



View from the Chair: *Learning from COVID-19*

With the ongoing coronavirus pandemic – and especially with the dramatic increase in confirmed cases in the U.S. every day, I hope you and your loved ones are staying safe and healthy.

The impact of COVID-19 is overwhelming! Many countries are in lockdown; schools are closed; events are canceled; travel is restricted; businesses are struggling; and most devastatingly, thousands of people are dying from this. We as a group are familiar and

deal with pathogens and outbreaks as part of our professions. But I'm sure most of us have never seen such a health crisis in our lifetimes at this scale and magnitude. What can we do in our fight against it?

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), there's no evidence that coronavirus is transmitted through food. It's primarily spread between persons through respiratory

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droplets from coughs, sneezes and spittle. Social distancing is the primary strategy to block such transmission. You know the rules: Avoid gatherings of 10 or more people, and stay at least six feet from others outside of your household, preferably wearing a mask. Until recently, most states had issued shelter-in-place orders except for essential activities (grocery shopping, pharmaceutical needs, etc.). California became the first U.S. state to do so, quickly followed by New York. As data changes daily, some states are now cautiously opening businesses but with adaptations. I know many of us are diligently doing our part in our collective attempts to flatten the curve.

We all know that frequent hand-washing with soap and water for at least 20 seconds is one way to avoid transmitting bacteria. As food safety professionals, this has been part of our routines for many years, and now reliable sources like the CDC, FDA and WHO all strongly advise this, especially for children and teens, who tend to be less careful. Another piece of sound advice is to conduct surface contamination. A study by the National Institutes of Health shows that this virus remains viable for three hours in aerosols; up to four hours on copper surfaces; 24 hours on cardboard; and up to three days after being placed on stainless steel and plastics. Keeping surfaces clean and disinfected can only help

when in the kitchen, bathroom or work area.

Our fight can continue in many ways. If possible in your

“Our fight can continue in many ways!”

respective location, become a volunteer driver to deliver meals to seniors, who are especially susceptible to the novel coronavirus and, if over the age of 60 and/or with existing health issues, are cautioned to stay home. I have been a volunteer driver for our local nonprofit, Mobile Meals, which delivers meals to the elderly who can't leave their homes. Now that we're seeing an increased demand for these types of services, you might find you have a few more spare hours to contribute your services in this way. As food safety professionals, basic hygiene habits which have been drilled into us over the years can make us better equipped to do this job!

Now, let's talk about **IAFP 2020**. As of this writing, the Annual Meeting will be held as scheduled in Cleveland, Ohio, August 2-5. IAFP is monitoring the COVID-19 outbreak closely; the plan is to assess the overall situation by June 1 to make a decision about the status of this year's meeting. Watch the IAFP website to stay informed.


At this time, we ask for the following information from our

Affiliate Members for the Affiliate Council Meeting on August 2: suggestions for roundtable topics of discussion at the meeting (COVID-19 topics?); and nominations for the Affiliate Council Secretary (must be a current Affiliate Delegate). We are working hard to produce another well-attended and informative meeting, and we count on you for advice, experience, and suggestions.

Also, consider extending your food safety learning by attending one of the seven **Pre-Meeting Workshops** taking place on July 31 and August 1. This year's listing of workshops provides a wide variety of topics from well-known instructors. Go to the Annual Meeting Page on the IAFP website and click on the Workshops tab to learn more about each one and to register. (IAFP Members save more than \$200 on registration fees!)

In closing, I urge you to continue your vigilance in helping reduce cases of COVID-19 through caution, cleaning, and care. Together, we'll all eventually get through this dark time and be stronger for it.

Stay safe!



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Take the spotlight!

To be featured here in the next issue, send your news and photos by **May 29** to: ssmith@foodprotection.org.

Contributors

British Columbia Food Protection Association: Meeting Takes Place Despite Snowstorm

Reported by *Justin Falardeau*,
President & Delegate



The **British Columbia Food Protection Association (BCFPA)** held its 2019 General Meeting on January 16, 2020, at the Italian Cultural Centre in Vancouver.

An unusual (for British Columbia) snowstorm made traveling difficult, but 33 of our core (and brave!) members still held strong to show up.

The meeting opened with Affiliate business, moderated by (then) Vice President **Justin Falardeau**. Members of the 2020 Executive Board were ratified by members and include:

President: **Justin Falardeau**

Vice President: **Stephanie Chiu**

Past President: **Stephanie Nadya**

Treasurer: **Simon Cowell**

Secretary: **Ivy Li**

Delegate/Contact: **Justin Falardeau**

Continuing Board Member **David Mahoney** remains as Chair of the Events Committee. We also acknowledge new board member,

Claire Nolan, who will be taking the reins of the Membership Committee.



After the Business Meeting, attendees were treated to an engaging presentation, "Biofilms Hunting in the Food Industry," from **Dr. Julie Jean**, Professor at the Université Laval and IAFP Affiliate Council Secretary. Dr. Jean, who attended as part of IAFP's Executive Board Speaker Program, outlined some of the modern challenges associated with biofilms and potential strategies for control and prevention. She also spoke about IAFP and its many benefits.

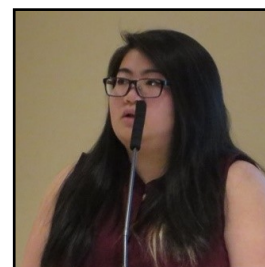
Following Dr. Jean's presentation, BCFPA awarded two scholarships to deserving student members. These scholarships are adjudicated based on an essay writing contest, with this year's topics of "Food Safety Concerns with Meat Alternatives" and "Food Fraud: Detection and Prevention." The second place scholarship of \$1,000 was awarded to **Alejandro Leiva Arrieta**, an M.Sc. candidate from the University

Affiliates in the Spotlight

Featuring your communications with IAFP



of British Columbia (UBC), for his essay, "Process Induced Allergenicity of Meat Alternatives." The first place scholarship of \$1,500 was presented by **Justin Falardeau** (above left) to **Thomas Brenner**, Ph.D. candidate at UBC, for his essay, "Food Fraud: Detection and Prevention of Meat Adulteration by Real-time PCR." These essays will both be published in our upcoming newsletters. (Please view our website at www.bcfoodprotection.ca for details.)



As tradition would have it, our second and final presentation was given by one of last year's scholarship recipients. **Yvonne Ma**, a recent M.Sc. graduate from UCB, presented her research work with isolating and characterizing bacteriophages against Verocytotoxigenic *Escherichia coli*.

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The evening closed with door prizes, including the complimentary one-year membership certificate provided by IAFP. We hope to see many of our members at **IAFP 2020** in Cleveland, Ohio, August 2–5.

Ohio Association for Food Protection: Winter Meeting Held in Columbus

Reported by Christina Ritchey Wilson, JD, RS, Delegate



The **Ohio Association for Food Protection (OAFP)** held its Winter Meeting and Annual Business Meeting on January 29, 2020 in Columbus.

The day began at Columbus Public Health with **Dr. Ahmed Yousef** (below), The Ohio State University, speaking on “Emerging Natural Antimicrobials as Future Food Preservatives.”



Next, **Dr. Kathy Glass**, Distinguished Scientist and Associate Director of the Food Research Institute at the University of Wisconsin – Madison and IAFP Past President, presented “Intervention Strategies to Control *Listeria monocytogenes* in Ready-to-Eat Foods.”



Margaret Moodispaw (left) and Holly Paden, both students at The Ohio State University, presented posters at the OAFP Winter Meeting on January 29, 2020 in Columbus.

As part of the IAFP Executive Board Speaker Program, Dr. Glass also provided attendees with an overview of IAFP and the IAFP Annual Meeting, which will be in Cleveland, Ohio in 2020.



As part of the IAFP Executive Board Speaker Program, Dr. Kathy Glass was a speaker at the Ohio Association for Food Protection’s 2020 Winter Meeting and Annual Meeting.

During the Business Meeting, **Robert Acquista**, RS, with the Columbus Public Health, was elected as the Affiliate’s 2nd Vice President. **Nate Oyelakin**, RS, received the free IAFP Membership certificate generously donated by the Association.

In addition, “The Chipotle Outbreak 2018” was presented by representatives from Delaware Public Health; and “Microbial Food Safety Hazards in Hydroponic Production Systems,” was given by **Dr. Melanie L. Lewis Ivey**, Assistant Professor in the Department of Plant Pathology with The Ohio State University.

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OAFP acknowledges the efforts of **Dr. Sanja Illic**, Assistant Professor and Food Safety State Specialist with the Department of Human Sciences and Human Nutrition at The Ohio State University, who made it possible to hold student poster presentations again this year. “*Listeria monocytogenes* Survival in Hydroponic Vegetable Production” was presented by **Margaret Moodispaw**, and “Changing Behaviors: Intervention to Improve Food Safety Among Cancer Patients Receiving Treatment,” was presented by **Holly Paden**. Both are students at The Ohio State University.

Coping with COVID-19

The coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has thrown all of us into a tailspin. Most of us are still working, whether going into the office full-time, working on a rotating schedule, or remotely. Is your company taking extra precautionary steps to keep everyone (including the public) safe, especially related to food safety? We want to hear how you’re coping during this difficult time. Send us your stories by **May 29** to include in the next issue of *Affiliate View*.

Share Your Information and Knowledge Through an IAFP Webinar

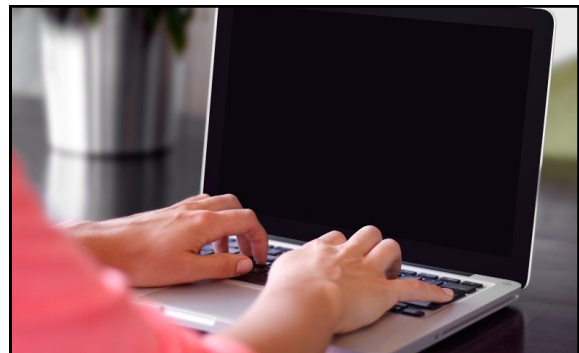
Do you have an idea for a webinar that would be beneficial for IAFP Members and others in the food safety industry? Would you like to share your knowledge in a particular subject area? If so, IAFP invites you to submit your proposal today for an opportunity to share new methods, products, or tools with the food safety community.

IAFP offers webinars each year on a range of topics submitted by committees, Members, organizations, PDGs, and Affiliates. Webinars are typically one-hour in length and scheduled Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time.

Submissions are reviewed by IAFP’s Webinar Committee. Content should adhere with IAFP’s

mission, “to provide food safety professionals worldwide with a forum to exchange information on protecting the food supply.” Webinars are sponsored by the IAFP Foundation and free to attend. Webinar recordings are available to IAFP Members only on the IAFP website.

If you have questions about the submission process, contact **Tamara Ford**, IAFP Program Coordinator, at 515.276.3344 or by email at tford@foodprotection.org.



2020 Affiliate Council Meeting: Preliminary Roll Call

As we prepare for the **2020 Affiliate Council Meeting** in Cleveland, we ask that all Affiliates review this list of Delegates (*as of April 1, 2020*) expected to represent their Affiliate. To report changes or an anticipated absence, please notify **Susan Smith** at the IAFP office. Affiliate Council Delegates will receive the official meeting agenda in July by email. It will also be published in the Summer issue of *Affiliate View*.

Africa | Peter Kennedy
Alabama | Neil Bogart
Alberta | Lynn McMullen
Argentina | Fabiana Guglielmone
Arizona | Cheri Dale
Arkansas | Jerri Lynn Pickett
Australia | Gary Boniface
Brazil | Mariza Landgraf

British Columbia | Justin Falardeau
California/Southern | open
Capital Area | Jenny Scott
Carolinas | Linda Leake
Chile | Michel Leporati
China | Xiumei Liu*
Chinese AFPNA | Zengxin Li
Colombia | Janeth Luna
Colorado | Julianny Rivera Calo
Connecticut | Frank Greene
Florida | Peter Hibbard
Georgia | Wendy White
Hong Kong | Terence Lau
Hungary | Laszlo Varga
Idaho | Sherise Jurries
Illinois | Brad Suhling
Indian AFPNA | Harshavardhan Thippareddi
Indiana | Amanda Deering
Iowa | no delegate
Japan | Shigenobu Koseki
Kansas | Robert Torres
Korea | Yohan Yoon
Lebanon | Issmat Kassem
Mexico | Norma Heredia
Michigan | David Peters
Minnesota | Carrie Rigdon

Missouri | Brandy Sheehan
Nebraska | open
New Jersey | David Reyda
New York | Amy Rhodes
New Zealand | Marion Castle
Ohio | Christina Wilson
Oklahoma | Maria Ma/Divya Jaroni
Ontario | Joseph Myatt
Pennsylvania | Peggy Good
Portugal | Laurentina Pedroso
Quebec | Julie Jean
South Dakota | LuAnn Ford
Southeast Asia | Alvin Lee
Spain | David Rodriguez-Lazaro
Taiwan | Chia-Yang Chen
Texas | Cindy Anderson
Turkey | Samim Saner
United Arab Emirates | Bobby Krishna
United Kingdom | David Lloyd
Upper Midwest | Tom Berry
Washington | Stephanie Olmsted
Wisconsin | Jean Finger

**Delegate is currently not an IAFP Member, as of April 1, 2020 (a requirement under IAFP Bylaws).*



IAFP 2019 Affiliate Council Delegates and Representatives

Forty-five Annual Reports Received

Forty-five out of 53 (85%) *active* Affiliates (those more than a year old and in force) completed and submitted 2019 Annual Reports in February. This is up 1% from submissions for 2018. Annual Report submissions maintain compliance with IAFP Constitution and Bylaws and help us better track your contact information, activities, and accomplishments.

Award recipients will be recognized at **IAFP 2020** in front of their peers at the Affiliate Council Meeting on Sunday, August 2 (the C.B. Shogren Memorial Award will be presented at Wednesday night's Awards Banquet). Thank you to the following Affiliates who took the time and effort to submit their reports by the deadline:

- **African** Continental Association for Food Protection
- **Alabama** Association for Food Protection
- **Alberta** Association for Food Protection
- **Argentine** Food Safety Commission
- **Arizona** Environmental Health Association
- **Arkansas** Association for Food Protection
- **Australian** Association for Food Protection
- **Brazil** Association for Food Protection
- **British Columbia** Food Protection Association
- **Capital Area** Food Protection Association
- **Chilean** Association for Food Protection
- **Chinese** Association for Food Protection in North America
- **Colorado** Association for Food Protection
- **Florida** Association for Food Protection
- **Georgia** Association for Food Protection
- **Hong Kong** Food Safety Consortium
- **Hungarian** Association for Food Protection
- **Idaho** Environmental Health Association
- **Associated Illinois** Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians
- **Indiana** Environmental Health Association
- **Iowa** Association for Food Protection
- **Japan** Association for Food Protection
- **Kansas** Environmental Health Association
- **Korea** Association for Food Protection
- **Mexico** Association for Food Protection
- **Michigan** Environmental Health Association
- **Minnesota** Food Protection Association
- **Missouri** Environmental Health Association
- **New Jersey** Association for Food Protection
- **New York State** Association for Food Protection
- **New Zealand** Association for Food Protection
- **Ohio** Association for Food Protection
- **Ontario** Food Protection Association
- **Pennsylvania** Association of Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians
- **Quebec** Food Protection Association
- **South Dakota** Environmental Health Association
- **Southeast Asia** Association for Food Protection
- **Spain** Association for Food Protection
- **Taiwan** Association for Food Protection
- **Texas** Association for Food Protection
- **Turkish** Food Safety Association
- **United Kingdom** Association for Food Protection
- **Upper Midwest** Dairy Industry Association
- **Washington** Association for Food Protection
- **Wisconsin** Association for Food Protection

Represent IAFP Affiliates by Standing for Affiliate Council Secretary!

Do you know of a worthy candidate who can represent the interests and goals of your organization's affiliation with IAFP? Nominations are now being accepted for **Affiliate Council Secretary** for the 2020–2021 term, which begins at the close of **IAFP 2020**. This vital position will serve a one-year term as Affiliate Council Secretary, followed by a one-year term as Affiliate Council Chair on the IAFP 2021–2022 Executive Board. Duties include: 1) keeping an accurate record of the proceedings and activities of the Council; 2) assuming the duties of the Affiliate Council Chair in the absence of the Chair; 3) keeping an updated record of authorized representatives to the Council; and 4) serving as an ex-officio, non-voting member of the IAFP Executive Board, which meets four times annually: twice in Des Moines, Iowa and twice at the location of the Annual Meeting.

For more questions about this role, contact **Maria Ma**, Affiliate Council Chair, or **Susan Smith**, Affiliate Liaison.

IAFP Headlines

IAFP 2020: Be a Food Safety Rock Star!

IAFP 2020 in Cleveland, Ohio, August 2–5, promises to be another informative Annual Meeting. This year, we are pleased to announce the following **seven Pre-Meeting Workshops** taking place on July 31 and August 1:

- Using Data and Statistical Analysis to Guide Food Safety Decision Making
Friday, July 31 (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)
- Advanced Sanitation and Hygienic Design Workshop
Friday, July 31 (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.) and Saturday, August 1 (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)
- Developing Environmental Monitoring Programs for Small and Midsize Processors
Friday, July 31 (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.) and Saturday, August 1 (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)
- Microbial Challenge Testing for Foods
Friday, July 31 (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.) and Saturday, August 1 (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)

- Validation and Verification of Preventive Controls – Processes, Sanitation and Allergens
Friday, July 31 (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.) and Saturday, August 1 (8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.)
- Whole Genome Sequencing: A Tutorial and Hands-on Workshop to Understand and Implement This Break-through Technology
Friday, July 31 (1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.) and Saturday, August 1 (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)
- Genomics 101 for Food Safety and Quality Professionals
Saturday, August 1 (8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.)

Networking takes place August 1–5 and includes (in part) the Welcome Reception; Committee and PDG Meetings; Student Luncheon; Opening Session & Ivan Parkin Lecture; Cheese and Wine Reception; Exhibit Hall Luncheons and Receptions; Business Meeting; U.S. Regulatory Update on Food Safety; John H. Silliker Lecture; and Awards Reception and Banquet.

IAFP 2020's Silent Auction will also take place throughout the majority of the meeting, ending mid-afternoon on Tuesday,

August 4. Nearly \$12,000 was raised for the Foundation in 2019. (*See page 14 for more information on how to donate.*)

Not an IAFP Member but plan to attend the Annual Meeting? Join today and **save more than \$200** in registration fees – easily recouping your Association dues and gaining valuable Member benefits! Save even more by registering on or before **July 3**, when early registration rates end!

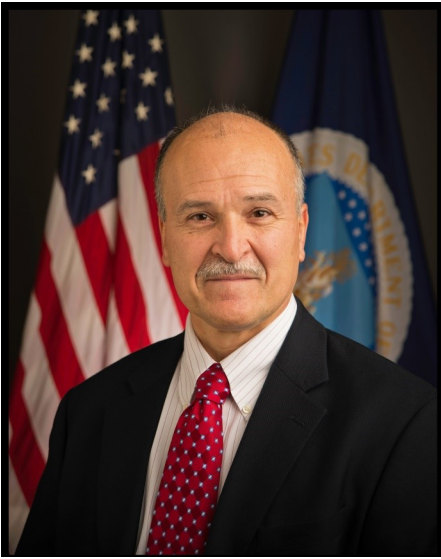
When registering, make sure to book your hotel reservation at the same time. Hotel rooms offering our group rate sell out quickly, so don't wait to reserve your room! To register for **IAFP 2020** and to reserve your hotel, visit:

<http://www.foodprotection.org/annualmeeting>.

NOTE: IAFP remains committed to planning responsibly for IAFP 2020. Based on information currently available, the meeting will take place as scheduled as we closely monitor developments related to COVID-19. See IAFP's Statement on COVID-19 on our website as it relates to IAFP 2020.



Executive Board Welcomes Incoming Secretary



Congratulations to **Dr. Jose “Emilio” Esteban**, who was elected to the IAFP Executive Board as Secretary. Dr. Esteban will take office at the conclusion of **IAFP 2020** in Cleveland, Ohio, and will fulfill a five-year commitment to the Association, serving as President beginning in July 2023.

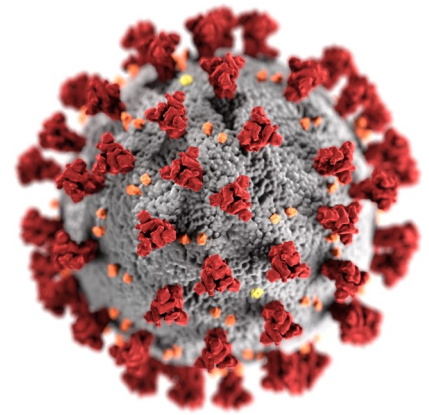
Dr. Esteban is currently the Chief Scientist for the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA’s) Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) in Washington, D.C. In this role, he ensures Agency policies have a sound scientific basis; assesses the effectiveness of strategies and interventions to ensure food safety; and contributes scientific expertise in food safety and food security emergencies. He advises the FSIS Administrator on complex scientific matters and speaks for FSIS at national and international conferences.

An IAFP Member since 2002, Dr. Esteban has served on numerous committees, including the Program Committee, the Nomination Committee, the Foundation Committee, and several Award Selection Committees. He is also a member of many IAFP Professional Development Groups (PDGs). Dr. Esteban delivered the Ivan Parkin Lecture at **IAFP 2017**.

A native of Mexico, Dr. Esteban worked in private practice as a consultant for a Spain-based refrigeration firm while earning his DVM and MBA from the National Autonomous University in Mexico. He immigrated to the U.S. in 1985, working several interesting jobs, before joining the Fuller-Jeffrey Broadcasting Company. In 1987, he founded a small business communications firm dedicated to developing marketing messages to Spanish-speaking audiences, and soon furthered his education, completing both an MPVM and a Ph.D. in Epidemiology (1984) from the University of California – Davis.

“COVID-19 Resources” Now Available on IAFP Website

The COVID-19 pandemic has greatly interrupted life for everyone. New information is released daily and can often result in information overload. IAFP has created a **COVID-19 Resources** page on our website that lists reliable resources related to the pandemic. The listings include trusted websites; food in-



dustry information; general food safety/consumer information; related webinars; and related scientific articles. Search for the red box containing the words “COVID-19 Resources” at the top of the IAFP home page.

IAFP Office Has Moved!

March was moving month for IAFP! After 27 years in the same location, the IAFP office purged, packed and pointed west in Des Moines, Iowa, just a few miles from our former office. IAFP’s staff is growing and added responsibilities required an updated office.

As of **April 1, 2020**, our new address is IAFP, 2900 100th Street, Suite 309, Des Moines, Iowa 50322-3855. Our phone number, +1 515.276.3344, remains the same. If you plan a visit to Des Moines, please stop in (when social distancing is no longer a requirement). We’d love to give you a tour!



You Don't Know What You're Missing if You're Not Receiving Food Protection Trends Online!

If you're a current IAFP Member, did you know the online subscription to *Food Protection Trends (FPT)* is automatically included in your Membership? Each bi-monthly



issue includes refereed research articles, information and updates about IAFP meetings and special events from society leadership, career development information, and much more.

Issues arrive to your email ready to view in an online flip-page setup. And you can conveniently download a specific article as a PDF directly from the issue to review later.

If you've stopped reading *FPT* recently, come on back! If you've never read it (or didn't realize you automatically receive it with your Membership), now's a good time to start. Don't miss another issue – log onto the IAFP website (www.foodprotection.org) to see if your options to receive IAFP communications have been turned off. On the **Member Dashboard**, click on **Email Preferences** (under the **Manage Member Information** section), then check each option to ensure you will continue to receive IAFP communications.

Questions? Call the IAFP office; we're happy to help. Not an IAFP Member? Join now by clicking on the **Membership** tab on our website.

Are you a researcher or food safety professional looking for a venue to submit your paper for publication? We invite you to publish in *FPT*. Edited by **Dr. Cathy Cutter**, the journal welcomes your research findings and discussions on scientific and regulatory issues regarding food safety. Best of all, there are no publication fees!

Upcoming Webinars

IAFP will offer two one-hour free webinars in June 2020, sponsored by the IAFP Foundation. "Cleaning Validation of Cleaning Tools" will take place **Wednesday, June 10** at 10:00 a.m. (Eastern time U.S.). This presentation focuses on the appropriate selection of hygienically designed cleaning tools, and the development of validated cleaning tool decontamination methods, and effective monitoring and verification programs.

"Validation of Innovative Tools to Assess and to Improve Microbiological Safety in the Food Chain" will take place on **Tuesday, June 30** at 11:00 a.m. (Eastern time U.S.). This webinar will focus on the acceleration of method validation, with speakers from Spain, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom. Registration for both webinars is FREE; participants must register in advance. To learn more and to register, visit the **Webinar** section under the **Events & Meetings** tab on the IAFP website.

Affiliate Calendar

Let IAFP help advertise your meetings on our website and in our publications.
Submit your event details directly to our online calendar,
or email to ssmith@foodprotection.org.

Affiliates in Action First Quarter 2020

January

- ◆ British Columbia Food Protection Association
- ◆ Ohio Association for Food Protection

February

- ◆ Alberta Association for Food Protection
- ◆ Minnesota Food Protection Association
- ◆ Kansas Environmental Health Association

March

- ◆ Upper Midwest Dairy Industry Association
- ◆ Arizona Environmental Health Association
- ◆ Idaho Environmental Health Association
(canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions)

To be featured in the next issue of *Affiliate View*, send your news and photos by **May 29** to Susan Smith at ssmith@foodprotection.org.

April 2020

The following scheduled meetings were canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions:

7: Ontario Food Protection Association, 62nd Annual Spring Technical Meeting, Mississauga, Ontario.

7–10: Missouri Environmental Health Association, 2020 Annual Education Conference, Springfield, Missouri.

16: Indiana Environmental Health Association, 2020 Annual Spring Educational Conference, Nashville, Indiana.

29: Georgia Association for Food Protection, 2020 Spring Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia.

May 2020

6–7: Associated Illinois Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians, 2020 Spring Conference, Bloomington, Illinois.

6–7: Pennsylvania Milk, Food and Environmental Sanitarians, 2020 Spring Conference, State College, Pennsylvania.

13: New Jersey Association for Food Protection, 2020 Spring Meeting, New Brunswick, Pennsylvania.

18–19: Florida Association for Food Protection, 2020 Annual Meeting, St. Augustine, Florida.

June 2020

11–12: Texas Association for Food Protection, 2020 Annual Conference, Ft. Worth, Texas.

17: Wisconsin Association for Food Protection, 2020 Spring Meeting, Madison, Wisconsin.

IAFP Support for Affiliate Meetings

Whether to complement the mission and promotional materials of your Affiliate, or to show your relationship with the International Association for Food Protection, we offer the following supplies for use or distribution at your meetings:

- ◆ **IAFP pop-up display.** This updated and attractive pop-up display shows attendees that you are affiliated with IAFP.
- ◆ **IAFP 2019–2020 Presentation.** A PowerPoint slide show with a suggested 15-minute script. This is the same presentation used by members of the IAFP Executive Board when invited to speak at Affiliate meetings.
- ◆ **Promotional materials box.** Contents include a complimentary IAFP Membership certificate and brochures, current issues of *FPT* and *JFP*, and IAFP Annual Meeting flyers. Additional complimentary resources are available upon your request.

To request these items for your next meeting, call or email Susan Smith at the IAFP Office.

IAFP Executive Board Speaker Program

for Affiliates



Kali E. Kniel, Ph.D., University of Delaware
President

- ◆ One Health
- ◆ Foodborne Viruses and Parasites
- ◆ Pre-Harvest Food Safety Risks



Roger Cook, Ph.D., New Zealand Food Safety
President-Elect

- ◆ Foodborne STECs – An International Perspective
- ◆ Regulatory Food Control Plans – A Practical International Perspective
- ◆ The Future: Culture Independent Confirmation & Qualitative Chemical Hazard Characterization



Ruth Petran, Ph.D., Ecolab Inc.
Vice President

- ◆ Sanitation Preventive Controls
- ◆ Norovirus Management



Michelle Danyluk, Ph.D., University of Florida
Secretary

- ◆ What You Need to Know About the Produce Safety Rule
- ◆ Managing Risk in a Field of Uncertainty: Pathogens in the Produce Production Environment
- ◆ How Did That Get There? Case Studies in Produce Production and Packing



Tim Jackson, Ph.D., Driscoll's of the Americas
Past President

- ◆ Food Safety Management
- ◆ Food Microbiology
- ◆ Regulatory Food Safety



Maria Ma, Ph.D., Oklahoma State University
Affiliate Council Chair

- ◆ New Technologies for Food Decontamination
- ◆ Foodborne Pathogen Detection: Past and Future
- ◆ Food Biosecurity



Julie Jean, Ph.D., Université Laval
Affiliate Council Secretary

- ◆ Foodborne Viruses
- ◆ Biofilms in the Food Sector
- ◆ Ultraviolet Technologies for Microbial Inactivation

How It Works

1. IAFP Board Members are available to speak at Affiliate meetings on numerous topics involving food safety.
2. Each Affiliate may request one Executive Board speaker for one Affiliate meeting within a 12-month calendar year.
3. A minimum of 15 minutes should be allowed for the Board Member to deliver information about the International Association for Food Protection in addition to their main subject(s) (see #1).
4. IAFP will pay the Board Member's expense to travel to the Affiliate meeting location.
5. The Affiliate covers local expenses, including meals, lodging, and local transportation for the Board Member.
6. The Board Member makes their own travel reservations and will submit an expense report to the IAFP office within 10 days of completion of their travel to the Affiliate meeting. Any local expense (see #5) will be billed to the Affiliate.
7. A two-month advance notice is required.
8. To invite a Board Member to speak at your Affiliate meeting, contact Susan Smith, IAFP Affiliate Services, at +1 515.276.3344; or email ssmith@foodprotection.org. (Please do not contact Board Members directly until approved by IAFP.)

IAFP Speaker Program *(expanded)*

Gary Acuff, Ph.D.
Acuff Consulting, LLC



- ◆ Addressing Risk Using Performance Objectives
- ◆ Proper Use of Pathogen Surrogates in Process Intervention Validation
- ◆ What is Really Achievable in Pathogen Reduction for Beef?

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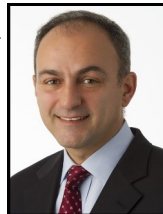
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