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USDA researcher visits Iberia



NRRC's Tim Mounts, left, discusses deodorization of soybean oil with J. Vellozzo, right, director of Unigral Oil Refinery in Casablanca, Morocco, as American Soybean Association's Roger Leysen, center, serves as interpreter.

T.L. Mounts, a research leader on edible oils at the USDA's Northern Regional Research Center in Peoria, IL, traveled through Iberia and Morocco this past spring to acquaint oilseed crushers, technicians, and plant managers with the latest information on crushing, extraction, and processing techniques.

Mounts' trip was made under sponsorship of the American Soybean Association.

"The image of soybean oil in Portugal and Spain is quite poor," Mounts commented on his return. "This is generally attributable to both inadequate processing techniques and the consumer use of soybean oil, unhydrogenated, as a cooking oil. The absolute necessity for stainless steel deodorization equipment for production of a quality oil was emphasized in each country.

"Consideration of using brush hydrogenation was encouraged in Portugal and Spain," he said. "Due to limited use of soybean oil for high temperature cooking in Morocco, emphasis was placed on stabilization of finished oils by citric acid treatment."

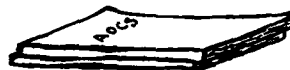
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