its related organizations work to increase demand for dairy through research, education and innovation, and to build trust in dairy foods, farms and businesses.
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OVERVIEW
Among the priorities of DMI is to deliver breakthrough science and innovations to redefine U.S. dairy wellness and product leadership. It also aims to renew U.S. dairy's image and relevance to build trust and grow incremental and sustainable sales. The Dairy Products Research team strives to advance these priorities through targeted research and development activities that address consumer needs and expand dairy choices in domestic and international markets. The group develops and executes a strategic plan for the product research program. This includes funding research projects at various dairy research centers and universities in the U.S. These programs lead to cutting-edge research findings, platform technologies, and quality and food safety solutions that enable the U.S. dairy industry to generate high-quality, innovative products and ingredients.

Furthermore, the group directs strategic resources to offer expert product/process development, technical support, and food safety and quality resources to the U.S. dairy industry. Developing current and future workforce through education and development through the National Dairy Foods Research Centers is also one of our primary goals. The team also ensures that the industry adopts platform technologies from our research partners to ensure a sustainable and innovative U.S. dairy value chain. We strive to future-proof the U.S. dairy industry by sponsoring and supporting transformative technologies and tapping the collective expertise of our 138+ experts across our dairy centers to drive innovation and address current and future challenges.
CALIFORNIA DAIRY INNOVATION CENTER

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California State University - Fresno, CA

OVERVIEW
The CDIC is a collaboration of California dairy producers, processors and universities focused on one primary objective: driving dairy innovation. The CDIC operates across major universities in California, in collaboration with the California Dairy Research Foundation (CDRF), as well as the other dairy research centers funded by Dairy Management Inc. across the country and industry representatives. The CDIC also partners, as needed, with leading international research organizations, experts and key solution providers throughout the supply chain. The major academic collaborators of the CDIC are California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, the University of California, Davis, and Fresno State University, Fresno.

The CDIC’s program of work is guided by a Steering Committee which helps develop the Center’s Strategic Plan and provides guidance for the execution of research programs as well as educational activities. The focus of the Center is on product, packaging innovation as well as training and education of the current and future California dairy’s workforce. CDIC also support the CMAB’s product innovation competitions, brand managers and entrepreneurs, and California dairy processors of all sizes through services ranging from technical support to training programs. In addition to the major academic institutions listed in this brochure, the CDIC works with other research institutions, private labs, consultants and experts in their field, domestically and internationally, to deliver best-of-class expertise to the industry throughout the supply chain.

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OVERVIEW
The Dairy Innovation Institute conducts applied and strategic dairy research and development in the areas of product technology and utilization, ingredient technology and utilization, products for health enhancement, food quality, and food safety. The applications and outreach programs facilitate innovative uses of dairy foods and ingredients by the food industry. A diverse, highly experienced staff offers a broad set of expertise, and is called upon by dairy foods processors of all sizes for a range of services, as well as extensive research projects.

Facilities at the Dairy Innovation Institute are state-of-the-art, equipped with advanced and routine analytical equipment, dairy foods pilot plant, and a commercially licensed dairy processing facility. The DII serves as the focal point to draw upon expertise and resources from throughout Cal Poly and other collaborating institutions in the packaging, engineering, business, chemistry, microbiology and other disciplines.

Adjacent to the Dairy Innovation Institute is the Cal Poly dairy farm, where fresh milk is available for research and development activities, as well as raw material for the creamery’s operations. Faculty from both the Animal Science and Food Science & Nutrition Departments of the College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences provide expertise and support programs.

RESEARCH FOCUS
The Dairy Innovation Institute offers significant expertise in, and resources for, research and development involving dairy products and ingredients. Research is industry-driven and can address the specific needs of companies in research or applications. Areas of research and expertise include:

- Cheese technology (flavor, texture, yield, starter culture performance functional properties)
- Milk, dairy ingredients and dairy products quality (sensory, functionality, composition, physical properties manufacturing efficiency) and shelf-life
- Process development (membrane and other concentration/fractionation processes, UHT and other heat treatments, and non-thermal processes)
- Product development, dairy ingredients applications (prototypes, nutritional labels)
- Dairy nutrition and health (probiotics, bioactive ingredients and components)
- Dairy quality assurance (food safety, environmental stewardship, testing methods development)

APPLICATION PROGRAM AND PROTOTYPING
This program provides technical support to innovators, start-ups, manufacturers, users and marketers of milk and dairy ingredients. It involves transfer of existing research information, technical training, providing solutions/information on technical product applications issues, and carrying out targeted short-term projects to address specific applications needs, including new food and product development.

Approximately 8,270 square feet of processing area is available in the pilot plant facilities. Services are available on a fee-for-service basis. The pilot plant is widely used by industry for the development of prototypes, testing of processes, and to support entrepreneurs as well as large-scale processors. The plant is fully equipped for all traditional unit operations for the manufacture of dairy foods and ingredients and is licensed by the state of California for commercial manufacture.
Applications support and specialized analytical capabilities are also available on campus in the extensive Boswell Ag Tech Center opened in 2022. Functions include an experience innovation lab, teaching and research instrumentation laboratory, a nutrition and food and beverage laboratory. The new Center features a culinary teaching lab, sensory analysis teaching and research lab, and food safety laboratories.

Additionally, space is available to accommodate specialized equipment for research and development projects on a short-term basis. Four chemistry labs support work in the areas of microbial, physical and chemical analyses of dairy foods and ingredients.

**EQUIPMENT**

- HTST – 270 to 600 gallons per hour for ice cream mix, milk, etc., and associated cold milk separator, batch tanks (1 x 80 gallons, 2 x 100 gallons, 1 x 200& 1 x 300 gallons with heating and cooling, 1 x 400 gallons with heating, 2 x 500 gallons), pasteurized surge tanks, CIP systems, etc. (HTST is a legally sealed unit by the state of California)

- Scholle filler for 3- to 6-gallon bags

- Microthermics UHT (direct and indirect heating) with clean-fill hood and aseptic homo (25 L/hr)

- Continuous ice cream freezer (HoyerFrigus SF 600) (50 to 150 gallons/hr)

- Ingredient feeder (Hoyer Addus FF 2000 C2) (10 to 200 L/hr)

- Sawvel cup filler – pint to 3.5 oz.; 35 cups/minute (pint)

- Egli continuous pilot-scale butter churn (1 to 2 lbs/min)

- PMS 30-gallons/hr HTST

- Technogel 100 L/hr continuous ice cream freezer

- Marriott Walker rising film evaporator (100 lbs/hr evaporative capacity)

- Open, water-jacketed cheese vats (5 vats: 3 vats hold up to 50 gallons each, 1 vat holds up to 175 gallons and 1 vat holds up to 500 gallons)

- Blentech process cheese cooker (50 to 100 lbs.)

- Stephan process cheese cooker (5 lbs.)

- Vacuum packaging system (1- to 40-lb. block)

- High-shear Silverson mixer

- 4 Groen process steam kettles (40 & 60 gallon capacity)

- 2 APV conical bottom swept-surface processors (100 gallons)

- Legal batch pasteurizer system (200 gallons)

- 4-booth sensory evaluation area with test/ preparation kitchen and Compusense software system

- Controlled atmosphere cold storage (approx. 3,000 sq. ft.)

- Cold storage (-15 to -40 F) (approx. 200 sq. ft.)

- Spiral-wound DDS UF and RO system (50 to 100 L/hr)

- Niro Pilot R-12 MF/UF/RO system (60 to 90 gal. feed/min)

- Niro Filterlab spray dryer FLG-60 (60 lb./hr. water evaporation rate, capable of drying milk, whey and agglomeration)

- Modified atmosphere packaging
In addition to the specialized equipment listed below, the Dairy Innovation Institute routinely carries out chemical (fat, protein, ash, total solids, pH), physical (viscosity, color) and microbiological (APC, yeasts, molds, coliform, lactobacilli) analyses and related research, plus the development of dairy foods and ingredients.

Furthermore, the Dairy Innovation Institute works with several departments on campus (Materials Engineering, Biological Science, and Food Science & Nutrition) for more specialized expertise, instrumentation, and processing equipment.

**SUPPORTING ANALYTICAL EQUIPMENT**

Pulsed field gel electrophoresis  
» DNA-based differentiation of probiotic lactic acid bacteria

Gel electrophoresis acrylamide  
» Analysis of proteins and peptides: native, denaturing, urea, gradient and two-dimensional

Preparative isoelectric focusing  
» Isolation and characterization of proteins

Gel densitometer  
» Individual protein concentration determination

Polymerase chain reaction thermal cycler  
» DNA characterization, bacteria identification and determination, gene manipulation, etc.

ELISA plate reader  
» Multiple antibody and enzymatic assays for milk product component analysis or microbiological safety

Membrane transfer platform  
» Northern, southern and western blots of RNA, DNA, and protein analysis and identification

Dot blot instrument  
» Antibody and enzyme quantification and titration

Ultracentrifuge  
» Sedimentation of milk and cellular components

Phase contrast microscope  
» Microbiological analysis of spores

Digital imager  
» Quantification and record-keeping of dairy product sample structure and composition

Pilot plant scale affinity chromatography column  
» Large scale-up of laboratory affinity chromatography procedures

Gas pycnometer, tap density, powder flowability  
» Characterization of bulk density, particle density and angle of repose

Texture analyzer  
» Texture profile analysis, firmness, etc.

Hunter colorimeter  
» Whiteness, color intensity and hue, appearance of dairy foods and ingredients

Block digestion and distillation system  
» Nitrogen/protein analysis

Autotitration system  
» Determination of buffering capacity

Water activity meter  
» Water activity measurement

Countertop food dehydrator  
» Food dehydration

**EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

In addition to the dairy processing and product development classes offered as part of the University’s curriculum, the Dairy Innovation Institute offers focused short courses throughout the year which are designed to meet the needs of the current workforce, as well as other educational events, lectures, conferences and symposia.
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ADDITIONAL EXPERTISE:
Product Packaging Research and Testing is also available at Cal Poly through the Cal Pack Lab. Contact staff for more information.
OVERVIEW
Department of Food Science and Technology features the Milk Processing Lab, which offers services to the industry, as well as numerous specialized laboratories focused on specific areas of milk processing and nutritional attributes, staffed by experts in their respective fields.

UC-Davis features extensive research capacity in state-of-the-art laboratories and faculty engages in collaborative research with dairy industry processors domestically and internationally.

MILK PROCESSING LAB
The state-of-the-art 800 square foot Milk Processing Laboratory was designed and built to enable collaborative and multi-disciplinary food science research to bring exciting innovations to the food industry, particularly in the realm of novel methods for the fractionation and recovery of bioactive milk components. The Milk Processing Lab provides an excellent resource for scholarly research as well as collaborations with dairy industry partners.

The facility features 110/208/480 V (single & three-phase) power supplied by eight utility stations, steam, chilled and RD water, an isolated drainage system, and HEPA filtration to ensure air quality. Additionally, the Milk Processing Lab complies with all specifications required to produce materials for animal trials with an approved Institutional Review Board protocol. Outside the Milk Processing Lab, is a facility of 300 square feet featuring ambient equipment storage to pretreat larger volumes of raw materials as well as a walk-in fridge and walk-in freezer to store processing samples.

RESEARCH FOCUS
The state-of-the-art Milk Processing Laboratory enables the scale-up of bench-top research to the transitional pilot plant stage before it can be implemented commercially. The Milk Processing Lab boasts a highly flexible design with all equipment mounted on wheels. This flexibility and the variety of equipment enables the exploration of a wide range of research concepts. Research in the milk lab aims at increasing our understanding of the chemical and biological properties of milk components; specifically, this involves separation, characterization and then incorporation into foods.

The Milk Processing Lab frequently is used to isolate and characterize bioactive milk components, develop and prepare samples for studying packaging, stability testing, and formulating novel ingredients. Thus far the Milk Processing Lab has been crucial in research efforts including isolating and testing bioactive milk compounds via safe and environmentally friendly methods before implementing them as functional food ingredients, studying dairy fluid processing, investigating the fermentation of lactose and monosaccharides, performing stability testing, preparing samples for clinical studies, and formulating novel dairy ingredients and products.

Partners span companies of all sizes, from start-ups to multinational corporations and cover nearly every facet of the food and beverage industry including all types of dairy products, infant formula, breast milk, water treatment and processing co-products or by-products. Simultaneously, the facility enables the training of students on the latest separation and analytical technologies.
The Milk Processing Lab is designed to be highly flexible by having all of the equipment on wheels and the Microthermics equipment at the MPL is certified by Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratory (NRTL).

**PROCESSING SYSTEMS**

» Pasteurizer/UHT Unit (Microthermics)
  › Can perform HTST and UHT pasteurization on milk, skim, or cream
  › Pilot plant scale, typically operated at 2 L per min, CIP cleanable

» Homogenizer (GEA)
  › 2 stages to maximize homogenization
  › In-line with Microthermics HTST/UHT unit
  › Pilot plant scale and CIP cleanable

» Filler with automatic fill control
  › Capable of aseptic filling in a ultra-clean filling environment
  › In-line with Microthermics HTST/UHT unit
  › Pilot plant scale and CIP cleanable

» Membrane filtration (GEA)
  › Capable of micro, ultra and nano-filtration and reverse osmosis to isolate milk bioactive components
  › Operates with flat sheet or spiral (up to 3 membranes in series)

» Cream Separator (GEA)
  › Separates raw milk into skim and cream fractions
  › Typically operated at 3.3 L/min
  › Connects to heat exchanger and milk receiving tanks

» Fermenters
  › Custom-designed stainless-steel fermenters
  › Frequently used for lactose and monosaccharide fermentation

**OTHER EQUIPMENT**

» Receiving tanks (up to 100 gallons capacity, Sprinkman Corp)
» Water Circulating Temperature Heat Transfer System
» Heat Exchanger
» High-Performance Desalination unit

**SUPPORTING ANALYTICAL EQUIPMENT**

With extensive research over many years, we have developed specialized protocols to isolate and analyze glycans, peptide, proteins and MFG from dairy samples. The Barile lab maintains an array of advanced analytical equipment that is used to guide the separation of bioactive milk components in near real-time.

**Triple Quad LC-MS (Agilent Technologies)**
  › 6470 Triple Quadrupole Liquid Chromatography Mass Spectrometer

**Dionex HPAE-PAD (2 units - Thermo Scientific)**
  › High Performance Anion-Exchange Chromatography with Pulsed Amperometric Detection

**Nano LC Chip QToF (Agilent Technologies)**
  › Nano Liquid Chromatography chip Quadrupole Time-of-Flight mass spectrometer

**MALDI ToF (Bulker Daltonics)**
  › Microflex LRF Matrix-Assisted Laser Desorption/Ionization Time-of-Flight mass spectrometer
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OVERVIEW
Two of the six departments within JCAST are specifically devoted to dairy science academics and research. Faculty from the other four departments (Agribusiness, Plant Science, Industrial Technology, and Viticulture) regularly collaborate on dairy related research and outreach endeavors. The Institute for Food and Agriculture is one of the three centers within JCAST that supports faculty-led research and outreach in partnership with students, community, and/or industry members.

Food Science and Nutrition Department inspires students with the academic rigor and experiential learning to pursue two bachelor of science majors: Food and Nutritional Sciences including Culinology® and Food Technology options and Human Nutritional Sciences. The Department also offers a Master’s in Food and Nutritional Sciences for students who want to gain further experience in the Food and Dairy Industries.

Animal Science and Agriculture Education Department creates a multi-faceted approach for students to pursue BS and Masters degrees in Animal Science, some featuring a Dairy Science emphasis.

Institute for Food and Agriculture (IFA) emerged from recommendations by the President’s Commission on Agriculture which was charged to link Fresno State’s agricultural programs with science, mathematics, engineering, business, and other disciplines to best serve the dynamic food and agriculture industry. IFA facilitates applied research and outreach opportunities through disciplinary and interdisciplinary research and innovation in food science, dairy science, food safety, nutrition, agribusiness, animal science, agriculture education, industrial technology, plant science, and entomology. IFA works hand-in-hand with faculty and industry leaders to disseminate research findings via workshops, trainings, conferences, publications, and receiving visiting food and agriculture scholars (community, industry, academic).

RESEARCH FOCUS
Fresno State enthusiastically provides direct technical assistance to dairy businesses through hands-on value-added product development consultancies, workshops, and workforce training. Specific areas of expertise include milk production, milk processing, development of new and current dairy products, and sensory evaluation. Current research emphasizes

- New product development (specialty and ethnically rich cheeses)
- Quality attributes of dairy products (yield, composition, sensory evaluation, consumer perceptions)
- Dairy food safety and quality assurance
FACILITIES

DAIRY PROCESSING PLANT
The Dairy Processing Plant facility (The Creamery) provides students from multiple disciplines across campus with hands-on experiential learning in managing a facility and operating equipment to produce a multitude of dairy products including thirty-five ice cream flavors, butter, spreadable butter, cheese, and fluid milk (including chocolate milk). Under the supervision of a general manager, a staff of about 10 students runs the facility and operates equipment such as the pasteurizer, homogenizer, cheese vat, ice cream maker, and filling machine along with other minor specialty equipment. The students also engage in multiple faculty-supervised research projects related to dairy products. The facility is commercially certified and products are sold on campus via Fresno State's Rue and Gwen Gibson Farm Market as well as at select local and regional markets.

DAIRY DIAGNOSTICS LABORATORY
Created to simultaneously enhance student laboratory practice skills and real-time data upon which to base nutrition, cow health, and cow productivity decisions, the Dairy Diagnostic Lab is the location for compositional and microbiological diagnostic analyses of animal feeds, blood, and milk. It is specifically designed to give students new opportunities to work with the latest technology to ensure herd health, nutrition and milk standards as well as encourage higher milk production. The lab can easily be utilized by undergraduate and graduate students, students in dairy classes, as well as students working at the dairy unit to conduct milk quality analysis and also assessment of blood samples from cows with mastitis to determine the most effective antibiotic treatments.

MANUAL MANCEBO, JR. AND KATYE MANCEBO DAIRY UNIT
The Fresno State Dairy is one of the few collegiate dairies run entirely by students. A staff of approximately 20 students maintains two different breeds of dairy cattle (the Holstein and the Jersey) 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, and 52 weeks per year. There are 275-300 cows within the dairy herd. Fresno State uses about 1/7th of the milk for production activities at its Dairy Processing Plant and the remainder is sold to a local dairy processing company for commercial usage.

FOOD SAFETY & MICROBIOLOGY LABORATORY
Specific to this laboratory, student and industry research projects are able to test microorganisms and chemicals used by the food industry, including pathogenic microorganisms such as Salmonella spp. or Staphylococcus aureus.

JORDAN AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH CENTER (JARC)
This 30,000 square foot world-class research center focuses on investigating advanced concepts and practices of agriculture, food, and the natural resources. It was specifically designed to foster multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary collaborations between bright minds within the three colleges addressing food and agricultural sciences, engineering, and science and mathematics.

- Olam Sensory Laboratory is a dedicated space in which researchers investigate how agricultural practices and post-harvest processing affect consumers’ perception of agricultural products such as wine, cheese, and desserts. It features seven sensory cubicle stations. Food and beverage products tested to date include wine (including smoke-tainted), fresh fruit grown on the campus farm, dessert products in development by students for commercial purposes, and targeted consumer products developed by faculty. The sensory lab aids researchers in gathering data for their trials and provides students with the hands-on experience they need in preparation to work in the industry.
  (note: video available at https://fresnostate.edu/jcast/jarc/jarc-consumer-sensory-research.html) (fresnostate.edu)

- Wonderful Training Room adjoins the Olam Sensory Laboratory. This space is a multipurpose room in which panelists can receive training prior to engaging in sensory evaluation activities. It also serves as a great space to host small-group workshops, short-courses, conferences, and symposia.

- Food Preparation Area is also located next to the Olam Sensory Laboratory and is equipped with an industrial kitchen. This space is useful for preparation purposes for sensory evaluation experiments.

RUE AND GWEN GIBSON FARM MARKET
In many aspects, the Gibson Farm Market represents the culminating student supply chain experience as every product offered for sale therein has been grown, harvested, processed, packaged, and/or marketed by students. Dairy products include Fresno State’s famous ice cream, milkshakes created on demand, milk (including chocolate), and cheese. While an on-campus location, the market is open to both the campus community and the general public. Key celebration events include Opening Corn Weekend and the Fall Festival and Plant Sale - both which feature student-led activities for youth/families along with the sale of food and agricultural products.
EQUIPMENT

» Refrigerated delivery van
» Tanker (600 gallon)
» HTST System (pasteurizer and homogenizer) for Milk and Ice Cream Mix (300 gallon/hour; HTST is a legally sealed unit by the state of California)
» Rotary Filler (½ - 1 gallon)
» Cold Milk Separator - DeLaval (250 gallon/hour)
» Holding Tank (600 gallon)
» Round Open Cheese Vat (32 gallon)
» Rectangular Open Cheese Vat (215 gallon)
» Cheese Press (vertical)
» Ice Cream Batch Freezer (1 quart)
» Ice Cream Batch Freezer (40 quart)
» Ice Cream Batch Freezer (44 quart)
» Ice Cream Piston Depositor (8-32 oz)
» Ice Cream Piston Depositor (20-80 oz)
» Butter Churn (25 gallon)
» Processing Vat (150 gallon)
» High Shear Mixer
» Powder Induction Mixer

SUPPORTING ANALYTICAL EQUIPMENT

» MilkoScan FT1 - Foss
» BacSomatic - Foss
» VetScan VS2-1200 Abaxis
» Near Infrared Spectrometer DS2500FSR - Foss
» Fiber Analyzer A200 Ankom Technologies
» RT-PCR Detection System Acumen
» Laminar Flow Hood
» Elemental Analysis for CHNS Elementar
» Thermo Scientific Gallery for food and beverage automatic photometric analyzer
» Texture Analyzer
» Water Activity Meter
» Halogen-Moisture Analyzer

SENSORY EVALUATION

» 7-Booth Sensory Evaluation Area with food preparation industrial kitchen equipped with portable devices and Compusense software and adjoining training room as well as indoor open space
» BIOPAC MP160 system equipped with bionomadix wireless system to measure skin conductance, heart rate, respiration and facial electromyography

COURSES, SYMPOSIA AND EVENTS

• Cows to Neurons: Dairy Economic Development and Innovation
• USDA Cochran International Study Tours focused on Dairy
• Agriculture Kids’ Camp for 7-11 year old youth
• Dairy Lab Skills Enrichment Workshop
• Cheesemaking 101 Workshop in collaboration with the California Artisan Cheese Guild
• International Restaurateurs Study Tour
• Livestock Artificial Insemination
• Dairy Calf Health
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Innovation in dairy product development and education in culturally specific as well as artisan dairy products (e.g., cheeses, yogurts, etc.). Dairy products development, with particular emphasis on cheese and sensory evaluation. Dr. Licon is bilingual, biliterate, and bicultural Spanish and English as well as being fluent in French. She is an active member of Institute of Food Technologists (IFT), American Dairy Science Association (ADSA) and American Cheese Society (ACS). She has extensive international experience in Spain, France and Mexico involving internships, professional training, and research activities. She holds a patent for the production of saffron cheese. Dr. Licon’s appointment is a liaison between Food Science and Food Engineering.

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OVERVIEW
The Center for Dairy Research (CDR) is a state-of-the-art research center with a licensed, operating dairy plant located on the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus and is one of the premier dairy research centers in the world. Building on Wisconsin’s tradition as the “Dairy State,” the Center explores functional, flavor and physical properties of cheese/cheese products and other milk components used as ingredients and as finished products. CDR researches cheese making and dairy protein processing/separation procedures, use of dairy ingredients in foods, and technologies for product safety and quality. More than 30 researchers and scientists are involved in conducting basic and applied dairy research. Collectively, the CDR staff has over 280 years of food industry experience, which creates a unique mix of academic and industry perspectives to help address any challenges facing the dairy industry. The facilities (including two pilot plants) and equipment are extensive, allowing the Center to not only create new products, uses and processes, but also to meet the unique needs of the food industry. Annually, the CDR provides specialized training and short courses to over 1,400 industry personnel.

RESEARCH FOCUS
• Functional properties of cheese, cheese products and cultured dairy products
• Functional dairy proteins (casein, milk protein concentrate (MPC), modified whey protein concentrate (WPC), etc.) and ingredients
• Dairy-based beverages
• Dairy food safety and quality systems
• Dairy processing
  » Membrane filtration, drying, separation, etc.
• Cheese technology
  » Coagulation, yield, performance, ripening
• Specialty cheese

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CHEESE
The University of Wisconsin-Madison has a long and proud history of cheese research and outreach. The CDR extends the art and science of cheese making into the realm of specialty cheese innovation, as well as cheese as an ingredient. Its licensed cheese makers/scientists provide industry with training programs, research facilities, cheese making protocols for specific end use, and leading-edge technologies for adjusting the texture, taste and/or functionality of cheese in food applications.

CDR’s cheese making pilot plant is a licensed dairy plant located at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. This setting allows for flexibility in all aspects of the cheese making process. The pilot plant is designed for manufacture of any retail cheese variety (fresh, cream, cottage, hard, soft, semisoft, surface-ripened, molded, and eyed), process cheese and cheese food, plus cold pack. Its new facilities include 9 unique cheese ripening caves that are individually temperature and humidity controlled.

CDR cheese applications staff, through consultation, pilot plant trials, applications, sensory and analytical laboratory evaluation, and on-site trials and visits, works in a confidential manner with all entities of the dairy industry. From dairy producers and manufacturers to ingredients suppliers and equipment manufacturers, applications staff works with the entire cheese distribution system, including foodservice, retail, wholesale, brokers, converters, warehouses, executive chefs, and quick-service restaurants – wherever cheese is used in food application systems. Staff members also provide direct technical support for the end use of natural, process and cold pack cheeses, as well as cheese in food applications.

DAIRY PROTEIN/INGREDIENTS AND PROCESSING
CDR has an extensive program focusing on dairy ingredients. Working on a confidential basis, the program strives to meet the needs of regional and national dairy ingredient processors and food manufacturers. These needs include process, product, and applications support. The dairy ingredient program and applications lab offer technical support for whey, buttermilk, nonfat dry milk, permeate, whey protein concentrate (WPC), whey protein isolate (WPI), individual whey proteins, milk protein concentrates and isolates, milk protein fractions and native whey protein. Services include training and seminars, process development, process troubleshooting, ingredient functionality testing and prototype development. Application areas of expertise are beverages, baked products, confections, dairy products, energy bars, cultured products, and prepared foods. CDR’s new facility now offers a Siccadania 3-stage pilot dryer capable of 120 lbs. of water evaporation/hour in addition to its APV single stagespray dryer and fermentation equipment.

ASEPTIC/UHT BEVERAGE INNOVATION FACILITY
CDR’s beverage innovation center offers a flexible, modular system for processing and aseptic packaging of beverages including aseptic homogenizer, indirect and direct heating unit, bag in a box packaging and other small-scale processing equipment for dairy beverage innovation.

ANALYTICAL SERVICES
Analytical services are offered to support projects carried out at the Center for Dairy Research. CDR provides comprehensive chemical and microbiological testing services. Tests performed include crude protein, casein, true protein, milkfat, total solids, mineral content by reference methods, enzymatic and HPIC determination of lactose and galactose, protein profiles of milk and milk products by electrophoresis, cheese proteolysis and determination of particle size analysis. Rheological tests performed include texture profiles, cheese meltability and functional properties of milk products.

Microbiological dairy food safety and quality tests are routinely determined, including tests for coliforms, standard plate count, plus yeast and mold. Shelf life and microbial challenge studies also are performed.

SAFETY/QUALITY APPLICATIONS
Providing an active approach to safety and quality, the CDR staff performs audits of dairy facilities, solves problems for dairy plants and reviews dairy facilities’ good manufacturing practice (GMP) programs. CDR staff work with facility personnel to improve their GMP program and establish or modify a HACCP program. Staff members also interpret government regulations related to specific dairy products and dairy facilities and provide technical expertise in HACCP implementation and compliance with the Committee for the Assurance of Wisconsin Dairy Product Safety requirements, as well as training on implementation of the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA).

In addition, cheese and dairy ingredients produced at CDR are monitored for microbial safety.
**TURBO**
The TURBO program, or Tech Transfer of University Research for Business Opportunity, is an economic development initiative that supports the commercialization of novel dairy technologies and products. Whether your company is interested in licensing a CDR technology or working with CDR to develop a novel technology or product, the TURBO program can help bring your idea to the market. This assistance may include technical support, reimbursable grants, market research or another form of business assistance. TURBO also supports entrepreneurs and small companies in developing new, innovative dairy products and beverages by working with them to develop their product ideas, assisting them with scale up and then helping them find co-packers or licensed space to produce their products on a commercial basis. Services include business development assistance from business plans to regulatory information, legal expertise to financing guidance.

**SENSORY ANALYSIS**
The CDR is a trusted sensory partner from start to finish. CDR staff begin by pinpointing the exact purpose and end goal for a requested sensory analysis, and then proceed to design sensory tests and ballots with the right questions to optimize value and insight for the client. CDR utilizes industry best practices and modern Compusense cloud software to reach panelists wherever and whenever they may be needed. CDR employs a standing trained descriptive panel to analyze flavor, texture, and appearance profiles, as well as functionality such as shredding, slicing, or cooking applications. CDR also has sensory experts with collective decades of industry experience to screen products and offer technical advice and troubleshooting. CDR also has an extensive database of diverse consumer panelists from the Madison area, that can evaluate products in brand new sensory booths or be interviewed in focus groups on site. Our trained panel can also be utilized for discrimination testing such as triangle or tetrad methodologies. After the data is collected, the CDR can provide exceptional analysis and insights, including data visualizations, statistical analysis, and interactive business intelligence style interactive reports.

**Sensory testing capabilities:**
- Descriptive Analysis Flavor
- Descriptive Analysis Texture
- Descriptive Analysis Functionality
- Expert Screening
- Consumer Liking / Hedonics
- Consumer Preference / Ranking
- Consumer Focus Group
- Difference/Similarity Testing (Triangle, Tetrad, etc.)
- Shelf-Life Evaluation
OVERVIEW
The CDR’s new state-of-the-art pilot plant facilities meet the needs of the dairy and food processing industry by offering access to smaller-scale equipment. The small-vat product development capability in the cheese pilot plant helps evaluate new cheese making processes. The dairy ingredient pilot plant has the capability to perform milk and whey processing of all types to produce beverages, yogurt, ice cream, sauces, spreads, dips and salad dressings. In addition, the applications lab at CDR has equipment to test the functionality of cheese as an ingredient, including a full line of foodservice pizza ovens. CDR also can evaluate the functionality of dairy ingredients and formulate dairy ingredients into baked products and confections. The chemical and microbiological laboratories extend more than 5,000 square feet and offer some unique testing capabilities.

EQUIPMENT

CHEESE MANUFACTURING
CDR offers a state of the art, full line of cheese making manufacturing and processing equipment located in a state-licensed, state-inspected, operating dairy manufacturing facility. The natural cheese manufacturing area includes a 1400 square foot raw milk processing area including tanks of various sizes for cooling and heating, all set up to incorporate various membranes such as ultrafiltration, microfiltration, diafiltration, nanofiltration and reverse osmosis to standardize milk based on any desired ratios or incorporation of any ingredient before pasteurization of cheese milk. The new raw milk processing area includes a GEA Westfalia ecocream separator and a MP&C HTST system with a 6000 lb. per hour capacity and the only HTST in Wisconsin time/sealed in Celsius. CDR has the capabilities to manufacture any style and variety of cheeses and offers nine unique temperature/humidity controlled aging caves.

» 4 Relco 1000-lb vats with networked control panel, CIP, individual drain/finishing tables and Optiset coagulation sensors
» 6 Stoelting 600-lb. vats with variable speed agitators and 1/4-in., 318-in. and 1/2-in. knives
» Kusel 5,400-lb. scale up cheese vat
» Kusel 600-lb. Double-0 cheese vats (2)
» Small 5-gal. capacity mini-cheese vats with automatic agitation (4)
» 9 independent ripening and drying rooms, each with its own hygienic air conditioner (USDA approved), temperature, humidity and air flow controls; includes Swiss cheese warm room
» 4 Kusel finishing tables with independent controls, automated agitation, networked control panel; milled or stirred curd
» 2 APT 2500-lb horizontal cheese vats with Kusel drain/finishing table (700 lb) with agitators, CIT system, PLC controls
» Kalt Copper cheese vat, hot water heated; for Alpine-styles as well as hard Italian types
» Kalt cheese press with various sizes of molds; variable pressure with each air ram independently controlled
» Alpma KBA tipping vat, chute and drain table with two 450 lb holding tanks, and cutting knives for high solids milks
» Tetra Pak Johnson waterless mixer molder, multiple stage unit; ability to heat pasta filata cheese up to 190°F
» GEA Niro Soavi 2-stage homogenizer
FULL CREAM CHEESE MANUFACTURING LINE:
Also includes equipment listed under other categories. Processing lines include cheese vats, pumping line to collect whey and cream cheese, holding vessel, as well as packaging equipment.

- Sharpies Penwalt Model DS2 cream cheese separator
- APV Gaulin homogenizer Model M3, 2-stage
- Scherping Systems PT 30G 30-gal. capacity swept-minimum, 2 gal. of product surface tank with heating/cooling capability
- Biro cheese grinder, Model 922, includes various plate sizes
- Stephan UM/SK5 high shear (bowl-chopper style) Processed Cheese cooker
- Blentech twin-screw process cheese cooker, Model CC 0025, 20-lb. capacity, direct and indirect steam with vacuum
- Stephan cold pack cheese blender, 10-lb. capacity
- Pick Heater for jet cooking sauces
- Supreme steel fabricating cooker/ stretcher (mixer/ molder) Model 640 mixing machine; includes ends for string cheese, 5-lb. loaves with capability for 20-lb. block
- Stoelting prepress with 4 separate pressing chambers (for pressing of eyed cheeses)
- Damrow horizontal cheese press with 2 air rams
- Kusel 450 lb. portable cheese vat
- Kusel A-frame vertical cheese press
- 30-gal. bulk starter preparation tank
- Stainless steel cheese forms (Wilson 10-, 20- and 40-lb. block, perforated brick/Muenster hoops, 5-1b. round Muenster hoops)
- Plastic cheese forms of various sizes and shapes, including 10-lb. wheels (both Crellin and Fromagex), 5-1b. loaves, smaller sizes for 1-1b. Edam balls, Camembert, ricotta and panela baskets, etc.
- Stacked fiberglass circulating brine system
- Two Norlake Scientific NSR1331WSW/8H 33 cubic foot incubators for ripening mold and surface-ripened cheeses; off-site ripening also available upon request

COLD PACK AND PROCESS CHEESE MANUFACTURING LINE:
Also includes equipment listed under other categories. Processing lines include mixing/cooking vessels, homogenization and blending. All direct steam comes from culinary steam source.

- Loos 10 lb. Low shear, twin screw process cheese cooker
- Koss ST Low shear, twin screw process cheese cooker (25 – 45 lbs finished batch size)
- Stephan vertical cutter/mixer, Model 17 91, 50-lb. capacity, indirect steam only
- Urschel cheese shredder, Model CC-D
- Vemag V 500 robot cheese grinder and vacuum machine with guillotine cutoff
- Dairy product aerator, 10 lb minimum batch size
- Lincoln Impinger oven, Model 1130, for baking of Juustoleipä
- Multivac vacuum sealer with gas flush capabilities, Model C400
- Variety of portable holding tanks
- Large and small volume scales from 600 lb scales in 0.2 lb increments down to analytical balances with 0.0001 gram accuracy
- Processed cheese cooker
- Blentech twin-screw process cheese cooker, Model CC 0025, 20-lb. capacity, direct and indirect steam with vacuum
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OTHER VARIOUS EQUIPMENT USED IN THE PROCESSING, CONVERTING AND PACKAGING OF CHEESE:
- Sprinkman batch butter churn
- Cultured/Fermented Products:
  - Four 40-gallon fermenters
  - Four 150-gallon fermenters
  - Cream cheese separator for high fat products
  - Quark separator for nonfat products

*PLEASE NOTE: Additional equipment may be obtained by the CDR on a project-specific basis
Dairy Ingredient Processing Equipment:
- Four spiral-wound UF- or MF-compatible systems that contain multiple vessels
- One system using one or two 3.8 in. elements
- One system using up to six 3.8-in.-dia. vessels holding two elements each
- One system using up to three 4.3-in.-dia. vessels holding two elements each
- One system using one or two 8.0-in.-dia. vessels holding one element each
- NF or RO operated with one or two 3.8-in.-dia. vessel, one or two elements each
- Membrane filter system (UF/MF)
- Pilot-scale plate evaporator capable of 200 to 400 lbs. of water evaporation/hr.
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Ice Cream Equipment:
- Emery Thompson, Taylor and Coldelite batch
- Taylor soft serve
- Tetra Pak continuous

Aseptic Beverage Line:
- Continuous flow UHT pilot line
- System capacity: 200 L/hr (53 gal/h)
- Formulation tank
- Direct and Indirect Heating
- Various Holding Times
- Cooling (tubular heat exchangers)
- Homogenizer
- Aseptic Tank
- Filling station 1: Pre-sterilized PET screw cap bottles (Gosselin/Nalgene)
- Filling station 2: Bag-in-Box (pre-sterilized Scholler bags - 3 L)
- Spray Dryer:
  - Siccadania 3-stage pilot dryer capable of 120 lbs. of water evaporation/hr.

Supporting Analytical Equipment

General Analysis
- Fat, nitrogen, lactose, galactose, lactates, protein composition, acid degree value, titratable acidity, whey (undenatured) protein number, coliforms, yeast and mold, starter organisms, Lactococcus starter, nonstarter lactic acid bacteria, Lactobacillus (hetero), standard plate count, ash, mineral analysis, triglycerides

pH/mV meters
- pH

High Performance Ion Chromatography
- Sugar profile (glucose, galactose, lactose); D/L lactic acid

Spectrophotometer
- Lactose, galactose, D/L lactic acid

Acid Degree Value Testing equipment
- Fourier Transform Infrared Spectrometer (FTIR)
  - Fat, total solids, total protein, nonprotein nitrogen, casein lactose

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COURSES, SYMPOSIA AND EVENTS

- Applied Dairy Chemistry Short Course
- Cleaning and Sanitation Workshop
- Cheese Grading and Evaluation Short Course (2 times per year)
- Advanced Cheese Technology Short Course (2 times per year)
- Cultured Dairy Products Short Course (odd-numbered years)
- Batch Freezer Workshop
- HACCP Certification
- Dairy Ingredients Utilization Short Course (odd-numbered years)
- Ice Cream Makers Short Course
- Dairy Ingredient Manufacturing Short Course (even-numbered years)
- Cheesemaking Fundamentals Short Course
- Dairy Ingredients Short Course
- Food Fraud Short Course
- Dairy Plant Quality Assurance
- Master Cheese Maker Short Course (Focus on specific trends and technologies in the manufacture of various cheeses)
- Milk Pasteurization and Process Control School (2 times per year)
- Process Cheese Short Course
- World of Cheese - Pasture to Plate Short Course
- Buttermaking Fundamentals Short Course
- Advanced Buttermaking Short Course
- Buttermakers License Apprenticeship
- Cheesemaking Fundamentals
- Various courses related to sustainability
- Custom company training programs for industry
- CDR Industry Team Research Forum
- Cheese Technology Expo
- Certificate in Dairy Processing (3 times per year)
- Dairy Protein Beverages Short Course
- The Dairy Pipeline quarterly technical newsletter

COMMUNICATIONS AND OTHER RESOURCES

- Technical reviews
  - Dried Dairy Ingredients
  - Dairy Proteins
  - Whey Processing – Bleaching
  - Fact sheets
  - Whey Processing - Annatto and Color Removal
  - Cracker and Cheese Pairing Guide
  - Distribution of Milk Components Between Cheese & Whey
  - Membranes 101
  - Membrane Configurations
- Quick Guide to Choosing the Best Type of Whey
- Relative Milk Component Sizes in Comparison with Membrane Pore Size Ranges
- Use of Membranes for Standardizing Milk for Cheese Production
- Guide to Smoked Cheeses
- Brining Cheese, A Comprehensive Guide
- Dust Fires and Explosions Associated with Dairy Powders
- Better Butter Book
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THE MIDWEST DAIRY FOODS RESEARCH CENTER

OVERVIEW
The Midwest Dairy Foods Research Center has resources within the University of Minnesota (St. Paul), South Dakota State University (Brookings), and Iowa State University (Ames) as core universities and University of Nebraska (Lincoln), Kansas State University (Manhattan), and University of Missouri (Columbus) as affiliate universities. The dairy center was formed to conduct research and provide support needed to increase the viability of the United States dairy industry and ensure its future competitiveness. The center offers expertise in dairy foods research for both traditional dairy products and dairy derived ingredients.

RESEARCH FOCUS
- **Exports:** Increase the demand for the US Dairy worldwide through research efforts to improve shelf-life, quality, and functionality of cheese and dairy derived ingredients.
- **Consumer Solutions:** Expand dairy products and ingredients consumption through technologies to measure and improve flavor, functionality, quality, perception, education to meet current consumer needs.
- **Sustainability:** Improve economic, social, and environmental impact of dairy through value addition to dairy co-products, lean manufacturing, and water usage and wastewater management.
- **Food Safety:** Ensure the safety of dairy products and ingredients.

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The sensory center has two tasting suites, and each suite contains eight booths and a food preparation area. Both suites have computerized data collection systems. Sensory center staff routinely train and administer descriptive analysis panels, and recruit and administer consumer taste panels.

The food processing center has a large variety of dairy and food processing equipment. We are state certified as a Grade B dairy and have a certified HTST milk pasteurizer and vat pasteurizer. We welcome industry clients to conduct R&D trials in our facility, and cheese and ice cream start-ups to manufacture in our facility as they develop their own plants.

**PASTEURIZERS/PROCESSORS**
- Microthermics UHT System: includes homogenizer and HEPA filtered filling hood, 1 to 3 L/min.
- Vat pasteurizer, homogenizer and plate cooler: 50 to 100 gal.
- Pasteurizer: Cherry-Burrell, 4,000 lbs./hr.
- Process cheese cooker: Blentech, 10 lbs.
- Process cheese cooker: Damrow, 40 lb
- Tetra All-mix vacuum blender

**DRYERS/AGGLOMERATORS**
- Fluid bed: Glatt GPCG-1, Wurster spray process, 3-lb. cap.
- Drum dryer: Buffalovac 6-in. drums
- Spray dryer: Coulter, 90 lbs./hr.
- Spray dryer: APV, 20 lbs./hr.
- Freeze dryer

**CHEESE PROCESSING**
- Blue cheese Punch
- Cheddaring belt: Tetra-Scherping, 200 to 300 lbs./hr.
- Cheese presses: vertical and horizontal with various hoop styles
- Cheese vat: Damrow, 5,000 lbs.
- Cheese vat: Tetra-Scherping, automated, 2,500-lb. cap.
- Dewheying and salting belt
- Cheese vats: Kusel, 2,000 lbs.
- Cheese vats: Nu-Vat, 800 lbs. (2)
- Curdmill: Damrow

**FROZEN DAIRY PROCESSING**
- Tetra-Hoyer Frigus SF600 continuous ice cream freezer: 120 gal./hr.
- Fruit/nut feeder
**HOMOGENIZATION AND BLENDING**
- Colloid Mills
- Homogenizers: Gaulin 30 and 125 gal./hr.
- Microfluidizer

**FILTRATION/SEPARATION/CONCENTRATION**
- Batch freezer: 40-qt. Emery Thompson
- Butter churns: 15 to 450 lbs.
- Centrifugal pumps
- Cheddar mill
- Cheese block cutter (pneumatic)
- Cheese press (pneumatic)
- Cheese sealer: Sipromac
- Cheese shredder: Hobart
- Cheese vat: 2,500 lb. HCV
- Cheese vat: 2Kusel Double-O, 500 lbs.
- Cheese vat: 1,000 lbs. fully enclosed, double-0 on load cells with pre-draw and final drain

**MIXERS/CHOPPERS**
- Hammermill: Fitzpatrick, 5-lb. hopper
- Ribbon blenders
- Colloid Mill Fryma Toothed

**FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT**

**SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY**
DAVIS Dairy Plant

**SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY**
Institute for Dairy Ingredient Processing (IDIP)

**EQUIPMENT**
- Cold bowl cream separator: DeLaval, 5,000 lbs./hr. and GEA 7,500 lbs./hr. cold bowl
- Crystallization tank: 3,000 lbs.
- Drain table for HCV and 100 lbs. Double-0
- Evaporator: multi-pass, falling film with high concentration finisher and single-stage flesh cooler, 1,500 lbs./hr., custom built, Dahmes Equipment
- Filler: Bag-n-Box, Scholle
- Filtration systems: multi-stage, low, and high pressure
- Fruit feeder
- Benchtop Crystallization equipment

**OTHER**
- Twin-screw extruder: Buhler 44 mm twin-screw with loss-in weight powder feed and flow metered liquid injection
- Coating drum: Spray Dynamics
- Temperature- and humidity-controlled environmental chamber
- Rack oven & proofer
- Horiba L-960A Laser Diffraction Particle Size Analyzer
- Malvern ZetaSizer Nano ZS

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https://www.sdstate.edu/dairy-and-food-science
» Benchtop filter (flat sheet) tester
» Homogenizer: Gaulin, 5,000 lbs./hr., 4,000 psi
» Homogenizer: 7,500 lbs./hr., 3,500 psi
» HTST systems: 5,000 lbs./hr. and 7,500 lbs./hr.
» Ice cream freezer: APV K110, 150 gal./hr.
» Likwifier: 100 gal.
» Microfiltration system: 1.7 m², ceramic membranes
» Nano/reverse osmosis filtration, pilot lab, spiral wound with 3.8-in. elements
» Niro spray dryer: rotary atomizer
» Platform scales: 75 lbs. and 400 lbs.
» Positive pump for reveal in ice cream
» Process cheese cooker: single-screw, 30-lb. culinary steam generator

» Process vats: 20, 50, 200, 300, 500 and 600 gal.; steam and cool
» Raw milk storage: 2 x 8,500 gal. silos
» Refrigerated and frozen storage facilities, includes -40 F blast freezer
» Spray dryer: two-stage with vibrating fluid bed and agglomeration capacity, custom built, Dahmes Equipment, 300 lbs./hr.
» Steam culture chest
» Ultrafiltration pilot lab, spiral-wound with 3.8-in. elements
» Ultra/microfiltration system, 4-stage w/mag flow meters and pressure transducers, process 1,000 to 1,500 lbs./hr

### ANALYTICAL CAPABILITIES

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FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

FACILITIES

- Dry processing pilot plant
- Fermentation facility
- Food microbiology lab
- High hydrostatic pressure processing facility
- Nutrition and Wellness Research Center
- Fitness and metabolism unit
- Meeting rooms
- Sensory evaluation units

PROCESS DEVELOPMENT LAB

- Product development capabilities
- Technology transfer pilot plant and theater
- Test kitchen and sensory lab
- Wet processing pilot plant

A fee for use may be associated with some of the listed equipment. Please contact Sarah Canova (scanova@iastate.edu), or Stephanie Clark (milkmade@iastate.edu), if you are interested in more information about equipment or services provided at Iowa State University.

EQUIPMENT

- Acid digester: Labconco
- Autoclave
- Brookfield viscometers
- CEM Microwave Ashing System 300
- Centrifuges: call for options
- Centrivap concentrator: Labconco
- Cheese press (approximately 100-lb capacity Longhorn hoop press)
- Cheese vats: 2 400-lb capacity jacketed stainless steel
- Compression and injection molding machines
- Consistometers: Bostwick, Adams
- Extrusion systems for grain processing
- Fermentors: Benchtop, 1-, 2-, 5-, 10-L
- Fermentors: sterilizable-in-place, 15-, 50-, 100-L
- Filtration unit: hollow-fiber
- Food extrusion
- Freeze drying
- Freezer: ultralow (-70°C)
- Fryers
- Gas chromatography: Varian
- Gas chromatography-mass spectrometry: Agilent
- High shear blender (Admix Rotosolver)
- High-temperature short-time pasteurizer (Microthermics)
- Homogenizer: Avestin
- Hunter Labscan XE
- Ice cream freezer: Taylor
- Incubator shaker: New Brunswick Sci
- Instron Universal Testing Unit 1122
- Pasteurizer-Cheese Vat: C. vant’ riet
- Pumps: call for options
MIDWEST DAIRY FOODS RESEARCH CENTER

» Refrigerator/Freezer: explosion-proof, isotherm
» Kettles: electric-heated with agitation, 10 gal.
» Kjeldahl: Labconco
» Membrane filter system
» Microbiological incubators: regular, refrigerated
» Microplate reader
» Microscopes, light and fluorescence
  with digital-imaging capability
» Oven: Fisher Isotemp
» Penetrometers
» Photochem (oxidation potential system)
» Plastic film and sheet extruder
» Rapid Visco Analyzer
» Refractometers

» Retort
» Rotary evaporator and vacuum pump
» Screens and mixing tanks
» Spectronics XL-1500 UV Crosslinker
» Spectrophotometers: call for options
» Stomachers
» Texture analyzer (TA-XT Plus)
» Ultracentrifuge: Beckman L8M
» UV illuminator: Fisher Biotech
» Vacuum oven: food-grade
» Viscometers: Digital Brookfield (YR-1; HDB, RV)
» Water activity meter: AquaLab
» Wet grinders

COURSES, SYMPOSIA AND EVENTS

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA
• Artisan Cheese Making Workshop
• Extrusion Workshop
• Food Chemistry Workshops
• ServSafe
• Milk Pasteurization and Dairy Plant Sanitation Workshops
• Identifying, controlling and labeling food allergens for the food industry
• Food Establishment Sanitation Workshop
• Microbrewery Food Safety and HACCP
• Listeria Monitoring and Validation of Food Safety Plans for Retail Establishments
• Dry Sanitation for Food Plants
• Food Allergen Training
• Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP): Intro and advanced training
• Food Plant Environmental Monitoring
• Food Plant Sanitation
• Acidified Foods Training for Entrepreneurs and Food Processors
• Juice HACCP Workshop
• Food Safety Roundtable Meetings

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY
• Cheese Judging Workshops
• Micro and Ultra Filtration Workshops
• Cheese Manufacture Workshops

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY
• Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points (HACCP) 101
• ServSafe
Researchers and nutritionists work within the dairy research program and are closely aligned with the University of Minnesota Food Science Department, the South Dakota State University Dairy and Food Science Department, the Iowa State University Food Science and Human Nutrition Department, the Kansas State University Animal Sciences and Industry Department, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Food Science and Technology Department, and the University of Missouri Food Science Department addressing new product development and processes for dairy products and ingredients.

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Extension programming in food processing and food safety.

Applies food microbiology and chemistry approaches to bridge the gap between dairy product sensory quality and human health.

Phytochemistry, protein and enzyme chemistry; improving the functionality and bioactivity of food constituents; soy isoflavones (chemical structure, protein association, extractability, stability and bioavailability).

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OVERVIEW

The Northeast Dairy Foods Research Center located at Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, pursues a wide spectrum of dairy foods research with a specific focus on fluid milk, dairy ingredients, yoghurt, cheese, dairy powders, food safety, sustainability, and novel dairy processing technologies. The program also works on the impact of primary dairy production and animal health on milk quality.

The Northeast Dairy Foods Research Center also provides learning opportunities for the industry with short-course training in dairy food safety and dairy processing with separate certificate programs in fluid milk processing, cheese, yoghurt, and dairy powders (see https://cals.cornell.edu/dairy-extension/what-we-do/training-programs/certificate-program).

RESEARCH FOCUS

Value Added Dairy

• Physical and engineering properties of dairy ingredients
• Functionalization and value added utilization of milk proteins
• Novel processing (High Pressure Processing, High Pressure Homogenization, Supercritical Fluid Extrusion) of dairy products and ingredients
• Technological approaches to increase the shelf-life of fluid milk and other dairy foods.
• Upcycling of dairy byproducts by fermentation and processing
• Technological approaches to produce new dairy beverages and ingredients from milk that have sensory and nutritional attributes that consumers desire
• Development of analytical tools for management of milk quality, composition, and sustainability of milk produced for dairy product manufacture
Dairy Microbiology and Safety/Fluid Milk Quality
- Dairy foods safety: intervention strategies for microbial inactivation
- Source tracking of microbial contaminants from farm through finished product
- Predictive modeling of dairy product spoilage and assessment of intervention strategies
- Environmental monitoring for pathogens in dairy processing environments
- Impact of raw milk quality on processed product quality
- Molecular and microbiological method development for detection, identification and subtyping dairy associated microbial contaminants
- Extension of chocolate milk shelf life
- Extension of dairy foods’ shelf life by supercritical carbon dioxide treatments

Dairy Processing
- Milk protein rheology and functional properties
- Novel processing methods for the dairy industry

FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

FOOD PROCESSING AND DEVELOPMENT LABORATORY (FPDL)

OVERVIEW
The Cornell University Food Processing and Development Laboratory (FPDL) is a highly flexible pilot plant that allow industry access to equipment and expertise to facilitate the development of new dairy products and/or to produce new dairy products on a small scale. Our ‘plug and play’ design means we can emulate your plant processing parameters for accurate product development projects while the company can get product trials completed without stopping actual production. Since the facility is a licensed dairy plant permitted by NY State, our products can be used for sensory or consumer acceptance studies.

- Research: Provide a state-of-the-art facility and technical assistance for conducting food and dairy-related research and development using Cornell’s pilot plant facilities.
  - Assist in the transfer of new technology from the research program to the industry.
  - Provide facilities and staff support on a fee-for-use basis to assist companies and individuals with production and testing of product formulations provided by the client.
- Extension: Provide facilities for use in applied extension research and continuing education programs.

The 6,000-square-foot main processing area is directly adjacent to our fully licensed operating dairy plant. The pilot plant houses a small scale HTST system capable of continuous pasteurization of batches as small as 100 gallons with up to a 12-minute extended hold. The facility has multiple cheese vats from 50-500 gallon capacities (with associated equipment such as cheddar milling equipment, cheese presses, a variety of moulds, etc.) For yoghurt and cultured products production, the facility has a Greek yoghurt separator, fermentation vats from 50-500 gallons,

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several filling capabilities as well as fermentation rooms to 110°F. We have continuous and batch ice cream freezing capability as well as a walk-in hardening freezer (-40°F). We also have access to very high-quality milk from our Vet School farm located less than a mile away. This combination allows for scaling up of production to provide a variety of products for consumer demonstrations, food shows and exhibitions.

The facility has experienced full-time staff professionals who are able to assist in all aspects of food product development and processing. Companies/individuals can visit our facilities and work collaboratively or the staff of the FPDL can process products to your specifications and ship it to you overnight. Customized small product development runs can be conducted with our established access to suppliers of ingredients, cultures and raw materials or if a company prefers, they can ship their preferred ingredients to us.

**EQUIPMENT**

**DRYING CAPABILITIES**
- Model 1 Niro Atomizer Versatile Utility Spray Dryer – 22-kg/hr. evaporative capacity
- 100SRC Virtis Freeze Dryer – 45.5 kg condenser ice capacity
- Bufllovak Laboratory Atmospheric Double Drum Dryer – 8-in. drying width

**EVAPORATOR**
- Model Type E – Anhydro Laboratory Vacuum Evaporator (rising film)

**ICE CREAM FREEZERS**
- Emery Thompson – 20-qt. batch freezer
- Emery Thompson – 6-qt. batch freezer
- Technogel 80 – continuous freezer
- Plate Heat Exchangers – 1 pt./min. to 15 gal./min.

**HTST/UHT PASTEURIZING EQUIPMENT**
- APV HTST Pasteurizer (400 gal/hr) Homogenization optional
- Extended hold tube (up to 12 min hold time)
- Microthermics 25DH – 1 to 2 L/min. (HTST/UHT indirect steam application)

**VAT PASTEURIZING EQUIPMENT**
- Walker Cone Bottom Processor – 40 min./100 gal. max capacity
- 5 can vat pasteurizer (15 min/50 gal max capacity)
- Additional Jacketed Vats – 400-gal. vats (2)

**EXTRUSION TECHNOLOGY**
- Wenger TX 52

**CHEESE MAKING EQUIPMENT**
- Kusel A-Frame cheese press
- Supreme Mini Mixer Mozzarella cheese stretcher
- 300-gal. Cheddar cheese vat – 4 Damrow 5-can open vats
- 2 Kusel “Double-O” 5-can automatic vats
- 50 can Qualtech automatic cheese vat
- Qualtech 8 foot, 4 tiered horizontal cheese press, 2 shelves per tier (8 shelves total)

**GAULIN TWO STAGE HOMOGENIZERS**
- 42 to 1,000 gal./hr.

**SEPARATORS/CLARIFIERS**
- (1,750 lbs./hr. to 13,000 lbs./hr.)
- Equipment Engineering Model 590
- DeLaval Model 340
- DeLaval Model 366
- GEA KNA-3 Greek Yogurt Separator
- CO2 incorporation system
- Various Membrane Systems

**PACKAGING SYSTEMS**
- Koch Multivac vacuum sealer
- ILPRA glass jar rotary filler
- Modern 4/6 oz cup filler

**UTILITIES**
- Electrical, chilled water, steam (culinary and regular), reverse osmosis water and pressurized air

**COOLERS**
- Various walk-in coolers and wind tunnels, temp range from -35 F to 110 F
OVERVIEW
The Cornell Dairy Processing Plant (permitted by New York State Agriculture & Markets) supports the primary teaching, research, and outreach missions of the Department of Food Science, the Cornell Institute of Food Science and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. Specifically, the Dairy contributes to undergraduate and graduate instruction in food science; to basic and applied dairy foods research; to public service through extension programs; and as a designated training facility for New York State Certified Milk Inspectors and New York State Department of Agriculture and Market Inspectors. As a by-product of its mission-based functions, the Cornell Dairy also produces fluid milk, juices, yogurt, butter and ice cream products to be sold on the Cornell University, Ithaca campus, as well as Ithaca College, SUNY Cortland, and Tompkins Cortland Community College, to offset the total costs incurred in the equipping and operations of the dairy plant. This facility is available for hands-on workshops as well as demonstrations and test runs of new technologies.

DAIRY PROCESSING LABORATORY
The Dairy Processing Laboratory research focus areas include Food Safety Engineering and Food Quality. Research in Food Safety Engineering focuses on the development of new and improved processing methods able to reduce the microbial load in food systems, of current interest being membrane separation and Pulsed Light treatment. The Food Quality component of research aims at elucidating the intermolecular interactions and structural transformations that occur during processing of dairy and complex foods and using this understanding to improve their quality and functionality.

EQUIPMENT
» Strain-controlled Advanced Rheometric Expansion System (ARES) (TA Instruments)
» Zeta potential and particle size analysis instrumentation (Brookhaven Inc.)
» Thermal analysis system (DSC and TGA, Seiko Instruments)
» Pulsed Light treatment unit (Xenon Corp.)
» Incubators
» Colorimeter
» Basic equipment for physical, chemical and microbiological analyses
» Pilot scale, automated microfiltration unit equipped with ceramic membranes
FOOD SAFETY LABORATORY, LABORATORY FOR MOLECULAR TYPING, AND MILK QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Research in Food Safety Laboratory focuses on the pathogenesis of foodborne diseases, pre- and postharvest food safety and on improving our understanding of the transmission of foodborne bacterial pathogens and spoilage organisms from farm animals and from foods to humans. A better understanding of the transmission pathways of foodborne pathogens is necessary to design better strategies to prevent and control human foodborne disease outbreaks and food contamination events. Both basic and applied research in the laboratory is targeted toward developing the scientific knowledge necessary to improve our ability to prevent foodborne diseases and food spoilage. Our group also has considerable expertise in developing mathematical modeling and decision support tools that can help industry identify the most effective strategies for reducing foodborne pathogens and spoilage organism contamination risks.

Current research in the Food Safety laboratory focuses on a number of dairy relevant pathogens including Listeria monocytogenes, Salmonella, and Bacillus cereus as well as detection identification, and tracking of different spoilage organisms (e.g., sporeformers, Gram-negative spoilage organisms [Pseudomonas, coliforms], as well as yeast and molds).

The laboratories and staff of the Milk Quality Improvement Program are involved in a variety of applied research projects related to the quality and safety of milk and dairy products and are available to conduct and support dairy industry projects. For details on services of the Laboratory of Molecular typing, which offers fully confidential subtyping, including whole genome sequencing and PFGE, please refer to our www page at: https://foodsafety.foodscience.cornell.edu/laboratory-molecular-typing-lmt/

EQUIPMENT

- Pulsed Field Gel Electrophoresis (PFGE) – Genetic Fingerprinting
- PCR and Sequence Based Characterization (16S, rpoB, etc.)
- Agilent 2100 Bioanalyzer
- Illumina – Full Genome Sequencing (Life Sciences Core Laboratory)
- ABI Prism – Real Time PCR Detection System
- Applied Biosystems Quant Studio 6Flex system for quantitative PCR
- Autoplate 4000- Q-count

FOOD SAFETY ENGINEERING AND FOOD QUALITY LAB

Moraru’s group research program is dedicated to developing technical solutions for improving food safety and quality and to advancing the knowledge in the area of microbial, physical and engineering properties of foods, particularly dairy foods. Our efforts are channeled in two distinct research areas: Food Safety Engineering and Food Quality.

EQUIPMENT

- Strain-controlled Advanced Rheometric Expansion System (ARES) (TA Instruments)
- Zeta potential and particle size analysis instrumentation (Brookhaven Inc.)
- Thermal analysis system (DSC and TGA, Seiko Instruments)
- Pulsed Light treatment unit (Xenon Corp.)
- Colorimeter (Konica Minolta CR-400)
Rizvi’s research group is engaged in research on experimental and theoretical aspects of bioseparation processes, highpressure extrusion with supercritical fluids, cryogenic freezing, physical and engineering properties of biomaterials and novel food processing technologies. A major long-term goal is to develop new and improved unit operations for value-added processing of food and biomaterials. Derivative goals include new techniques for measurement and control of processes and properties for industrial applications.

**EQUIPMENT**

- Supercritical fluid extraction, drying, sterilization and nanoencapsulation systems for liquid and solid foods
- Supercritical fluid extrusion system
- Texture Analyzer
- Dynamic Mechanical Analyzer and Brookfield viscometers
- Differential scanning colorimeter
- Dense gas freezing system

**HIGH PRESSURE PROCESSING**

Located within the Food Research Lab at Cornell AgriTech, Geneva, NY

**EQUIPMENT**

- HIPERBARIC 55
  - 55 L volume vessel, 200 mm diameter
  - 22 m² surface requirement
  - Automatic loading/unloading system
  - Ergonomics and speed

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COURSES, SYMPOSIA AND EVENTS

- HTST Pasteurizer Workshop (3 times per year)
- Vat Pasteurizer
- Yogurt and Fermented Dairy Products Workshop
- Certified Milk Inspectors School
- Dairy Laboratory Seminar
- New York State Cheese Manufacturers Annual Conference
- New York State Association for Food Protection Annual Conference
- Processing Plant Superintendent Schools (in cooperation with New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Department of Dairy Services)
- Introduction to Ice Cream and Frozen Desserts
- The Science of Cheese (Cheese making) Workshop
- Fluid Milk Quality and Safety Workshop
- FSMA Preventative Controls Qualified Individual Training
- Membrane Filtration and Separation Workshop
- Pathogen Environmental Monitoring Workshop
- Food Safety Plan (HACCP) Training
- Dairy Science and Sanitation

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FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

CORNELL SENSORY EVALUATION CENTER

OVERVIEW
The mission of the center is three-fold: to provide training and hands-on learning opportunities to students that are interested in the fields of sensory and consumer research, to further research in the areas of sensory science and consumer product testing, and to help businesses develop and improve their product offering through consumer and sensory testing.

We conduct Sensory Evaluation and Consumer Product Research. Among the standard services that are offered to commercial clients are Consumer Acceptability, Preference and Discrimination Testing, Product Sensory Profiling, and custom Employee Sensory and Consumer Research Training Programs. In addition, we provide consultations in all matters related to sensory product testing: appropriateness of particular test method, study sample size, questionnaire design, statistical analyses, sample blinding and serving sizes, to name a few.

The fees collected from our commercial clients go directly back to the Department of Food Science to support student programs and research (such as student product development teams, travel to conferences and competitions, scholarships, etc.)

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OVERVIEW
The Cornell Institute for Food Systems Industry Partnership Program (CIFS-IPP) is an exciting public-private partnership that expands and enhances engagement of Cornell University faculty and staff with industry scientists, engineers, and business leaders throughout the food system. With expertise in business and industry, CIFS-IPP finds solutions to today’s food system challenges while shaping tomorrow’s discoveries. Together, we inform and advance industry practice with cutting-edge science that pushes our food industry partners to the forefront of research, development, and technology.

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Food chemistry and ingredient technology. Our overarching goal is to stimulate a circular economy through conversion of waste to value and the development of clean label formulation. We developed a comprehensive platform to screen a broad range of dairy byproducts, characterize their physicochemical properties, and sequester high-value compounds. In this vein, we have been working with the dairy industry to identify their waste stream and convert them to milk oligosaccharides, galactooligosaccharides, and clean label emulsifiers as well as isolation of lactoferrin from whey. Another active research area in our lab is fortifying and adding health-promoting functionalities to dairy products through encapsulation platform; examples include encapsulation of amino acids, vitamins, and probiotics.

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Dairy cultures and fermentation; Dairy microbiology; food fermentations, spoilage organisms, bacteriophage; molecular biology. Dr. Alcaine’s research focuses on developing technologies that improve the quality, safety, and potential applications of fermented dairy products and co-products. Current research program includes: mechanisms for control of spoilage organisms, applications of bacteriophage to improve health, dairy safety, and fermentation performance, as well as novel applications for co-products of dairy fermentations.

Bacterial response and adaptation to environmental stresses; bacterial virulence; physiology and genetic characteristics of pathogenic bacteria; and dairy microbiology.

Dairy plant auditing, food safety systems; GFSI Safe Quality Foods; good manufacturing practices; dairy manufacturing; ice cream; FSMA Preventive Controls.

Workshop/short course organization and planning; food safety systems; good manufacturing practices; social media/web development; FSMA Preventive Controls.

Dairy Microbiology, Dairy Quality and Safety, Dairy Farm Practices, Dairy Farm and Processing Extension, Microbiological Methods. Dr. Martin collaborates with the department’s Food Safety Laboratory (FSL) and the Milk Quality Improvement Program (MQIP). Scientists in the FSL conduct basic and applied research in microbial food safety using the tools of molecular biology and microbiology. Scientists in the MQIP focus on identification and elimination of spoilage microbes in dairy food systems. Work in progress focuses on the genetics and physiology of foodborne bacterial pathogens and spoilage organisms, including Listeria monocytogenes and Bacillus spp. and related spore-forming bacteria.

The broader objective of Carmen Moraru’s research is to develop processes capable of delivering safe dairy foods of high quality and nutritional value.

Dairy systems environmental microbiology, product processing and regulations; small-scale dairy production; general food security and risk assessment.
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OVERVIEW
The Southeast Dairy Foods Research Center, with facilities and support at North Carolina State University (Raleigh) has been operating since 1988 and actively participates in national research planning and execution on behalf of the dairy industry and other entities. The Southeast Dairy Foods Research Center will conduct research, educate scientists, and develop and apply new technologies for processing of milk and its components into dairy products and ingredients with improved health, safety, quality, and expanded functionalities. Areas of research emphasized in this center are notably in whey protein functionality, extended shelf-life processing, probiotics, dairy starter cultures, and the rheology, flavor, chemistry, and sensory quality of cheese and dairy ingredients. The center also hosts a Food Rheology Laboratory, Nutrition Technical Services Laboratory and a Sensory Applications Laboratory, conducting analytical, qualitative and affective sensory tests and flavor chemistry analyses tailored to meet specific needs of the food industry.

RESEARCH FOCUS
• Milk protein and whey ingredient functionality
• Thermal and biological processing
• Extended shelf-life processing
• Sensory properties and flavor chemistry of cheese and dairy ingredients
• Dairy food safety
• Dairy starter cultures and probiotics

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SENSORY APPLICATIONS LABORATORY
The Sensory Applications Laboratory at North Carolina State University specializes in dairy sensory and flavor chemistry analysis, including consumer testing (qualitative and quantitative), preference mapping, instrument flavor analysis techniques (gas chromatography mass spectrometry, gas chromatography olfactometry and HPLC) and descriptive analysis. The center maintains three trained descriptive panels. Ongoing flavor research is primarily focused on dairy products (including milk, cheese, milk powders, whey proteins and butter), dairy ingredients applications, and how flavor varies with processing and storage. A specific focus is development of defined sensory languages and the application of these languages to enhanced product understanding, links to volatile compounds (flavor chemistry) and enhanced consumer understanding.

FOOD RHEOLOGY LABORATORY
The research objective of the Food Rheology Laboratory at North Carolina State University is the explanation of the physical chemistry, molecular-level interactions and effect of processing conditions within a food system, through an understanding of rheological behavior, while solving processing and product development problems facing the food industry. Particular emphasis is placed on evaluating rheological contributions to sensory properties of materials during oral processing. The laboratory maintains a full complement of highprecision rheometric, viscometric and compression/extension equipment for complete characterization of food material properties as they relate to material structure and texture. Complementary techniques including tribology and acoustic emission are being developed in the laboratory to expand the scope of research capabilities with respect to food material characterization functionality.

FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

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EQUIPMENT

» Cherry-Burrell EQ-3 ESL Gable-top filler
» LiquiBox Semi-automatic Bag-n-box filler
» HTST system (700/350 gal./hr.)
» Feldmeier tubular ultrapasteurization booster
» DeLaval 590 cold milk separator
» Multiple batch tanks
» Admix Rotosolver submersible mixer
» Tri-clover blender
» CEM SMART Trac fat/solids analysis system
» APV Gaulin 2-stage homogenizer
» Ice cream processing
» Tetra Hoyer Frigus 600 and S1200 freezers
» Tetra Hoyer FF 2000 ingredient feeder
» Tetra Hoyer variegation system
» Sweetheart rotary 4-oz. cup filler
» Sawvel rotary pint cup filler
» Shrink-wrap oven
» Cheese vat – 300 gal. (automatic stir, jacketed)
» Kusel 4MX cheese vat – 65 gal.
» Manual cheese vat – 50 gal. (jacketed)
» Cheddar mill
» Cheese hoops and presses
» Koch vacuum sealer
» VRC multicoil processor XXI
» Feldmeier tubular heat exchanger
» 75-kw continuous microwave processor
» Marlen piston pump Model 629
» ASTEPO low-acid aseptic Bag-n-box filler
» Radio Frequency Co. Microwave processor
» Superspeed and ultracentrifuges
» Gas chromatography/mass spectrometry (GC/MS)
» Gas chromatography olfactometry (GCO)
» Benchtop micro- and ultrafiltration
» Pilot scale ultrafiltration
» High-pressure liquid chromatography (HPLC)
» Microscopy: light, phase and fluorescent
» Microbiological support laboratory
» Autoclaves
» Rheometers
» Electrophoretic analyses: DNA and protein
» DNA fingerprinting
» Kitchen preparation room
» Consumer testing booths with Compusense
» Descriptive panel room

» Sensory panel room
» Atomic absorption spectrophotometry
» Visible, UV and fluorescent plate readers
» Mammalian cell culture
» Stock retort and can sealer
» Anhydro pilot scale spray dryer
» Buchi benchtop spray dryer
» Retort – approx. 120 1-lb. cans
» Kemotech smoking room – 4- by 5-ft. firebox
» CEM microwave moisture analyzer
» APV homogenizer – 2 stages
» Gas chromatographs (GC), GC-MS, GC-O
» HPLC, LC-MS
» Mass spectrometers (MS)
» Spectrophotometers

SENSORY SERVICE CENTER

ANALYTICAL TECHNOLOGY & EQUIPMENT

Perkin Elmer Inductively Coupled Plasma-Optical Emission Spectrometer (ICP-OES)
» Mineral and element analysis
» Can be used with liquid, semi-solid, and solid samples

HunterLab Colorimeter
» Can measure samples in both reflection and transmission of colors, spectral reflectance and transmission of samples
» Ability to analyze opaque solids, clear liquids, transparent films, powders, and opaque liquids
» Allows for analysis of color change of samples over time in support of data from other analytical analysis techniques

Agilent Technologies GC/MS/MS
» Agilent tandem GC/MS System
» Analysis of volatile compounds in very low concentrations
» Analysis of degradation products that play a role in flavor
» Equipped with Gerstel sniffer port

Agilent Technologies GC/MS
» Three (3) - Agilent GC/MS systems
» Equipped for Solid Phase MicroExtraction (SPME)
» Volatile analysis of a variety of sample types
Agilent Technologies GC/MS with Thermal Desorption Unit (TDU)
» Able to analyze lower volatility compounds by heating the sorption onto a substrate for introduction into the GCMS
» Suited for liquid, gaseous, and solid samples
» Equipped with Gerstel Twister technology that allows Stir Bar Sorptive Extraction (SBSE)
» Equipped with Gerstel sniffer port

Agilent Technologies GC/O
» Two (2) - Agilent GC Olfactometry Systems
» Human Nose as the detector for compounds
» Used in conjunction with GC/MS to determine flavor compound quantification

Waters HPLC
» Separation of nonvolatile compounds in liquids for qualification with various detectors
» Equipped with Photo Diode Array (PDA), Refractive Index (RI) detectors
» Previous work analyzing sugar alcohols, furosine, phospholipids

Waters Aquity UPLC/MS
» Separation of nonvolatile compounds in liquids for qualification with various detectors
» Higher pressure allows for shorter run times, and better resolution of compounds over traditional HPLC
» Equipped with Photo Diode Array (PDA), Evaporative Light Scattering (ELS), Fluorescence, and mass spectrometry detectors
» Previous work analyzing carotenoids, norbixin, organic acids, lysoalanine

Delta Instruments Lactoscope
» Ability to measure many different basic components found in the milk (fat, protein, lactose, solids)
» Able to determine other important components of milk: Casein, Density, True Protein, NPN/Calculated Urea, and pH

Malvern Particle Size Analyzer
» Rapid and effective wet dispersion for particle analysis in liquids
» Fast particle size measurement of fragile and cohesive dry powders

Formulation Turbiscan
» Analysis of particles in liquid suspensions in very complex mixtures with multiple dispersed components
» Used to measure the mean particle size on concentrated media, as no dilution nor sample stress are required
» Analysis of agglomerates or flocs without altering the particle size of the liquid sample

COURSES, SYMPOSIA AND EVENTS

• HTST Pasteurizer Operator shortcourse (2 times per year)
• Dairy Supplier Sensory on/offsite (4 times per year)
• Antibiotic residuals course (dairy farm)
• FDA Training Dairy and Food Processing
• Sensory and Instrumental Analysis of Dairy Flavors Short Course
• FS 324 Milk and Dairy Products (Internet-based distance education course)
• FS 554 Lactation, Milk and Nutrition
• Cheese Making Short Course
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WESTERN DAIRY CENTER

OVERVIEW
The Western Dairy Center, based at Utah State University is a virtual dairy research center with foci on dairy research, driven by the western region dairy industry, and a technically trained, workforce-development pipeline. The center links strongly to the BUILD Dairy program, that was initiated in 2014, with a mission of fostering participation and success of students in dairy research activities that can lead to employment in the dairy industry as well as academia. This is achieved through the BUILD Dairy program designed to BUILD University-Industry Linkages through Learning and Discovery. BUILD Dairy students are supervised by professors from Brigham Young University, University of Utah, Weber State University, Utah State University, University of Idaho, Boise State University, Washington State University, and Oregon State University. Included in the BUILD Dairy program are opportunities for undergraduate research as well as Masters and PhD research involving a range of dairy food topics. The BUILD Dairy students participate in leadership and other activities that increase their understanding of dairy food technology and its importance in innovation, quality, and manufacturing.

RESEARCH FOCUS
- Cheese flavor and functionality
- Cheese technology
- Dairy processing
- Physiological & nutritional impacts of dairy proteins
- Sports nutrition
- Environmental sustainability
- Milk protein chemistry
- Dairy microbiology and safety
- Concentrated dairy products
- Lactic acid bacterial genetics, genomics and metabolomics
- Dairy powders – whey protein, milk protein concentrate, and non-fat dried milk
- Lactose bioconversion
- Dairy sensory (collaboration with SDFRC)

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OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY

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COURSES AND EVENTS

• Basic Cheese Making Short Course
• Advanced Cheese Short Course
• GMP Workshop
• Advanced Sanitation Workshop
• Safe Quality Foods Workshop
• FSMA Workshop

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