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"Current Concepts of Food Ingredients" A one-day Symposium sponsored by AOCS North Central Section and the

American Association of Cereal Chemists local section

at the Ramada O'Hare Inn 6600 North Mannheim Road March 30, 1977 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Topics

Speaker

Fiber Sources Egg Products Emulsifiers Shortening and Frying Fats Oil Refining Methodology and Oil Quality Food Colors Chemical Leavening Agents Wheat Flour Spices Sean O'Mahony, Quaker Oats Paul Hotton, Hotton Food Products Tony DelVecchio, Pillsbury Vern Witte, Swift & Co. Tim Mounts, Northern Regional Research Lab (USDA) Al Laboyer, Kraft Herb Reiman, Stauffer Phil Leverentz, International Multi-Foods Bill Dirling, Food System Ingredient Co.

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Sir:

We read with interest the article by Erik Madsen, "Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectrometry as a Quick Method of Determination of Oil Content in Rapeseed" in the July 1976 issue of your journal, which was devoted to the content of oil in the grains of rapeseed in a RMN base solution.

We published in the *Revue Francaise des Corps Gras*, March 1970, a study quite comparable, and we have used this technique routinely for the past six years.

Moreover, the Division of Fatty Materials of IUPAC has studied for two years the standardization, on an international basis, of this rapid method of determining the amount of oil in oilseeds. The method is quite suitable in the case of rapeseed, but it lacks precision in the case of sunflowerseed.

Finally, we have recently indicated in the *Revue* Francaise des Corps Gras that the use of a microwave oven for the preliminary drying reduces the total analysis time to less than five minutes.

I hope that this will be of interest to your readers, and thank you for bringing it to their attention.

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AOAC seeking nominees

The Association of Official Analytical Chemists is seeking nominations for its 21st AOAC Harvey W. Wiley Award and for its 12th annual AOAC Scholarship award.

The Wiley award is for outstanding contributions to analytical methodology in areas pertaining to agriculture and public health important to government regulatory agencies. Nomination forms and further information are available from Luther G. Ensminger, AOAC, Box 540, Benjamin Franklin Station, Washington, DC 20044. Nominations for 1977 must be received by April 1.

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St. Andrews offers course

The University of St. Andrews (Scotland) will hold an introductory course on Fatty Acids and Lipids from Sept. 18-24, 1977. Details are available from Professor Gunstone, Chemistry Department, The University, St. Andrews, Fife, KY16 9ST, Scotland.

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