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Widely regarded as a standard work in its field, this book introduces the range of processing techniques that are used in food manufacturing. It explains the principles of each process, the processing equipment used, operating conditions and the effects of processing on micro-organisms that contaminate foods, the biochemical properties of foods and their sensory and nutritional qualities.

The book begins with an overview of important basic concepts. It describes unit operations that take place at ambient temperature or involve minimum heating of foods. Subsequent chapters examine operations that heat foods to preserve them or alter their eating quality, and explore operations that remove heat from foods to extend their shelf life with minimal changes in nutritional quality or sensory characteristics. Finally, the book reviews post-processing operations, including packaging and distribution logistics.