



December 2020

MEETING NEWS

ANNUAL MEETING

Deadline is January 19 for Call for Proposals for 2021 Annual Meeting

The 2021 meeting includes opportunities to showcase your expertise in Scientific Sessions, Individual Papers, or as a Chair! **Submit a proposal now >**

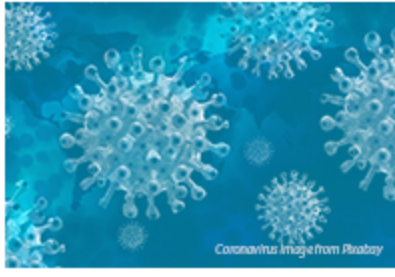
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2021 Midyear Meeting to be Virtual

The next AOAC INTERNATIONAL Midyear Meeting, to be held March 15-19, 2021, will be held on Zoom. Registration opens mid-January - stay tuned! **Learn more >**

SCIENCE NEWS



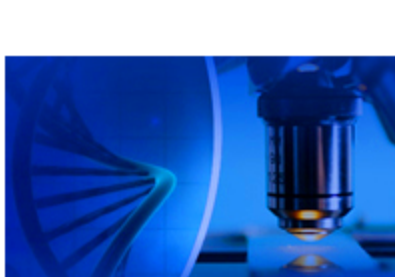
Novel coronavirus Rapid Response Validation Project certifies three test kits

AOAC INTERNATIONAL has issued Certificates of Validation for three proprietary test kits that detect SARS-CoV-2, the causative agent of COVID-19 illness, on environmental surfaces. **Read the press release >**



December Analytical Methods Week closes out 2020 with solid science

Seven Expert Review Panels met and advanced four methods to First Action or Final Action *Official Method* status during a week that featured a Working Group on Glyphosates, a Thought Leader discussion on Gluten, and more. **Read the blog >**



Take a leading role in meeting emerging challenges: Join an AOAC Advisory Panel

AOAC Advisory Panels are program-specific groups of representatives from funding organizations who commit to providing annual funding and to helping determine working group priorities. **Learn more >**

CALLS FOR PARTICIPATION



Journal of AOAC INTERNATIONAL seeking Section Editor for Drug Formulations

The Journal of AOAC INTERNATIONAL is seeking a section editor for the Drug Formulations section, focusing on analytical methods used to identify and analyze pharmaceutical ingredients and products. **Learn more >**

COMMUNITY NEWS



More than 500 new members from 48 countries joined AOAC in 2020

Members are the heart of AOAC INTERNATIONAL, so it is significant that that the organization is attracting new members at a record rate. **Learn more >**



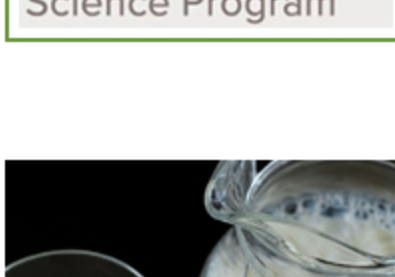
Call for Nominations – Harvey Wiley Award and Fellows of AOAC INTERNATIONAL

Do you know an outstanding scientist who deserves recognition? The AOAC Awards Program recognizes significant contributions to the analytical science community and to AOAC itself. **Learn more >**



A year in review: Cannabis program's accomplishments in 2020

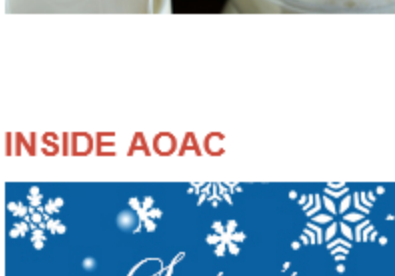
Five SMPRs, guidance on drying field-fresh hemp, new working groups on Training & Ed and Proficiency Testing, and more! Get the full story in the **CASP newsletter >**



SIFAN December newsletter posted

Working group updates, Analytical Methods Week, and how to submit a method – all in the December update for the Stakeholder Panel for Infant Formula and Adult Nutritionals. **View the newsletter >**

INSIDE AOAC



AOAC annual holiday closure

AOAC headquarters will be closed from Friday, December 25th through the end of the year and will reopen on Monday, January 4, 2021.

AOAC IN ACTION

Events:

- December 25 – AOAC will close for the holidays December 25 and re-open January 4, 2021
- On-demand through March 12, 2021 – **AOAC INTERNATIONAL 2020 Virtual Annual Meeting – Register now**
- March 15-19 – **AOAC INTERNATIONAL Virtual Midyear Meeting**
- April 19-22, 2021 – **Southern Section of AOAC INTERNATIONAL 35th Annual Meeting**, Hilton Garden Inn Hotel – Buckhead, Atlanta Georgia
- On-demand through September 29, 2021 – **AOAC / CST Webinar: Developing Standards and Methods for the Detection of Aspergillus in Cannabis and Hemp Materials**

Thank you to our Champions!

Agilent is a leading provider of sample preparation, chromatography, mass spectrometry, elemental analysis, molecular spectroscopy, and laboratory information systems as well as support services, columns and consumables.

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New LC-MS/MS methods for pesticides, including glyphosate and other ionic pesticides, veterinary drug residues, natural toxins, non-intentionally added substances (NIAS), and food ingredients.

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