

# WORKING FOR YOU

## **CPMA 2021 Fresh Week**

Total participation

International participation

Unique companies in attendance

2,826 1,014

1,270

## **New Product Showcase Awards**

**Best New Product** 

The Star Group, **New Inspired Salads**  **New Technology** 

**UNITEC Canada Fruit and** Vegetables Technology Inc., **Cherry Vision 3.0** 

**Packaging Innovation** 

Mucci Farms, **Naked Leaf Living Basil** 



**Snackable Product** 

**LOOP Mission, Probiotic Sodas** 



**Organic Product** 

EarthFresh, Organic Golden, **Red & Russet Potatoes** 



Twitter reach



LinkedIn impressions

1,709,825

31K

## **Food Safety**



#### Research

- \* Completed 3 of the 4 projects supported by the Canadian Food Safety Fund.
- \* Awarded the 2021 research project funding to Dr. Goodridge from the University of Guelph.

Integrated post-harvest wash systems for fruit and vegetable decontamination for reducing water usage and decreased emission of disinfectant by-products in wastewater streams.



#### **Keith Warriner**

Bacteriophage Cocktail to Control Shiga-toxigenic E. coli on Lettuce



#### Claudia Navaraez

Rapid detection of Salmonella in fresh produce using a paper-based microfluidic device based on recombinase polymerase amplification and lateral flow immunoassay.



#### Xiaonan Lu

### Collaboration with Canadian Food Safety Agency (CFIA)

- \* Lobbied CFIA to provide import guidance for romaine lettuce.
- \* Collaborated on food recall processes, industry communication and bi-lateral (Canada/U.S.) procedures to help members navigate regulatory responsibilities.

- \* Developed and presented sessions of the Food Safety, Regulatory and Quality Assurance Workshop for members.
- \* Developed a "Big 4 Produce Pathogens" workshop to be rolled-out late 2021.

Applicability of pulsed light as an emerging technology to inactivate foodborne viruses on berries.



#### Julie Jean

Field Ready, Point of Need Detection of Foodborne Pathogens in Irrigation Sources.



**Larry Goodridge** 

## International collaborations

- \* Worked with International Federation for Produce Standards to highlight the challenges facing the fresh produce to the Global Food Safety Initiative management.
- \* Sponsored and Chaired, Canadian Supply Chain Food Safety Coalition's Risk Management Symposium.

#### **Label Review**

65

Label reviews performed

(January 2020 - June 2021).

## **Education**



## **Produce Talks podcast**

Released our 100th episode in June 2021

Total downloads

Most popular episodes

100th

110,000

**Influencer Marketing** 

**Practicality of Plastics** 

Consumer Trends in Retail & Foodservice and Emerging Technologies.

## **Online Learning**

#### **2021 Virtual Passion for Produce**

Welcomed our biggest cohort ever of 20 participants.

20+

## **Virtual learning opportunities**

Released 1 podcast and hosted 1 webinar on average per month complemented by user directed online learning (Produce Basics & Produce Essentials)

Held 9 Learning Lounge sessions at the CPMA 2021 virtual show.

#### **Market Research**

- \* Initiated in August 2020 to provide members with information on import trends, retail market, and consumer behaviours.
- \* Produced 12 market research reports since August 2020.
- \* Emerged among the top three most read articles in our member communications.

### **Innovation**

\* Launched Innovation Working Group with 43 volunteers to bring the latest produce and innovation expertise to CPMA members.

## **Advocacy**

Recognized among the top tier of the Hill Times' list of Top 50 Agriculture Influencers on Parliament Hill in 2020.

**Top 50** 

## Held our first-ever virtual advocacy events including:

CPMA Government Issue Management Working Group meeting with government officials and meetings with Parliamentarians.

Connected with more than 130 Parliamentarians and officials in 2020 and almost 200 so far in 2021.

150+



69 industry participants from 7 provinces met with more than 40 Parliamentarians and key government officials.

**69-7-40** 

Prepared our Canadian Fresh Produce Industry Recovery from the COVID-19 Pandemic report, outlining 24 short and long-term recommendations for government action.



41 industry participants met with more than 50 Parliamentarians and officials representing 9 provinces.

41-50-9



Presented 18 submissions to national, bilateral, and international consultations.



Participated in 5 Parliamentary Committee studies on issues impacting our members in the first half of 2021.

## **Issue Management**

- \* Hosted representatives from 27 Embassies at the Virtual Embassy Event.
- \* Responded to hundreds of industry inquiries on traceability compliance with the Safe Food for Canadians Regulations.
- \* Represented industry on dozens of issues via government and associated stakeholder engagement including:
  - \* COVID challenges and recovery.
  - \* Customs issues and CARM.
  - \* Financial protection.
  - \* Labour, labelling, and traceability.
  - \* Trade and market access, and more.

"CPMA's ongoing efforts to engage with government on behalf of its members, and to advocate for their needs and priorities, are critical to our industry's success in Canada. The Government Relations team continues to foster relationships with elected and non-elected officials and build CPMA's reputation as the voice of the produce supply chain in Ottawa."

Mario Masellis, Chair, CGIM Industry Committee



Advanced efforts to address plastic waste by establishing guidelines, standards and best practices, and engaging with relevant ecosystems, and stakeholders.



Launched a Customs Working Group to help address challenges at the Canadian border.

## **Half Your Plate**



Facebook followers

Twitter followers

Instagram followers

32,105

4,450

3,109

**Pinterest** followers Health Professionals Network members

YouTube Subscribers

2,100

648

**578** 

Freggie Virtual Fresh Ride

Most popular pages on HalfYourPlate.ca

Simply Fresh Newsletter Average open rate of

**March 2021** Over 100 participants, 18 157KM travelled.

Fruits A-Z **Veggies A-Z** 

42%



#### **CPMA**

Twitter followers

LinkedIn followers

2,198





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APRIL 5-7 AVRIL / 2022 PALAIS DES CONGRÈS DE MONTRÉAL

"CPMA continues to provide that vital platform for our industry, to come together, network, and collectively address the challenges that we face. On behalf of Robinson Fresh, thank you for all that you do!"

- Jon Nordquist, C.H. Robinson Worldwide, Inc.









