

## AACC International Analytical Accuracy Awardees for 2007 Announced

Winners of AACC International's Analytical Accuracy awards, based on 2007 check sample results, have been announced. This is the tenth such set of awards to be made since the AACC International Check Sample Committee approved it ten years ago. Winners have received certificates suitable for posting and will be listed in the AACC International Annual Meeting program.

All subscribers to the various AACC International check sample series that include a proficiency testing option are eligible, whether or not they have elected the option, provided they have met the requirements for submission of results for the year involved. For each series, the award is made to the laboratory submitting the most accurate analyses. The statistical procedures used to select awardees are the same as those used to evaluate proficiency for other purposes. Awards are based primarily on the required analyses in each series. Analyses that are optional for proficiency test purposes are included if they improve the score to encourage subscribers to include the results of optional analyses in their reports.

The list of awardees shows all series included in the 2007 awards. Other AACC International check sample series for which the proficiency testing option is not now available may be added later as the number of subscribers and coefficient of variation of results warrant.

Formal entry for award competition is not necessary—all check sample subscribers to a given series are automatically eligible and entered provided they have submitted the required results on all samples for the award year. However, the same considerations apply to the Analytical Accuracy awards as to other achievement awards. Because there can be only one winner in any category and consideration is limited to those who have subscribed for the full year and submitted all required results, the results speak only to the performance of

the awardees' analysts or laboratories and not to those of many others who might be equally qualified.

Check sample subscribers or others who would like more information about AACC International Check Sample and Proficiency Testing Service are invited to visit: [www.aaccnet.org/checksample](http://www.aaccnet.org/checksample).

**Series A—Hard Wheat Flour, Monthly**  
Canadian Grain Commission, Winnipeg, MB, Canada

**Series B—Hard Wheat Flour, Bimonthly**  
FFM Berhad, Port Klang Selangor, Malaysia

**Series C—Soft Wheat Flour**  
Nisshin Flour Mfg., Tokyo, Japan

**Series D—Feed Analyses**  
FFM Berhad, Port Klang Selangor, Malaysia

**Series DF—Dietary Fiber**  
Nancy Ames, Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada, Winnipeg, MB, Canada

**Series HL and HS—Farinograph**  
Calvin Watson, McKee Foods Corp, Collegedale, TN, USA

**Series I—Amylograph**  
Canadian International Grains Institute, Winnipeg, MB, Canada

**Series J—Mixograph**  
Southern African Grain Laboratory, Pretoria, South Africa

**Series K—Fat and Fatty Acids**  
General Mills, Minneapolis, MN, USA

**Series MBA—Microbiological Analyses (Including Pathogens)**  
Hormel Foods Corp., Austin, MN, USA

**Series MBB—Microbiological Analyses**  
McCain Snack Foods, Fort Atkinson, WI, USA

**Series SA—HPLC Sugar Analysis**  
Customs & Border Protection—Chicago Lab, Chicago, IL, USA

**Series VMP—Vitamin Analyses**  
General Mills, Minneapolis, MN, USA

**Series VMP—Mineral Analyses**  
Land O'Lakes Inc., St. Paul, MN, USA

**Series VMP—Proximate and Vitamin Analyses**  
General Mills, Minneapolis, MN, USA

**Series VMP—Proximate and Mineral Analyses**  
Land O'Lakes Inc., St. Paul, MN, USA

**Series VMP—Vitamins, Minerals, and Proximate Analyses**  
General Mills, Minneapolis, MN, USA

## OBITUARIES



Longtime AACC International member and past president, **John Watson**, died peacefully July 18, 2008, at his vacation home on Upper Saranac Lake, NY.

Born in 1930 in Elmhurst, he was the son of Hattie and James Watson. John grew up in Great Neck, Long Island. He received his degree in chemistry at Georgetown University in 1951. After serving as a captain in the U.S. Army Chemical Corps during the Korean War, he joined the family business; Watson Inc.

John became an AACC International member in 1956 and was president in 1981. He was also a member of the Federal Technical Regulatory Affairs Committee of the American Bakers' Association, and of the International Nutritional Anemia Consultative Group (INACG) of the World Health Organization.

John was a member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the American Institute of Baking and served on its board of trustees for many years. He was also a member of SUSTAIN (Sharing United States Technology to Aid in the Improvement of Nutrition) and a member of the Council of Responsible Nutrition. He was past president and chairman for Watson Inc. and founder of Polymer Films.

**Bruce Arthur Stone** died on June 29 after a protracted struggle with cancer. He obtained his Ph. D. in Biochemistry from University College, London, in 1954. After post doctoral fellowships in Ottawa and UC London, he returned to Australia to take up a position as lecturer in the Russell Grimwade School of Biochemistry, University of Melbourne, in 1958. In 1972, he transferred from his readership in Agricultural Biochemistry at MU to take up the Foundation Chair in Biochemistry at La Trobe University, a position he held until his retirement in 1993. Bruce built his young department with a strong focus on research, and from his staff, he demanded nothing but the best. His own research interests were in the chemistry and biochemistry of plant polysaccharides, particularly on the synthesis and degradation of plant cell wall components. His passion for his work on plant polysaccharides was such that he could not resist telling his colleagues at departmental seminars that DNA was really a polysaccharide. Indeed, he resisted for a long time the new order of recombinant DNA technology that his staff accepted all too readily, and it was largely as a result of a long collaboration with Vilma Stanisich from microbiology at La Trobe that he finally embraced genetic engineering as a powerful tool in biological research. He was internationally recognized for this work and received many awards and honors. In 1999, he was made a member of the Australian Academy for Technology, Science and Engineering. In 2000, he was made a corresponding member of the American Society of Plant Physiologists. In 2001, he was an ISI Australian Citation Laureate and in 2004 he received the AACC Intl. Thomas Burr Osborne Award. In 2007, he was made a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) for his service to Research, Academia and Administration. He contributed richly to the broader biochemical community and was President of ASBMB (1989-1990), Chairman of the RACI, Cereal Chemistry Division (1978-79), and at the time of his death was Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Cereal Science and Assistant Director of the Australian Academy of Science and Technology's Crawford Fund, an organization supporting international agricultural research.



**Gerald Reed**, born in 1913 in Berlin, Germany, as Hans-Gerhart Rosenthal, died on Wednesday, June 11, 2008, of natural causes at the Milwaukee Catholic Home. He had been a resident of Milwaukee since 1956. He studied medicine at the University of Berlin. He left in 1933 to escape the Nazis and, subsequently, studied biochemistry at the Charles University in Prague, earning a Ph. D. in 1938. In Prague, he met his first wife Helena Freundova, and they married in 1938. In the same year, they were able to obtain visas and emigrated to the United States, where they changed their names to Helen and Gerald Reed. He held various positions in the food industry as a research biochemist and joined AACC International in 1952. In 1956, he came to Milwaukee as Director of Research for Red Star Yeast, which later became Universal Foods Corporation. At Universal Foods he was known as "the walking encyclopedia." Throughout his long career, he wrote many research papers and books, including the well-known *Enzymes in Food Processing*. He worked full-time into his 80s, culminating a long career by editing the series *Biotechnology*, published by Wiley VCH. Gerald's first wife died in 1989, and in 1992 he married the former Marjorie Bellis of Milwaukee. He was named "Man of the Year" by Jewish Family Services, he taught English as a second language to immigrants, and he served as Treasurer at Summerfield United Methodist Church, where he became a member in 1993. He was known to friends, family, and coworkers as a generous, positive man who treated everyone equally. He is survived by his wife Marjorie, his son Michael of Durham, NC, and his four grandchildren.

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