

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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Editorial comment

The book is intended to be an account of important events, activities and milestones in the first 50 years of SAAFoST and also to acknowledge the important contribution made by our members in establishing, developing and gaining recognition for the Food Science and Technology profession. The intention has been to provide an informative and interesting publication in easily readable form. This is not intended to be a full and detailed account of the history, much more detail is available from the SAAFoST archives.

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