

# Conference for Food Protection – Committee Periodic Status Report

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**COMMITTEE NAME:** *Program Committee*

**COUNCIL or EXECUTIVE BOARD ASSIGNMENT:** *Standing committee of "Executive Board"*

**DATE OF REPORT:** March 6, 2015

**SUBMITTED BY:** Julie Albrecht

**COMMITTEE MEMBER ROSTER: (no changes)**

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**COMMITTEE CHARGE(s):** Develop Program – April 2016

**COMMITTEE'S REQUESTED ACTION FOR EXECUTIVE BOARD (If Applicable):**

The committee would like to ask the board for input on program topics.

**PROGRESS REPORT / COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES WITH ACTIVITY DATES:**

1. ***Progress on Overall Committee Activities***  
The committee met via conference call to discuss potential topics for the 2016.
2. ***Progress Addressing each Assigned Committee Charge***  
The committee discussed the following topic for the program:

## INNOVATION

Pathogens and antimicrobial resistance

Outbreaks from unique sources – PulseNet-CDC – low Aw foods, etc

Preventative measures

Nano Science – approaches for micro testing

Packaging

Innovative food processing techniques (high pressure as an example)

Food Safety Management systems/behavioral based food safety practices

New product/safety

Trace back

Biofilms

Discussed ½ day conf and integrated into the conference (for strategic planning discussion)