# The Anatomy of A PARTNERSHIP WITH CEIF



## WHAT IS CEIF?

#### NSF I/UCRC

CEIF is an NSF-funded I/UCRC

(Industry/University Cooperative Research Center).

NSF sees the potential of Insect Agriculture and the need to support growth of this industry and has awarded CEIF a five-year grant totaling \$2.25 million. This grant supports operations overhead of the Center. The I/UCRC program brings together Industry, Academia, and Government to conduct foundational, high-impact research that benefits the sector.

# 🔆 MISSION

**CEIF's mission** is to bridge industry with inter-disciplinary experts from academia who address fundamental research questions necessary to advance the insects as food and feed sector. Through this research, novel methods for high-impact application with insect-derived products as feed for livestock, poultry, aquaculture, and food for people are developed.

Our aim is for you to be successful!







### **TOP 10 REASONS TO JOIN CEIF**

- 1 Research through CEIF supports the scaled growth of Insect Agriculture
- 2 Training Insect Agriculture Employees of Tomorrow and Beyond
- 3 Companies participating in research discussions now ensure their questions are addressed early
- 4 Industry drives research project topics
- 5 Indirect Costs capped at 10%
- 6 Royalty-Free IP licensing for CEIF Industry members
- 7 Address individual organization ESG (Environment, Social, Governance) goals by supporting sustainability-focused research
- 8 Expanding pool of researchers and disciplines
- 9 Networking opportunities within the Center amongst companies of all sizes and product foci

10 BIG RETURN on your research investment (NSF historical ~\$42/\$1)

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Center members fund research through membership fees, and members get access to all data generated by the Center. The research return on investment is considerable as each Center member can access all the research data compiled.

#### **CEIF Membership Levels:**

- Full membership: \$50,000 USD/year, or
- Associate membership: \$25,000 USD/year

Full Members have twice the voting power of Associate members.

### **CEIF SITES**

The Center is composed today of three University Sites, each with a specific research thrust:

- Texas A&M
  - Production Optimization/Feed Trials
- IUI (Indiana University Indianapolis) Genetics/Genomics
- Mississippi State University Microbiology/Quality Assurance







