



Introducing who
Fera Science are



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Fera Science Limited is a world-class science services company whose success helps to address some of today's biggest challenges, including coping with the impact of global population growth and the need to make efficient sustainable use of natural resources.

Our mission is to support our partners to develop new products and services across the agri-food chain improving global food security, sustainability and safety

Our origins in delivering science for the public good began over 100 years ago as the Institute for Plant Pathology.

In more recent times a number of Government Science agencies within the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) in the fields of food, environment and agri-tech including plant, animal and bee health, wildlife and food safety and authenticity were consolidated onto one site at Sand Hutton near York to form the Food and Environment Research Agency (Fera). Some years later to ensure the best continuing provision of scientific support to the Government and the UK Defra entered into a Joint Venture with Capita creating Fera Science Ltd.

As Fera we will continue to provide excellent science, original thinking and innovative work, supporting our partners to proactively meet the global food safety, sustainability and security challenges whilst reducing their risks and improving productivity ensuring we remain the industry leader we are today.

Our original thinking and world class science protecting our planet's finite resources and responding to evolving challenges are the reasons why our partners want to work with us.

Within a world where options have been dramatically reduced for controlling pests, pathogens, and weeds grow increasingly resistant to existing controls our world-class capabilities and competencies will ensure our partners meet the growing demand for new compounds.

Additionally, our leading-edge knowledge, expertise and state-of-the-art technology in assessing the environmental safety of chemicals and minimising their impact on the environment supports the agri-food chain and ultimately protects the consumer.

We advise policymakers on how best to deploy limited resources for the benefit of agriculture, ecosystems and societies. We support farmers and growers to adopt more sustainable practices, and advise chemical manufacturers on how to minimise the impacts of their products on the environment.

Such wide ranging collaborations, partnerships and scientific work enable us to provide robust evidence, advice and support to partners whose activities may have an impact on the environment.

Our original thinking and ability to apply our expert knowledge helps our partners bring products and services to market quicker to respond to the global challenges ahead

Global Food Security

Complexity across the global agri-food chain has resulted in increasingly stringent testing to improve and protect public health and deliver increased traceability.

Being the National Reference Laboratory (NRL) and provider of the world's leading laboratory proficiency tests across food, feed and water safety, we deliver data upon which our partners can rely for quality assurance across the food chain ensuring compliance with the regulations.

Quality is critical to being recognised as a worldwide centre-of-excellence and partner of choice. This is

why we invest time and resources in achieving and retaining Accreditation and Certification. We have more than 100 procedures covered by the UKAS accreditation to the ISO/IEC 17025 Standard giving our partners confidence in the reports they receive. Our quality policy describes our commitment to the highest standards in order to meet the requirements of the highly regulated international scientific business world. This commitment underpins our core values of quality, reliability and confidentiality in analytical chemistry and consultancy.





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