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Agri-Food Discovery Place









Driving Innovation in Alberta Agriculture

A partnership between the University of Alberta, Government of Alberta and Olds College World class innovative research, training and technology transfer specializing in food safety, value-added processing and value-added bio-refining of food and industrial products.

Agri-Food Discovery Place offers industrial partners the unique opportunity to collaborate closely and leverage the expertise of world class researchers in a state-of-the-art facility where research can be conducted throughout the entire chain of meat processing and handling as well as every aspect of bio-refining.

Agri-Food Discovery Place is home to two unique, state-of-the-art research facilities, specializing in crops utilization and meat safety.

Crops research allows pilot-scale processing of agri-food and agri-industrial products and development of novel technologies through separation, conversion and application technologies all under one roof.

Meat research focuses on the different approaches to control pathogens during the processing, packaging and storage of meat products and is unique in its ability to work with pathogens in a small scale pilot processing environment.



Integrated Bio-refining

Biomass



Separation processes

(dry and wet) supercritical carbon dioxide; sub/super critical water



Conversion processes

Thermal, chemical and biological



Applications development

Functional foods, nutraceuticals, biofuels and bioproducts for industrial applications

Process validation

at all stages of food production systems



Ensuring food safety for food service operations and consumers

Development and validation of new technologies to improve food safety