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**Safety of Meat and Processed Meat** Springer  
 Cases of listeriosis appear to be predominantly associated with ready-to-eat products. FAO and WHO have undertaken a risk assessment of Listeria monocytogenes in ready-to-eat foods, prepared and reviewed by an international team of scientists. Input was received from several international fora including expert consultations and Codex Alimentarius committee meetings as well as via public and peer review. This technical report provides complete documentation of the risk assessment, the approaches taken, the data and methodology used, and the results. It also contains four example assessments addressing the risk of listeriosis associated with fresh milk, ice cream, fermented meats and cold-smoked fish. These products were selected to represent typical classes of ready-to-eat products.

**A Primer on Risk Assessment Modelling** World Health Organization  
 This paper is written as an introduction to the concepts of microbial risk assessment in general, but with a seafood focus and greater emphasis on the quantitative approach. The risk of food-borne disease is a combination of the likelihood of exposure to the pathogen, the likelihood of infection or intoxication resulting in illness and the severity of the illness. In a system as complex as the production and consumption of food, many factors affect both the likelihood and severity. To manage food safety effectively, a systematic means of examining these factors is necessary.

**Microbiological risk assessment guidance for food** Springer Science & Business Media  
 This authoritative two-volume reference provides valuable, necessary information on the principles underlying the production of microbiologically safe and stable foods. The work begins with an overview and then addresses four major areas: 'Principles and application of food preservation techniques' covers the specific techniques that defeat growth of harmful microorganisms, how those techniques work, how they are used, and how their effectiveness is measured. 'Microbial ecology of different types of food' provides a food-by-food accounting of food composition, naturally occurring microflora, effects of processing, how spoiling can occur, and preservation. 'Foodborne pathogens' profiles the most important and the most dangerous microorganisms that can be found in foods, including bacteria, viruses, parasites, mycotoxins, and 'mad cow disease.' The section also looks at the economic aspects and long-term consequences of foodborne disease. 'Assurance of the microbiological safety and quality of

foods' scrutinizes all aspects of quality assurance, including HACCP, hygienic factory design, methods of detecting organisms, risk assessment, legislation, and the design and accreditation of food microbiology laboratories. Tables, photographs, illustrations, chapter-by-chapter references, and a thorough index complete each volume. This reference is of value to all academic, research, industrial and laboratory libraries supporting food programs; and all institutions involved in food safety, microbiology and food microbiology, quality assurance and assessment, food legislation, and generally food science and technology.

**HACCP in Meat, Poultry, and Fish Processing** John Wiley & Sons  
 This second edition of Water Activity in Foods furnishes those working within food manufacturing, quality control, and safety with a newly revised guide to water activity and its role in the preservation and processing of food items. With clear, instructional prose and illustrations, the book's international team of contributors break down the essential principles of water activity and water-food interactions, delineating water's crucial impact upon attributes such as flavor, appearance, texture, and shelf life. The updated and expanded second edition continues to offer an authoritative overview of the subject, while also broadening its scope to include six newly written chapters covering the latest developments in water activity research. Exploring topics ranging from deliquescence to crispness, these insightful new inclusions complement existing content that has been refreshed and reconfigured to support the food industry of today.

**Shelf Life Assessment of Food** Food & Agriculture Org.  
 Covers a Host of Groundbreaking Techniques Thermal processing is known to effectively control microbial populations in food, but the procedure also has a downside—it can break down the biochemical composition of foods, resulting in a marked loss of sensory and nutritional quality. Processing Effects on Safety and Quality of Foods delineates three decades of advances made in processing techniques that produce microbiologically safe foods, while maintaining their sensory and nutritive properties. Addresses the Entire Food Processing Industry With an international team of more than 35 renowned contributors, this book presents evaluation techniques that yield reliable estimations of microbiological, physicochemical, nutritive, and sensory characteristics. Each chapter discusses the processing effects of relevant technologies and includes the basics of microbial kinetics, sensory evaluation, and the perception of food quality. A sampling of the techniques covered: Hermetically sealed containers Acrylamide formation Dried foods Irradiated foods Pressure-assisted thermal processing Pulsed electric field processing Processing Effects on Safety and Quality of Foods

addresses the entire food processing industry, including food modeling, optimization, and proper design of manufacturing plants. It is the first of its kind—a single, sound reference that explores all of the different aspects involved in evaluating processing effects in food safety and quality.

**Microbiological Risk Assessment in Food Processing** Routledge  
 This essential reference emphasizes the molecular and mechanistic aspects of food microbiology in one comprehensive volume. • Addresses the field's major concerns, including spoilage, pathogenic bacteria, mycotoxigenic molds, viruses, prions, parasites, preservation methods, fermentation, beneficial microorganisms, and food safety. • Details the latest scientific knowledge and concerns of food microbiology • Offers a description of the latest and most advanced techniques for detecting, analyzing, tracking, and controlling microbiological hazards in food. • Serves as significant reference book for professionals who conduct research, teach food microbiology courses, analyze food samples, conduct epidemiologic investigations, and craft food safety policies.

**Thermal Processing of Packaged Foods** Springer Science & Business Media  
 Written by the world's leading scientists and spanning over 400 articles in three volumes, the Encyclopedia of Food Microbiology, Second Edition is a complete, highly structured guide to current knowledge in the field. Fully revised and updated, this encyclopedia reflects the key advances in the field since the first edition was published in 1999 The articles in this key work, heavily illustrated and fully revised since the first edition in 1999, highlight advances in areas such as genomics and food safety to bring users up-to-date on microorganisms in foods. Topics such as DNA sequencing and E. coli are particularly well covered. With lists of further reading to help users explore topics in depth, this resource will enrich scientists at every level in academia and industry, providing fundamental information as well as explaining state-of-the-art scientific discoveries. This book is designed to allow disparate approaches (from farmers to processors to food handlers and consumers) and interests to access accurate and objective information about the microbiology of foods Microbiology impacts the safe presentation of food. From harvest and storage to determination of shelf-life, to presentation and consumption. This work highlights the risks of microbial contamination and is an invaluable go-to guide for anyone working in Food Health and Safety Has a two-fold industry appeal (1) those developing new functional food products and (2) to all corporations concerned about the potential hazards of microbes in their food products

**Modeling Microbial Responses in Food** John Wiley & Sons

This new edition discusses the physical and engineering aspects of the thermal processing of packaged foods and examines the methods which have been used to establish the time and temperature of processes suitable to achieve adequate sterilization or pasteurization of the packaged food. The third edition is totally renewed and updated, including new concepts and areas that are relevant for thermal food processing: This edition is formed by 22 chapters—arranged in five parts—that maintain great parts of the first and second editions. The first part includes five chapters analyzing different topics associated with heat transfer mechanism during canning process, kinetic of microbial death, sterilization criteria and safety aspect of thermal processing. The second part, entitled Thermal Food Process Evaluation Techniques, includes six chapters and discusses the main process evaluation techniques. The third part includes six chapters treating subjects related with pressure in containers, simultaneous sterilization and thermal food processing equipment. The fourth part includes four chapters including computational fluid dynamics and multi-objective optimization. The fifth part, entitled Innovative Thermal Food Processing, includes a chapter focused on two innovative processes used for food sterilization such high pressure with thermal sterilization and ohmic heating. Thermal Processing of Pa ckaged Foods, Third Edition is intended for a broad audience, from undergraduate to post graduate students, scientists, engineers and professionals working for the food industry.

**Understanding Pathogen Behaviour** Woodhead Publishing Predicting the growth and behaviour of microorganisms in food has long been an aim in food microbiology research. In recent years, microbial models have evolved to become more exact and the discipline of quantitative microbial ecology has gained increasing importance for food safety management, particularly as minimal processing techniques have become more widely used. These processing methods operate closer to microbial death, survival and growth boundaries and therefore require even more precise models. Written by a team of leading experts in the field, Modelling microorganisms in food assesses the latest developments and provides an outlook for the future of microbial modelling. Part one discusses general issues involved in building models of microbial growth and inactivation in foods, with chapters on the historical background of the field, experimental design, data processing and model fitting, the problem of uncertainty and variability in models and modelling lag-time. Further chapters review the use of quantitative microbiology tools in predictive microbiology and the use of predictive microbiology in risk assessment. The second part of the book focuses on new approaches in specific areas of microbial modelling, with chapters discussing the implications of microbial variability in predictive modelling and the importance of taking into account microbial interactions in foods. Predicting microbial inactivation under high pressure and the use of mechanistic models are also covered. The final chapters outline the possibility of incorporating systems biology approaches into food microbiology. Modelling microorganisms in food is a standard reference for all those in the field of food microbiology. Assesses the latest developments in microbial modelling Discusses the issues involved in building models of microbial growth Chapters review the use of quantitative microbiology tools in predictive microbiology

**Food Engineering Handbook, Two Volume Set** CABI Predictive microbiology is a recent area within food microbiology, which studies the responses of microorganisms in foods to environmental factors (e.g., temperature, pH) through mathematical functions. These functions enable scientists to predict the behavior of pathogens and spoilage microorganisms under different combinations of factors. The main goal of predictive models in food science is to assure both food safety and food quality. Predictive models in foods have developed significantly in the last 20 years due to the emergence of powerful computational resources and sophisticated statistical packages. This book presents the concepts, models, most significant advances, and future trends in predictive microbiology. It will discuss the history and basic concepts of predictive microbiology. The most frequently used models will be explained, and the most significant software and databases (e.g., Combase, Sym'Previous) will be reviewed. Quantitative Risk Assessment, which uses predictive modeling to account for the transmission of foodborne pathogens across the food chain, will also be covered. **Enterobacter Sakazakii and Other Microorganisms in Powdered Infant Formula** CRC Press

The demands of producing high quality, safe (pathogen-free) food rely increasingly on natural sources of antimicrobials to inhibit food spoilage organisms and food-borne pathogens and toxins. Discovery and development of new antimicrobials from natural sources for a wide range of application requires that knowledge of traditional sources for food antimicrobials is combined with the latest technologies in identification, characterization and application. This book explores some novel, natural sources of antimicrobials as well as the latest developments in using well-known antimicrobials in food. Covering antimicrobials derived from microbial sources (bacteriophages, bacteria, algae, fungi), animal-derived products (milk proteins, chitosan, reduction of biogenic amines), plants and plant-products (essential oils,

phytochemicals, bioactive compounds), this book covers the development and use of natural antimicrobials for processed and fresh food products. New and emerging technologies concerning antimicrobials are also discussed.

**Water Activity in Foods** Springer Science & Business Media Research and development of seafood continues to be productive in terms of new and improved products for both food and non-food purposes. The use of biotechnology, microbiology, computer modeling and advanced analytical techniques has led to improvements in processing and product safety. This recent book provides extensive new information on these developments. The 25 reports were prepared by food scientists specializing in seafood. The reports are well illustrated with numerous schematics and some micrographs. Extensive reference data is provided in tables and graphs.

**Basic Protocols in Predictive Food Microbiology** John Wiley & Sons

The shelf-life of a product is critical in determining both its quality and profitability. This important collection reviews the key factors in determining shelf-life and how it can be measured. Part one examines the factors affecting shelf-life and spoilage, including individual chapters on the major types of food spoilage, the role of moisture and temperature, spoilage yeasts, the Maillard reaction and the factors underlying lipid oxidation. Part two addresses the best ways of measuring the shelf-life of foods, with chapters on modelling food spoilage, measuring and modelling glass transition, detecting spoilage yeasts, measuring lipid oxidation, the design and validation of shelf-life tests and the use of accelerated shelf-life tests. Understanding and measuring the shelf-life of food is an important reference for all those concerned with extending the shelf-life of food. Reviews the key factors in determining shelf-life and how they can be measured Examines the importance of the shelf-life of a product in determining its quality and profitability Brings together the leading international experts in the field

**Mathematical and Statistical Methods in Food Science and Technology** CRC Press

The RACCP (hazard analysis critical control point) concept for food products was an outgrowth of the US space program with the demand for a safe food supply for manned space flights by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). The original work was carried out by the Pillsbury Company under the direction of Roward E. Bauman, who as the author of chapter 1 describes the evolution of the RACCP system and its adaptation to foods. The second chapter discusses the adoption of RACCP principles and explains how they fit into the USDA and FDA meat, poultry and seafood inspection systems. The next chapter discusses how RACCP principles can be extended to production of meat, poultry and seafoods, a most important area involved in producing a safe food supply. Chapter 4 deals with the use of RACCP in controlling hazards encountered in slaughtering and distribution of fresh meat and poultry, while chapter 5 discusses the problem - both spoilage and hazards - involved in processing and distribution of meat, poultry and seafood products. Chapter 6 covers the entire area of fish and seafoods, including both fresh and processed products from the standpoints of spoilage and hazards.

**Food Engineering Handbook** CRC Press

Fresh-cut Fruits and Vegetables: Science, Technology, and Market provides a comprehensive reference source for the emerging fresh-cut fruits and vegetables industry. It focuses on the unique biochemical, physiological, microbiological, and quality changes in fresh-cut processing and storage and on the distinct equipment design, packaging requirements, production economics, and marketing considerations for fresh-cut products. Based on the extensive research in this area during the past 10 years, this reference is the first to cover the complete spectrum of science, technology, and marketing issues related to this field, including production, processing, physiology, biochemistry, microbiology, safety, engineering, sensory, biotechnology, and economics. ABOUT THE EDITOR: Olusola Lamikanra, Ph.D., is a Research Chemist and Lead Scientist at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, Southern Regional Research Center, New Orleans, Louisiana. He received his B.S. degree from the University of Lagos, Nigeria, and his Ph.D. from the University of Leeds, England. He was Professor in the Division of Agricultural Sciences and Director of the Center for Viticultural Science and Small Farm Development at Florida A&M University, Tallahassee. Dr. Lamikanra is the author of more than 100 publications.

**International Food Safety Handbook** Elsevier

Food Engineering Handbook, Two-Volume Set provides a stimulating and up-to-date review of food engineering phenomena. It also addresses the basic and applied principles of food engineering methods used in food processing operations around the world. Combining theory with a practical, hands-on approach, this set examines the thermophysical properties and modeling of selected processes such as chilling, freezing, and dehydration, and covers the key aspects of food engineering, from mass and heat transfer to steam and boilers, heat exchangers, diffusion, and absorption. Comprised of Food Engineering Handbook: Food Engineering Fundamentals and Food Engineering Handbook: Food Process Engineering, this

comprehensive resource: Explains the interactions between different food constituents that might lead to changes in food properties Describes the characterization of the heating behavior of foods, their heat transfer, heat exchangers, and the equipment used in each food engineering method Discusses rheology, fluid flow, evaporation, distillation, size reduction, mixing, emulsion, and encapsulation Provides case studies of solid-liquid and supercritical fluid extraction and food behaviors Explores fermentation, enzymes, fluidized-bed drying, and more Presenting cutting-edge information on new and emerging food engineering processes, Food Engineering Handbook, Two-Volume Set offers a complete reference on the fundamental concepts, modeling, quality, safety, and technologies associated with food engineering and processing operations today.

**Food Microbiology** World Health Organization

Effective control of pathogens continues to be of great importance to the food industry. The first edition of Foodborne pathogens quickly established itself as an essential guide for all those involved in the management of microbiological hazards at any stage in the food production chain. This major edition strengthens that reputation, with extensively revised and expanded coverage, including more than ten new chapters. Part one focuses on risk assessment and management in the food chain. Opening chapters review the important topics of pathogen detection, microbial modelling and the risk assessment procedure. Four new chapters on pathogen control in primary production follow, reflecting the increased interest in safety management early in the food chain. The fundamental issues of hygienic design and sanitation are also covered in more depth in two extra chapters. Contributions on safe process design and operation, HACCP and good food handling practice complete the section. Parts two and three then review the management of key bacterial and non-bacterial foodborne pathogens. A new article on preservation principles and technologies provides the context for following chapters, which discuss pathogen characteristics, detection methods and control procedures, maintaining a practical focus. There is expanded coverage of non-bacterial agents, with dedicated chapters on gastroenteritis viruses, hepatitis viruses and emerging viruses and foodborne helminth infections among others. The second edition of Foodborne pathogens: hazards, risk analysis and control is an essential and authoritative guide to successful pathogen control in the food industry. Strengthens the highly successful first edition of Foodborne pathogens with extensively revised and expanded coverage Discusses risk assessment and management in the food chain. New chapters address pathogen control, hygiene design and HACCP Addresses preservation principles and technologies focussing on pathogen characteristics, detection methods and control procedures

**Seafood Safety, Processing, and Biotechnology** Academic Press

The key requirements for chilled food products are good quality and microbiological safety at the point of consumption. The first edition of Chilled foods quickly established itself as the standard work on these issues. This major new edition strengthens that reputation, with extensively revised and expanded coverage (including more than ten new chapters) and significant participation from those in the chilled food industry to increase the publication's relevance to practitioners. The introduction discusses key trends and influences in the chilled foods market. Part one explores the critical importance of raw material selection and packaging materials in final product quality, with expanded coverage of particular ingredients such as fish, cheese and poultry and a new contribution on chilled food packaging materials and technologies. Part two focuses on technologies and processes in the supply chain, with entirely new chapters on refrigeration, storage and transport and non-microbial hazards such as allergens, among others. Alongside are updated chapters on the important topics of hygienic design, cleaning and disinfection and temperature monitoring and measurement. Part three covers microbiological hazards, with new chapters on predictive microbiology and conventional and rapid analytical microbiology. The final part contains three new chapters devoted to essential issues in safety and quality management, such as shelf-life, quality and consumer acceptability. A wholly updated chapter on legislation and criteria completes the volume.

Extensively revised and expanded, the third edition of Chilled foods is an essential reference for professionals involved in the manufacture of chilled food products. Reviews key trends and influences in the chilled food market Explores the importance of raw material selection and packaging materials in final product quality Discusses technologies and processes in the supply chain, focusing on refrigeration, storage and transport

**Nutrient Digestion and Utilization in Farm Animals** CRC Press

Microbiological risk assessment (MRA) is one of the most important recent developments in food safety management. Adopted by Codex Alimentarius and many other international bodies, it provides a structured way of identifying and assessing microbiological risks in food. Edited by two leading authorities, and with contributions by international experts in the field, Microbiological risk assessment provides a detailed coverage of the key steps in MRA and how it can be used to improve food safety. The book begins by placing MRA within the broader

context of the evolution of international food safety standards. Part one introduces the key steps in MRA methodology. A series of chapters discusses each step, starting with hazard identification and characterisation before going on to consider exposure assessment and risk characterisation. Given its importance, risk communication is also covered. Part two then considers how MRA can be implemented in practice. There are chapters on implementing the results of a microbiological risk assessment and on the qualitative and quantitative tools available in carrying out a MRA. It also discusses the relationship of MRA to the use of microbiological criteria and another key tool in food safety management, Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) systems. With its authoritative coverage of both principles and key issues in implementation, Microbiological risk assessment in food processing is a standard work on one of the

most important aspects of food safety management. Provides a detailed coverage of the key steps in microbiological risk assessment (MRA) and how it can be used to improve food safety. Places MRA within the broader context of the evolution of international food safety standards. Introduces the key steps in MRA methodology, considers exposure assessment and risk characterisation, and covers risk communication. *Advanced Quantitative Microbiology for Foods and Biosystems* CRC Press. Presenting a novel view of the quantitative modeling of microbial growth and inactivation patterns in food, water, and biosystems, *Advanced Quantitative Microbiology for Foods and Biosystems: Models for Predicting Growth and Inactivation* describes new models for estimating microbial growth and survival. The author covers traditional and alternative models, thermal and non-thermal preservation, water disinfection, microbial dose response

curves, interpretation of irregular count records, and how to estimate the frequencies of future outbursts. He focuses primarily on the mathematical forms of the proposed alternative models and on the rationale for their introduction as substitutes to those currently in use. The book provides examples of how some of the methods can be implemented to follow or predict microbial growth and inactivation patterns, in real time, with free programs posted on the web, written in MS Excel, and examples of how microbial survival parameters can be derived directly from non-isothermal inactivation data and then used to predict the efficacy of other non-isothermal heat treatments. Featuring numerous illustrations, equations, tables, and figures, the book elucidates a new approach that resolves several outstanding issues in microbial modeling and eliminates inconsistencies often found in current methods.