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Future Food Beacon Newsletter

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Job opportunities

We are looking for a research associate/fellow to join the Future Food team.

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Future Food News

Dr Sally Eldeghaidy, Anne Maclaren Research Fellow for Future Food, is [recruiting volunteers](#) for a new MRI study aimed at understanding obesity.

Prof David Salt **recently visited the Cocoa Research Centre** in Trinidad & Tobago to explore how we might further cocoa fermentation research.

A new partnership between the Future Food Beacon and the Global Open Data for Agriculture and Nutrition **is announced**.

We are pleased to welcome **Dr Tristan Dew** to the Future Food Beacon. Tristan is establishing our Molecular Phenomics platform.

Dr Molly Muleya, postdoctoral researcher on our Future Proteins Platform, **spoke to the British Embassy in Harare** about the importance of micronutrients in foods, and the importance of alternative proteins.

New research shows that **the sustainability of food products** can affect how people respond to consuming them.

We are working with Embrapa, in Brazil, on **several projects** related to Brazilian agricultural practices.

How do roots branch towards water and nutrients in the soil? **New research** finds out.

Upcoming talks, seminars and conferences

Many talks, conferences and meetings are being cancelled or postponed due to Covid-19. We have endeavoured to update this list to reflect these changes, removing those we know have been cancelled/postponed, but we may have missed some.

The future of the UK supply chain: regulation, fairness and towards net zero emissions 25 March, London.

City Food Symposium 2020: Harnessing the power of youth to transform food systems for health and sustainability 23 April, City University London.

Future Food Symposium 10 June, Coventry. Abstracts accepted until 10 April.

Sustainability Research and Innovation Congress 14-17 June, Brisbane.

2020 HCDA conference **New Horizons: Sustainability and Justice** 30 June - 2 July, Auckland, New Zealand.

Precision imaging: transforming healthcare and nutrition with pioneering imaging 23 September, Nottingham.

Food futures in the anthropocene: place-based, just, convivial 7-10 November, Launceston, Tasmania. Abstracts due May 1.

New publications from Future Food

Sensors support machine learning by Nik Watson (2019).

Soil strength influences wheat root interactions with soil macropores by John A. Atkinson et al. (2020).

Urine selenium concentration is a useful biomarker for assessing population level selenium status by Felix P. Phiri et al. (2020).

Early responses of Brassica oleracea roots to zinc supply under sufficient and sub-optimal phosphorus supply by Paula Pongrac et al. (2020).

Agronomic biofortification of leafy vegetables grown in an Oxisol, Alfisol and Vertisol with isotopically labelled selenium by Ivy S. Ligowe et al. (2020).

Healthy meals, better learners? Debating the focus of school food policy in England by Lexi Earl & Gurbinder Singh Lalli (2020).

Out now in paperback: ***Schools and Food Education in the 21st century*** by Lexi Earl.

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

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