



UCD Institute of Food and Health

STRATEGY 2020-2024

Our vision is to be a global leader in the scientific discovery that shapes the future of food and health.

At the UCD Institute of Food and Health, we continually strive for excellence, operating with collegiality, creativity and integrity.

We embrace equality, inclusion and diversity in all of our activities and ensure engagement with world leaders in the field to future-proof Irish and global food systems.

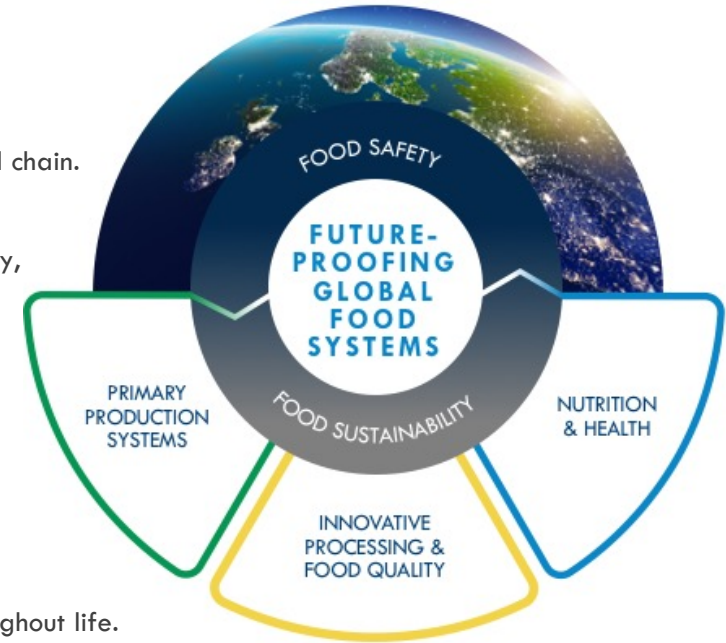
ucd.ie/foodandhealth

OUR RESEARCH



Building on our research excellence, we will take a holistic approach to future-proof global food systems, covering five key areas.

- **FOOD SAFETY**
Developing new technologies to secure safety throughout the food chain.
- **FOOD SUSTAINABILITY**
Enabling technological transformations to underpin environmentally, socially and economically sustainable food systems.
- **PRIMARY PRODUCTION SYSTEMS**
Enhancing primary production systems to supply safe, nutritious, sustainable foods.
- **INNOVATIVE PROCESSING & FOOD QUALITY**
Improving the safety, quality and sensory appeal of foods.
- **NUTRITION & HEALTH**
Advancing research to enable healthy living and well-being throughout life.



OUR GOALS



01

Increase the quality and quantity of our research and innovation in sustainable food and health.

02

Deepen and expand partnerships and collaborations with key food and health stakeholders.

03

Demonstrate global leadership by translating our research to impact positively on society.

OUR KEY ENABLERS



- Attract highly skilled academic staff, researchers and students.
- Secure research income, in particular non-exchequer funding.
- Support development and access to world-class infrastructure and facilities.

WHAT SUCCESS LOOKS LIKE



We aim to lead the way in future-proofing Irish and global health systems by achieving key performance indicators, including:

Increase **publication** output 2% year-on-year with citation impact at 2.2

Achieve **60% international** co-authored publications

Increase **funding** 10% year-on-year with 40% non-exchequer

Disseminate our leading research through at least one **major annual international event**