



***Advancing Seafood
Technology
for
Harvested & Cultured Products***

***6th Joint Meeting
Seafood Science & Technology Society
of the Americas (SST)
Atlantic Fisheries Technology Society (AFT)***

***Disney Coronado Springs Resort
Orlando, FL, USA***

October 9-11, 2002

Advancing Seafood Technology

The Seafood Science and Technology Society of the Americas (SST) and the Atlantic Fisheries Technological Society (AFT) are neighboring organizations with over 50 years of combined experience in sharing a mission to advance the science and commerce of all aquatic food products, be they harvested, cultured or fabricated for both domestic and international commerce.



These professional organizations involve industry, academic and regulatory expertise interested in the application of food science and related technology to the unique problems of production, processing, packaging, distribution, storage and preparation of all aquatic foods. Their goal is to help advance the responsible use of

resources and increase the use of applied and basic science as relates to product quality, food safety and value added concepts.

Their audience is open to all commercial interest, government agencies, academic expertise and students. Due to their broad geographic representation, their topics typically involve fishery products and situations from fresh and salt water sources common to all cold and warm regions about the world.

The 2002 joint meeting will offer a very appealing blend of presentations, special training sessions and demonstrations. The real benefit is the knowledge and acquaintance of others that share a common interest to advance seafood technology.

The Seafood Science & Technology Society of the Americas (SST) represents interest in aquatic food product technology and commerce from the tropical and subtropical waters about the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic regions, from Texas through Virginia and including the Caribbean Basin and countries about the Gulf of Mexico. The neighboring sister organization, the Atlantic Fisheries Technology Society (AFT) represents similar interests all along the eastern coast of the United States and Canada. Together, both organizations represent current professional talent and concern for fishery product utilization, quality and safety from all fresh and salt waters in both the cold and warm regions of the world.

Call for Presentations

Presentations (20 minutes) are invited on any topic relating to the "Advancement of Seafood Technology" for harvested and cultured products. The topics can range from the technology of harvest, processing and distribution to packaging, marketing and value-added concepts. The content can be basic and applied science or commercial trials and experience. The featured themes for 2002 will be seafood product quality and safety.

Submissions are preferred in *MS Word* format. Send as email attachments to: otwell@mail.ifas.ufl.edu.

Each submission should be a one-page abstract of approximately 250 words that fully explains the topic. All submissions must be in ENGLISH. List all authors and the respective affiliations and addresses. Make sure to identify which author will make the presentation. PLEASE identify any student authors or presenters.

All selected presenters will be notified with further instructions by mail immediately after the September 6 deadline to allow time to prepare the presentations and to prepare an 'extended abstract' that can be posted on the SST website, <http://sst.ifas.ufl.edu>. The new 'extended abstract' format is a convenient method to preserve the presentations by taking advantage of the common PowerPoint slide programs complemented with text for additional explanations. The agenda will try to accommodate all presentations that suit the intent of the SST-AFT meeting. Poster sessions can be arranged if necessary.

**Deadline for Submissions
SEPTEMBER 6, 2002**

SST-AFT Meeting Agenda

The SST-AFT Meeting will combine a number of related programs and special sessions. The final schedule will depend on the number of presentations submitted in addition to the invited speakers.

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Tuesday (8)	6 -8 pm	SST-AFT Social Reception
Wednesday (9)	Morning	Opening Session & Technical Presentations
	Afternoon	Continue Technical Presentations, and Seafood HACCP Alliance Update Session I "Scombrottoxins"
Thursday (10)	Morning	Technical Presentations, and Seafood HACCP Alliance Update Session II "Time & Temperature Controls"
	Afternoon	Continue Technical Presentations, and Seafood HACCP Alliance Update Session III "Post Harvest Treatments for Oysters"
	Evening	Gala SST-AFT Social & Dinner
Friday (11)	Morning	Technical Presentations, and Seafood HACCP Alliance Update Session IV "Reduced Oxygen Packaging"
	Afternoon	Adjourn

Updates - The special sessions prepared by the Seafood HACCP Alliance are intended to provide "Updates" on a selection of key seafood safety issues. These "Updates" are primarily arranged for trainers that are 'qualified' to teach the HACCP and Sanitation Control Procedures courses offered by the Seafood HACCP Alliance and the Association of Food & Drug Officials (AFDO). Each session will include Regulatory Guidance, Scientific Status, and Commercial Perspectives preceding a period of open discussion. These sessions are open to all meeting attendees and they should appeal to all scientific, regulatory and commercial interests.

Train-the-Trainers - The Seafood HACCP Alliance will be conduct a 'Train-the-Trainers' session Monday, October 7th (8AM) through Tuesday afternoon preceding the SST-AFT Meeting. This training is to qualify additional instructors, both domestic and international, to teach the standard AFDO/ Seafood HACCP Alliance course in basic HACCP for seafood product safety and the aligned course in Sanitation Control Procedures (SPC). Both courses offer training certificates issued by the Association of Food & Drug Officials (AFDO). Trainee participation will be limited and pre-qualified in accordance with AFDO/Alliance protocol. For further information contact Program Coordinator, Dr. Mike Moody (503) 325-4531 mmoody@agctr.lsu.edu.

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Registration

SST-AFT Registration, Oct. 8 -11
\$150 US (Students \$75 US)

(SST and AFT are nonprofit organizations. Registration fees cover meeting facilities, breaks and socials, meeting announcements, brochures, mailings, and general arrangements.)

Registration can be paid in advance or at the door. Make checks payable in \$US dollars to:

"SST Society"

ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE IN \$US.

Additional Session:

Alliance Train-the-Trainers Session Oct. 7-8
Registration: \$150
(Session is not open to students)

NOTE: Pre-registered participants (before September 6) will receive a special gift to memorialize the 6th Joint SST-AFT Meeting.

Mail pre-registrations to:

Dr. Steve Otwell, SST-AFT Meeting Chair
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Location & Lodging

Walt Disney World Coronado Springs Resort
Orlando, Florida

The location is easily accessible by all major commercial airlines or car rental agencies. Taxi or limo services from the Orlando airport range from \$25-\$40. Attendees will have complimentary use of all ground transportation to all attractions and resort activities while inside the Disney resort area.

Maps and further resort information can be viewed at <http://disneyworld.disney.go.com>.

Special room rates for the SST-AFT meeting have been secured at the Disney Coronado Springs Resort. This rate can be extended for three days prior to Sunday, Oct. 6, 2002 and the three days after Thursday, Oct. 10, 2002. The resort has a full complement of restaurants, shops, pools, spas, fitness centers and other recreational facilities for children and active adults.

All reservations must be made directly with the Disney Coronado Springs Resort:

(407) 939-1020
(Ask for SST Conference or Seafood Alliance Meeting.)

Rate: \$119/night (Single/Double Occupancy)
Up to 20% of rooms have been reserved at special government rate: \$95/night

October is a popular seasonal time to visit Disney. The special SST-AFT meeting room rates and availability cannot be guaranteed after September 6. Alternative lodging would be at a much higher rate and less convenient.

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