DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICAL ENGINEERING SEMINAR

Agricultural Utilization Research for A Sustainable Economy



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ABSTRACT

Agricultural Research Service (ARS) is the premier research arm of U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). Since its founding one hundred fifty two year ago by President Lincoln, USDA has strived to expand economic opportunity through innovation, helping rural America to thrive; to promote agriculture production sustainability that better nourishes Americans while also helping feed others throughout the world; and to preserve and conserve our nation's natural resources through restored forests, improved watersheds, and healthy private working lands. Here at National Center for Agricultural Utilization Research (the Center) of USDA ARS, our research is driven by the world's need to live sustainably by using renewable resources, and the Center's expertise and research capability in this arena is of increasing significance. It is therefore important that the work in the Center continues and, as economic growth allows, continues to expand to meet the needs of the American public. In this seminar, I will highlight the research accomplishments at the Center and our expertise and capabilities with emphasis on the Functional Food Research Unit, which I lead and manage. I will also take the opportunity to explore ways of developing research collaborations with K-State faculties and students.

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