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Food Processing Extension and Research Program

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Program

“Value-added processing of the agricultural outputs to create safe and high-quality profitable food products”

Vision:

To build a **sustainable integrated extension and research program**, addressing the technical issues in the value-added processing of the agricultural outputs of the state of Washington, the Pacific Northwest region, the Nation, and Globally.

Integrated Extension & Research Processing Program

Food Processing Technologies

Food Ingredients and Food
Product Development

Engineering / Processing
Solutions for Food Safety

Roles We Play in the Food Supply Chain

Plant Breeding – Development of New Varieties

- Screen the breeding lines for macronutrients and techno-functional properties
- Find ideal food product applications

Growers

- Assess the performance of the varieties (location, year over year, and agronomy) on nutrition and techno-functional properties

Food Processors (All Types and Sizes)

- Impacts of processing on the ingredient changes
- Development of food products
- Specific processing technologies
- Food Safety

Commodity Groups and Regulating Agencies

- Technical assistance
- Training development
- Policy support with technical information

Extension Program

Food Processing and Safety Extension Program

➤ > \$1.7 Million in fees generated

- Pulses
- Apples
- Cherries
- Pomace

➤ Annually >20 workshops/trainings

➤ #shelf-stable food products evaluated to the market > 1,920

- Food Safety Plans
- Validations
- Process Authority
- Product Development
- Process Development

Assistance to Individual Companies

Assistance with Broader Industry Issues

Training Programs

- FSMA-PCHF
- FSMA-FSVP
- FSMA-PSR
- FSMA-Mixed Facilities
- Food Ingredient Technology (FIT)
- Extrusion Processing
- Product Development
- Basics of Sanitation
- CGMPs (English and Spanish)
- Internal Audit
- Food Safety and Sanitation Workshop
- BPCS

➤ Measured long-term economic impact > \$120 million



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USDEC
Petrobras
Fika

US CRANBERRY
AMERICA'S
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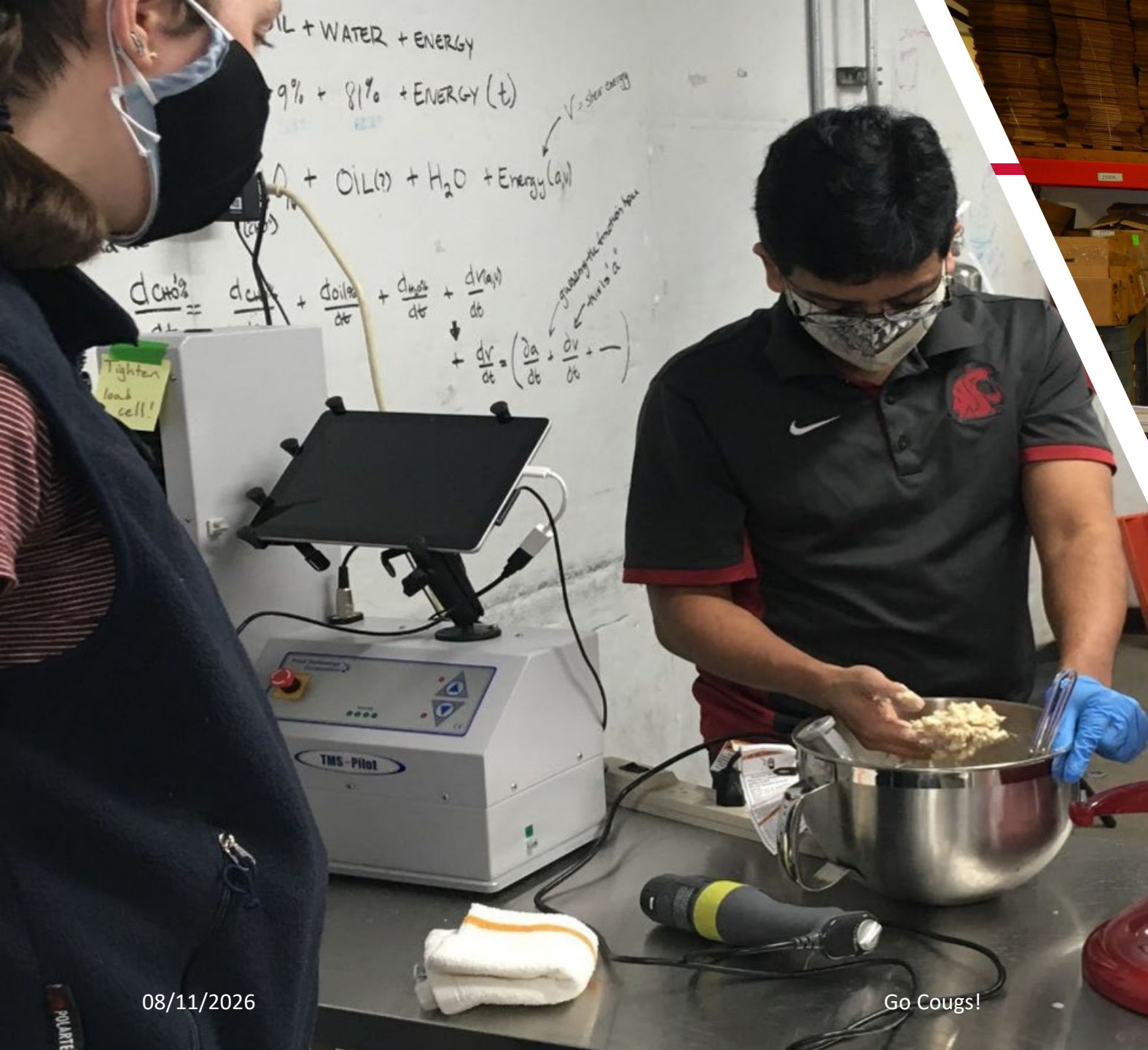
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MARKETING

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2025
Tendências e inovações em
tecnologia para o setor alimentício

USDEC

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Process Authority Work



Examples



Progene

Extrusion
Processing



BAF

Extrusion
Processing



Ingredion

Extrusion
Processing



General Mills

Extrusion
Processing



Rebellyous Foods

Product
Development and
Scale-up



Fruit Smart

Snack
Products with
Fruit Pomace

Examples



Lucks

Process Authority
Services and
Ingredient
Functionality



Banza

Ingredient Quality
Assessment &
Product Quality



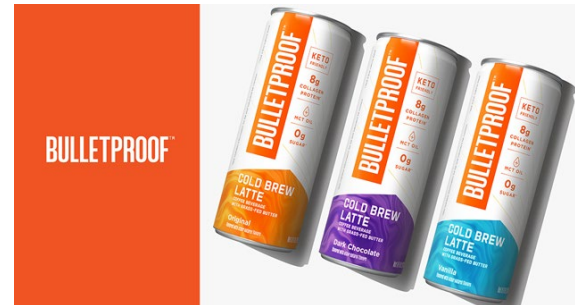
InstaPro

Frying oil
Quality and
Extrusion
Press



Culinex

Various Extrusion
Processing
Projects



BulletProof

Extruded Product
Development



Trident

Food Safety
and Frying
Process

Examples



Amazon
Food Safety
Validations and
Fruit Sorting
Process



Tate & Lyle
Food Ingredients
for Extrusion
Processing



Starbucks
Food Safety
Validations



Puris
(a Cargill Co.)
Extrusion of
Pea Proteins



BEYOND MEAT

Beyond Meat
Extrusion
Processing of
Plant Proteins



Motif Food Works
Extrusion
Processing

Examples



Madrona Foods

Drying
Process &
Ingredients



Chukar Cherries

Food Safety
Process Validation



Turbopup

Scale-up; Mixing
process &
Ingredients



HBF International

Drying
Process



Idaho Candy

Food Safety
Process Validation



Lamb Weston, Inc.

Frying Process,
Freezing Process,
and Food Safety

Research Program

Food Processing Research Program

- (Physico-)chemical Characteristics
- Pasting Properties
- Thermal Characteristics
- Rheology

Physico-chemical changes in raw materials

Total Funding: \$45,460,985/-

Program Funding: \$7,835,431/-

- FTIR
- NMR
- XRD
- Microscopy (SEM, Confocal)
- X-Ray Density Profiling

Analysis of Micro-structure and Molecular Changes

Processing Technologies

- Extrusion
- Frying
- Direct Steam Injection

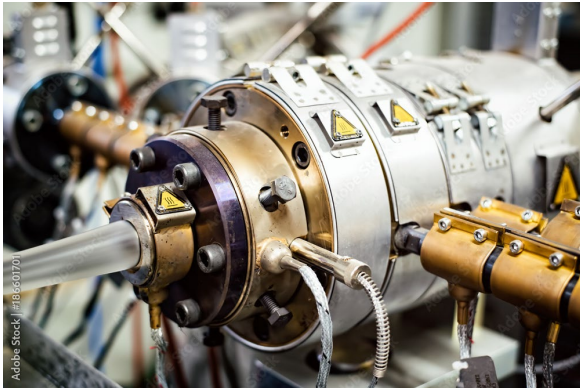
Process Technologies

Extrusion

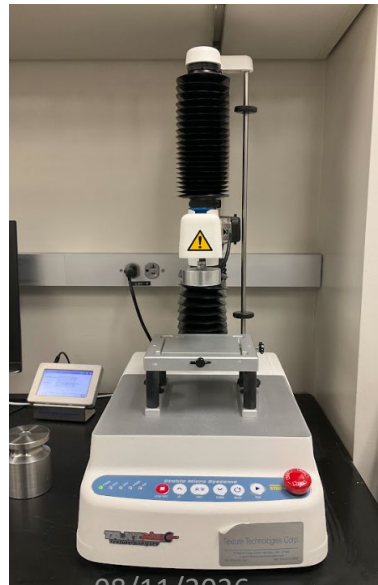
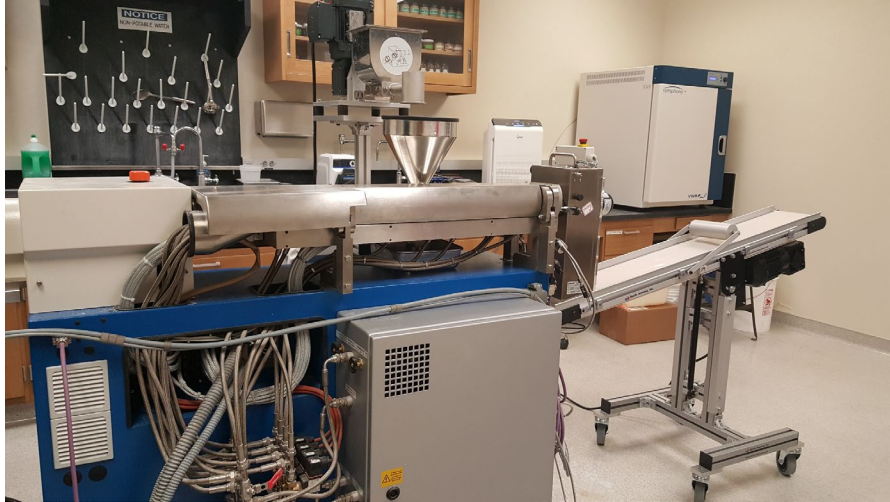
Direct Steam Injection

Frying

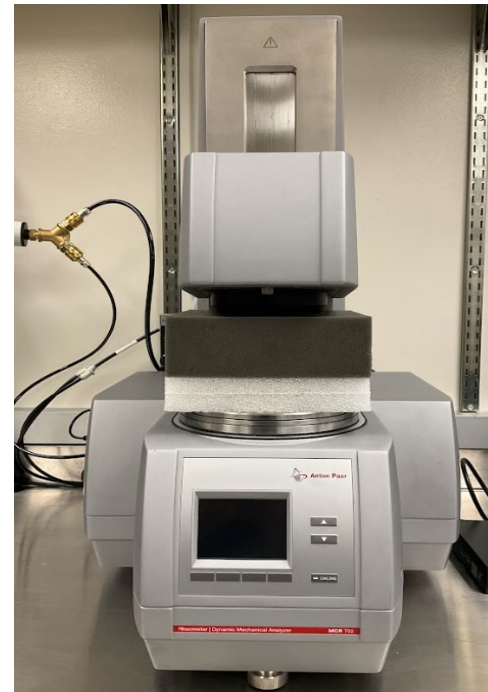
Baking



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Extrusion Program

RESEARCH

- Direct Expanded Products
- High Protein and High Fiber Products
- Textured Protein Products

- Pulses
- Dry Beans
- Quinoa
- Proso Millet
- Buckwheat
- Pomace

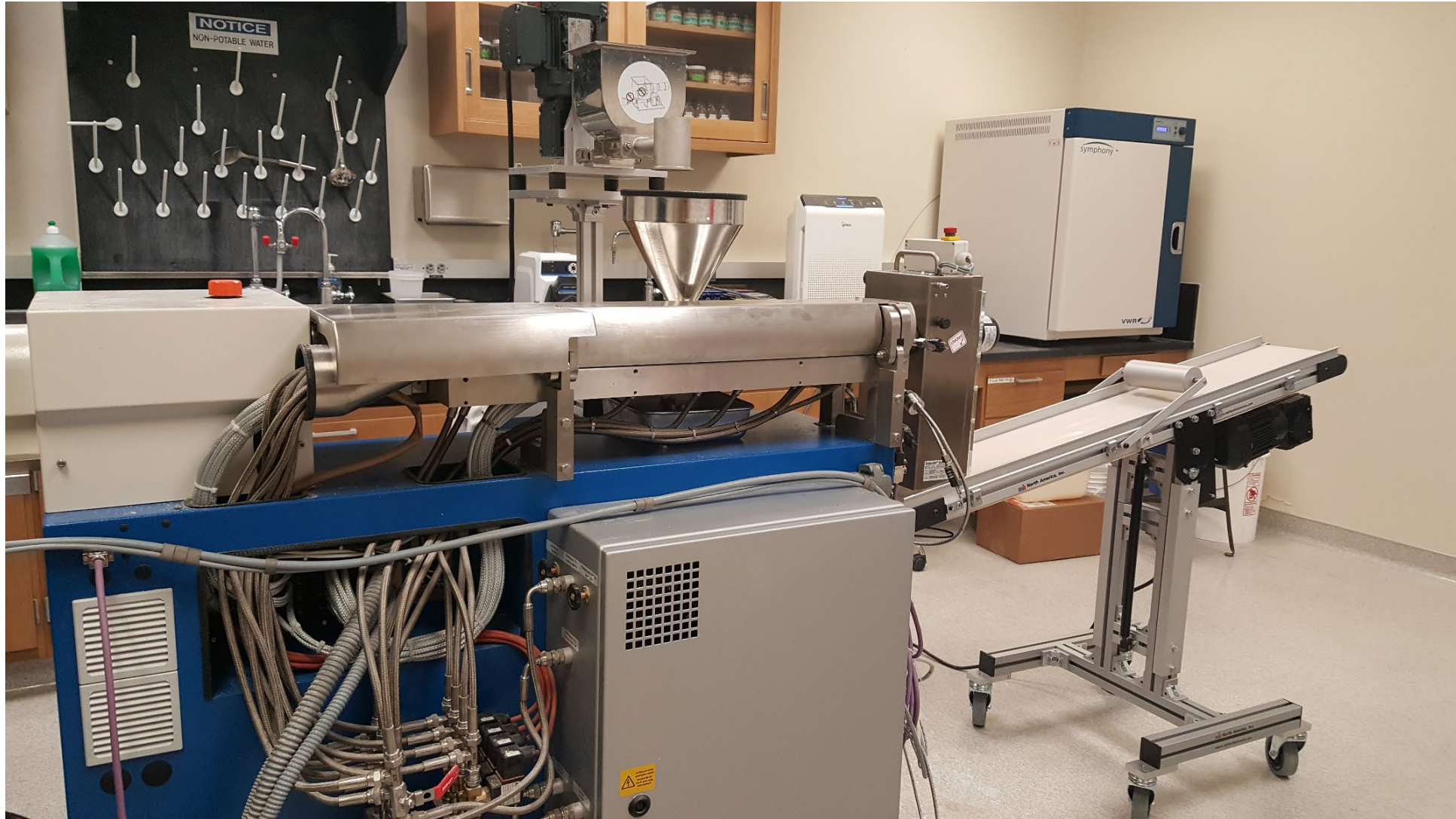
TEACHING

- Hands on Learning
- Industry Exposure
- Guest Lectures
- Live Demo Experiences at the IFT Annual Meeting

EXTENSION

- Short Course
- Assistance to Industry
- Assistance to Ag Commodity Groups
- National and International

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Philippines (Helping Promote US Grown Commodities)



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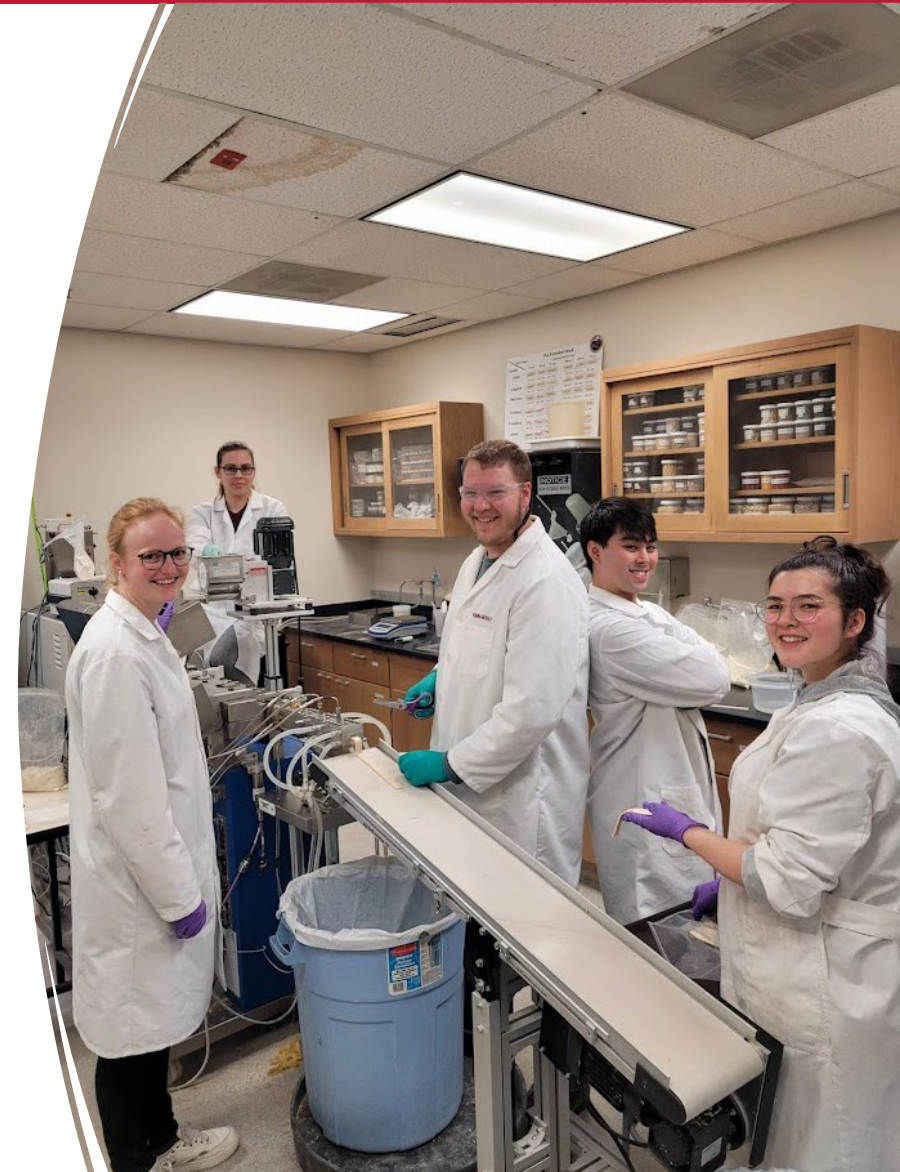
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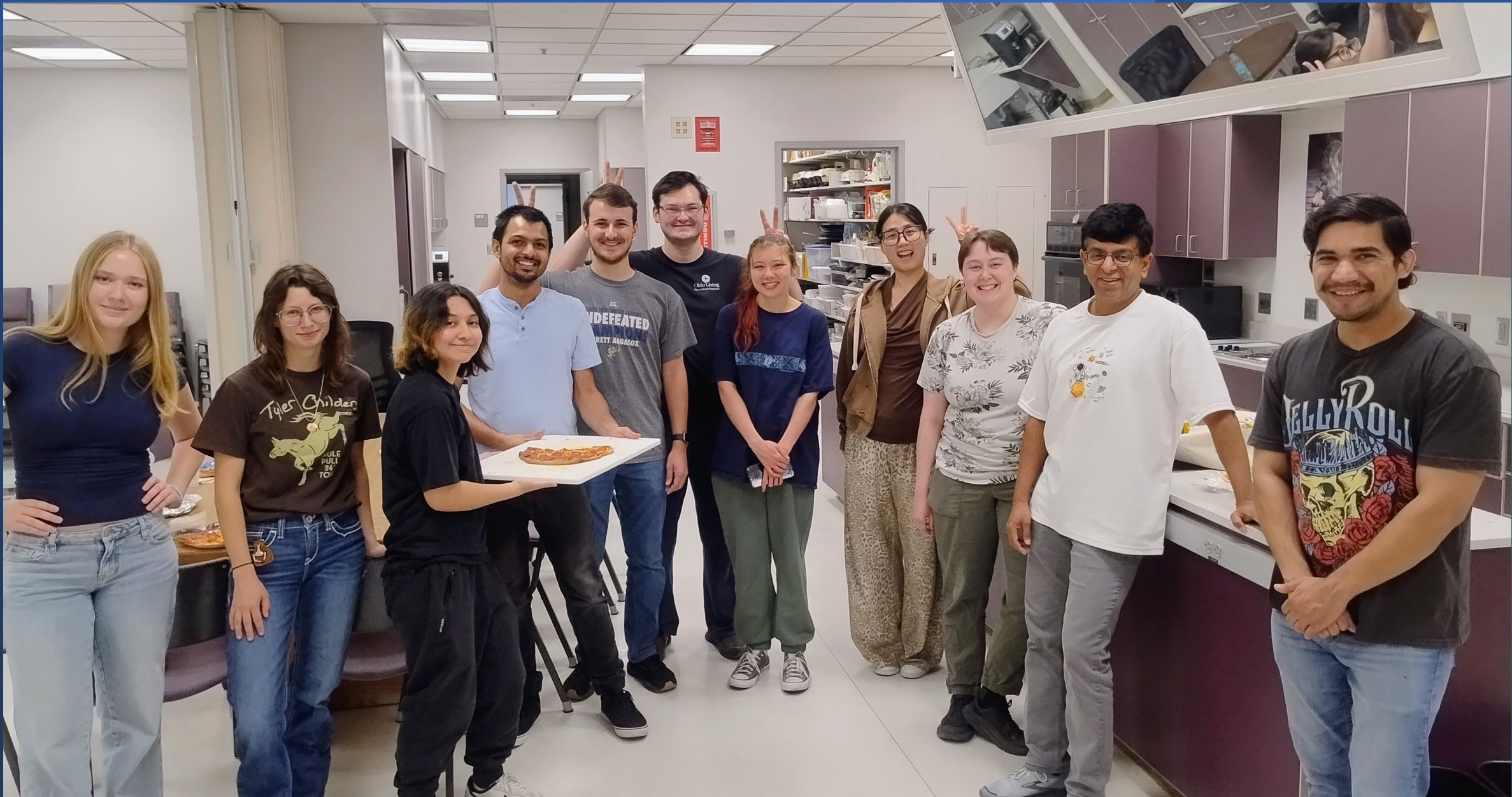
Extrusion Processing Team

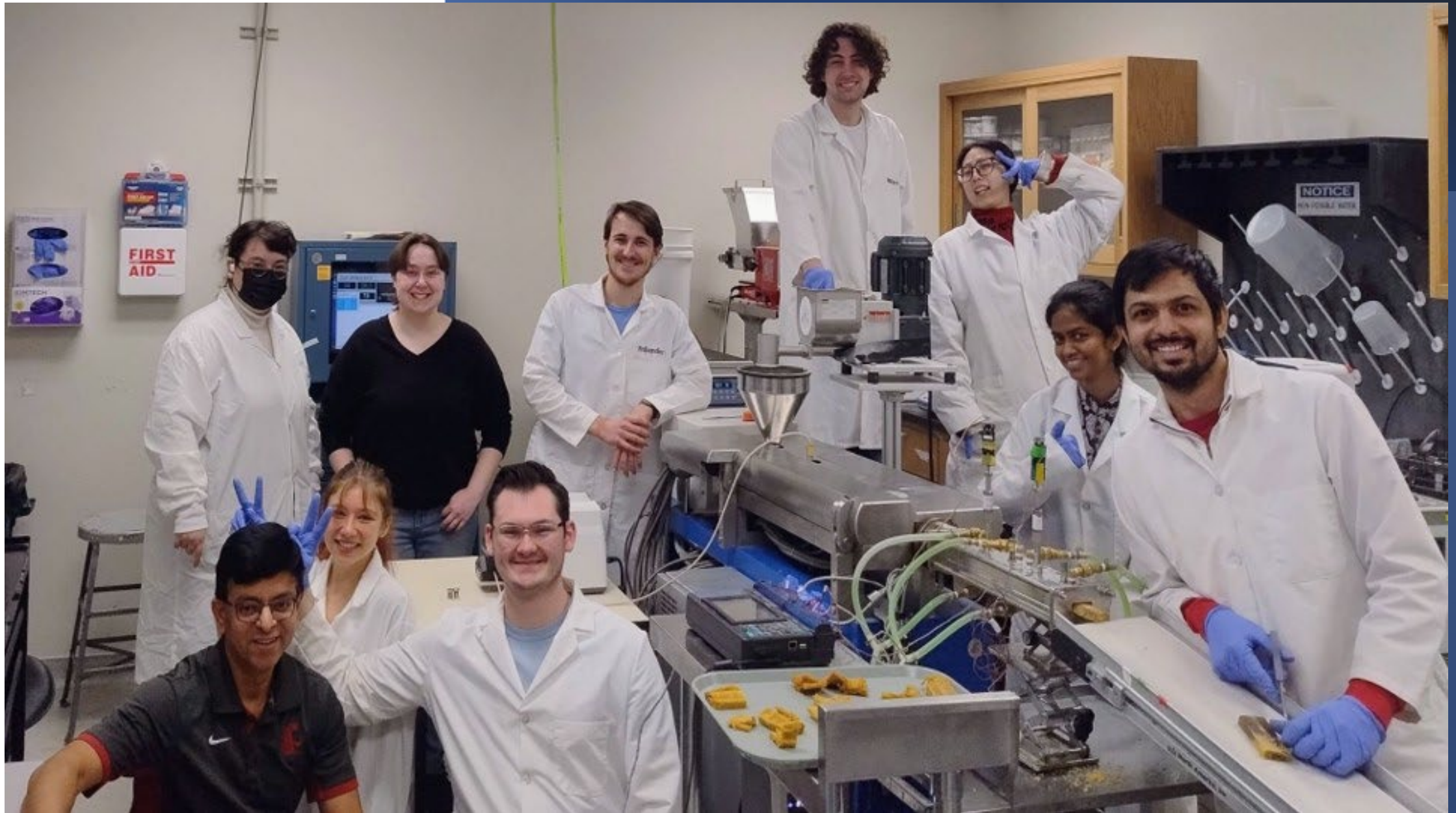


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Thank You!

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Lab Tour Today

FSHN 204
and
FSHN 212
(Wet Chemistry and
General Analysis)

Hannah Johnson

FSHN 283
and
FSHN 289
(Analytical Systems and
Extrusion Processing)

Steven Verver

Emmersyn Laundry