

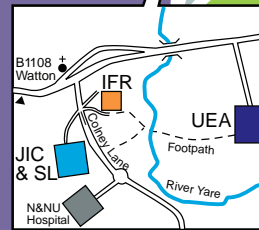
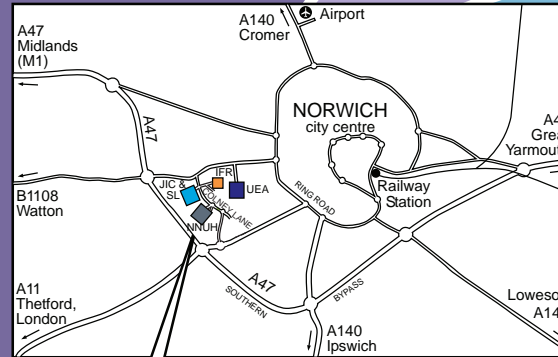
Benefits of joining the Food & Health Network

- Regular updates on our understanding of the science of food, diet and health
- Targeted seminars and conferences on topics you help define
- A forum for national and international industry-science networking
- Input to the development of research projects so they respond to industry needs
- Confidential surgeries at your site *via* FHN Direct
- Preferential rates to attend FHN events
- Access to Members' only area of website
- Direct access to Institute of Food Research scientists
- Regular email up-dates and an electronic newsletter
- Up to 10 individual members per company
- Company names added to a Membership List in the Members' only area
- Preferential rates for consultancies and projects with IFR extra (www.ifrextra.co.uk)

Confidentiality

FHN works on the basis that participation is under strict terms of confidentiality. Members are required to sign a confidential disclosure agreement (CDA).

How to join or find out more



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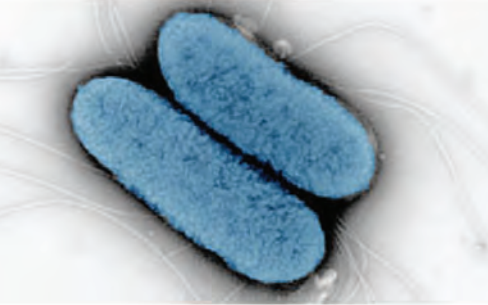
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In 2008 the Institute of Food Research was independently ranked first in Europe and second in the world for the impact of its Agricultural and Food Science Research over the last 10 years.



Introducing the Food & Health Network

The Food & Health Network (FHN) bridges the gap between the science of the Institute of Food Research (IFR) and its application to industry. FHN is a forum for knowledge transfer and collaboration, where science makes a real contribution to industrial effectiveness and sustainability.

How FHN works

FHN comprises a number of Expertise Clusters each focused around an area of industrial interest and IFR expertise. Each Expertise Cluster holds regular conferences, meetings and workshops to confidentially discuss current and future science issues. FHN also provides regular scientific up-dates, newsletters and members only website access.

Who should join?

FHN is available to food and health related organisations. Current membership of FHN includes: Food Manufacturers, Growers, Retailers, Trade Associations, Health Providers, National and Government Organizations, Research Associations and Regulators.

Membership is free (subject to change); apply on-line at www.foodandhealthnetwork.com.

FHN is based around **Expertise Clusters**, each led by an internationally recognised scientist.

Food Allergy Cluster:

Focuses on problems and opportunities presented by food allergy including varying the allergenic nature of foods, risk management and allergen-free foods.

Plants, Food and Health Cluster:

A network of people interested in the development of plants and plant natural products to enhance health. Topics are based around advances in plant science that can be used to generate novel foods to benefit health and the emerging benefits of microbes.

Food Safety Cluster:

Helping companies and regulators to maintain food safety throughout the food chain; focusing on current advances in predictive microbiology and risk analysis, microbiology of food safety and spoilage and the fundamental aspects of foodborne bacteria.

Co-product Exploitation Cluster:

This on-line interactive Cluster provides a centre of excellence in sustainable food issues and continues to develop innovative methods for extracting marketable components and ingredients from food chain co-products.

Gut Health Cluster:

A multidisciplinary group of scientists aimed at understanding how the intestinal gut functions as an integrated system. Topics include (1) the molecular mechanisms underlying gut health and immune function in relation with the microbiota, (2) the development of a technology-based toolbox (imaging, model colon) to assess impact of foodborne pathogens, food allergens, probiotics, dietary compounds on gut function, (3) the development of intervention strategies to prevent gut-related diseases (pre/probiotics, functional carbohydrates, targeted delivery vehicles).

Our other activities

FHN Direct

FHN Direct provides individually targeted solutions to industrial problems by means of one-on-one confidential meetings between industry and IFR scientists.

FHN International & IKTA

FHN International networks throughout the world attending Conferences and Events globally, and has established a network of organisations involved in publicly-funded science - **The International Knowledge Transfer Alliance (IKTA)** a worldwide Alliance of organisations whose aim is to make their publicly-funded scientific work available for dissemination globally.

Join the Food and Health Network on-line at www.foodandhealthnetwork.com