
PMCA PARTICIPATES IN JOINT EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS WITH CMA AUSTRALASIA

Maurice Jeffery, *Jeffery Associates, Inc.*, on behalf of PMCA, developed two, two day workshops entitled, “*Sugar Free Confectionery*” and “*Nutritious Confectionery and Snacks*” which were run in conjunction with the Contech 2006 conference in Melbourne, Australia from May 15th – 19th. The Sugar Free workshop focused on replacing sugar in a range of formulations with alternative ingredients that provide bulk and sweetness and other functional properties. The Nutritious Confectionery and Snacks workshop was designed to build on the participant’s knowledge of sugar free and apply it together with other potential nutritious attributes to create “better for you” nutritious snacks.

Both workshops were well attended and students received a lot of practical experience making a large number of products. A highlight of this course was a fun project whereby the students, using a predetermined set of criteria, had to develop a “popable” bite size nutritional candy that tasted good.

The workshop curriculums and practical session documents have become part of the PMCA library archives.
