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AOAC SPIFAN Community Update

## STAKEHOLDER PANEL ON INFANT FORMULA & ADULT NUTRITIONALS (SPIFAN) NEWS

### "CALL FOR ACTION"



#### VOTING NOW OPEN FOR HUMAN MILK OLIGOSACCHARIDES (HMO) SMPRS

AOAC INTERNATIONAL (AOAC) announces the availability of the following draft standard method performance requirements (SMPRs) for review & vote.

##### Human Milk Oligosaccharides (HMO):

- 3-fucosyllactose (3-FL)
- 3'-sialyllactose (3'-SL)
- 6'-sialyllactose (6'-SL)
- difucosyllactose (DFL)
- lacto-N-tetraose (LNT)

Click [here](#) to review and vote on the draft SMPRs for HMO.

Submission deadline is **November 30, 2020**.

### AOAC SPIFAN QUALITY-EDUCATION PROGRAM

During the September 10, 2020 AOAC SPIFAN meeting, the Proficiency Testing (PT) Advisory Task Force put forth a proposal for the development and launch of a new Quality-Education Program. The goal of the program would be to provide method training to improve laboratory expertise and provide insight into method comparability.

If AOAC were to design this program, there would be a biennial fee and participants would receive practice training samples and feedback from Subject Matter Experts.

Please click on [DESCRIPTION](#) to see more details on the proposal.

**ACTION:** AOAC is conducting a very brief survey for your feedback and interest in such a program.

Please click [SURVEY](#) to provide your feedback and to indicate your interest.



### AOAC SPIFAN CHLORATES/PERCHLORATES WORKING GROUP MEETING TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 17TH

During the 2020 "Virtual" Annual Meeting, AOAC SPIFAN launched the working group for Chlorates/Perchlorates. The initial meeting is currently scheduled for **Tuesday, November 17th**.

Please click [here](#) to participate in the working group meeting.



### AOAC TRAINING COURSE Sampling Practices for Accurate Test Results (NOVEMBER 19, 2020)

AOAC is holding a training course that will introduce theoretical considerations for the reliable collection of test samples and the practical applications for testing water, soil amendments, fresh produce, and grains for several highly pathogenic microbial contaminants.

Click [here](#) for more details including registration.



### AOAC INTERNATIONAL PRESENTS Analytical Methods Week (AMW) "Winter" Session (DECEMBER 14-18, 2020)

AOAC is hosting our Winter Session of Analytical Methods Week (AMW) from **December 14-18, 2020**.

The AOAC SPIFAN Nutrients Expert Review Panel (ERP) meeting will be held "Virtually" on **Thursday, December 17th** from **2:00pm-3:00pm EST**.

Click [here](#) to sign-up to participate in the ERP meeting.

### AOAC Vitamin C Working Group Meeting

AOAC SPIFAN wishes thank the China Section for including the Vitamin C Collaboration meeting in the session held on October 27th.

Thank you to China Section President Ling Cheng-Zhu (Qingdao Customs), and the meeting coordinators including Lei Bao (Société des Produits Nestlé S.A.) for content & translation along with the working group co-chairs Lyu Ning (China Technology Center) and Esther Campos Gimenez (Société des Produits Nestlé S.A.).

A job well done!

### AOAC Method Submissions!

Method submissions must include a manuscript in AOAC format. This includes formatting of the method under consideration within the manuscript. You will still be able to submit data files. This is mandatory for methods being considered for either First Action OMA and Final Action status. The Manuscript guidelines can be accessed via the link at [www.aoac.org](http://www.aoac.org).

Please do not hesitate to contact Deborah McKenzie at [dmckenzie@aoac.org](mailto:dmckenzie@aoac.org) for any questions on the method submission requirements.

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