

# Engineering & Scientific Consulting

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# **Professional Profile**

Dr. Driffield has 25 years' experience in the field of analytical chemistry, providing advice and guidance on the analytical techniques used to investigate problems across a number of commodities and Industries including food, beverages, food packaging and food contact materials such as plastics, coatings and printing inks, environmental samples and fuels.

Dr Driffield works with clients in the UK, EU, US and Asia to solve scientific, technical and regulatory challenges, specializing in the area of food contact materials, and also working with novel foods, food additives and colour additives. One area of expertise that Dr Driffield particularly enjoys working on is non-intentionally added substances (NIAS) in food contact materials and he uses his many years laboratory experience in this area to assist clients with all aspects of NIAS determination, including design and interpretation of analytical NIAS testing, identification and quantification of NIAS from analytical data and tracing the origin of these substances. Dr. Driffield has extensively published and is often an invited speaker at international conferences and workshops.

Dr. Driffield has experience in undertaking witnessed analysis of samples involved in disputes and litigation, for example contaminated ship cargoes and bunker fuel samples, in particular exploratory testing for fuel characterization and contaminant identification using mass spectrometric techniques, as well as overseeing testing according to ISO 8217 and other appropriate standards.

Before joining Exponent, Dr Driffield worked for over 16 years at a UK Government laboratory, Fera Science Ltd (previously The Food and Environment Research Agency (Fera) and the Central Science Laboratory (CSL)) where he gained widespread experience in analytical methodologies used in the determination of chemical contaminants in foods and food contact materials. It was at Fera as a Research Fellow, where he built-up his extensive knowledge of non-targeted analysis techniques used for the determination of NIAS. As well as a strong technical knowledge in applying analytical techniques, he has considerable experience in the interpretation of the complex data sets produced, for Industrial and Government clients, as well as global regulatory bodies.

In his previous role as Team Manager and Science Lead - Packaging and MS Solutions at Fera, Dr. Driffield led a team working on all aspects of food contact materials testing including product development, extraction and migration studies, and analysis using a wide range of state-of-the-art analytical technologies, often providing analytical data and interpretation of the results for regulatory submissions. He organized and presented on training courses and attended meetings held by the European Reference Laboratory for Food Contact Materials, representing the UK National Reference Laboratory in this area.

# **Academic Credentials & Professional Honors**

Ph.D., Chemistry, University of York, UK, 2003

Master of Chemistry, Chemistry, University of York, UK, 1999

# **Prior Experience**

Team Manager and Science Lead - Packaging and MS Solutions, Fera Science Ltd., 2015-2018

Research Fellow - Non-Targeted Analysis, Food and Environment Research Agency (Fera), 2010-2015

Higher Analytical Chemist - Food Contact Materials, Central Science Laboratory (CSL), 2004-2010

Higher Analytical Chemist - Mycotoxins, Central Science Laboratory (CSL), 2002-2004

# **Publications**

#### **Peer- Reviewed Publications**

Driffield M, Garcia-Lopez M, Christy J, Lloyd AS, Tarbin J, Hough P, Bradley EL and Oldring P.K.T. (2018) The determination of monomers and oligomers from polyester-based can coatings into foodstuffs over extended storage periods. Food additives and Contaminants Part A, 35, 6, 1200-1213.

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Hough RL, Crews C, White D, Driffield M, Campbell CD, Maltin CD (2010) Degradation of yew, ragwort and rhododendron toxins during composting. Science of the Total Environment. 408, 4128-4137.

Coulier L, Bradley EL, Bas EC, Verhoeckx KCM, Eigenhuijsen J, Driffield M, Harmer N, Castle L (2010) The analysis of reaction products of food contaminants and ingredients: Bisphenol A diglycidyl ether (BADGE) in canned foods (2010) Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry. 58, 4873-4882.

Donarski JA, Jones SA, Harrison M, Driffield M, Charlton AJ (2010) Identification of botanical biomarkers found in Corsican honey. Food Chemistry, 118, 987-994.

Jiang C, Driffield M, Bradley EL, Castle L, Oldring PKT, Guthrie JT (2010) The behaviour of MEKO-blocked isocyanate compounds in aluminium flake pigmented, polyester-polyurethane can coatings. Journal of Coatings Technology and Research, 7, 57-65.

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mass spectrometric detection. Journal of Chromatography A, 1141, 61-66.

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Driffield M, Goodall DM, Smith DK (2003) Syntheses of dendritic branches based on L-lysine: Is the stereochemistry preserved throughout the synthesis? Organic and Biomolecular Chemistry, 1, 2612-2620.

Driffield M, Hird SJ, MacDonald SJ (2003) The determination of a range of mycotoxins in animal offal food products by HPLC-MS/MS. Aspects of Applied Biology, 68, 205-210.

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Davies AV, Driffield M, Smith DK (2001) A dendritic active site: Catalysis of the Henry reaction. Organic Letters, 3, 3075-3078.

Driffield M, Bergstrom ET, Goodall DM, Klute AS, Smith DK (2001) High-performance liquid chromatography applications of optical rotation detection with compensation for scattering and absorbance at the laser wavelength. Journal of Chromatography A, 939, 41-48.

# **Book Chapters**

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Driffield M (2004) Food and nutritional analysis: Mycotoxins. Encyclopedia of Analytical Science, 2nd Edition, 261-271.

# **Application Notes and White Papers**

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Driffield M, Lloyd AS, Bradley EL, Roberts DPT (2013) The identification and structural elucidation of potential migrants from paper and board food packaging using UPLC/QTOF-MS with MSE and MassFragment. Waters Application Note.

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# **Posters**

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Morphet J, Gay M, Gledhill A, Driffield M, Lloyd AS (2011) Food packaging migration - direct injection (ASAP) and LC analyses using QTof MS. 59th ASMS Conference on Mass Spectrometry and Allied Topics, in Denver, Colorado, USA, June 2011.

#### **Presentations**

Non-intentionally added substances (NIAS): How to identify the unidentified at Food Contact Regulations Europe 2023, organised by Chemical Watch, in Brussels, Belgium, 17th-18th April 2023.

Non-intentionally added substances (NIAS): Importance, approach, and recent advances at Chem Academy Food Contact Material Regulations Conference, in Berlin, Germany, 6th-7th February 2023.

Regulatory considerations in formulating sustainably at SCI Formulation Forum 4th Annual Event: Challenges and opportunities in formulating a sustainable future, in London, UK, 24th-25th January 2023.

Printing ink regulation in Europe: The new German Ordinance and changes to Swiss rules at Plastics & Paper in Contact with Foodstuffs 2022, in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 13th-14th December 2022.

PFAS in food: A persistently emerging issue at the European Crisis Management Summit 2022, in Hertfordshire, UK, 17th to 19th October 2022.

Advances in NIAS analysis at Food Contact Regulations Europe 2022, organised by Chemical Watch, 29th-30th March 2022.

Bio-based food contact materials at Food Contact Regulations Europe 2022, organised by Chemical Watch, 29th-30th March 2022.

Technical requirements on testing for a holistic approach to FCM compliance at Global Food Contact 2021, Virtual pre-conference workshop organised by Smithers Pira, 8th June 2021.

Day two keynote: Hot topics for food contact materials assessment in 2021 at Food Contact Regulations Europe 2021, Virtual event organised by Chemical Watch, 23rd-24th February 2021.

Approaches to safety assessments of adhesives and printing inks for regulatory submissions in Europe at Plastics & Paper in Contact with Foodstuffs 2019, in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, 3rd to 5th December 2019.

Analytical approaches to NIAS for regulatory submission at the NIAS, Mineral Oils, Risk Assessment and Testing, Predictive Models Conference, in Munich, Germany, 27th-28th March 2019.

Comprehensive analysis of the total migrate from can coatings: Solvents vs. simulants vs. foods at the 7th International Fresenius Conference Residues of Food Contact Materials in Food, in Cologne, Germany, June 2018.

The determination of NIAS from can coatings into foodstuffs at the Plenary EURL-FCM NRL Network Meeting, in Ispra, Italy, October 2017.

Advanced analytical approaches to NIAS determination from food contact materials at the 4th International Conference on Food Contact Compliance, in Baveno, Italy, September 2017.

The determination of NIAS from can coatings into foodstuffs at the 6th International Fresenius Conference Residues of Food Contact Materials in Food, in Cologne, Germany, June 2017.

Advanced analytical approaches to NIAS determination from food contact materials at the NIAS and Mineral Oils in Food Contact Materials: Regulatory and Analytical Affairs Conference, in Munich, Germany, March 2017.

Approaches for the determination of NIAS as a part of Safety-By-Design at the 6th International Symposium on Food Packaging: Scientific Developments Supporting Safety and Innovation, in Barcelona, Spain, November 2016.

Recent advances for the determination of NIAS as part of safety by design at the 5th International Fresenius Conference Residues of Food Contact Materials in Food, in Cologne, Germany, June 2016.

Targeted and non-targeted analytical techniques for the determination of migrants from food contact materials at the Agilent Environmental & Food MS Meeting in Bristol, UK, January 2016.

Advanced analytical approaches for the determination of IAS and NIAS from food contact materials at Plastics & Paper in Contact with Foodstuffs 2015, in Barcelona, Spain, December 2015.

Targeted and non-targeted analytical techniques for the determination of migrants from FCMs at the 4th International Fresenius Conference Residues of Food Contact Materials in Food, in Cologne, Germany, March 2015.

Mass spectrometric profiling tools to verify the declared origin of timber at the British Mass Spectrometry Society Environmental Monitoring Special Interest Group meeting, in Southampton, UK, July 2014.

Development of state-of-the-art mass spectrometric techniques for non-targeted detection at the Fera Science Conference 2013, in York, UK, October 2013.

The challenges in analysis of food and food contact materials and solutions provided by ion mobility separation at the Ion Mobility-MS Knowledge Transfer and Networking meeting, Waters, in Manchester, UK, September 2013.

Isotopic, chemical and genetic profiling tools to verify the declared origin of timber at the British Mass Spectrometry Society Annual Conference, in Eastbourne, UK, September 2013.

The chemical safety of food and food contact materials - the role of high resolution mass spectrometry at the Mass Spectrometry in Manchester Food workshop, University of Manchester, UK, September 2013.

Analytical screening studies on irradiated food packaging at ILSI Europe 5th International Symposium on Food Packaging - Scientific Developments Supporting Safety and Innovation, in Berlin, Germany, November 2012.

The use mass spectrometry with ASAP sample introduction for the analysis of plasticisers in the gaskets of food jar lids at 1st European Workshop on Ambient Mass Spectrometry and Related Mass Spectrometry-Based Techniques in Food/Natural Products Control: Safety, Authenticity, Forensics, Metabolomics, in Prague, Czech Republic, June 2012.

Atmospheric pressure solids analysis probe (ASAP) - Instrumentation and Fundamentals at 1st European Workshop on Ambient Mass Spectrometry and Related Mass Spectrometry-Based Techniques in Food/Natural Products Control: Safety, Authenticity, Forensics, Metabolomics, in Prague, Czech Republic, June 2012.

The use of non-targeted screening to investigate markers of recycling in paper and board for use in food packaging at 13th Fera/JIFSAN Symposium New developments in food science: realising the potential of 'omics' technologies in York, UK, June 2012.

GC-MS approaches to measurement of printing ink components and other potential migrants from food packaging materials for an Agilent Webinar, November 2011.

Assessing migration from food contact materials by GC-QQQ-MS - Printing ink components at Agilent Environmental/Food Seminar, in Bristol, UK, September 2011.

The identification and implications of reaction and breakdown products from starting substances used to produce food contact plastics at an Agilent Seminar - Targeted and Non-Targeted Analysis of Food Contaminants by Mass Spectrometry, in California, USA, April 2011.

Identification of unknown contaminants in foodstuffs migrating from food contact materials at Association of Official Analytical Chemists (AOAC) Annual Meeting, in Philadelphia, USA, September 2009.

Application of LC-TOF-MS to the screening and identification of food contaminants derived from packaging materials at an Agilent Environmental and Food Mass Spectrometry Users Meeting, in Portsmouth, UK, September 2009.

Literature review, analytical screening and chemical migration studies on irradiated food packaging at the

Food Standards Agency, Food Contact Materials Working Party Meeting, in London, UK, May 2008.

Identification of unknown reaction by-products and contaminants in epoxy- and polyester-based food can coatings by LC-TOF-MS at the British Mass Spectrometry Society Annual Conference, in Edinburgh, UK, September 2007.

Determination of brominated flame retardants in foods by LC-MS/MS, at the International Conference on Analysis of Emerging Contaminants in the Environment, in York, UK, March 2007.

Determination of brominated flame retardants in foods by high performance liquid chromatography with tandem mass spectrometric detection, at 3rd National Meeting on Environmental Mass Spectrometry, in Chester, UK, April 2006.

Chiral Stationary Phases for HPLC based on dendritic branching, at 14th International Symposium on Chirality, in Hamburg, Germany, September 2002.

High-performance liquid chromatography applications of optical rotation detection with compensation for scattering and absorbance at the laser wavelength, at 23rd International Symposium on Chromatography, in London, UK, October 2000.