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Virtual Training Course

3 - 4 Dec 2024, 21:00-23:59 SGT

Performance Tested Methods and Official Methods of Analysis Technical Requirements

- 3 Dec 2024, 21:00-23:59 SGT: General Program Requirements
- 4 Dec 2024, 21:00-23:59 SGT: Breakout sessions for technical requirements for Microbiology or Chemistry
- Attendance on both days is required for certification.

AOACI Virtual Training Course on "Performance Tested Methods and Official Methods of Analysis Technical Requirements"

The course reviews the technical validation requirements and processes of the Performance Tested Methods and Official Methods of Analysis programs. The course will include sessions covering the general program requirements and technical requirements for microbiology and chemistry methods.

Learning Outcomes:

Method Developers: (i) Better understanding of AOAC conformity assessment programs and processes. (ii) Improved study designs meeting AOAC and AOACRI requirements. (iii) More concise data collection resulting in faster PTM and OMA approvals. (iv)Better understanding of current practices, statistics, and acceptance criteria.

Independent laboratories: (i) Part of qualification as an AOACRI Independent Laboratory. (ii) Required for selection for AOACRI studies. (iii) Better understanding of technical requirements and processes for performing studies.

Candidates for AOACRI Expert Reviewers: (i) Better understanding of AOAC conformity assessment programs and processes. (ii) Better understanding of current practices, statistics, and acceptance criteria. (iii) Required for selection as an Expert Reviewer.

Register



Webinar on "Methods of Analysis Supporting HALAL Food Certifications"

Halal food certification is essential in ensuring that food products meet specific requirements in composition and methods of preparation in line with beliefs and ethical standards adopted by Muslim consumers. This certification process proceeds with the verification of the various stages of production practices, including the reliance upon rigorous analytical methods that ascertain the purity and authenticity of ingredients.

In this webinar, experts will share an overview of the key characteristics of the regulatory framework for halal certification, followed by detailed presentations on advanced analytical techniques used for verifying the composition of food.

This overview includes the use of RT-PCR and LC-MS/MS for detecting porcine DNA and gelatine, respectively, as well as headspace GC-FID methods for measuring methanol and ethanol in beverages.

The session will also discuss global challenges and prospects for harmonizing analytical standards and regulatory requirements followed in halal certification, offering crucial insights for professionals in food safety, quality assurance, and regulatory fields.

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AOAC at the International Food Control Conference (FCC2024), organized by the National Institute for Food Control (NIFC), Ministry of Health, Vietnam

Under the invitation of *AOAC SEA's Country Representative* in Vietnam, we participated in FCC 2024 with the following highlights:

- Dr. Dustin Starkey, Secretary of AOAC INTERNATIONAL, delivered a presentation on "AOAC INTERNATIONAL Science Programs: Creating Analytical Solutions for Global Problems."
- Dr. Erik Konings, Past-President of AOAC INTERNATIONAL & Mentor of AOAC SEA, shared about "Limitations of Current Analytical Reference Methods to Determine Vitamins in Foods."
- Dr. Qi Lin, Chair of AOAC SEA's Training of Young Scientists Working Group, served as an Invited Judge for the Student Poster Session.
- Dr. Hong Hanh Nguyen, *Secretary of AOAC SEA*, engaged with the community to understand their needs regarding AOAC Official Methods of Analysis (OMA) and sought potential Organizational Members.

We invite individuals and organizations to collaborate with us on similar initiatives, working together to enhance confidence in consensus-based analytical solutions for food safety, food integrity and public health across Southeast Asia countries.

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