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Tara has more than 20 years experience in food processing, chemistry and engineering research. She received her B.S. in Food Science from Cornell University in 1989 and her Ph.D. also in Food Science from U.C. Davis in 1993. Tara has authored over 40 peer reviewed publications and 7 patents, two of which have been licensed. Tara has also received numerous awards for her innovative research program some of which include the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers, the USDA Secretary Honors Award for Superior Service and the Popular Science Best of What's New Award.

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