



SCI Young Researchers in Agri-Food 2017:

Improving Nutrition by Design - new developments from plants to packaging

Thursday 28 June 2017, Kingston University, UK

A day for interdisciplinary networking organised by SCI's Agrisciences Group and SCI's Food Group

Why attend?

This event is for early career scientists working in agricultural, environmental, food and nutrition and other relevant sciences contributing to our food supply, health and wellbeing. It is also for all those interested in meeting new talent and learning about innovation in agri-food sciences.

- ▶ Gain experience presenting to a multidisciplinary audience
- ▶ Raise your profile, build networks, find ideas and inspiration
- ▶ Hone your career skills

Contributions are expected from a wide range of disciplines such as agronomy, phytochemistry, animal physiology and nutrition, environmental sciences, molecular biology, food chemistry, analytical chemistry, process engineering and packaging technology.

The symposium is aimed at researchers in industry or academia:

- ▶ Developing processes, packaging, feed and raw materials to produce more nutritious meat, dairy, eggs, vegetables etc.
- ▶ Improving fatty acid and antioxidant profiles of food
- ▶ Interested in factors that influence the bioavailability of functional ingredients
- ▶ Researching the microbiome and how good nutrition may be influenced by imbalance
- ▶ Identifying the potential impact of recent developments in personalised nutrition
- ▶ Developing molecular biology techniques to improve food quality, including CRISPR and GMO
- ▶ Researching - is organic production likely to produce more nutritious food?

This meeting will also focus on career development with 1) a keynote presentation from a guest speaker talking about the influence of the marketplace on innovation in industry - "The challenges of meeting customer demands" - and 2) a workshop on communication - "Social Media for the Food Industry" - run by Alex Bakker and Neil Reed of marketing company SeeSaw and Rhiannon Garth-Jones the Content & Communications Officer at the SCI.

Call for papers and posters

MSc and PhD students and first post-docs wishing to present have three options:

- ▶ Oral paper (15 minutes)
- ▶ Posters (A0: 1189 mm x 841 mm, portrait) (also open to undergraduate project students)
- ▶ Poster plus flash presentation (5 slides, 5 minutes)

E-mail an abstract of 300 words (max.) indicating title, authors and preference for presentation option to by **Friday 28 April 2017** to jacqui.colgate@soci.org. Oral presentation slots are limited and will be allocated to achieve a balanced programme. Topics for presentations in any format may be results, reviews or plans. Prizes will be awarded, focusing on quality of science and clarity of communication.



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