

SPECIAL EDITION – MEET THE ALMOND EXPERTS



IN A NUTSHELL

The Almond Board of California (ABC) has shared endless resources and information to help you unleash the full potential of almonds. With those resources come our in-house experts who can provide guidance on the most prevalent almond-related topics like nutrition studies, roasting, food safety and sustainability. Coming soon, we'll have new content available including a webinar highlighting innovative almond usage.

FREE WEBINAR DISRUPTION DIALOGUES: SHAKING UP SNACKING

Join us on January 26, 2022 for a 30-minute roundtable discussion moderated by Lu Ann Williams of Innova Market Insights and hear three founders from up-and-coming snack manufacturers share how items like nutrient-dense mini-donuts and savory bars inspired by breakfast, lunch, and dinner are shaking up the snacking space.

LET'S MEET OUR EXPERTS BEHIND THE RESOURCES!



SWATI KALGAONKAR

Associate Director, Nutrition Research

Swati oversees ABC-contracted nutrition research, public policy analysis and identifies research needs and knowledge gaps related to almond health benefits, while communicating research results and progress to global audiences.

GUANGWEI HUANG

Associate Director of Food Research & Technology

Guangwei manages ABC's almond quality, safety and processing technology, and co-product utilisation research projects, and he conducts trade education events and food professional outreach activities.



TIM BIRMINGHAM

Director, Quality Assurance and Industry Services

Tim's efforts are focused on activities to address emerging and existing food safety issues, as well as ensure the ability to effectively address and identify issues that could impact almond quality.



GABRIELE LUDWIG

Director, Sustainability & Environmental Affairs

Gabriele combines her passion for agriculture and the environment with research and policy and continues to encourage a diverse range of research on almonds and environmental issues.



Check out our [Almond Quality & Safety](#), [Nutrition](#) and [Sustainability](#) toolkits for important infographics and Q&As for more information. Please reach out if you have any almond-centric product development or ingredient sourcing questions. We're here to be a resource for you!

IN THE ORCHARD



The North American Pollinator Protection Campaign (NAPPC) presented its Business for Bees Sustainability Award – an honour reserved for standout organisations that go above and beyond to support pollinators – to ABC and the state's almond farmers. Learn more about the award [here](#).

WHERE IS ABC?



[Almond Essentials podcast series](#)

[ABC's first-ever virtual orchard](#)

Our [Almond Essentials podcast series](#) prominently features conversations between our ABC experts focusing on their areas of expertise. Check out our recent nutrition-focused episode with Swati Kalgaonkar and Dr. Raja Sivamani, "Snacking for Skin Health." And a new episode is coming soon: "Sticking the Landing in Sports and Performance Nutrition."

Don't forget! You have access to nearly 10 hours of sustainability and nutrition content from ABC's first-ever virtual orchard now available [on-demand](#).

LOOKING AHEAD

The almond industry's premiere event, [The Almond Conference](#), is back in person this year on [December 7th-9th](#).

This year's theme is "Rooted in Success" and industry experts will explore the latest production and consumer research, regulatory updates, global market developments, sustainable farming practices and more.



FEEDBACK

Your feedback helps us bring you more relevant content and resources, so we'd love to hear from you with suggestions on topics of interest, almond forms, or any other information you're interested in. You can provide your feedback by emailing us at foodprofessionals@almonds.com.

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