## <u>Government Chemist contributes to IFST</u> <u>food allergens resource</u>

News story

The Institute of Food Science Technology has launched a new Food Allergens Knowledge Hub to help consumers, food businesses and educators source best practice advice



Selection of most common allergenic foods

The Government Chemist was pleased to contribute to the development of the IFST food allergy/allergens knowledge hub.

The hub aims to provide free access to reliable resources for all those needing clear and trusted, scientifically evidence-based information on this important topic. Food allergy, coeliac disease and food intolerance, are a major public health issue. The identification, control of and communication about food allergens are critical issues throughout the food supply chain.

<u>Dr Michael Walker</u>, former Head of the office of the Government Chemist was invited to work alongside other IFST nominated experts to develop the resources that make up this expansive knowledge hub.

Dr Walker said

It was a pleasure to contribute to the resources in the IFST food allergy/allergens knowledge hub, working with expert colleagues and a skilled IFST project manager. I look forward to widespread use of the hub to enable businesses of all sizes to provide safe welllabelled food for people with food allergies

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