

Extrusion Scale-up & Process Transfer

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This short course is organised by Dennis Forte & Associates in conjunction with The Centre for Feed Technology (FôrTek), part of the Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NMBU)

Overview

This course builds on information presented in our three-day extrusion courses. It covers techniques to scale-up an extrusion process - eg from pilot scale to production scale - or to transfer a process from one type of extruder to another. The extruders may be either the same or different makes of extruder.

Following a brief review of extrusion theory, the program discusses methods to quantify both material rheology and the extrusion process. This is then used as a basis for a planned approach to scale-up and/or process transfer. Analysis and scale-up of extrusion dies are covered as separate topics. Worked examples - taken from actual industrial scale-up experience - are used to demonstrate the methods.

The aim is to provide participants with a science-based approach to scaleup and process transfer, but which applies to real industrial processes. The limitations inherent in scaling the process is also discussed, along with how small-scale trials should be planned so that processes are more scalable.

Course Content

Topics covered include -

A Review of Extrusion Processing Theory
› The Four Golden Rules

Development of Optimal Extruder Profiles

An Introduction to Dimensional Analysis

Quantification of Material Rheology
› Ingredients and the Finished Product

Quantification of the Extrusion Process
› The Mass & Energy Balance
› Material Rheology
› Weighted Average Total Strain (WATS)

Scale-up & Process Transfer

Modeling the Degree of Cook in Extruders

Use of Dimensional Analysis
› The Operational Characteristics of Extruders

Design and Evaluation of Extrusion Dies

Modelling of the Direct Expansion Process

Modelling of a Sheetting Die

Note — *This is an advanced program, considerable prior knowledge of participants is assumed - we recommend that participants should have previously attended one of our 3-day extrusion courses as essential background to this more advanced program. Participants should also expect significant mathematics in the methods presented for scale-up and process transfer.*

Venue

Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NMBU),
Vitenparken Building Fredrik A. Dahls vei 8,
Ås (near Oslo), Norway

Programs scheduled to run 08:30 - 16:30

Registration Fee

NOK 10,000 per person

Registration fees are set in NOK and will vary when converted to other currencies according to fluctuations in exchange rates.

A **10% discount** applies for registrations received by **1 March 2024** and paid within 14 days.

An **additional 10%** discount applies for those attending consecutive courses.

An **additional 5%** discount applies for three or more course registrations received together from the same company.

Discounted fees apply for PhD students and non-profit research organisations - see [course webpage](#) for details.

Registration fee includes hand out notes directly related to the presentations, as well as lunches, morning & afternoon refreshments.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 29 MARCH 2024

Register online via the [course webpage](#) or send participant details (name, company, address, email, ph) to mjephcott02@gmail.com

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Course Presenter

Mr Dennis Forte, a chemical engineer with extensive experience in extrusion processing and die design, including breakfast cereals, extruded snacks, pasta, and confectionery. Dennis has worked with a wide variety of companies using extrusion technology.


The Centre for Feed Technology (FôrTek), part of the Norwegian University of Life Sciences (NMBU), serves the international feed industry by carrying out research in all areas of fish feed, pet food, and animal feed as well as in student education. New ingredients and processes can be tested using its extensive pilot plant facilities, which includes extrusion, pelletising, drying, and coating equipment.

Books Published by the Course Presenter

Available to course participants at 20% discount to list price, or order online from fie.com.au/books or major booksellers.



[Full Planned Program available from course webpage](#)

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