

# IN THE KNOW

THE CONSUMER PRODUCTS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

## FOOD FRAUD FIGHTERS

### Podcast Spotlight

This month on [Edible Insights](#) we had the pleasure of interviewing Mitchell Weinberg, the CEO and founder of INSCATECH, an international food fraud investigation firm. His business is one of a kind and the investigation style is similar to an intelligence agency. Basically, food spies!!

Weinberg has made it his mission to track and combat fraudulent food supply practices from and at the source.

Additionally, he is in the process of establishing an international legal practice which will focus on defending numerous communities against entrenched fraudulent suppliers.



Weinberg has also launched a certification program currently focused on certifying manufacturers of pure honey with more expansions into other types of food on the way.

[Check out our podcast for more!](#)



## CBD & SAFETY

CBD is not currently regulated but is still growing rapidly in popularity. If you choose to use CBD, there is no way other than testing to ensure that the CBD you buy is pure and genuine. We've had some inquiries regarding some of the big names in CBD and will share our findings with you in the coming months.

Stay tuned!



## PFAS NEWS

We are tracking the concrete developments made by the EPA in regard to PFAS. Recently, the EPA funded a study of biosolids in part to evaluate the potential health risks from PFAS heavy biosolids. [Full article here.](#)



## PERFECT SNICKERDOODLES

by Karen, The Food Charlatan

*" Snickerdoodle Cookies do not have to be bland flavorless hockey pucks! My favorite easy recipe gives you the BEST soft and chewy Snickerdoodles that are bursting with flavor from a double dip in cinnamon sugar. I'll give you all my tips to make sure your cookies don't turn out dry and crumbly! "*  
- Karen

[Check out this wonderful holiday recipe!](#)

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## A NEW PARTNER IN PURPOSE

We are pleased to announce our partnership with [MAMAVATION](#). MAMAVATION is a community and blog created by Leah Segedie for the purpose of helping families and especially moms find the safest and healthiest products for their family.

Recognizing a like-minded community, we've partnered with MAMAVATION for the purpose of community education and for the special project of investigating PFAS contamination in a variety of products common to the American family!

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The MAMAVATION blog is a great place to start if you are looking for non-toxic household products, food, clothing, and more.

Stay tuned to learn more about this partnership and to find the best products to meet your everyday needs!

[Click here to visit their website.](#)



## FEATURED BLOGS

### Biosolids: What You Need to Know

You may be familiar with the idea of wastewater, or water run off from the sewers and other human activities being treated for continued use. This includes storm runoff, industrial sewage, and water containing human waste. Urban areas are huge producers of this dirty water and contaminants such as bacteria, viruses and more thrive in it.

[Read More.](#) →

### Wheatgrass 101

Occasionally a food fad will sweep through in a summer and is gone before most of us truly understand what all the hype was about. Sometimes, though, when the “fad” seems to be a little more substantive, it graduates to a higher status in our minds, shared with other accepted parts of alternative or holistic medicine. Frequently, this tends to be the case when the remedy or practice is actually well-known and even commonplace in another part of the world but has only recently made its way into American culture. Such a path seems to be the case with the wheatgrass phenomenon.

[Read More.](#) →

We understand being particular about your food...



## NEED HELP?

If you have a questions or would like to submit a product for testing, don't hesitate to reach out using our [submission form](#).

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*Happy Holidays!*