Committee Spotlights



Honored Student Award Subcommittee

The winners of the 1978 awards are:

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Harvard University
Mr. D.B. Davies
University of Guelph
Mr. F.W. Summerfield
University of California
Mr. D.Y. Pharr

Mr. C.A. Rupar University of Western Ontario

Wake Forest University

The large number of applicants meant that the chances of not being on this list were greater than of being there. Again, the biochemically oriented students greatly outnumbered those in industrial technology. The referees, in struggling with the assessments, tried to keep in mind the objectives of the AOCS and the desirability of rewarding merit. The results represent the culmination of all ratings.

Congratulations are offered to the winners and appreciation and encouragement to the others who applied.

A breakfast is being planned for the Honored Students on Monday, May 15, at the AOCS meeting.

J.L. Beare-Rogers, Chairman V.K. Babayan J.G. Hamilton E.G. Perkins W.H. Schmidt D.P. Schwartz L.M. Smith R. Wood

Seed & Meal Analysis Committee

During 1978, the Seed & Meal Analysis Committee will be continuing work on mycotoxin methodology, further investigation of methods for rapid protein determination, and completion of conversion of methods to the metric system.

The committee during the past year completed work on sampling cottonseed for aflatoxins (JAOCS 54:436). Editorial changes were proposed for AOCS Official Method BA 10-65 because of the unavailability of certain equipment. The committee also was participating in collaborative work for rapid protein determination; equipment for this purpose already has been approved by other societies.

Persons interested in working on this committee should contact the chairman. Current members are:

Chairman: M.E. Whitten
Vice Chairman: W.J. Johnson

Members: E.A. Christensen, W.T. Coleman, E.R. Hahn, W.J.

Johnson, J.M. Ridlehuber.

Subcommittees and Members:

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Sampling: M.E. Whitten, Chairman; G.C. Cavanagh; W.T. Coleman; W.J. Johnson; J.M. Ridlehuber; J. Velasco.

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Mycotoxin: L.A. Goldblatt, Chairman; J. Armstrong; G.C. Cavanagh; E. Christensen; W.T. Coleman; F.B. Coon; M.W. Formo; W.J. Frech; M. Goldstein; R.L. Gregory; L. Kogan; S.P. Koltun; C. Levi; M.S. Masri; W.W. McBee; J.D. McKinney; S. Nesheim; W.A. Pons, Jr.; T.R. Romer; O.L. Shotwell; R.J. Smith; J. Velasco; A.E. Waltking; P.A. Wells; H.W. Wharton; M.E. Whitten.

Mycotoxin (Joint with AOAC and AACC): L.A. Goldblatt, Chairman; A.E. Waltking; W.A. Pons.

from Washington



The Food and Drug Administration in retracting its proposal on use of caseinates in ice cream has not retracted the proposals requiring labeling of ice cream ingredients, which will take effect Jan. 1, 1979. The labeling declarations will require naming of all optional ingredients. Artificial color is not mandatory, but the FDA notice says, "Voluntary declaration of such color in ice cream is recommended." Standards for ice milk and sherbert also were published. Details: Federal Register, Friday, Feb. 3, 1978, pp. 4596-4601.

The FDA has proposed affirming bile salts as GRAS (Generally Recognized As Safe) as a food additive (emulsifier) in foods for direct human consumption. Ox bile extract is proposed for approval as a surfactant, but not as an emulsifier. Cholic acid, deoxycholic acid, glycocholic acid, sodium taurocholate, and taurocholic acid are scheduled for removal from the GRAS list since it appears these substances no longer are used in human food, FDA said. Comments were sought by April 3. Details: Federal Register, Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1978, pp. 4062-4065.

The Center for Science in the Public Interest (CSPI) has asked the Federal Trade Commission to restrict advertising aimed at children, of foods high in fat content. CSPI previously has asked the FTC to ban ads of highly sugared snacks aimed at children. The CSPI argues that children may not be able to evaluate long-term health effects of the

advertised food, reported Food Chemical News in its Feb. 13 issue.

Pfizer Inc. has filed a petition with the FDA, originally submitted in 1975, to seek GRAS status for glycine hydrochloride, L-cysteine hydrochloride, L-arabinose, and B-alanine in hydrolyzed vegetable protein-based meat flavors. Federal Register, Feb. 21, 1978, p. 7270.

The Department of Labor has rescheduled its hearing on proposed rulemaking procedures to be used in identification, classification, and regulation of potential carcinogenic toxic substances. The hearing had been scheduled for March 14, then moved to April 4, and now has been scheduled for May 16, 1978, in the Labor Department Auditorium on Constitution Avenue. Details: Federal Register, Friday, Jan. 27, 1978, p. 3729, JAOCS 55:89A (1978).

EPA published on Jan. 31, 1978, a list of 65 substances identified as toxic pollutants in the House of Representatives Committee on Public Works and Transportation's Committee Print No. 95-30. The list is to be the basis for development of effluent limitations. More substances may be added by EPA. Comments on the list may be submitted to EPA as outlined in the notice. Persons who wish a copy of the list should write JAOCS News, 508 S. Sixth St., Champaign, IL 61820. Details: Federal Register, Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1978, pp. 4108-4109.

The Environmental Protection Agency's Toxic Substances Control Act Interagency Testing Committee has outlined its proposed regulations for reviewing health and safety studies. The specific rules proposed apply only to the four substances and six categories of substances TSCA is giving priority attention, but the comments accompanying the proposal say similar rules may be used in later reviews.

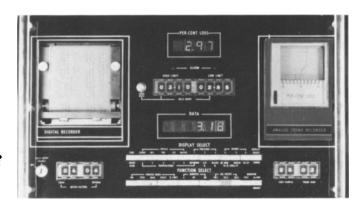
Basically, the rules would require organizations that have manufactured, distributed, or processed substances under review — or have thought about doing so — since Jan. 1, 1977, to submit lists of any germane studies they may know about, as well as copies of any studies they have. Confidentiality claims are permitted. The rules also would permit the Interagency Testing Committee to take copies from third-party sources if copies are not otherwise available. EPA set an April 3, 1978, deadline for submission of comments. Details: Federal Register, Tuesday, Jan. 31, 1978, pp. 4073-4076.

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