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Hang Xiao, PhD

University of Massachusetts Amherst



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Hang Xiao is a Professor, Clydesdale Scholar of Food Science, and Honors Program Director at the University of Massachusetts Amherst College of Natural Sciences, Department of Food Science.

Prior to his appointment at the University of Massachusetts Amherst, Professor Xiao was a Research Associate at Rutgers University following a PhD in Food Science at the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

His research is focused on identifying potential disease preventive dietary components (nutraceuticals), elucidating their molecular mechanisms, investigating possible synergistic interactions among these dietary components and commonly used pharmacological compounds, enhancing biological activities and bioavailability of dietary components by food processing and nanotechnology, with the long-term goal of developing diet-based strategies for the prevention of chronic diseases.



Alexandria Hast, PhD, RD

Campbell's Soup Company

Co-Chair IAFNS Annual Meeting



Alexandria Hast (Alex) has 15 years of experience as a Registered Dietitian and has spent majority of her career at Campbell Soup Company. She currently leads Campbell's Nutrition and Health Sciences team which is dedicated to creating delicious, nutritious, and accessible foods for millions of people across North America. Her team is also responsible for translating nutrition trends and the latest science into opportunities for innovative products that can help people eat well. Alex received her bachelor's degree in nutritional sciences from Penn State University (PSU), completed a dietetic internship at University Hospitals of Cleveland, received her master's degree in nutrition at Case Western Reserve University, and earned her PhD in nutritional sciences from PSU. Her research investigated the effects of protein, energy density, and portion size on satiety and energy intake, and her work has been published in several peer-reviewed journals. Alex is an active member of several organizations including the American Society for Nutrition, the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, and the PSU Nutrition and Dietetic Alumni Society.



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Lisa Gable

**CEO, Former US Ambassador,
Author, Distinguished Fellow**



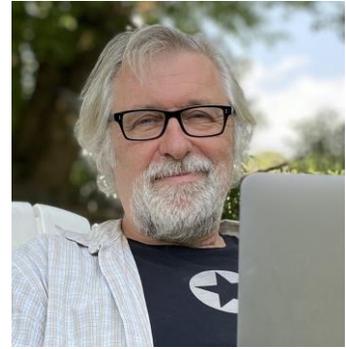
Lisa Gable is a Wall Street Journal and USA Today bestseller and is recognized as a turnaround mastermind and innovative businesswoman. For more than 30 years, she has been called to turnaround failing organizations—businesses, teams, nonprofits, political campaigns, and government projects—and solve seemingly intractable problems. Over time, Lisa has learned the key to course-correct when things go south is applying the discipline of process engineering—carefully reevaluating everything your organization does and how it does it—with diplomacy and humanity, taking care of relationships and forging strong partnerships. As a CEO, former US Ambassador, and advisor to Fortune 500 companies, Lisa has orchestrated the successful turnarounds of private and public organizations in many industries.



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Donald Schaffner, PhD

Rutgers University



Dr. Donald W. Schaffner is Distinguished Professor and Extension Specialist in Food Science and Distinguished Professor at Rutgers University. His research interests include handwashing, cross-contamination predictive food microbiology and quantitative microbial risk assessment. Dr. Schaffner has served on expert committees for the National Academy of Sciences, WHO and FAO and is an editor for the journal Applied and Environmental Microbiology. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Food Technologists, the American Academy of Microbiology and International Association for Food Protection (IAFP). Dr. Schaffner was the president of IAFP in 2013-2014. In his spare time, he co-hosts the Food Safety Talk and Risky or Not podcasts. Dr. Schaffner holds a B.S. in Food Science from Cornell University and a M.S. and Ph.D. in Food Science and Technology from the University of Georgia.



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Jorge Hernandez, PhD

VP, Quality Assurance, Wendy's



Dr. Jorge Hernandez is the Vice President of Quality Assurance for the Wendy's Company. As such, he is responsible for the design, implementation and leadership of the Food Safety and Quality Assurance Programs that impact suppliers, distribution centers and restaurants and, accordingly, directly responsible for the food safety, quality-brand protection at Wendy's. Previously, Jorge was the Chief Food Safety Officer at Wholesome International, a restaurant company with concepts and brands in the quick and fast casual foodservice markets in the US; the Senior Vice President for Food Safety and Quality Assurance at US FOODS, the second largest Distributor in the US; the Vice President of Food Safety and Risk Management at the National Restaurant Association; the Food Program Manager at the Illinois Department of Public Health and a Senior Sanitarian at the Winnebago County Health Department in Illinois. Jorge has Degrees in Biology from Rockford University, Microbiology from the Centro de Estudios Medico-Biologicos in Mexico City Mexico, Languages and Literature from la Universite de la Sorbonne, Paris, France and Executive Leadership from the Said School of Business at Oxford University in Oxford, England.



Liz Duffy

Global Omnichannel Regulatory Compliance, Walmart

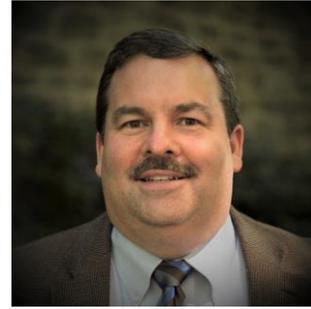


Liz Duffy is the Sr. Director II, Global Omnichannel Compliance. In this role, Liz leads the development and implementation of compliance controls for global omnichannel compliance programs such as Last Mile Delivery, Grocery Pickup, Ship from Store, etc. Liz focuses on leveraging compliance to enable and grow the business to take care of customers. Liz joined Walmart 16 years ago as a Food Safety Manager supporting the food safety operations for the U.S. Walmart Stores and Sam's Clubs. During her tenure at Walmart, Liz has worked in various compliance roles supporting store operations, eCommerce, and omnichannel programs. Prior to joining Walmart, Liz worked at Cargill Value Added Meats in the Quality Assurance Department. Liz has a Bachelor of Science from the University of Arkansas and an MBA with a focus on Leadership and Ethics. Outside of work, Liz enjoys spending time with her family and riding her horse, Apollo.



William Hallman, PhD

Rutgers University



Dr. William K. Hallman is a Professor and the Chair of the Department of Human Ecology and is a member of the graduate faculties of Nutritional Sciences, Psychology, and Planning and Public Policy at Rutgers University. Dr. Hallman is also a Fellow of the Society for Risk Analysis, and a Distinguished Research Fellow at the Annenberg Public Policy Center of the University of Pennsylvania. An experimental psychologist whose research focuses on consumer perceptions of risk and communications related to food, he has published extensively on issues of food safety and food insecurity, food choices, health and sustainability claims, and other food labeling issues. He has particular expertise in consumer perceptions of new food technologies including biotechnology, gene editing, nanotechnology, animal cloning, and cell-based meat, poultry, and seafood.



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Susan Mayne, PhD

U.S. Food and Drug Administration



Susan Mayne is the Director of the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (CFSAN) at the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). In this position, Dr. Mayne leads the Center's development and implementation of programs and policies related to the composition, quality, safety, and labeling of foods, food and color additives, and cosmetics. CFSAN's responsibilities also include fostering the development of healthier foods and ensuring that consumers have access to accurate and useful information to make healthy food choices.

An internationally recognized public health leader and scientist, Dr. Mayne received a B.A. in chemistry from the University of Colorado. She earned a Ph.D. in nutritional sciences, with minors in biochemistry and toxicology, from Cornell University.



Carmen Tekwe, PhD

Indiana University, Bloomington



Dr. Tekwe received her bachelor's and Master's degrees in statistics from the University of Florida. She worked at the Johns Hopkins Center on Aging and Health and at The George Washington University Biostatistics Consulting Center before earning her doctoral degree in biostatistics from the University at Buffalo. Dr. Tekwe spent two years as a postdoctoral fellow at Texas A&M University developing statistical approaches for addressing measurement error and missing data in device-based measures of energy expenditure and statistical proteomics prior to becoming an assistant professor in the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the Texas A&M School of Public Health. She joined the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics at Indiana University's School of Public Health as an associate professor in 2019. Her research interests include developing statistical methodology to better assess data collected by wearable devices, dietary intake surveys, and radiation risk assessments, with the overall goal of developing statistical methods and software that can help clinicians make better-educated recommendations targeted toward the specific health status of their patients. She currently serves as a scientific advisor to the Institute for the Advancement of Food and Nutrition Sciences, an associate editor for *Statistics in Medicine*, a reviewing editor for eLife, and an ad hoc reviewer for the NIH F18 Fellowships: Epidemiology and Population Sciences review panel.



Alison Steiber, PhD, RDN

Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics



Dr. Steiber is a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist and the Chief Science Officer at the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. As Chief Science Officer, Dr. Steiber leads the Research, International, and Scientific Affairs team in both research efforts, including conducting nutrition related research, systematic reviews, position statements, and Evidence Based Nutrition Practice Guidelines and the Dietitian Outcomes Registry. Additionally, Dr. Steiber oversees the Academy's international efforts, standardized language development and resources and supports the research fellowship program. She is an author on dozens of scientific research papers, represents the Academy at key research, scientific and/or policy conferences, is a member of the Board of Directors for the National Kidney Foundation, on the Scientific Advisory Panel for the American Council on Exercise and the Executive Committee for the International Society for Renal Nutrition and Metabolism. Dr. Steiber completed her Dietetic Internship and received her Master of Science in Dietetics at the University of Kansas Medical Center and her Doctorate in Human Nutrition from Michigan State University. In 2021, Dr. Steiber received the Distinguished Health Professions Alumna award from the University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas City, KS.



Eve Stody, PhD

Unites States Department of Agriculture



Eve E. Stody, PhD is the Director of the Nutrition Guidance and Analysis Division of USDA's Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion. Two of her primary responsibilities are to support the development of the Dietary Guidelines for Americans and the reevaluation of the Thrifty Food Plan. Eve served as the USDA staff lead in the development of the Dietary Guidelines for Americans, 2020-2025 and oversaw the development of the Thrifty Food Plan, 2021. Prior to her current role, Eve supported the development of the 2010 and 2015 editions of the Dietary Guidelines for Americans. Eve received her Bachelor of Science in biology with a minor in nutrition from Texas Christian University and her Doctorate in nutrition from Texas Woman's University.



Angela Odoms-Young, PhD

Cornell University



Angela Odoms-Young, PhD is Associate Professor and Director of the Food and Nutrition Education in Communities Program in the Division of Nutritional Sciences at Cornell University. Her research explores social and structural determinants of dietary behaviors and diet-related diseases in low-income and Black/Latinx populations and centers on identifying culturally appropriate programs and policies that promote health equity, food justice, and community resilience. Dr. Odoms-Young has over 20 years' experience partnering with communities to improve nutrition and health and 200+ academic publications, book chapters, and presentations. She has served on numerous advisory committees and boards including the National Academy of Sciences Food and Nutrition Board, the Institute of Medicine committees to develop the nutrition standards for the National School Lunch Program/School Breakfast Program and revise the food packages provided in the Supplemental Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), and Council on Black Health. Dr. Odoms-Young has also been a member of the Board of the Greater Chicago Food Depository (previous), American Heart Association Chicago Metro Board (current), Grow Greater Englewood (current), and Blacks in Green (current). She also currently serves as the inaugural Equity Visiting Scholar at Feeding America. Dr. Odoms-Young received her B.S. in Foods and Nutrition from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and M.S./PhD in Community Nutrition from Cornell University. Prior to joining Cornell Dr. Odoms-Young was on the faculty at University of Illinois at Chicago in the Department of Kinesiology and Nutrition.



Bruce Hamaker, PhD

Purdue University



Bruce R. Hamaker is Distinguished Professor of Food Science at Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana. He also holds the Roy L. Whistler Chair and is Director of the Whistler Center of Carbohydrate Research. He obtained his undergraduate degree in biological sciences from Indiana University; his graduate studies were in human nutrition (M.S.) and food chemistry (Ph.D.) from Purdue University, and post-doctoral study at the Instituto de Investigacion Nutricional in Lima, Peru (supervisor, George Graham, Johns Hopkins University). He was in the U.S. Peace Corps in Liberia, West Africa from 1977-1979. He has over 300 refereed publications in food science, human nutrition, biochemistry and broad-spectrum journals, as well as numerous book chapters. He has advised over 70 M.S and Ph.D. students and 28 post-doctoral scientists. Bruce's research is known in the area of food carbohydrates with emphasis on dietary fibers and the gut microbiome, and glycemia and physiological systems. He also works in development-oriented research and applied programs in West and East Africa and Latin America.



Kimberly Atkins

National Coalition for Food and Agricultural Research



Kim Atkins is motivated to create opportunities for U.S. agriculture and collaborates with clients to find modern and innovative solutions to the challenges faced by U.S. farmers and the agricultural industry. Born and raised on a Montana grain farm near the Canadian border, Kim's passion for agriculture and its intersection with policy started at an early age. For 16 years, her work with the U.S. Grains Council in Washington D.C., has been focused on identifying and implementing strategies and programs that can increase farmer profitability through exports and break down barriers to free and open trade. In the last seven years, Kim led strategic outreach to key stakeholders – both private industry and government – in her executive role there. She has also worked with the National Association of Wheat Growers and for Senator Max Baucus. Kim received her bachelor's degree from the University of Montana in political science with an emphasis in American politics and public law, and a minor in communication studies. She resides in Northern Virginia with her husband and two sons, and enjoys running, hiking and local wineries and breweries.



Doug Steele, PhD

Association of Public & Land-Grant Universities



Dr. Douglas Steele was appointed to his current position, Vice President, Food, Agriculture, & Natural Resources (FANR), on January 2, 2019. Dr. Steele's prior positions and appointments include Director of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service 2012-2018 and Vice President for External Relations and Director of Extension for Montana State University from 2004 to 2012. Steele previously held Extension and faculty positions at Colorado State University, where he was assistant director and State 4-H Program leader, and at Purdue University, where he served as an Extension specialist and assistant professor in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction. From 1981 to 1992, he held various Extension positions within The Texas A&M University System, including Extension agent, county director, and Extension specialist. Dr. Steele has a Bachelor of Science degree in Animal Science/Agri Business from Panhandle State University, Goodwell, OK, a Master of Agriculture degree in agronomy from West Texas State University, Canyon, TX and a doctor of philosophy degree in Educational Human Resource Development from Texas A&M University.



Kelly Dalton, PhD, RDN

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Kelly Dalton, PhD, RDN serves as Executive Director, Board on Human Sciences (BoHS) and Director, Food, Agriculture, & Natural Resources (FANR).

Dr. Dalton is an experienced leader in higher education and nonprofit management with a lifelong commitment to human sciences and community empowerment. Previously, Dr. Dalton served as the Founding Director for the Center for Service at Marymount University, and Assistant Professor in the School of Integrative Studies and Director of the Nonprofit Fellows Program at George Mason University. She also held Extension positions at the University of the District of Columbia, where she implemented SNAP-Ed programming and nutrition education in early childhood classrooms. Dr. Dalton is active globally and her work has spanned across four continents. Her research has been presented at over 20 national and international conferences on topics such as early childhood nutrition, community development, transformative education, and leadership. Dr. Dalton is a Registered Dietitian with a B.S. in Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise and M.S. in Nutrition Education and Behavior from Virginia Tech, and a Ph.D. in Education from George Mason University.



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Jing Zhou, PhD

Ingredion



Jing Zhou is the Senior Manager of Nutrition within Ingredion's Global Scientific and Regulatory Affairs team. She joined Ingredion in 2018. In her current role, she provides nutrition science expertise to the existing Ingredion portfolio and innovation projects to support the growth of Ingredion's nutrition, health, and wellness business. Jing serves as a resource to the Go-to-Market teams, including Sales and Technical Service, to enhance the Customer Experience. She also represents Ingredion at trade and scientific organizations and builds connections with research organizations. Prior to joining Ingredion, Jing had more than seven years of project management experience in the areas of human clinical nutrition and medical device research. She has expertise in clinical research, dietary protein, metabolic health, sleep quality, and skeletal muscle quality, with 18 published research papers and abstracts focusing on these topics. She is a certified Project Management Professional and spent two years at Cook Research Incorporated as a Clinical Project Manager. Jing obtained her doctorate in nutrition science from Purdue University and her bachelor's degree in biology from Wuhan University.



Jeff Blumberg, PhD

Tufts University



Dr. Blumberg is an active Professor Emeritus at the Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts University. His research has been largely focused on the role of antioxidant nutrients and phytochemicals in promoting health and preventing disease during the aging process via changes in the status of oxidative stress, glucoregulation, and inflammation. He serves on the editorial boards of several scientific journals. Dr. Blumberg was included in Thomson Reuters' List of the World's Most Influential Scientific Minds (2015) and has been cited by Mendeley Data as among the top 1% of published authors in nutrition and dietetics (2020). He has participated in activities relevant to the incorporation of sound nutrition science into public health policy, including work as a member of the Workshop on Health Promotion and Aging in the office of the U.S. Surgeon General, Sports Medicine Committee of the U.S. Olympic Committee, and Food Advisory Committee of the Food and Drug Administration.



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Sarah Sorscher, JD, MPH

Center for Science in the Public Interest



Sarah Sorscher is an experienced advocate with a passion for public health who fights for a safer, healthier, more transparent food system by promoting consumer safeguards in Congress, federal agencies, and state and local governments. As Deputy Director of Regulatory Affairs, she manages CSPI's policy work related to food safety and labeling, allergens, food additives, dietary supplements, and other consumer products. Her work includes serving on federal advisory committees, testifying before Congress and federal agencies, offering technical advice to policymakers, and providing commentary to the media on consumer and food safety issues. Prior to joining CSPI, Sarah worked on health and safety issues at Public Citizen and served as a law clerk for the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia. She holds a J.D. from the Harvard Law School, an M.P.H. from Harvard School of Public Health, and a B.A. from Amherst College.



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Beth Mansfield, PhD, RD

Health Canada



Dr. Elizabeth (Beth) Mansfield, PhD, RD, is a Registered Dietitian, Clinical Specialist in Sport Dietetics, and Certified Exercise Physiologist. She is the social and behavioral science lead in the Knowledge Translation and Exchange team in the Nutrition Regulations & Standards Division of the Bureau of Nutritional Sciences at the Food Directorate in the Health Products and Food Branch of Health Canada. She holds Adjunct Professorship in the Department of Nutrition & Dietetics at McGill University.



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Ramkumar Janakiraman, PhD

University of South Carolina



Dr. Janakiraman is a Professor of Marketing and a Distinguished Moore Fellow at the Darla Moore School of Business at the University of South Carolina. Ram has a Ph.D. in Business Administration from the University of Southern California. Ram's substantive research areas include marketing and public policy, multichannel retailing and healthcare marketing. His methodological interests include microeconometrics, applied econometric modeling and consumer learning/structural models. Ram's research has appeared or forthcoming in leading marketing, information systems, operations, strategy and medical journals such as *Marketing Science*, *Management Science*, *Journal of Marketing*, *Journal of Marketing Research*, *Information Systems Research*, *Journal of Consumer Psychology*, *Decision Sciences*, *Journal of Management* and *Annals of Family Medicine*. He teaches graduate level courses on marketing analytics, data mining and doctoral seminars on quantitative models.



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Faris Zuraikat, PhD

Columbia University



Dr. Zuraikat is a nutrition scientist and Berrie Postdoctoral Fellow in Diabetes and Obesity Research. His research interest lies in the interplay between lifestyle behaviors, particularly diet and sleep, in determining obesity and metabolic disease risk. Dr. Zuraikat obtained his PhD in Nutritional Sciences, with a focus in obesity treatment and prevention, from The Pennsylvania State University. He then completed a 1-year postdoctoral fellowship with the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women Strategically Focused Research Network at Columbia University Irving Medical Center (CUIMC), where he evaluated associations of poor sleep and chronotype with diet quantity and quality, revealing evidence of a bidirectional sleep-diet relation. Over the past 3 years, he has served as a postdoctoral fellow on the NHLBI-funded T32 in Preventive Cardiology at CUIMC, and his research investigates a potential causal impact of suboptimal patterns of sleep and circadian misalignment on metabolic and cardiovascular outcomes and further aims to elucidate biologic and behavioral mechanisms.



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James McClung, PhD

USAREIM



James P. McClung, Ph.D. is Chief of the Military Nutrition Division (MND) at the United States Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine (USARIEM) in Natick, Massachusetts. Dr. McClung completed his Bachelor's and Master's degrees at the University of New Hampshire, and his doctoral degree at Cornell University. He completed a National Research Council post-doctoral fellowship prior to assuming his role within the Department of Defense. In addition to his duties as Chief of MND, Dr. McClung serves as Chair of the Department of Defense Food and Nutrition Subcommittee. He is a member of the Army Acquisitions Corps. Dr. McClung is internationally recognized for his research in the area of micronutrient nutrition. He is an active member of a number of professional societies, including the American Society for Nutrition. He has authored or coauthored over 125 peer reviewed manuscripts, technical reports, and book chapters, and has served on the editorial boards of a number of leading international nutrition journals including the Journal of Nutrition.



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Paul Hanlon, PhD

Abbott Nutrition



Paul currently serves as Director of Regulatory Affairs at Abbott Nutrition where he is responsible for a team supporting all aspects of product innovation ranging from approval of novel food ingredients, product formulation, to the development of claims. As a board-certified toxicologist, Paul provides guidance to food safety programs that govern the control of chemical contaminants. He has also coordinated the submission of novel ingredient petitions to multiple regulatory agencies and has co-authored a number of papers focused on risk-based processes for controlling chemical contaminants in food. He participates in a number of Codex Alimentarius committees, including the Committee on Contaminants in Foods (CCCF) and the Committee on Food Additives (CCFA), and the Committee on Nutrition and Foods for Special Dietary Uses (CCNFSDU).



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Martien van Nieuwkoop, PhD

The World Bank



Martien van Nieuwkoop was appointed Global Director for the Agriculture and Food Global Practice in the World Bank's Sustainable Development Practice Group on July 1, 2019. In this role, Martien provides leadership to the formulation and implementation of the Bank's strategy and knowledge in agriculture and food, oversees the operationalization of the Bank's vision on agriculture and food in regional and country programs, acts as senior spokesperson for agriculture and food Bank-wide and globally and manages the Agriculture and Food Global Practice. The Agriculture and Food Global Practice has a portfolio of about 160 projects with close to US\$ 20 billion in commitments in investment project, program-for-results, and development policy lending and about 250 staffs. Prior, Martien served as Practice Director of the World Bank's Agriculture Global Practice, where he oversaw the Bank's agriculture lending, portfolio and analytic work in the East-Asia Pacific, Latin-America and the Caribbean and South Asia Regions, coordinated collaboration with IFC on agribusiness, and led the Bank's global engagement on agriculture and climate change. Martien holds a Final ("Doctoraal") Examination (Cum Laude), Development Economics from Wageningen Agricultural University and an MBA (Beta-Gamma-Sigma), International Executive Program from Georgetown University.



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Allison Thomson, MSc

Foundation for Food and Agriculture Research



Allison Thomson joined the Foundation for Food & Agriculture Research (FFAR) as the AgMission scientific program director in January 2022. She initially uncovered an interest in agriculture and climate change as an undergraduate soil science student. Since then, Thomson has garnered more than 20 years of experience in climate change research. Prior to joining FFAR, Thomson worked as a scientist studying climate impacts, and identifying mitigation and adaptation solutions for agriculture at the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory. She most recently applied her scientific expertise to leading metrics development to advance agricultural supply chain sustainability with Field to Market. Allison has served as an advisor, author and steering group member for a variety of scientific organizations including the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, the United States Global Change Research Program and the Global Land Programme and has contributed to over 70 peer-reviewed publications. Allison has a bachelor of arts degree from Carleton College and a master's of environmental management degree from Duke University



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Felicia Wu, PhD

Michigan State University



Felicia Wu is the John Hannah Distinguished Professor of Food Safety, Toxicology, and Risk Assessment at Michigan State University. She models the economic and health effects of food safety risks (including contaminants and human behaviors) and the cost-effectiveness of strategies to improve global food safety. For her research on how aflatoxin regulations affect global liver cancer risk, Dr. Wu was awarded a US National Institutes of Health EUREKA Award. She served as a Resource Advisor to the first World Health Organization (WHO) Foodborne Disease Burden Epidemiology Reference Group (FERG) in estimating global disease burdens of aflatoxin and arsenic. Dr. Wu is an expert advisor to the Joint Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA) of WHO and the Food and Agriculture Organization, and the FAO Scientific Advisory Committee on Livestock Nutrition and Health. She is an area editor for the journals *Risk Analysis* and *World Mycotoxin Journal*. In 2020, Dr. Wu was elected a Fellow of the Society for Risk Analysis and has just been elected to the Board of Directors of Harvard Agri-Food. She earned her A.B. and S.M. in Applied Mathematics/Medical Sciences at Harvard University, and her PhD in Engineering and Public Policy at Carnegie Mellon University.



Johanna Dwyer, ScD, RD

Tufts University



Johanna Dwyer is a Professor of Medicine at Tufts University's School of Medicine, Senior Nutrition Scientist at the Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging and Director of the Frances Stern Nutrition Center at Tufts Medical Center. She is also an adjunct appointment with the Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy at Tufts. Her work has chiefly involved large clinical trials of diet in health and disease and includes about 500 publications. She is also Senior Nutrition Scientist (contractor) at the NIH Office of Dietary Supplements. In addition to her work as a scholar and clinician, her interests in public policy and specifically nutrition policy have led to extensive involvement and assignments in Washington, DC, several involving many committees at the National Academy of Sciences and publications on scientific integrity. She has also been active in several professional associations, serving as past President and Secretary of the predecessors of the American Society for Nutrition. She has served on the Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee and the Food and Nutrition Board of the National Academy of Sciences and is a member and former Councilor of the National Academy of Medicine, National Academy of Sciences.,



Maria Hegstad, MSJ

Inside EPA



Maria Hegstad is managing editor at Inside TSCA and Risk Policy Report, websites from Inside EPA, where she has been writing about all things chemicals, risk assessment policy, toxicology and epidemiology since 2008. Before joining Inside EPA, Maria reported for local newspapers in Manassas, VA, and D.C., covering courts and local government. She is a proud native of the “other” Washington, raised in Tacoma. Maria earned her BA from the College of William & Mary and her MSJ from Medill at Northwestern University.



Kristin Lewis, PhD

American Association for the Advancement of Science



Kristin Lewis is a project director within the Center for Public Engagement with Science and Technology at the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). Kristin leads the AAAS Mass Media Science & Engineering Fellowship, co-leads the AAAS IF/THEN Ambassadors and facilitates Communicating Science workshops. Prior to joining AAAS in 2019, Kristin supported the development of the Fourth National Climate Assessment at the U.S. Global Change Research Program and was an AAAS Science and Technology Policy Fellow at NASA. Kristin holds a Ph.D. in Physics from the University of Michigan.



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Andrew Maynard, PhD

Arizona State University



Andrew is a professor in the Arizona State University School for the Future of Innovation in Society, and an Associate Dean in the ASU College of Global Futures. Trained as a physicist, his work cuts across disciplinary boundaries as it focuses on the ethical and socially responsible development and use of new technologies. He is an elected Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, serves as co-chair of the Institute for the Advancement of Nutrition and Food Science (IAFNS) Board of Trustees, is a member of the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research President's Advisory Council, has served on a number of National Academies of Sciences committees, and has testified before Congress on several occasions. Since 2008 he has also worked closely with the World Economic Forum in a number of capacities, including chairing and serving on Global Agenda Councils/Global Future Councils, and contributing to the WEF annual list of top ten emerging technologies. In addition to his academic writing, Andrew is known for his work on communicating with broad audiences around complex issues. As well as his two books, *Films from the Future* and *Future Rising*, his work has appeared in publications ranging from *The Washington Post* and *Scientific American*, to *Slate*, *Salon*, and *OneZero*. He also co-hosts the podcast *Mission: Interplanetary*.



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Cheryl Hogue, MSc

Chemical & Engineering News



Cheryl Hogue brings decades of experiencing covering national and international environmental issues including water pollution, climate change, and risk assessment and risk management of commercial chemicals. Her recent coverage has focused on the “forever chemicals” called PFAS (per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances) and the global plastic pollution crisis. She has an M.S. in environmental sciences and policy from the Johns Hopkins University and a B.S. in biology from the College of William & Mary. In her spare time, Cheryl dons binoculars and seeks out warblers, hawks, and other birds.

