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# 2<sup>ND</sup> SYMPOSIUM OF THE ARAB AOAC SECTION INTERNATIONAL

7 - 8 MAY (9:00 AM - 4:00 PM)  
W Amman, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

DAY 1 - 7 MAY 2024

8:30 – 9:00	Registration
9:00 – 10:00	Opening Ceremony Official Opening and Ceremonial Activities <b>Keynote Presentation</b> The Arab Section of AOAC INTERNATIONAL: Enhancing Harmonization and Coordination in the Arab Food Analytical Community <b>Prof. Samuel Godefroy</b> , President and COO of the Global Food Regulatory Science Society (GFORSS)
10:30 – 11:00	Health and Networking Break
<b>Session 1</b>	
<b>Theme: Proficiency Testing Program of AOAC INTERNATIONAL</b>	
Chairperson: <b>Eng. Kholoud Abu Rumman</b> , Manager of Proficiency Testing Department, Military Laboratories for Quality Control	
11:00 – 11:30	<b>Introduction to the Proficiency Testing Program of AOAC INTERNATIONAL</b> <b>AOAC INTERNATIONAL leadership</b> (Pre-recorded intervention) <b>Arab Laboratory Proficiency Testing Program: A New Initiative for the Arab Region</b> Shaping the future of PT initiatives tailored to the specific needs of the Arab region – Survey Results <b>Dr. Elie Bou Yazbeck</b> , Member at the Executive Committee of the Arab Section of AOAC INTERNATIONAL <b>The Food Laboratory Accreditation Scene in Jordan.</b>
11:30 – 11:50	<b>Eng. Lana Al Marashdeh</b> , Acting Director - Accreditation and Standardization System, Jordan Standards and Metrology Organization, Vice-Chair at the Arab Accreditation Cooperation (ARAC) <b>The Proficiency Testing Program of the Military Laboratories for Quality Control, Jordan Armed Forces, Arab Army</b>
11:50 – 12:10	<b>Eng. Kholoud Abu Rumman</b> , Manager of Proficiency Testing Department, Military Laboratories for Quality Control <b>Eng. Ahmed Al Sarayreh</b> , Quality Engineer at Proficiency Testing Department, Military Laboratories for Quality Control
12:10 – 12:30	<b>Panel Discussion</b> <b>Deciding on Priorities of Development and Deployment of PT programs serving Food Testing Needs in the Arab Region</b>
12:30 – 13:00	<b>Co-Moderators</b> <b>Prof. Samuel Godefroy</b> , President and COO of the Global Food Regulatory Science Society (GFORSS) <b>Dr. Amine Kassouf</b> , Research Manager at GFORSS, President Arab Section of AOAC INTERNATIONAL

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13:00 – 14:00 Networking Lunch

## Session 2

### Theme: Pesticide Residue Analysis in Food

Chairperson: **Dr. Ruba Goussous**, Previous Director of the Laboratory Directorate, Jordan Food and Drug Administration

#### Keynote Presentation

14:00 – 14:30 **Analytical Quality Control (AQC) for Pesticide Residues Analysis in Food Products**

**Dr. Gouda Abdulla Ramadan Gouda**, Consultant, Food Safety Laboratory, Food Safety Department, Ministry of Public Health, Qatar (online)

14:30 – 15:00 **Decoding the Complexity: Multiresidue Pesticide Analysis in Food**

**Mr. Khalid Ghaffar**, Business Development Manager, Waters Corporation – Middle East Branch Office

#### Monitoring of Pesticide Residues in Food in Jordan

15:00 – 15:30 **Dr. Ghaith Algharibeh**, Head of Food Contaminant Monitoring Department at Jordan Food & Drug Administration (JFDA)

15:30 – 16:00 Q&A session

# DAY 2 - 8 MAY 2024

8:30 – 9:00 Registration

## Session 3

### Theme: Food Fraud Detection

Chairperson: **Dr. Amine Kassouf**, President of the Arab Section of AOAC INTERNATIONAL

#### The Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA) Reference Laboratory Role in Fighting Against Food Fraud:

##### Food Fraud in Halal Food

9:00 – 9:40 **Mr. Abdullah Mohammed Akbar**, Lab Specialist at Food Fraud Section - Reference Laboratory of Food Chemistry (RLFC) - Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA)

##### Multi-method Approaches for Food Fraud Detection

**Dr. Somaiah Khalid Almubayedh**, Food Fraud Section Head - Reference Laboratory of Food Chemistry (RLFC) - Saudi Food and Drug Authority (SFDA)

9:40 – 10:00 **New Approaches to Food Authenticity Testing**

**Prof. Hamzah Alqadiri**, Professor of Food and Water Microbiology - University of Jordan

10:00 – 10:20 **Food Fraud and Latest Technologies for Accredited Detection**

**Dr. Mohammad Hijaz**, Hijaz Scientific Supplies Est., Jordan

10:20 – 10:30 Q&A session

10:30 – 11:00 Health and Networking Break

## Session 4

### Theme: Allergen and Gluten Analysis in Food

Chairperson: **Prof. Samuel Godefroy**, President and COO of GForSS

#### Keynote Presentation

11:00 – 11:30 **Food Allergens and Gluten Management in Food: Overview of Analytical Methodologies**

**Prof. Samuel Godefroy**, President and COO of the Global Food Regulatory Science Society (GForSS)

#### Gluten Testing in Food

11:30 – 11:50 **Prof. Hane Al-Dmoor**, Professor of Food Science & Technology, Department of Nutrition and Food Processing, Al-Balqa Applied University, Jordan

11:50 – 12:10 **Occurrence and Risk Assessment of Sesame Allergen in Oriental-type Products on the Lebanese Market**

**Dr. Joseph Touma**, Assistant Researcher, Lebanese Agricultural Research Institute (LARI), Lebanon

12:10 – 12:30 **Gluten Analysis in Food- Importance of Incurred Samples for Method Validation**

**Dr. Stefan Schmidt**, Product manager: Allergens at R-Biopharm (online)

12:30 – 13:00	Panel discussion The Arab AOAC method harmonization program - Call for Methods-Gluten from wheat, rye, and barley
13:00 – 14:00	Networking Lunch

### Session 5

#### Theme: Codex Committee on Methods of Analysis and Sampling (CCMAS)

Chairperson: **Eng. Nessma Shannak**, Head of food Industries division, Jordan Standard and Metrology Organization (JSMO)

#### Keynote Presentation

14:00 – 14:30	<b>General Aspects of Involvement of AOAC INTERNATIONAL in Codex Proceedings</b> <b>Dr. Katerina Mastovska</b> , Deputy Executive Director & Chief Science Officer, AOAC INTERNATIONAL (online)
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#### Presentation of Priority Agenda Items of CCMAS43

14:30 – 15:00	<b>Eng. Nessma Shannak</b> , Head of food Industries division, Jordan Standard and Metrology Organization (JSMO), Jordan Codex Contact Point (CCP). <b>Dr. Amine Kassouf</b> , Research Manager at GForSS, President of the Arab Section of AOAC INTERNATIONAL
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#### Round table discussion

15:00 – 15:30	- Importance of Arab countries involvement in CCMAS activities - Paving the way for standardization of food regulatory methods in the Arab region
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15:30 – 16:00	Closing ceremony
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