

## Video: Why are people allergic to peanuts?

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Credit: The American Chemical Society

For 1 to 2 percent of the global population, eating a peanut butter and jelly sandwich could be potentially fatal. What makes peanut allergies so lethal, and why is the number of peanut-allergy sufferers on the rise?

This week on Reactions, Andrew Maynard from Risk Bites explains what causes [peanut allergies](#) and why we need to rethink how we prevent them.

Check it out here:

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