

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- FULL SERVICE LABORATORY
- DIVERSE CAPABILITIES
- COMPETITIVE PRICING
- FAST SAMPLE TURNAROUND
- PRECISE AND RELIABLE
- ISO 9001 CERTIFIED

# **AVEKA Group**

AVEKA Inc AVEKA Manufacturing Cresco Food Technologies AVEKA Nutra Processing AVEKA CCE Technologies

### **AVEKA CHARACTERIZATION SERVICES**

AVEKA provides testing services for in-house and external samples on every scale. We collaborate closely with our customers and combine analytical techniques to create a comprehensive characterization plan. A leader in particle processing technology, AVEKA has the experience and capabilities to provide precise and reliable characterization for your needs.

### Particle size analyses

- Particles 3 nm to 2+ mm
- Particle size distribution (PSD)
- · Sonic sieve
- Ro-Tap
- Coulter Counter

### Imaging (particle shape analyses)

- Optical microscopy
- Scanning electron microscopy (SEM)
- Dynamic imaging analysis

### **Area and Density**

- BET surface area
- Helium pycnometry

#### Formulation analyses

- High performance liquid chromatography (HPLC)
- Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA)
- Spectrophotometer
- Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC)
- Conductivity and pH

### Additional analyses

- Zeta potential analysis (ZP)
- · Rheological analysis
- Moisture and solids analysis (MSA)
- · Karl Fisher

# Characterization Services

# You have questions. We have answers.

## Encapsulated fragrance oils

What size is our product?

- Particle size distribution
  Is the product dry enough?
- Moisture and solids analysis
   Is the oil well encapsulated? Are the capsules cracked?
- Scanning electron microscopy What is the fraction of oil to shell material? Is oil release temperature dependent?
- Thermogravimetric analysis
   Are my particles spherical?
  - Horiba Camsizer

## Surface coat powder with silane

How much silane was added to our material?

- Thermogravimetric analysis Is our final moisture content within specification?
  - Karl Fisher

# Dry, powdered food gelling agent

What does the powder look like dry vs. gelled?

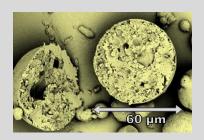
 Optical and scanning electron microscopy

Does the powder behave properly when gelled?

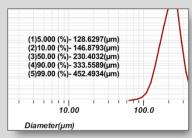
Rheological analysis

How does the gel behave with temperature change, cooking?

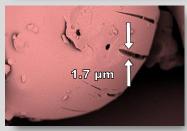
Differential scanning calorimetry











# Formulation of nutraceutical emulsion for spray drying

Is there variation between batches or contamination?

High performance liquid chromatography

Is our emulsion stable?

Zeta Potential

Are there issues with temperature changes post-production?

- Differential scanning calorimetry
   Do we need to protect our material from oxygen and/or heat?
  - Thermogravimetric analysis

## Ceramic particle size reduction

What particle size and morphology exist after milling?

Particle size distribution, scanning electron microscopy

Does the viscosity of the ceramic slurry meet specifications?

Rheological analysis

Are my particles multi-shaped?

Horiba Camsizer

## The AVEKA Advantage

- Development of unique test methods to be highly specific to customers' needs
- Fast, 2-3 day sample turnaround
- Large resource network
- Ever-expanding technical capabilities

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