Food Safety Summit 2023 Recent advances in sanitation for the prevention and control of food safety hazards

Sanitation discussion A Nestlé Perspective

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What story is being told in your factories every day?





Nestle is leading in a highly competitive market

The CHF>10bn Food and Beverages companies 2021 Annual F&B reported sales (CHF bn, 2021)*



NB: Mars & Lactalis figures are estimates. Unilever figure is F&B sales only * Computed with last 4 quarters available (different fiscal year) / ** 9M 21 / ° 2016 result



Global player

Nestlé

Local/regional player

Nestlé US brands are in 97% of households







NESTLÉ IN THE U.S.

- 7 operating companies
- 34 states
- 68 manufacturing facilities
- About 36,000 employees
- Largest market for Nestlé globally

Cleaning and Disinfection

First thing we do...

...Or last thing we do?









Cleaning and Disinfection



Cleaning methods (how)

- Wet/Controlled Wet
- Dry
- CIP/aCIP/COP/Manual
- Alternative methods

Cleaning types (why and when)

- Full cleaning
- Intervention cleaning
- Changeover cleaning
- Housekeeping
- Process cleaning / Environment cleaning
- Non-Routine cleaning
 - Master sanitation schedule cleaning
 - Deep cleaning
 - Event remediation cleaning
 - Sanitary PMs



The mathematics of operational microbiology

$H_o - \sum R + \sum I \leq FSO$



ICMSF (International Commission on Microbiological Specifications for Foods) (2002). *Microorganisms in foods. Book 7. Microbiological testing in food safety management.* NY: Kluwer Academic/Plenum. ISBN 0 306 47262 7



Leverage the *Continuous Improvement* cycle to drive progress





Does your testing program give you what it promises?





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Large standard deviation (SD) -

- due to wide variability
- promotes intervention cleans
- discourages maximizing production time
- drives high risk of nonconformance
- difficult to justify



"Pathogen Monitoring Modernization"

Transforming our approach to verification testing to improve sanitation and unlock production efficiency

Process Release

- Emphasis on process control
- Normalize transient 'noise'
- > Process confidence, high data reliability
- > TPM/Lean Manufacturing
 - Process Capability
 - > Defect elimination / Data intelligence
 - > Catalyze capability building/build autonomy
- Reduce microbiology holds/events
 - Detect change early; REACT
 - Custom target setting
 - > Minimize supply chain disruption





Capability study // Enterobacteriaceae

- Map line for strategic test sites (z1)
- High Frequency Testing / around the clock / 30-90 days
- Establish 'controlled performance' criteria
- Re-establish testing frequency
- Daily data review + trend analysis (establish routines)
- ATTACK THE BOTTLE NECKS
- Sustain performance





15wk period // Enterobacteriaceae







6 frozen meal linessame facility; same period





15wk period // Enterobacteriaceae











15wk period // Enterobacteriaceae









15wk period // Enterobacteriaceae





Incident Rate by Blancher









Data-based projects to maximize production opportunity





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Thank you





























Advancements in Sanitation for the Prevention and Control of Food Safety Hazards

Getting to the Root of it all: PEOPLE

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ALLIANCE FOR ADVANCED SANITATION





THEY ARE GOING TO I CAN'T SOLVE THIS **BY MYSELF. KILL ME.** I CAN'T TELL THEM. I MUST TELL THEM.



Food Safety is about Prevention



CULTURE

- Being innovative
- Flexibility
- Sights and sounds
- Teams, Zoom, Slack, etc.
- Casual Fridays
- Pool tables and gaming
- Salad bars and all-day coffee
- Networking events
- Going to conferences

FACTORY CULTURE

- Communication
- Sights and sounds
- PPE
- Safety
- Reliability
- Time constraints
- Relationships
- Trust
- Teamwork









POLICY

CERTIFICATIONS MANAGERS RULES LAWS

CULTURE WORKERS BEHAVIOR PRECEDENT

PRACTIC

WHAT DRIVES THE ACTION?

Rules: Laws, Regulations, Certification, Managers

Behaviors:

- How *we* do things
- What we would never do
- Organization's culture

ENABLERS of CULTURAL TRANSFORMATION

A shared mission/value

Measurable and achievable goals

Feeling connected

Recognition, Rewards and incentives

Environment free from obstacles to success



CHANGE YOUR LANGUAGE

1:

2: CHANGE YOUR ACTIONS

3: EMPOWER YOUR EMPLOYEES

Do your employees see themselves as your

customer?



Who do you go to first to solve a problem?

How should ideas be generated?

How are employees given a stake in their labor?

How can we make sure our people can speak freely?

REMOVE OBSTACLES



Psychological Safety

- Encourage bringing up issues proactively
- Follow up and follow through
- Ensure ALL employees can have a voice and are heard
- Combine Ownership & Transparency to foster TRUST in leadership and TRUST between co-workers

PROBLEM SOLVING

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The Quality Toolkit CAN be applied here too!

Action against child labour > [+] products, such as wildberrie mushrooms, honey, maple s

billionaires in the food system.



PEOPLE

- To help your organizations deliver safer food to the world, you've got to invest in developing people who care about the product.
- People care about things that have meaning to their lives.
- Everyone wants to be seen.



MAKING THE CASE FOR SANITARY DESIGN

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PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

- Food Manufacturer Obligations
- Evolution to Sanitary Design
- Principles of Equipment Sanitary Design
- Principles of Facility Sanitary Design
- ➤ Making the Case for Sanitary Design
 - ✓ Cost of Sanitation
 - ✓ Benefits to Sanitation
 - ✓ Benefits to Operations
 - ✓ Benefits to Maintenance

FOOD MANUFACTURER OBLIGATIONS

Protect Customers

- Prevent illness or injury to consumers
- Prevent losses by our customers

- Prevent harm to company, brand names
- Assure continuity for employees, stakeholders

Protect Company

• Prevent legal liability

• Conform to regulatory requirements

• Prevent regulatory control action, scrutiny

Regulatory

EVOLUTION TO SANITARY DESIGN

- Stainless steel introduced in 1908
- > Buildings built or purchased for productivity
- Equipment designed for throughput
- Belief was that with time and chemicals the facility could be cleaned
- Significant foodborne illness outbreaks in 1980's and 1990's...
- Implementation of regulations to promote food safety systems
- American Meat Institute (AMI) multidisciplinary task force formed, developed 11 Principles of Sanitary Design for Facilities, 10 Principles of Sanitary Design for Equipment







SANITARY DESIGN DEFINED

- Defined: the application of engineering techniques which allow the timely and effective cleaning of the entire manufacturing asset
- Intent: to prevent significant food hazards:
 - ✓ Food pathogens: Listeria monocytogenes
 - Food spoilage: lactic acid bacteria, mold
 - ✓ Food allergens: wheat, egg, soy, milk, peanuts, tree nuts, fish, crustacean shellfish and sesame







SANITARY EQUIPMENT DESIGN

10 Principles from the North American Meat Institute (NAMI)

EQUIPMENT SANITARY DESIGN PRINCIPLES

- 1. Cleanable to a microbiological level
- 2. Made of compatible materials
- 3. Accessible for inspection, maintenance, cleaning and sanitation
- 4. No product or liquid collection
- 6. Hollow areas should be hermetically sealed. No niches; free from tack welds
- 7. Sanitary operational performance
- 8. Hygienic design of maintenance enclosures
- 9. Hygienic compatibility with other plant systems
- 10. Validate cleaning and sanitizing protocols











VALIDATION VS VERIFICATION

Validation

- Will the process we have defined prevent or significantly reduce a food safety hazard?
 - ✓ Provides scientific documentation that the process is effective
 - ✓ Documentation may be testing, peer reviewed papers or regulatory documentation

Verification

- Are we following the validated process?
 - Verification is a planned series of monitoring and testing
 - Monitoring the sanitation process against procedures is verification
 - Pre-op is further monitoring to verify sanitation is effective

Microbiological swabs for environmental organisms or spoilage organisms ELISA swabs for food allergens, where they are available

SANITARY FACILITY DESIGN

11 Principles from the North American Meat Institute (NAMI)

FACILITY SANITARY DESIGN PRINCIPLES

- 1. Distinct Hygienic Zones Established in the Facility
- 2. Personnel and Material Flows Controlled to Reduce Hazards
- 3. Water Accumulation Controlled in the Facility
- 4. Room Temperature and Humidity Controlled
- 5. Room Airflow and Room Air Quality Controlled
- 6. Site Elements Facilitate Sanitary Conditions
- 7. Building Envelope Facilitates Sanitary Conditions
- 8. Interior Spatial Design Promotes Sanitation
- 9. Building Components and Construction Facilitate Sanitary Conditions
- 10. Utility Systems Designed to Prevent Contamination
- 11. Sanitation Integrated into Facility Design









MAKING THE CASE FOR SANITARY DESIGN

How do we sell sanitary design to those involved in financial decisions?

SANITATION COST PER DOLLAR

- ≻ Labor = 46.5%
- ➤ Water/Sewage = 19%
- ➤ Energy = 8.0%
- Cleaning compounds = 6.0%
- ➢ Corrosion damage = 1.5%
- ➤ Miscellaneous = 19.0%
 - ✓ PPE, cleaning and sanitizing tools and equipment

- Labor is the largest cost per sanitation dollar spent
 - ✓ Our employees are a valuable resource
- Water is not only a significant part of the expense,
 - ✓ it's a valuable resource that can become limited
 - ✓ Just ask people in the food industry in CA and TX!

SELLING SANITARY DESIGN

What gets more serious attention?

This



OR



This

SELLING SANITARY DESIGN

- Understand the sanitation cost per dollar
- Conduct a sanitary design audit
 - ✓ Identify opportunities for improvement
 - ✓ Prioritize the corrections needed (high, medium, low; near term, long term; A, B, C etc.)
- Work with supplier, FAT; personnel safety, maintenance, cleaning/sanitizing

- Show the benefits
 - ✓ Prevent food safety hazards
 - ✓ Sanitation efficacy/efficiency
 - ✓ More productivity, fewer late starts
 - ✓ Less Than Daily cleaning
 - ✓ Resource utilization for Master Sanitation
 - ✓ Reduce regulatory findings
 - ✓ Maintenance efficiency
 - ✓ Consistent product shelf life

IMPLEMENTATION OF SANITARY DESIGN

- Meet our obligation to customers and consumers +
- Meet our obligation to protect the company good name and our valued brands +
- Meet our obligation to our stakeholders +
- Meet our obligation to regulatory conformance and prevent regulatory control action +
- Continuous improvement for sanitation, operations and maintenance efficiency



Food Plant

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