

Marianne O'Shea , PhD

Dr. Marianne O'Shea is the senior director, R&D, Nutrition at PepsiCo and the director of the Quaker Oats Center of Excellence.

Dr. Marianne O'Shea leads the Quaker Nutrition team's collaboration with internal R&D cross functional teams and business units worldwide. Through these collaborations, Dr. O'Shea and the team help implement nutrition and health science programs throughout PepsiCo's foods and snacks portfolio. She brings a broad experience in developing and marketing consumer-led claims to advance health benefits. Dr. O'Shea's primary interest is weight management, infant nutrition and heart health. She is a co-author on many publications and book chapters on the health benefits of lipids and is co-inventor on several patents. She has worked throughout Europe and the U.S. on the clinical development of healthy lipids for the functional foods market. Her work is shown in 35 peer-reviewed publications and patents.

As director of the Quaker Oats Center of Excellence, Dr. O'Shea is able to collaborate with and connect a cross-function team to advance oat science. Through the Center, Dr. O'Shea and her team will conduct more research to uncover new oat benefits that will help us develop innovative oat products that are delicious and easy to incorporate in a daily diet.

Dr. O'Shea received a B.S., Biochemistry from the University College Dublin (Ireland) and a Ph.D. in Biochemistry and Nutrition from Dublin City University.