nc Canadian Food & Wine Institute Innovation Centre

Solutions for Industry

Access world-class culinary and food science expertise, facilities and equipment at the Canadian Food & Wine Institute Innovation Centre, your company's R&D partner, located at the Niagara-on-the-Lake Campus of Niagara College. We provide a key competitive advantage to small- and medium-sized businesses in the food and beverage sector.

Our recent successes:

DEVELOPED A OO% ALCOHOL award-winning craft-brewed lager for MADD VIRGIN DRINKS



DEVELOPED 30 NEW RECIPES for a baking company after 50 students brainstormed 300+ ideas IMPLEMENTED FOOD SAFETY PROTOCOLS to allow national distribution of a line of frozen curries for VIJ'S AT HOME



PERFORMED 100+ HOP ANALYSIS SERVICES for all quality assurance parameters



Do you have an innovative idea but lack the resources to bring it to life? **MEET WITH US. WORK WITH US.**

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The Canadian Food & Wine Institute Innovation Centre team offers a full suite of services to support industry innovation and commercialization of new products and processes. From new recipe development to shelf-life testing and nutritional labelling, the CFWI Innovation Centre pairs industry partners with faculty, recent graduates and students with the right expertise and equipment to meet your needs.

We specialize in

RECIPE AND NEW PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

Developing new products, improving existing products, entering new product categories, increasing product quality and ease of operations, and assisting with ingredient sourcing, co-packing referrals and packaging recommendations

FOOD AND BEVERAGE SAFETY AND REGULATORY ASSISTANCE

Providing you with applicable food safety and regulatory standards, ensuring compliance, and providing food safety education and training

NUTRITIONAL LABELLING SERVICES

Creating labelling content for new and existing products to meet regulatory and CFIA standards

LABORATORY SERVICES

Providing qualitative and quantitative evaluation of food and beverages in our research laboratories, including a microbiology lab (Biosafety Level 2), chemistry lab, food quality lab and shelf-life lab

SENSORY ANALYSIS AND CONSUMER TESTING

Engaging chefs and beverage specialists, trained panelists and consumers in qualitative and quantitative sensory analysis for food and beverage products



Resources & Capabilities

- -• Commercial Brewery and Hop yard
- Commercial Winery and Vineyard
- -• Commercial Kitchens
- Microbiology Lab
- Chemistry Lab
- Sensory Analysis and Consumer Testing Labs
- Shelf-Life and Packaging Lab
- Commercialization Solutions

"Without access to Niagara College's faculty, students, equipment, and network of co-packers, MADD Virgin Craft Brewed Lager would not have been possible, let alone become one of our best sellers in the U.S. market."

~Brian Bolshin, President of Hill Street Beverage Company





Start the conversation today

Together, we will determine how best to meet your needs, whether we perform a quick turnaround service, or a full innovation project. For R&D partnership opportunities, contact us:

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