

## **Aurivo Co-op partners with UCC on a Dairy Science Training Initiative**

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The Aurivo Dairy Ingredients site at Ballaghaderreen, Co Roscommon, is a leader in the global supply of quality, innovative and trusted dairy ingredients, in particular, enriched /fat filled milk powders. Building on significant recent capital investment in their dairy processing infrastructure, Aurivo have partnered with University College Cork (UCC) for their Dairy Science and Technology training requirements.

The inaugural Dairy Science and Technology training course was delivered on-site on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> January 2022 for 40 employees. This was a customised Dairy Technology course tailored to meet the training needs of the Aurivo staff from a range of functions (e.g., operations, quality, engineering, management) and was developed with the benefit of a number of detailed site visits and process scans in advance by the lead trainer, Dr Seamus O'Mahony from the School of Food and Nutritional Sciences at UCC.

Commenting on the partnership, Dr Seamus O'Mahony, said *'provision of world-class education and training in Dairy Science and Technology is a strategic priority for us in UCC, and in addition to our research outputs, contributes to UCC's position as the # 1 University in Ireland, and in the top 10 globally, in Dairy Science. The trainees passion for their business and enthusiasm for learning made the course very enjoyable and impactful'*.

Commenting on the partnership, Willie Murphy, Operations Manager Aurivo Dairy Ingredients, said *'following a number of recent major expansions and investments in our dairy processing infrastructure, this course represents a significant investment in staff to support the ambitious future plans for the site and the range of nutritional dairy powders produced by Aurivo Dairy Ingredients and we are delighted to partner with UCC'*.

Commenting on the partnership, Dr Amy-Jane Troy, Project Director, Food Industry Training Unit in the School of Food and Nutritional Sciences at UCC said, *"The mission of the Food Industry Training Unit is to ensure access to continued professional development and flexible pathways of progression for those that work in the agri-food sector. FITU were delighted to collaborate with Aurivo in the development of a bespoke dairy science course developed around the specific needs of Aurivo staff.*

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