

112th AOAC International Annual Meeting and Exposition, 13–17 September 1998, Montréal, Quebec, Canada

Scheduled program topics

- Analytical Assessments to Assure Consistency and Biological Equivalence of Biotechnology Derived Products
- Application of LCIMS and CEIMS for Food Analysis
- Capillary Electrophoresis/HPLC
- ELISA Methodology and Food Testing
- Implementation of ICH Validation of Analytical Procedures for Pharmaceuticals
- Laboratory Management Issues
- Measurement of Moisture in Oils
- New Trends in Sample Preparation Techniques
- Quality Assurance in the Analytical Laboratory
- Regulatory Issues Related to Maple Sap, Maple Syrup, and Maple Sap/Syrup Products
- Parasitology in Water and Foodborne Pathogens (Cyclospora, Cryptosporidium, and Toxoplasmosis)

Numerous poster sessions will give participants the chance to talk with presenters one-on-one.

The always popular Regulatory Roundtable (with a focus on rapid methods of food analysis to supplement complex instrumental analysis in 1998) brings representatives from regulatory agencies worldwide to talk about upcoming programs and to meet in small groups to answer questions, learn about the concerns of the technical community and discuss issues in depth.

Laboratory exposition

The Expo will showcase the latest in laboratory equipment and services.

Training courses

These continuing education opportunities are scheduled before and after the meeting. Courses may include:

- Quality Assurance for Analytical Laboratories
- Quality Assurance for Microbiological Laboratories
- Implementing Good Laboratory Practices
- Basic Statistics for Analytical Science
- Statistics for Method Development
- Intralaboratory Analytical Method Validation
- ISO9000, ISO/IEC Guide 25, and the laboratory

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New books

Japanese Language Translation of Quality Assurance Principles for Analytical Laboratories

AOAC International has announced the publication of a new book, the Japanese language translation of *Quality Assurance Principles for Analytical Laboratories* written by Frederick M. Garfield. The translation was prepared by a member of AOAC, Makoto Miyahara of the National Institute of Health Sciences, Japan.

This handbook provides guidelines and specific recommendations for initiating or improving a laboratory quality assurance (QA) program. It also provides justification for commitment of resources toward improved laboratory operations.

The book draws on published principles, practices, guidelines, and procedures used by many organizations—and includes illustrations of forms, reliable practices, procedures, and information used by several US federal agencies.

This edition contains a chapter on statistical applications and analytical control charting which calls attention to how these techniques can be used in a QA program, and an appendix that provides criteria which can be used by laboratories for self-evaluation of their QA programs.

The cost of the 188 page softcover book is \$155 in North America (USA, Canada, Mexico) and \$172 outside North America, with a 10% discount for members of AOAC International.

For more information, or to order the Japanese Language translation of *Quality Assurance Principles for Analytical Laboratories*, contact AOAC International by Tel.: +1 301 924 7077, fax: +1 301 924 7089, Internet: pubsales@aoac.org, or mail: 481 North Frederick Avenue, Suite 500, Gaithersburg, MD 20877-2417, USA.

Dietary fiber analysis and applications

AOAC International has announced the publication of a new book, *Dietary Fiber Analysis and Applications*, by Sungsoo Cho (Kellogg Company), Jonathan W. DeVries (General Mills, Inc.), and Leon Prosky (Retired, US Food and Drug Administration).

This manual provides up-to-date information on the chemical properties of dietary fiber and reliable analytical methodology with an emphasis on AOAC® *Official Methods*SM. Vital information is presented in a straightforward manner and complex concepts are made simple. Numerous charts, tables, and figures are also employed to provide further illustration of more difficult topics.

The information contained in this manual will help analytical chemists select and use the most appropriate methods and techniques in analyzing food samples. It will also help nutritionists, food scientists, and health

professionals interpret dietary fiber data derived from such analysis.

The cost of the 202 page softcover book is \$83 in North America (USA, Canada, Mexico) and \$100 outside North America, with a 10% discount for members of AOAC International.

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