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This is the May edition of the Future Food Beacon newsletter. Here we bring you Future Food News, conference calls, interesting talks, and reading you may like!

Highlights from the Future Food blog

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'Reach and Teach Science in Africa': Strengthening Research Capacity for Generating Future Foods

May 8, 2019

This post is written by Dr Ute Voß and Dr Thomas Alcock. In April 2019, Nottingham Research Fellow Dr Ute Voß and Doctoral Prize Fellow Dr Thomas Alcock received funding through the Future Food Beacon Partnership Fund to travel to Benin, West Africa. In this article, they offer insights into their experiences teaching molecular biology ...

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Future Food addresses challenges of feeding a growing population in an ever-changing world. Our multi-disciplinary researchers are delivering new techniques to solve food issues from soil to molecule to meal.




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The Inaugural University Food Challenge!

May 2, 2019

Wednesday 27 February 2019 was a truly special day for the Institute of Food Science and Technology Student Group. The inaugural IFST University Food Challenge event was held at Coventry University. Teams from five different institutions: University College Birmingham, University of Nottingham, Cardiff Metropolitan University, Coventry University and Oxford Brookes University competed against each other to ...

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It has been a busy month for Future Food Beacon researchers!

Drs Ute Voß and Thomas Alcock traveled to Benin to teach plant science. They **reflect on their experiences**.

PhD candidate James Huscroft writes about setting up the first **University Food Challenge**.

Why should academics engage in public science festivals and outreach days? Drs Sina Fischer and Michael Wilson offer their views.

An interview with Visiting Research Fellow **Tatiana Chavez**.

Assoc Prof Levi Yant and Research Fellow Silvia Busoms were teaching in Kenya recently, as part of **AfriPlantSci**. Please **contact Levi** if you are interested in contributing to this course in the future. He is seeking to engage the Future Food Beacon more extensively in this course in 2020 and beyond. Look out for their blog post in the coming weeks!

Upcoming talks and seminars

Food, Nutrition and Dietetics seminar, May 21. "Relevant GI parameters and enzymes for in vitro models of digestion". A02, Lecture Block, Sutton Bonington campus.

Research Ethics: Developing best practice for researching in the global south, 20-21 May, Sheffield.

British Sociological Association, **Food Study Group Meeting** 24-25 June, Prato, Italy. Registration closes May 17.

Last SB Farmer's Market and **Nutrition Fair**: June 5, Sutton Bonington campus

The Society for Experimental Biology 2-5 July 2019, Seville. Future Food Beacon members are running a session titled: *An extended plant phenotype: characterising plant-soil- microbiome interactions*

Training with **IFSTAL on food systems**, July 3 and 4.

Calls for papers

There is still time to submit your abstract for the **Future Food Symposium**: The future of food waste, food surplus, and new models of social eating! Deadline extended to May 24! Unsure whether you should go? Listen to **this excerpt from BBC Radio 4** which features Dr John Harvey talking about food waste.

Waste not, Want not: Food and Thrift from Antiquity to the Present Closes May 31

Global Food History **2020 Special Issue**: WWII Food Rationing in Britain, the Empire and the Commonwealth.

Future Food Briefing, Monday June 17



Our Future Food Beacon bi-annual briefing will be taking place on June 17. Come along and hear all about our research and progress in the last six months. Please [email Lexi and Joanna](#) if you would like to be added to the guest list.

Opportunities

Food Science and Tech PhD student opportunity to apply for a [POST fellowship](#). This fellowship offers PhDs the opportunity to spend 3 months in the Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology!

Expand your food consumption

Debating the rise of convenience foods, and corresponding demise of home-cooking in [two new books](#).

Listen to [this BBC debate](#) about feeding the predicted world population.

On eating [alone](#).

Jay Rayner of the complexities of the term '[food poverty](#)'.

There is a new exhibition on at the V&A in London: [FOOD: Bigger than the plate](#). Opens Saturday May 18. There are some fascinating looking talks too!

Pint of Science is back in May! Hurry! Talks are next week!
Come along and support fellow researchers giving talks on everything
from how we can live well in cities to reducing our salt intake to what
lizards can tell us about the future of biodiversity! [Tickets here](#).

**To tell us your news, share conference registrations or
abstract opportunities, as well as any food-related reading
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