WHAT MAKES FSTA UNIQUE?

FSTA can be trusted by those studying and working in the sciences of food and health because it's been developed expressly for them.

SPECIALIST CONTENT

• Discover research from 60 countries, in 29 languages
• Search 1,400,000 high-quality abstracts, all directly related to food and beverages
• Draw from over 22,675 sources, including nearly 5,500 scientific journals
• Reference abstracts that span 50 years of research
• Keep up-to-date with cutting edge research, with weekly updates

We worked with a professor based in China to help us strengthen our Chinese-language coverage, through journal recommendations and liaising with publishers.

We actively index 52 Chinese-language journals in FSTA, with English translations of the abstracts.

In 2018:
• Approximately 14% of the records indexed in FSTA were from Chinese language publications
• The corresponding author of nearly 20,000 records was from China

QUALITY OVER QUANTITY

Have confidence in your search results
The FSTA database is closely managed by IFIS' own team of experts, who rigorously assess every publication to filter out predatory and substandard journals.

Search efficiently and effectively
Containing over 13,000 subject-specific terms, the FSTA Thesaurus is the most comprehensive food and beverage thesaurus in the world.

FSTA is carefully structured, and the abstract records indexed in-depth, using this unique thesaurus. This enables you to carry out targeted, food-focused searches with a minimal chance of false hits.

Discover food research across disciplines
Many A&I databases index every journal cover-to-cover - this can result in irrelevant records and more results for you to have to scroll through to find what you need.

In FSTA, we index only the content which is relevant to food and beverages. If only 10% of an issue of a microbiology journal relates to food, only those 10% of articles will be indexed in FSTA.

We take the time to filter out irrelevant records, so that you don’t have to.
THE INTERDISCIPLINARY, GLOBAL DATABASE DEDICATED TO FOOD

For a comprehensive literature review, you need to know what is happening in related disciplines and on the other side of the world. FSTA can help.

In addition to the core areas of food science and technology, FSTA includes relevant content across a host of related fields, including but not limited to:

- AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES
- ANIMAL SCIENCES
- BIOTECHNOLOGY
- BREWING AND DISTILLING
- CHEMICAL ENGINEERING
- ENDOCRINOLOGY
- ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
- METABOLICOMICS
- MICROBIOLOGY
- NUTRITION
- PLANT SCIENCES
- PUBLIC HEALTH
- SPORT SCIENCE
- TOXICOLOGY
- VETERINARY SCIENCES

As part of a major content development project, we have strengthened our coverage of food research in related and growing fields, such as pet foods and medical sciences, and of regional publications.

Using new processes to speed up production, we are proud of how FSTA has grown, whilst retaining the specialist focus and the high levels of quality for which it is renowned.

Growth in records indexed in FSTA each year since it was launched in 1969:

TRAINING

Did you know we offer free training webinars to help you get the best out of your access to FSTA? AND did you know what we can provide free promotional resources to help libraries and faculty get the word out to students and other researchers?

To schedule a session or request promotional materials, contact us through www.ifis.org/contact-us or by emailing Angela Ball at a.ball@ifis.org