## HEADLINE RESEARCH OUTPUTS OF THE CPS US DR BOB WHITAKER

















# Headline research outputs of CPS with relevance to Australasia

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#### Center for Produce Safety – in the beginning...



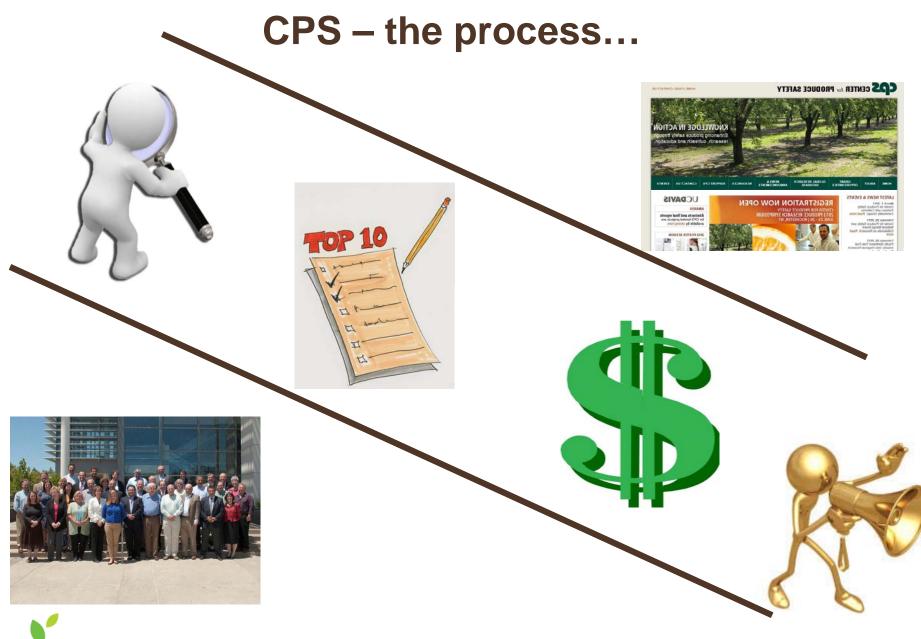


### **CPS – Where, how and what?**











#### **CPS** – key findings...

#### Center for Produce Safety Key Learnings

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#### **Key Learnings**

Since 2008, the Center for Produce Safety has funded eighty-five research programs with some of the world's leading produce food safety scientists. As articulated in the Center's yearly request for research proposals, we have endeavored to fund applied produce food safety research targeted to the immediate needs of all stakeholders in the produce supply chain. From that body of work, a number of key learnings have emerged that can be used to assist the produce industry in developing hazard and science-based food safety programs. This document lists some of these key findings and offers how the data might be used by those in the produce supply chain to improve their food safety programs.



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## Pathogen survival

#### **Buffer zones**



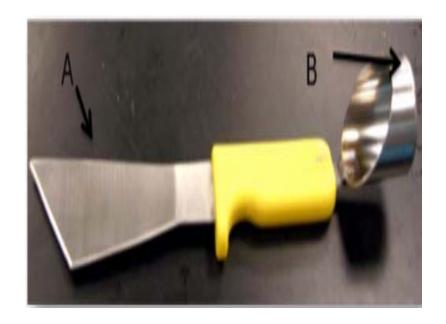




#### No risky animals

#### **Keep it simple**







#### **Composting is critical**

#### **Control wash processes**







#### Can we breed resistance? Lm – seek and destroy

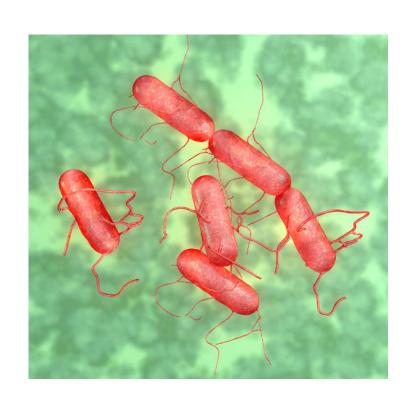






# **Key learnings Salmonella can adapt**

#### <u>Irrigation water – risks?</u>







#### **Testing and sampling**

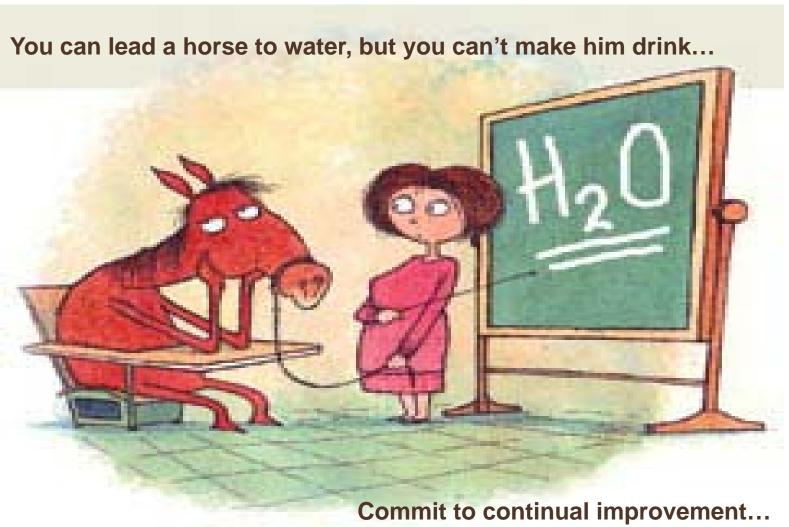
#### **Sanitizing contact surfaces**







#### Key learning – research requires personal involvement







**Thank You!**