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Protein Skimmer EcoTech Marine, a five-year-old company born from the Lehigh IPD program and located in the Southside of Bethlehem, is currently manufacturing and selling innovative products in the coral reef aquarium market and has recently entered the pedicure spa market.

The next area in which EcoTech would like to innovate is aquarium filtration, specifically protein skimming. A protein skimmer is a device used to extract proteins from seawater by mixing air and water. The operating process is well-documented and the market is very mature, affording prospective team members the opportunity to be creative and innovative in their design. The IPD team will be encouraged to approach the process from a fresh perspective in order to improve upon, or simplify, more conventional methods of protein skimming.