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AOAC SPIFAN Community Update

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



AOAC ANNUAL MEETING & EXPOSITION

The 135th AOAC INTERNATIONAL Annual Meeting & Exposition will be held **August 27 – September 2, 2021** at the **Sheraton Boston Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts, USA**. In-person and virtual attendance options are available. The AOAC SPIFAN meeting will be held on August 28, 2021. Additional meeting information will be forthcoming.

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

AOAC Analytical Methods Week

AOAC INTERNATIONAL PRESENTS...

Analytical Methods Week (AMW) "Summer" Session

(August 2-6, 2021)

AOAC invites all members to participate during our Analytical Methods Week "Summer Session"! For more information and to register, please click [here](#).



WORKING GROUP UPDATES

AOAC SPIFAN PHOSPHOLIPIDS

"CALL FOR COMMENTS"

The AOAC SPIFAN Phospholipids working group has developed Standard Method Performance Requirements (SMPR) available for review. The SMPR has been posted for 30-day comment period. Deadline to submit comments is August 19, 2021.

Click [here](#) for more details and to view the SMPR.

AOAC SPIFAN A2 BETA-CASEIN

The AOAC SPIFAN working group for A2 Beta-Casein is currently meeting to develop Standard Method Performance Requirements. Stay tuned for more information.

AOAC SPIFAN SN2-PALMITATE

On August 28th and in conjunction with the AOAC Annual Meeting & Exposition, AOAC SPIFAN will launch a new working group for SN2-Palmitate to develop Standard Method Performance Requirements. To join the working group, please click [here](#).

AOAC SPIFAN EXPERT REVIEW PANEL MEETING FOR VITAMIN C (COLLABORATION)

In September 2020 AOAC SPIFAN program members attended a joint working meeting of the Working Group on Collaboration of Regional and International Matrices for Vitamin C. This working group was formed to develop a vitamin C standard for various matrices including baby food. In this groundbreaking initiative, Chinese and Western scientists worked together to develop parallel AOAC and Chinese GB standards that will meet the needs of both parties.

On July 2, 2021, the AOAC SPIFAN Expert Review Panel (ERP) met to review method(s) submitted for evaluation against the standard method performance requirement (SMPR). The method has received AOAC *Official Methods*SM First Action Status.



SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

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.

Please do not hesitate to contact Deborah McKenzie at dmckenzie@aoac.org for any questions on the method submission requirements.

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