

highlights

This document sets out our achievements within our five main strategic priorities



Impact factor of our peer reviewed journal increased from **2.774** to **3.713**
International Journal of Food Science & Technology



Online delivery of Spring Conference (SC21) with **425** attendees from **50+** countries

Published 11 new **Information Statements** including 'food allergy' and 'food fraud'



New **Allergens Hub** launched to support companies and consumers with the implementation of Natasha's Law

PRIORITY 01

Communications & knowledge sharing. Extend the sharing of relevant accessible food science and technology knowledge amongst members and stakeholder groups.

Planned: development of hybrid events once physical events reintroduced



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Published first **Horizon Scanning Report** to identify future trends in the food system



Published an open letter on a **UK Wide National Food Strategy** to promote debate in food policy and legislation



Continued technical and collaborative working with Food Standard Agency and Food Standards Scotland



Helped to form **Professional Food Science, Engineering and Technology Group** (ProFSET)

PRIORITY 02

Engage with key stakeholders.

Using our unique, independent, evidence-based voice to provide valuable insight to key stakeholders on food science and technology topics.

Planned: progress key policy themes based on findings of horizon scanning report



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Growth of the Register of Food Safety Professionals from **230** to

240+



 **239**
members

recognised through the Science Council's Professional Registers

9 accredited organisations delivering **IFST Sensory Science Training**



Continuing to **work closely with SALSA** to support food safety standards



PRIORITY 03

Professional standards and development. We'll continue to grow our critical role in setting and accrediting professional standards for food scientists and technologists.

Planned: continue to promote the value and benefits of professional recognition

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Launch of online
IFST Community for
members to post questions,
updates and news



250+
valued volunteers
supporting IFST's work



Now up to
active

48



Group Schemes

2980+ members



PRIORITY
04

**Membership enrolment,
participation & retention.** Increase
our membership across all categories
and encourage members' participation
to further their career development.

Planned: Launch of active recruitment
campaigns to increase membership to 4000

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Degree
Courses accredited
across 24 universities
in the UK

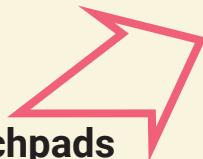


Continued support for POST Fellow

IFST provides an annual bursary to support a PhD student during three months of research at the Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology

Student Career Launchpads

adapted to an online format
reaching 330 students from
30+ universities



252,000+

unique visitor views
to our **Love Food**
Love Science
resources
for education



PRIORITY
05

Careers and education support and promotion.

Ensure that new talent continues to enter the food profession and that students, and their learning institutions are engaged with and supported by IFST.

Planned: increased support for entrants to food technical careers e.g. apprenticeships



Institute of
Food Science
+ Technology **ifst**



IFST technical visit to Wilkin & Sons, September 2020

annual highlights

2020-21

The UK's leading professional membership body recognising and supporting those involved in all aspects of food science and technology.

During a second year of COVID restrictions, IFST continues to thrive and grow. Our thanks go to our incredible members and our Corporate Supporters:

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