



THE THIRD ARAB CODEX COLLOQUIUM

11-13 June 2024, Amman, Jordan

**Review of Accomplishments of the Arab Food Laboratory
Community – Arab AOAC**

*Leveraging Codex Standards to Standardize Food Analytical Methods
Used for Regulatory Purposes*

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INTRODUCTION

Creation of the Arab Section



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ICYMI: The AOAC Board approved the Arab Section as AOAC's newest Regional Section earlier this week! [#AOAC2022MYM](#) attendees can tune in at 3 PM EDT today for a presentation on the creation of and goals for this new section.

NEW AOAC INTERNATIONAL SECTION

Arab Section (new in 2022!)

Algeria, Bahrain, Comoros, Djibouti, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Palestinian Territories, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, the United Arab Emirates, and Yemen

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President: Amine Kassouf, PhD, Research Scientist, Global Food Regulatory Science Society (GFoRSS)



AOAC INTERNATIONAL
Board-of-Directors'
meeting

March 14th, 2022

HOST & OPERATOR



GOVERNANCE



AOAC INTERNATIONAL

Arab Section

BYLAWS

AOAC ARAB SECTION GOVERNANCE DOCUMENTS

Setting rules to govern the internal operations of the Arab Section of the AOAC INTERNATIONAL.

The Arab Section of AOAC INTERNATIONAL Bylaws



Arab Section of AOAC INTERNATIONAL ByLaws

Under revision...

English | العربية

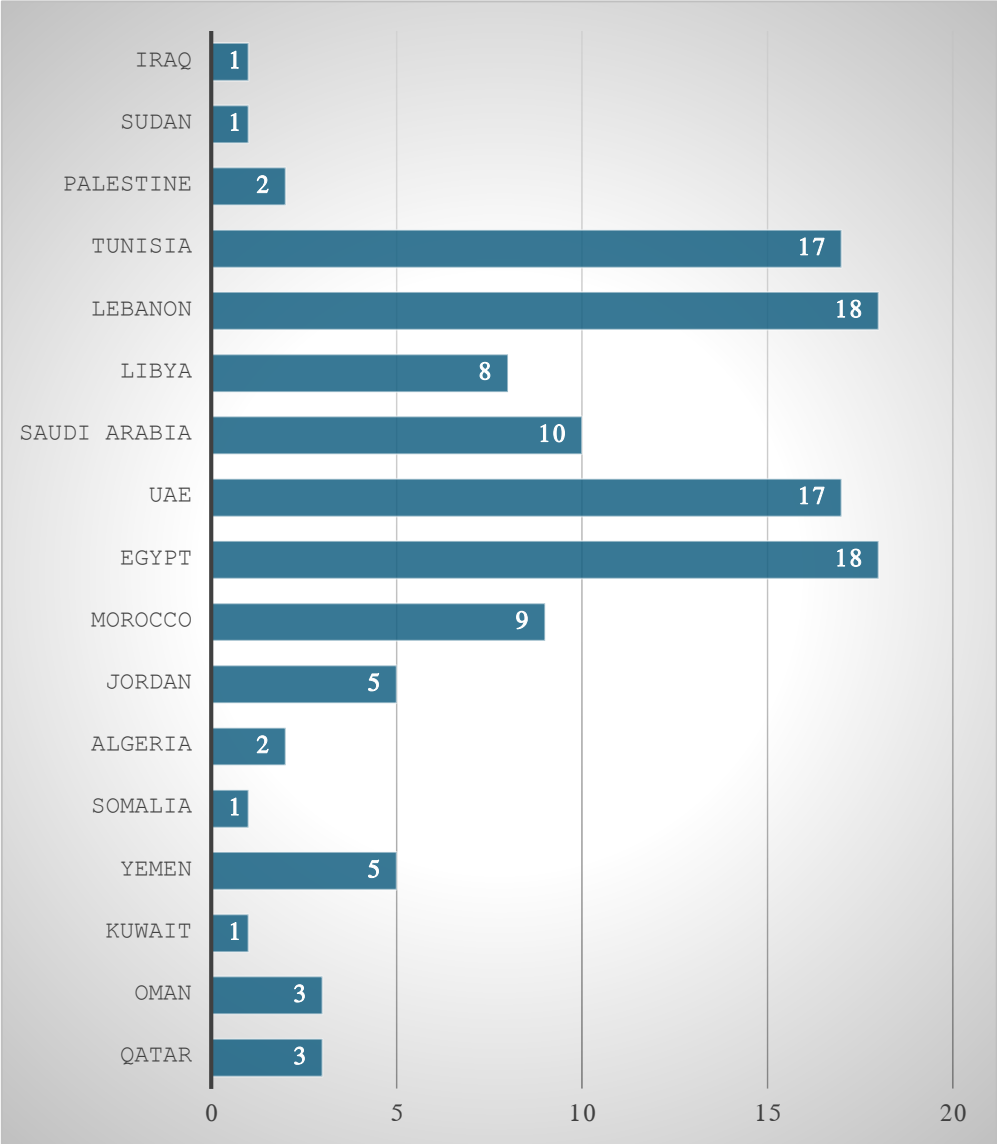
Executive and Annual Meetings of the Arab Section of AOAC INTERNATIONAL



MEMBERSHIP

17 Arab Countries represented

121 members



MISSION & VISION

To support **ANALYTICAL EXCELLENCE** across the Arab region by :

1



Supporting the Creation and Development of the Arab Food Laboratory Network under AOAC INTERNATIONAL.

2



Supporting Standardization of Official Analytical Methods in the Arab Region.

3



Creating an Enabling Environment for the Development of Accredited Food and Agriculture Laboratories in the Arab Region.

The second Annual Meeting of the Arab Section of AOAC INTERNATIONAL will take place on Tuesday, May 7 and Wednesday, May 8. The section is also conducting a survey concerning PT programs in the Arab region. The survey deadline is Tuesday, April 30. <https://lnkd.in/egGEBGZv>



You and 13 others

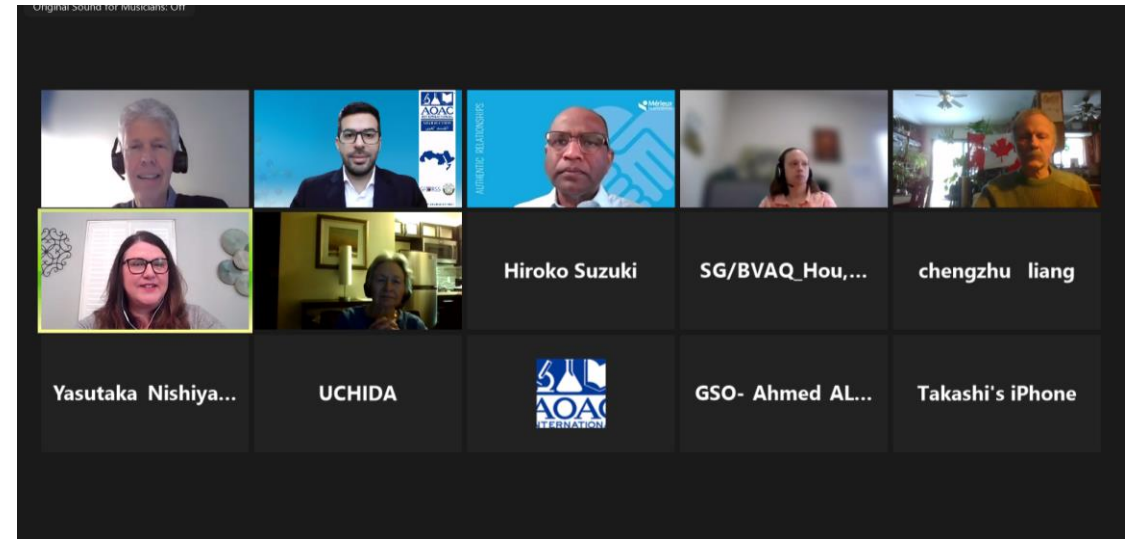


Supporting the
Creation and
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Arab Food Laboratory
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INTERNATIONAL

Interested in Becoming a Member?



THE ARAB FOOD
LABORATORIES
DATABASE





Supporting Standardization of Official Analytical Methods in the Arab Region

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This is a screenshot of a LinkedIn post from the official page of AOAC International. The post header shows the AOAC International logo, the name 'AOAC INTERNATIONAL', 8,842 followers, and a post date of '1mo'. The main text of the post says 'Our sections are doing exciting work.' Below this is a featured post from the 'Global Food Regulatory Science Society (GForSS)'. The GForSS post header shows its logo, name, 2,450 followers, and a post date of '1mo'. The GForSS post content includes a 'BACK' button, a magnifying glass icon, and the text: 'Highlights captured during the last training on Gluten Detection in Food!'. The main text of the GForSS post describes a training session held on May 5-6 in Amman-Jordan, mentioning its connection to the Arab Section of AOAC International and its partnership with the Military Laboratories For Quality Control - Jordan Armed Forces - Arab Army.

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Global Food Regulatory Science Society (GForSS)
2,450 followers
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Introduction to the Proficiency Testing (PT) Program of AOAC INTERNATIONAL
<https://lnkd.in/euWegUXv> ...see more

AOAC PROFICIENCY TESTING
• 888/815
• 2 • standard score
• 3 • reported value of result
• 4 • assigned value, Best Estimate of "true" concentration
• 5 • estimate of variation (standard deviation)

Introduction to the Proficiency Testing (PT) Program of AOAC INTERNATIONAL
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AOAC® / Arab Section - Laboratory Proficiency Testing Program

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As part of our ongoing commitment to enhancing food proficiency testing (PT) programs in the Arab region, we are reaching out to gather insights from the Arab food analytical community. Your input is crucial in shaping the future of PT initiatives tailored to the specific needs of the Arab region. Kindly take few minutes to share your thoughts through this survey. Your expertise will contribute significantly to the development of targeted PT programs for the region.

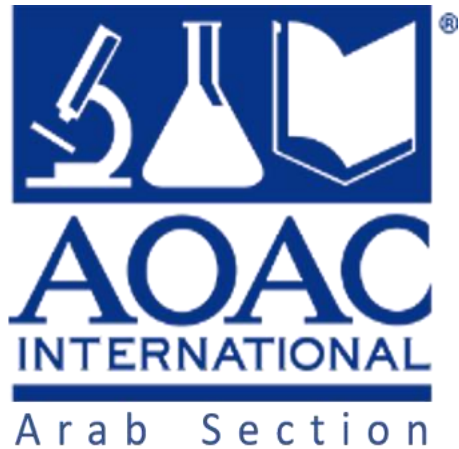
Survey Deadline: 31 May 2024

كجزء من التزامنا المستمر بتعزيز برامج اختبارات الكفاءة الغذائية في المنطقة العربية، نتواصل معكم لجمع رؤى من المجتمع العربي لتحليل الأغذية. إن مساهماتكم مهمة للغاية في تشكيل مستقبل مبادرات اختبار الكفاءة المصممة خصيصاً لتلبية الاحتياجات الخاصة بالمنطقة العربية. نأمل منكم مشاركتنا آرائكم من خلال هذا الاستبيان، بحيث ستساهم خبراتكم بشكل كبير في تطوير برامج اختبار الكفاءة المستهدفة للمنطقة.

Creating an Enabling Environment for the Development of Accredited Food and Agriculture Laboratories in the Arab Region



Summary & Future Work



- ❑ Promoting membership and networking from the region (academia, government, industry, and other institutions) within the Arab section and with AOAC INTERNATIONAL.
- ❑ Pursuing capacity building efforts in collaboration with our regional and international partners.
- ❑ Keep supporting efforts for analytical methods standardization in the Arab region, through calls for methods.
- ❑ Keep helping the analytical laboratory community in developing their capacities in the light of the specific needs and challenges of the region.

