

2020 AWARD RECIPIENT

CONGRATULATIONS TO DR. GAURAV TEWARI FOR RECEIVING THE OFPA'S SANITARIAN & FOOD SAFETY PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR AWARD



Dr. Gaurav Tewari is a Food Process Chemical Engineer, with 24+ years of Global Food Industry experience. He holds Bachelor of Engineering from GB Pant University in India and Master's and PhD in Food Process Chemical Engineering from the University of Manitoba, Canada. Gaurav received Vice-Chancellor's Gold Medal Award for obtaining the highest GPA in his BTech Program with the GB Pant University [India] and received the President's Grant and Scholarships for his graduate studies with the University of Manitoba.

A key accomplishment over the past 18 years in his career, is his invention of the "ZERO-OxTech" processing System (12+ US and International Patents Pending), which is targeted to be commercialized for US \$ 80 billion Centralized Meat Operations for extending shelf-life of case-ready meats in their centralized meat distribution system.

This system will revolutionize Ontario's and Canada's ability to export fresh meats, to the global markets, through extended shelf life allowing Canadian meat products to trade more economically and provide merchandising solutions for the current challenges in those markets.

Dr. Tewari also worked as VP-Operations, Director-Plant Operations, Director-Quality; Director-Operations; Research Engineer; Senior Research Scientist; Adjunct Professor of Engineering; Vice-President & President of (Global Operations) with different institutions and companies, such as Marcatus QED [Co-manufacturer of major Pickle Brands for Unilever [Europe], Mount Olive, Vlasic, Pinaccl Foods, Bubbies, Metro, Loblaws], Sargent Farms, Silani Sweet Cheese Ltd., University Of Manitoba, Lacombe Meat Research Centre, University Of Illinois Urbana- Champaign, United States Food & Drug Administration's The National Centre for Food Safety and Technology [Chicago, IL], University of Guelph, Guelph Food Technology Centre, and ESL Global [Texas, USA].

Dr. Tewari has over 50 publications (refereed and non-refereed) and over 100 presentations in national and international conferences. He also wrote a book, titled "Advances in Thermal and Non-Thermal Food Preservation" (Publisher: Blackwell Publishing, Iowa, USA), which is being used as a reference in several R&D institutions in different parts of the world. He sits on CPEPC's Poultry Operations Technical Committee and Canadian Meat Council.

As part of this award, the OFPA will be sending Dr. Tewari a certificate and a gift of \$250.00