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Debra has over 30 years of food safety/research training and experience.

Prior to joining Vikan six years ago, Debra worked in the microbiology laboratory of Bernard Matthews Farms, a large poultry farmer and processor; in the Food Safety Division of the UK's Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA), as a Research Manager; and as Food Hygiene Research Manager at Campden BRI.

She holds qualifications in Applied Microbiology (HNC); Nutrition & Food Science (BSc (Hons)); and Advanced Food Hygiene and HACCP. She is also a qualified FSSC 22000 auditor; an active Committee Member of both the European Hygienic Design Engineering Group (EHEDG, UK & Ireland Regional Section) and the Institute of Food Science and Technology (IFST, Eastern Region); and is currently Chair of Campden BRI's Microbiology Members Interest Group.

Debra is author/co-author of numerous food safety/hygiene publications, including peer-reviewed papers, book chapters and a number of food industry hygiene guidelines. She has also presented her research at many national and international food safety events.

At Vikan Deb is responsible for providing expert hygiene advice and support to the food industry, and for the development of new and improved cleaning tools. She is also available to conduct hygiene site visits and workshops, and provide bespoke hygiene training and advice.