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- Designing and developing dairy products with enhanced nutritional properties and alternative (vegan) products.
- Microencapsulation of bioactive ingredients in food products.
- Investigating factors that affect shelf stability, texture, rheological properties, and the microstructure of food systems.

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