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Abbreviated Bio

Dr. Francisco Diez-Gonzalez is a Professor of Food Safety Microbiology in the Department of Food Science and Nutrition at the University of Minnesota. His research program is focused on study and control of food-borne pathogens. He teaches courses on food safety and food microbiology. Dr. Diez earned his B.S. in Food Technology, from the Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey in Queretaro, Mexico. He received his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Food Science from Cornell University. Before joining the University of Minnesota in 1999, Dr. Diez was a Postdoctoral Research Associate in Microbiology at Cornell University. Dr. Diez has authored more than 70 peer-review articles and 10 book chapters. He serves in the editorial board of Applied and Environmental Microbiology, Journal of Food Protection, Food Analytical Methods, and Food Protection Trends. He has been a panel member of six different USDA's CSREES or NIFA grant programs.

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