

PRESS RELEASE

Listeria issues – seminar at Campden BRI

Listeria continues to be a thorn in the side of food manufacturers. Its ability to survive and grow at refrigeration temperatures means that particular care needs to be taken to reduce its occurrence in the food manufacturing area and, ultimately, foods. To discuss pertinent issues, Campden BRI is holding a seminar on 17 May 2013. Fiona Cawkell, event director, comments:

“This seminar will highlight new and current thinking in controlling this pathogen, in particular looking at the subject from the perspective of susceptible foods (especially ready-to-eat chilled foods) and the factory environment. Key areas that will be covered include:

- *An update on Listeria as a pathogen*
- *Recent outbreaks*
- *Approaches to controlling the organism*
- *Analytical methods and evaluation of shelf-life*
- *Microbiological criteria*
- *What to do if you find Listeria”*

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Campden BRI (www.campdenbri.co.uk) provides technical, legislative and scientific support and research to the food and drinks industry worldwide. We offer a comprehensive “farm to fork” range of services covering agri-food production, analysis and testing, processing and manufacturing, safety, training and technical information services. Our members and clients benefit from industry-leading facilities for analysis, product and process development, and sensory and consumer studies, which include a specialist brewing and wine division.

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Notes to editors

1. An accompanying photograph is available from Mr Tim Hutton, Campden BRI, Station Road, Chipping Campden, Glos. GL55 6LD, UK. t.hutton@campden.co.uk +44(0)1386 842047
2. [Campden BRI](#) specialises in the practical application of technical excellence to support the food and allied industries through analysis and testing, operational support, research and innovation, and knowledge management. It is the world's largest membership-based food research organisation, with nearly 400 staff based at its three sites: Chipping Campden (Headquarters), Nutfield (Surrey - brewing division), and Budapest (Hungary).
3. Its activities include assuring the safety of food and drinks, [food processing and manufacturing](#) support, [food analysis and testing](#), [training](#) and [publishing](#). Each year it hosts hundreds of business visits and trains around 6,000 people from food and drink companies worldwide. Further information on its activities can be found at www.campden.co.uk
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 - a. [manufacturing technologies](#) - food processing (heating, chilling, freezing), aseptic technology, [microwave heating](#), [malting and brewing](#), [milling](#), [baking](#) and extrusion technology, and process control and instrumentation, [packaging technology](#)
 - b. safety assurance - including [hygiene and sanitation](#), [microbiology](#) and preservation, processing technologies, analysis and testing (microbiological, chemical), and quality and safety management,
 - c. [product development](#) and quality, [consumer studies](#), market insights, [sensory science](#), [authenticity testing](#), shelf-life evaluation, [labelling](#) and [legislation](#)
 - d. [agri-food production](#), ingredients, raw materials, raw material technology,
 - e. underpinning science - [cereal science](#), [microbiology](#), [chemistry and biochemistry](#), molecular biology
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 - c. 800 sq m of dedicated training and conference facilities