



MariCal signs agreement with large trout producer

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Editorial .com Seattle (WA), USA: MariCal Inc., manufacturer of SuperSmolt technology, announced yesterday that it has signed an R&D agreement with Troutlodge Inc. - the world's largest producer of eyed rainbow trout eggs.

The Portland, Maine-based company said that it will work with Troutlodge to develop trout eggs with superior growth, new diets for salmonids and other techniques to enhance the performance of the company's trout strains.

While most of the development work that the two companies will be doing is focused on freshwater fish, they will also be looking at new methods of rearing Arctic charr in salt water.

MariCal's main product - SuperSmolt - expedites the transition of Atlantic salmon from fresh water to salt water. The company is financed, in part, by the Norwegian investment firms Technoinvest and Fred Venture.

Troutlodge, based in Sumner, Washington, is a family-owned business with customers in 36 countries.

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