



# AOCS Laboratory Proficiency Program 2022-2023 Award Winners

## Aflatoxin in Corn Meal

### First Place

*Megan Rooney*

Office of the Texas State Chemist  
College Station, Texas USA

### Honorable Mention

*Adriana Ojeda*

SGS Argentina  
Buenos Aires Argentina

## Aflatoxin in Corn Meal Test Kit

### First Place

*Gordon Thomas*

New Jersey Feed Lab, Inc  
Ewing, New Jersey USA

### Honorable Mention

*Sandy Holloway*

Cotecna USA  
Memphis, Tennessee USA

## Aflatoxin in Peanut Paste

### First Place

*Carolina Casagrande Bedani*

JLA Brasil Laboratorio de Analise  
de Alimentos SA  
Marilia SP Brazil

### Honorable Mention

*Zhang Peng*

JLA China Inc  
Qingdao Shandong Province  
China

## Aflatoxin in Peanut Paste Test Kit

### First Place (tie)

*Jlaji Jonesboro*

IEH Labs and Consulting Group  
Lake Forest Park, Washington  
USA

*Charmain Chatman*

JLA  
Albany, Georgia USA

## Aflatoxin in Pistachio and Almond

### First Place

*Justin Reyes and Jose Ramos*

DFA of California  
Kerman, California USA

### Honorable Mention

*IEH-JLA Chromatography Team*

IEH-JLA  
Modesto, California USA

## Cholesterol

### First Place

*David Liuken*

MVTL  
New Ulm, Minnesota USA

### Honorable Mention

*Anders Thomsen*

Eurofins Nutrition Analysis Center  
Des Moines, Iowa USA

## DDGS from Corn Meal

### First Place

*Frank Hahn*

Hahn Laboratories, Inc.  
Columbia, South Carolina USA

### Honorable Mention

*Anders Thomsen*

Eurofins Nutrition Analysis Center  
Des Moines, Iowa USA

## Edible Fat

### First Place

*Eddie Baldwin*

Stratas Foods RDI Center  
Bartlett, Tennessee USA

### Honorable Mention

*Jerry Buttell*

AGP  
Hastings, Nebraska USA

*Ryan Samani*

AAK USA K1 LLC  
Louisville, Kentucky USA

*James Houghton*

AAK USA K1 LLC  
Louisville, Kentucky USA

*Joe Clark*

AAK USA K1 LLC  
Louisville, Kentucky USA

*Katie McCoy*

AAK USA K1 LLC  
Louisville, Kentucky USA

## Fish Meal

### First Place

*Pete Cartwright*

New Jersey Feed Lab, Inc.  
Ewing, New Jersey USA

### Honorable Mention

*Paul Thionville*

Thionville Labs LLC  
New Orleans, Louisiana USA

## Gas Chromatography

### First Place

*Elaine Fang*

Cargill Palm Products SDN BHD  
Selangor Malaysia

### Honorable Mention

*Jamie Ayton*

NSW Dept. of Primary Industries  
Wagga Wagga NSW Australia

*Zachary Martin*

Darling Ingredients  
Ankeny, Iowa USA

*Bee Suan Tan*

Southern Edible Oil Industries (M)  
Sdn. Berhad  
Klang, Selangor, Malaysia

*JLA Analytical Team*

JLA USA  
Edenton, North Carolina USA

*Razmah Ghazali*

Malaysian Palm Oil Board  
Selangor, Malaysia

## GOED Nutraceutical Oils

### First Place

*Mark Arsenault*

DSM Nutritional Products  
Davis, California USA

### Honorable Mention

*Karin Fareth*

Nordic Pharma Inc AS  
Kvaloya, Norway

*Claire Traynor*

James Hutton Limited  
Dundee Perthshire, UK

### Marine Oil

#### First Place

*Kelsey English*

Omega Protein Inc  
Reedville, Virginia USA

#### Honorable Mention

*Gordon Thomas*

New Jersey Feed Lab, Inc  
Ewing, New Jersey USA

*Paul Thionville*

Thionville Labs LLC  
New Orleans, Louisiana USA

## Marine Oil Fatty Acid Profile

### First Place

*John Reuther*

Eurofins Central Analytical Labs  
New Orleans, Louisiana USA

### Honorable Mention

*Pete Cartwright*

New Jersey Feed Lab, Inc.  
Ewing, New Jersey USA

## NIOP Fats and Oils

### First Place

*Tiam Huat Goh*

PT Musim Mas  
Medan, Utera, Indonesia

### Honorable Mention

*Lee Chen Goh*

PT Musim Mas  
Medan, Utera, Indonesia

## Nutritional Labeling

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### First Place

*Helene Lachance*  
MasterLab  
Saint Hyacinthe Québec, Canada

### Honorable Mention

*Thomas Mawhinney*  
University of Missouri-AESCL  
Columbia, Missouri USA

## Oilseed Meal

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### First Place

*Lidieth Solara Carranza*  
INOLASA  
Barranca Puntarenas, Costa Rica

### Honorable Mention

*Gordon Thomas*  
New Jersey Feed Lab, Inc  
Ewing, New Jersey USA  
*Andrea Forsyth*  
Intertek USA  
New Orleans, Louisiana USA

### Robert Carr

RMG-PNW  
Portland, Oregon USA

## Olive Oil Part A

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### First Place

*Alex Vargo*  
Pompeian Inc.  
Baltimore, Maryland USA

### Honorable Mention

*Sampath Abeylath*  
Catania Oils  
Ayer, Massachusetts USA

## Olive Oil Part B

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### First Place

*Betty Paulose*  
SGS North America  
Santa Rosa, Louisiana USA

### Honorable Mention

*Jesus Rincon*  
Laboratorio Tello, S.L.  
Jaen, Jaen, Spain

## Olive Oil Part C

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### First Place

*Alex Vargo*  
Pompeian, Inc.  
Baltimore, Maryland USA

## Honorable Mention

*Matthew Seidenman*  
Pompeian, Inc.  
Baltimore, Maryland USA

## Palm Oil

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### First Place

*Lin Hendrik*  
PT Musim Mas Martubung  
Medan Sumatera, Utera, Indonesia

### Honorable Mention

*Bee Suan Tan*  
Southern Edible Oils Industries  
Sdn Bhd  
Kapar, Selangor, Malaysia  
*Tiam Huat Goh*  
PT Musim Mas  
Medan, Utera, Indonesia  
*Latifun Jayanti*  
PT. SMART Tbk  
Bekasi, Indonesia

## Peanut

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### First Place

*JLA Analytical Team*  
JLA USA  
Edenton, North Carolina USA

### Honorable Mention

*Massiel Mesa*  
COMASA/Seragro  
Managua, Nicaragua

## Phosphorus in Oil

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### First Place

*Quality Assurance Team*  
Richardson Oilseed LLC  
Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada

### Honorable Mention

*Scott Schuldt*  
ATC Scientific  
North Little Rock, Arkansas USA

## Solid Fat Content by NMR

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### First Place

*Edwin Acuna-Vega*  
Grupo Industrial Numar S.A.  
San Jose, Costa Rica

### Honorable Mention

*AGP*  
Hastings, Nebraska USA

## Soybean

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### First Place

*Thomas Patterson*  
Corteva Agriscience  
Indianapolis, Indiana USA

### Honorable Mention

*Sara Esquivel Candia*  
CAIASA  
Asuncion, Central, Paraguay

## Soybean Oil

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### First Place

*Agustin Rodriguez Arguello*  
Proteinas Naturales SA De CV  
Guadalupe, NL Mexico

### Honorable Mention

*Tyler Hack*  
Amspec LLC  
Webster, Texas USA

## Specialty Oils

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### First Place

*Anders Thomsen*  
Eurofins Nutrition Analysis Center  
Des Moines, Iowa USA

### Honorable Mention

*Andrew Nair*  
Unitata  
Intan, Peral, Malaysia  
*Martin King*  
Prairie Tide Diversified  
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan,  
Canada

## Tallow and Grease

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### First Place

*Tyler Hack*  
Amspec LLC  
Webster, Texas USA

### Honorable Mention

*Tony Mendez*  
JST Global LLC  
Houston, Texas USA

## Trace Metals in Oil

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### First Place

*John Reuther*  
Eurofins Central Analytical Labs  
New Orleans, Louisiana USA

## Honorable Mention

*Quality Assurance Team*  
Richardson Oilseed LLC  
Lethbridge, Alberta, Canada

## trans Fatty Acid Content

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### First Place

*Pravit Santiwattana*  
Thai Edible Oil Co Ltd  
Bangkok, Thailand

### Honorable Mention

*Piyanut Boriboonwiggai*  
Thai Vegetable Oil Public Co Ltd  
BKK Thailand  
*Kirby Miller*  
Bunge Loders Croklaan  
Channahon, Illinois USA

## Unground Soybean Meal

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### First Place (tie)

*Frank Hahn*  
Hahn Laboratories, Inc.  
Columbia, South Carolina USA  
*Yinrong Song*  
Bunge (taixing) Grains & Oils Co.,  
Ltd  
Jiangsu, China

### Honorable Mention

*VAL (PhuMy) Laboratory*  
VietNam Agribusiness Limited  
Ba Ria Vung Tau Province,  
VietNam

*Ma Yinxia*  
Bunge Chia Tai (tianjin) Grain and  
Oilseeds Ltd  
Tianjin City, China

### Qian Wang

Bunge  
Shangdong, China

### Paul Thionville

Thionville Labs LLC  
New Orleans, Louisiana USA

## Vegetable Oil for Color Only

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### First Place

*George E. Hicks*  
Dallas Group of America  
Jeffersonville, Indiana USA

### Honorable Mention

*Melanie Greer*  
Dallas Group of America  
Jeffersonville, Indiana USA