

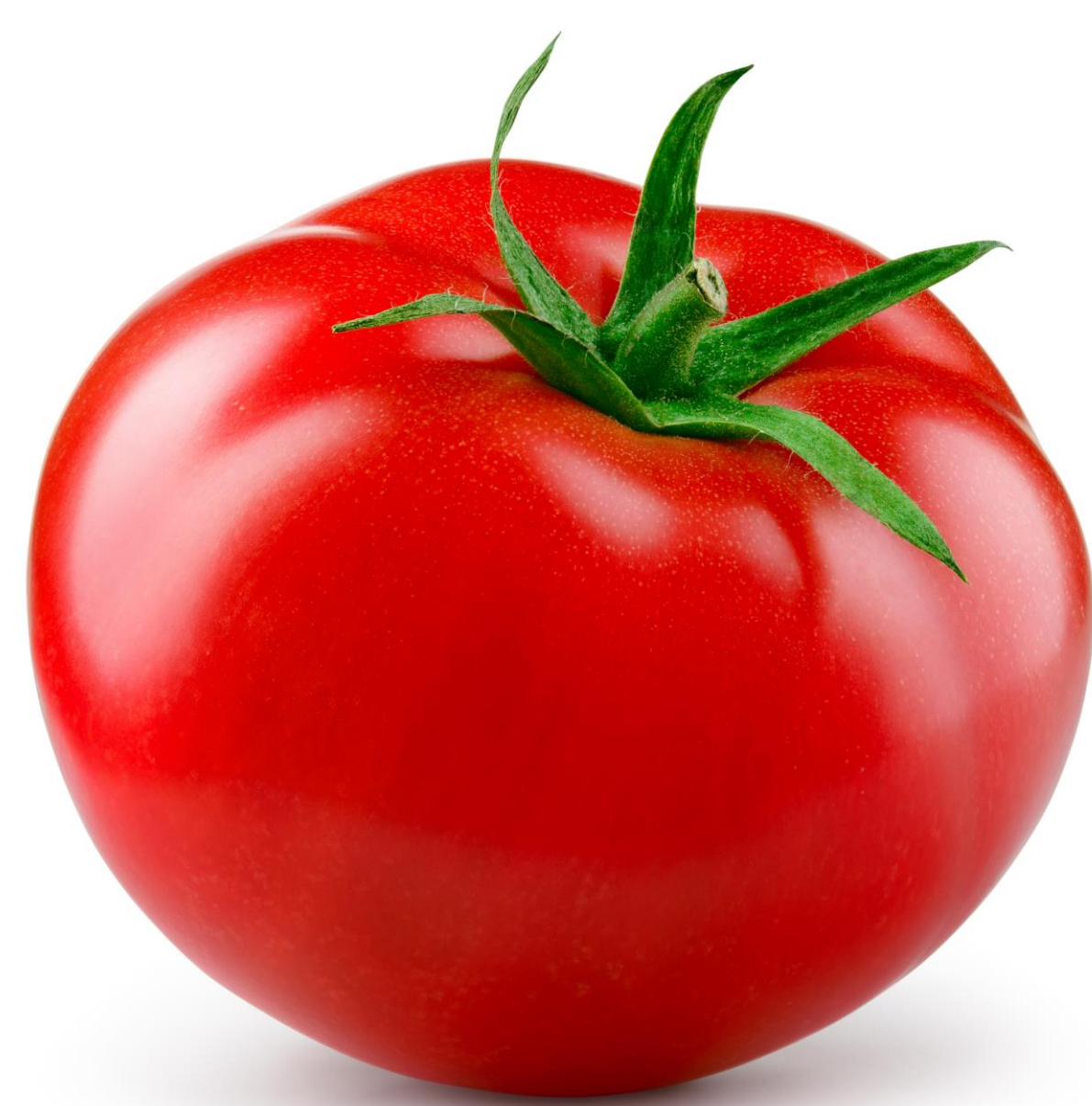
On salmon feed and tomato harvesters

Transitioning towards responsible and circular aquacultures: understanding the entanglements between marine sustainability, policy and society

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Background

Thomas Völker is working as a SEAS fellow at UiB's Senter for Vitenskapsteori (SVT). His research focuses on environmental governance and on attempts of transitioning towards more sustainable aquacultures. More specifically, Thomas is interested in the development of novel feeds as a case of implementing circular economy policies and introducing principles of responsible research and innovation (RRI) in Norway.



Project description

This project explores how ideas of responsible research and innovations and calls for a transition towards a more circular economy are translated in Norwegian food production systems.

The overarching aim is to develop recommendations for the broader and policy-relevant question "How can Norwegian aquaculture become more responsible, sustainable and circular and how can the field of marine sustainability contribute to that?"

Five core themes

1. Imagining aquaculture and ocean futures
2. Innovating aquaculture
3. Knowing aquaculture
4. Valuing aquaculture
5. Governing aquaculture

Marine sustainability

The project will develop pathways on which Norwegian aquaculture can become more responsible, sustainable, and circular.



Recent activities

- Presentation on insect-based feed in salmon aquaculture for the **Centre for Digital Life**
- Talk on RRI in environmental governance at the **AFINO Autumn School** in September 2023 in Jondal
- Publication of an [EEA Briefing](#): The case for public participation in sustainability transitions

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