

Undoubtedly the applications of polymers are rapidly evolving. Technology is continually changing and quickly advancing as polymers are needed to solve a variety of day-to-day challenges leading to improvements in quality of life. The Encyclopedia of Polymer Applications presents state-of-the-art research and development on the applications of polymers. This groundbreaking work provides important overviews to help stimulate further advancements in all areas of polymers. This comprehensive multi-volume reference includes articles contributed from a diverse range of authors from around the world, providing a broad-based perspective on a multitude of topics in a variety of applications, as well as detailed research information, figures, tables, illustrations, and references. The encyclopedia provides introductions, classifications, properties, selection, types, technologies, shelf-life, recycling, testing and applications for each of the entries where applicable. It features critical content for both novices and experts including, engineers, scientists (polymer scientists, materials scientists, biomedical engineers, macromolecular chemists), researchers, and students, as well as academic and industrial institutions.

The protection and preservation of a product, the launch of new products or re-launch of existing products, perception of added-value to products or services, and cost reduction in the supply chain are all objectives of food packaging. Taking into consideration the requirements specific to different products, how can one package successfully meet all of these goals? Food Packaging Technology provides a contemporary overview of food processing and packaging technologies. Covering the wide range of issues you face when developing innovative food packaging, design, and development. Food biodegradation and methods of preservation. Packaged product quality and shelf life. Logistical packaging for food marketing systems. Packaging materials and processes. The battle rages over which type of container should be used for which application. It is therefore necessary to consider which materials, or combination of materials and processes will best serve the market and enhance brand value. Food Packaging Technology gives you the tools to determine which form of packaging will meet your business goals without compromise. The second edition of The Stability and Shelf-life of Food is a fully revised and thoroughly updated edition of this highly-successful book. This new edition covers methods for shelf-life and stability evaluation, reviewing the modelling and testing of the deterioration of products as well as the use of sensory evaluation methods for testing food spoilage. The first part of the book focuses on deteriorative processes and factors influencing shelf-life, covering aspects such as chemical deterioration, physical instability and microbiological spoilage. The effects of processing on product quality are also covered in this part. Part Two reviews the methods for shelf life and stability evaluation. These include sensory evaluation methods and instrumental methods to determine food quality deterioration. The final section of the book covers stability of important ingredient categories, from oils and fats, to beverages such as beer, wine, coffee and fruit juices, in addition to bakery products and meats. With updated chapters reflecting advances made in the field and with the addition of new chapters covering the stability and shelf-life a variety of products, this book is essential reading for both academics working in the field of food quality as well as providing essential information for food scientists working in industry. Thoroughly revised and updated edition of a very popular and well regarded book. Includes dedicated chapters covering the shelf-life and stability of specific products making this book ideal for those working in industry. Presents a wide coverage of the processes and factors influencing shelf-life, the evaluation of stability and shelf-life and the stability and shelf-life of particular products makes this book valuable for both academic and industrial institutions.

Markets, Materials and Technologies
Biomaterials in Food Packaging
Sustainable Food Packaging Technology
Food Processing Technology
Food and Beverage Packaging Technology
Modified Atmosphere and Active Packaging Technologies
Nanotechnology for Food Packaging: Materials, Processing Technologies, and Safety Issues showcases the latest research in the use of nanotechnology in food packaging, providing an in-depth and interdisciplinary overview of the field. Nanoscale advances in materials science, processing technology and analytical techniques have led to the introduction of new, cheaper and safer packaging techniques. Simultaneously, the increasing use of renewable nanomaterials has made food packaging more sustainable. Chapters provide a comprehensive review on materials used, their structure-function relationship, and new processing technologies for the application and production of nanotechnology-based packaging materials. In addition, the book discusses the use of functional materials for the development of active, smart and intelligent packaging, possible migration and toxicity of nanomaterials for foods and regulatory aspects, and commercial applications. Provides detailed information on the use of nanomaterials and methodologies in food packaging, possible applications and regulatory barriers to commercialization. Presents an interdisciplinary approach that brings together materials science, bioscience, and the industrial and regulatory aspects of the creation and uses of food packaging. Helps those undertaking research and development in food packaging gain a cogent understanding on how nanotechnology is leading to the emergence of new packaging technologies.

The edible food packaging industry has experienced remarkable growth in recent years and will continue to impact the food market for quite some time going into the future. Edible Food Packaging: Materials and Processing Technologies provides a broad and comprehensive review on recent aspects related to edible packaging, from processing to potential applications, and covering the use of nanotechnology in edible packaging. The book's 14 chapters promote a comprehensive review on such subjects as materials used, their structure-function relationship, and new processing technologies for application and production of edible coatings and films. Specific topics include edible film and packaging using gum polysaccharides, protein-based films and coatings, and edible coatings and films from lipids, waxes, and resins. The book also reviews stability and application concerns, mass transfer measurement and modeling for designing protective edible films, and edible packaging as a vehicle for functional compounds. The authors explore antimicrobial edible packaging, nanotechnology in edible packaging, and nanostructured multilayers for food packaging by electrohydrodynamic processing. Additionally, they show how to evaluate the needs for edible packaging of respiring products and provide an overview of edible packaging for fruits, vegetables, and dairy products. Lastly, they examine edible coatings and films for meat, poultry, and fish.

Food and beverage labels often specify a product's geographical origin, species, variety and method of production. These claims can significantly influence an item's economic value, but their verification is not always straightforward. New analytical approaches for verifying the origin of food reviews new analytical methods in this area together with applications to key commodities. Part one introduces the concept of food origin and provides supporting information on labelling legislation and standards. Part two moves on to explore new approaches for verifying the geographical origin of food using geospatial models and verifying species and varietal components of the food we eat. Holistic methods of verification methods using vibrational spectroscopy and associated chemometrics are also discussed. Finally, part three highlights the applications of new analytical methods to verify the origin of particular food commodities: fish, honey and wine. New analytical approaches for verifying the origin of food is a standard reference for professionals working in analytical laboratories testing food authenticity and for researchers, in the food industry, analytical laboratories and academia, working on the development of analytical methods for food authenticity. Includes a chapter on origin labelling legislation and standards. Chapters address the applications of both established and novel methods in key product sectors. Reviews new analytical methods and their applications in the food industry.

Packaging plays an essential role in limiting undesired microbial growth and sensory deterioration. Advances in meat, poultry and seafood packaging provides a comprehensive review of both current and emerging technologies for the effective packaging of muscle foods. Part one provides a comprehensive overview of key issues concerning the safety and quality of packaged meat, poultry and seafood. Part two goes on to investigate developments in vacuum and modified atmosphere packaging for both fresh and processed muscle foods, including advances in bulk packaging and soluble carbon dioxide use. Other packaging methods are the focus of part three, with the packaging of processed, frozen, ready-to-serve and retail-ready meat, seafood and poultry products all reviewed, alongside advances in sausage casings and in-package pasteurization. Finally, part four explores emerging labelling and packaging techniques. Environmentally-compatible, antimicrobial and antioxidant active packaging for meat and poultry are investigated, along with edible films, smart packaging systems, and issues regarding traceability and regulation. With its distinguished editor and international team of expert contributors, Advances in meat, poultry and seafood packaging is a key text for those involved with the research, development and production of packaged meat, poultry and seafood products. It also provides an essential overview for post-graduate students and academic researchers with an interest in the packaging of muscle foods. Provides a comprehensive review of current and emerging technologies for the effective and safe packaging of muscle foods. Investigates developments in vacuum and modified atmosphere packaging for fresh and processed muscle foods, including advances in bulk packaging and soluble carbon dioxide use. Explores environmentally-compatible, antimicrobial and antioxidant active packaging for meat and poultry, along with edible films, smart packaging systems, and issues regarding traceability and regulation.

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In this volume, several new food processing and preservation technologies have been investigated by researchers that have the potential to increase shelf life and preserve the quality of foods. This handbook introduces some emerging techniques in the food processing sector, focusing on nonthermal techniques such as high-pressure processing, ultrasonication of foods, microwave vacuum dehydration, thermoelectric refrigeration technology, advanced methods of encapsulation, ozonation, electrospinning, and mechanical expellers for dairy, food, and agricultural processing. These all have a wide range of application. The volume includes studies that show the successful application of these new technologies on a large number of juices, cheeses, yogurts, soups, egg whites and eggs, vegetable slices, purees, and milk, and the extraction, drying enhancement, and modification of enzymes are reported. This volume, part of the multi-volume Handbook of Research on Food Processing and Preservation Technologies will have tremendous application in different areas of the food industry, including food processing, preservation, safety, and quality evaluation. Other volumes of this handbook cover a wide of other emerging technologies. Handbook of Research on Food Processing and Preservation Technologies: Volume 2: Nonthermal Food Preservation and Novel Processing Strategies is an excellent reference resource for researchers, scientists, faculty and students, growers, traders, processors, industries, and others for looking for new nonthermal approaches for food processing and preservation.

Functional Coatings for Food Packaging Applications
Advances in Meat, Poultry and Seafood Packaging
A Road-Map to Consumer Satisfaction
5-volume set
Handbook of Food Engineering
Volume 16: The Science of Beverages
This book provides valuable information on a range of food packaging topics. It serves as a source for students, professionals and packaging engineers who need to know more about the characteristics, applications and consequences of different packaging materials in food-packaging interactions. This book is divided into 13 chapters and focuses on the agro-food, cosmetics and pharmaceutical sectors. The first four chapters cover traditional packaging materials: wood, paper and cardboard, glass and metal. The next two deal, respectively, with plastics and laminates. Biobased materials are then covered, followed by a presentation of active and smart packaging. Some chapters are also dedicated to providing information on caps and closures as well as auxiliary materials. Different food packaging methods are presented, followed by an investigation into the design and labelling of packaging. The book ends with a chapter presenting information on how the choice of packaging material is dependent on the characteristics of the food products to be packaged.

Food Packaging: Principles and Practice, Third Edition presents a comprehensive and accessible discussion of food packaging principles and their applications. Integrating concepts from chemistry, microbiology, and engineering, it continues in the tradition of its bestselling predecessors and has been completely revised to include new, updated, and expanded content and provide a detailed overview of contemporary food packaging technologies. Features Covers the packaging requirements of all major food groups Includes new chapters on food packaging closures and sealing systems, as well as optical, mechanical, and barrier properties of thermoplastic polymers Provides the latest information on new and active packaging technologies Offers guidance on the design and analysis of shelf life experiments and the shelf life estimation of foods Discusses the latest details on food contact materials including those of public interest such as BPA and phthalates in foods Devotes extensive space to the discussion of edible, biobased and biodegradable food packaging materials An in-depth exploration of the field, Food Packaging: Principles and Practice includes all-new worked examples and reflects the latest research and future hot topics. Comprehensively researched with more than 1000 references and generously illustrated, this book will serve students and industry professionals, regardless of their level or background, as an outstanding learning and reference work for their professional preparation and practice.

Active antimicrobial food packaging is a new generation of packaging. Antimicrobial food additives are incorporated in the food packaging systems to inhibit, retard, or inactivate microbial growth to extend the shelf life of foods. This book is composed of five chapters, and is aimed at introducing the reader to active antimicrobial food packaging, as well as concerns of the consumers on synthetic-based food additives. A Handbook for Sensory and Consumer Driven New Product Development explores traditional and well established sensory methods (difference, descriptive and affective) as well as taking a novel approach to product development and the use of new methods and recent innovations. This book investigates the use of these established and new sensory methods, particularly hedonic methods coupled with descriptive methods (traditional and rapid), through multivariate data analytical interfaces in the process of optimizing food and beverage products effectively in a strategically defined manner. The first part of the book covers the sensory methods which are used by sensory scientists and product developers, including established and new and innovative methods. The second section investigates the product development process and how the application of sensory analysis, instrumental methods and multivariate data analysis can improve new product development, including packaging optimization and shelf life. The final section defines the important sensory criteria and modalities of different food and beverage products including Dairy, Meat, Confectionary, Bakery, and Beverage (alcoholic and non-alcoholic), and presents case studies indicating how the methods described in the first two sections have been successfully and innovatively applied to these different foods and beverages. The book is written to be of value to new product development researchers working in large corporations, SMEs (micro, small or medium-sized enterprises) as well as being accessible to the novice starting up their own business. The innovative technologies and methods described are less expensive than some more traditional practices and aim to be quick and effective in assisting products to market. Sensory testing is critical for new product development/optimization, ingredient substitution and devising appropriate packaging and shelf life as well as comparing foods or beverages to competitor's products. Presents novel and effective sensory-based methods for new product development—two related fields that are often covered separately Provides accessible, useful guidance to the new product developer working in a large multi-national food company as well as novices starting up a new business Offers case studies that provide examples of how these methods have been applied to real product development by practitioners in a wide range of organizations Investigates how the application of sensory analysis can improve new product development including packaging optimization

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The food packaging industry is experiencing one of the most relevant revolutions associated with the transition from fossil-based polymers to new materials of renewable origin. However, high production costs, low performance, and ethical issues still hinder the market penetration of bioplastics. Recently, coating technology was proposed as an additional strategy for achieving a more rational use of the materials used within the food packaging sector. According to the packaging optimization concept, the use of multifunctional thin layers would enable the replacement of multi-layer and heavy structures, thus reducing the upstream amount of packaging materials while maintaining (or even improving) the functional properties of the final package to pursue the goal of overall shelf life extension. Concurrently, the increasing requirements among consumers for convenience, smaller package sizes, and for minimally processed, fresh, and healthy foods have necessitated the design of highly sophisticated and engineered coatings. To this end, new chemical pathways, new raw materials (e.g., biopolymers), and non-conventional deposition technologies have been used. Nanotechnology, in particular, paved the way for the development of new architectures and never-before-seen patterns that eventually yielded nanostructured and nanocomposite coatings with outstanding performance. This book covers the most recent advances in the coating technology applied to the food packaging sector, with special emphasis on active coatings and barrier coatings intended for the shelf life extension of perishable foods.

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