

Cross-Reactions Between Foods

Cross-reactions occur when the immune system confuses proteins in one food with those in another, causing allergiclike responses.

Common Cross-Reactions

Gluten and Dairy

• People with gluten sensitivity may also react to dairy (casein).

Birch Pollen and Foods (Oral Allergy Syndrome)

• **Triggers**: Apples, carrots, celery, cherries, hazelnuts, peaches

Latex and Foods

• **Triggers**: Bananas, avocados, kiwis, chestnuts

Ragweed and Foods

• **Triggers**: Melons (watermelon, cantaloupe), zucchini, cucumber