

• **EQUIPMENT** – The Tech Center has the following equipment/test capabilities:

Equipment	Test
SQCPack Software	SPC charting, Capability studies,
	Gage R&R studies
Datacolor Spectraflash SF450X	Color Measurement
Keil Tester	Peel Strength
CSI Oil Tank	Vicat, HDT
Lloyd Tensometer	Tensile, Tear, Flexural, Compression,
	90º Peel, CoF
TA Instruments Differential Scanning	Melting Point, Recrystallization,
Calorimetery (DSC)	Glass Transition
TA Instruments Thermogravimetric	Temperature related Weight Loss
Analysis (TGA)	
Thermo Electron FT-IR	Material Identification
Q-Panel QUV Weatherometer	Accelerated Weathering
Q-Panel Xenon Weatherometer	Accelerated Weathering
TMI Notched Izod	Impact Strength
Gardner Impact	Impact Strength
Dynatup Instrumented Impact	Impact Strength
Battenfeld Injection Press	ASTM Test Bars
Production Scale Co-Extrusion Line	Up to 3-Layer Material Trials
Lab Scale Extrusion Line	Mono-Layer Material Trials
2-Roll Mill	Mixing/Compounding
Tinius Olsen Melt Index	Flow Rate
Tantec Contact Angle Meter	Surface Treatment
Omnimark Moisture Balance	Moisture Content
MacBeth Densitometer	Opacity/Transmission
Micromeritics Pycnometer	Density/Specific Gravity
Taber Multi-Finger Scratch/Mar	Surface Integrity
Polarized Light Box	Stress/Contamination
Landsco Light	Surface Defects
Muffle Furnace	Ash/Carbon
Gloss Meter	Surface Gloss
Surface Resistivity Meter	Conductance
Environmental Chamber	Sub-Ambient Conditioning



- ADDITIONAL EQUIPMENT The Tech Center also utilizes a heated press, gram scale, microscope with digital camera, ionized air blower, light meter, static meter, haze meter, Microview cap gauge, Shore A & D Durometer, circulating air oven, vacuum oven, heat gun, and IR thermometer. The Lab can also perform orientation testing and test form material using a MAAC single-end shuttle former featuring 36x48" platens. FT-IR, NMR, HPLC, and scanning electron microscopy are available locally through the Chemistry Department at Earlham College. When necessary, third party A2LA certified test labs are contracted.
- **SUPPLIERS** Primex Plastics maintains close relationships with our suppliers. As part of that relationship, the Tech Center works directly with supplier Technical Representatives to analyze and solve material and product problems.
- **STAFF** The Tech Center is supported by the Applications Development Coordinator and the Lab Technician. Additional support is available from the Commercial Development Manager, the Process Engineering & Development Manager, and the Director of Quality.

