

AAPCO Lab Committee Meeting

AAPCO 78th Annual Meeting

March 2-5, 2025

Hilton Alexandria Old Town, Alexandria VA

AGENDA

Day 1 - Sunday, March 2, 2025

2-5 pm **Board of Director's Meeting, open to AAPCO Members**
5:30 pm **Welcome Reception - "Into the Future" Poster Session**

Day 2 - Monday, March 3, 2025

Morning Moderator: Gretchen Paluch, AAPCO President, Iowa Department of Agriculture & Land Stewardship

8:15 am **Welcome and Roll Call** - Gretchen Paluch, AAPCO President, Iowa Department of Agriculture & Land Stewardship; Amy Sullivan, AAPCO Executive Secretary

8:45 am **AAPCO's Year in Review** - Gretchen Paluch, AAPCO President, Iowa Department of Agriculture & Land Stewardship

9:15 am **Keynote** - Kimberly Nesci, Director, Office of Pest Management Policy (OPMP), Office of the Chief Economist, United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

9:45 am **Break**

10:00 am **State FIFRA Issues, Research and Evaluation Group (SFIREG) Update** – Steve Dwinell, Director, Public Health & Agricultural Resource Management Division, Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets, and SFIREG Chair

10:30 am **Pesticide Operations and Management Working Committee (POM) Update** – Amy Brown, Chief of Scientific Evaluation and Technical Assistance, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, and POM Chair

10:45 am **Environmental Quality Issues Working Committee (EQI) Update** - Hotze Wijnja, Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources, and EQI Chair

11:00 am **Endangered Species Strategy Implementation Working Committee (ESI) Update** – Kevin Kern, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, and ESI Chair

11:15 am **Lunch on your own**

Afternoon Lab Committee Break-Out Session: Potomac Room

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1:15 pm	Welcome and Roll Call – Ashley Pierce, AAPCO Laboratory Committee Chair, Virginia Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services
1:30 pm	Year in Review, AAPCO Annual Report, SFIREG Liaison Report - Ashley Pierce, AAPCO Laboratory Committee Chair, Virginia Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services, Jona Verreth, AAPCO Laboratory Committee SFIREG Liaison, Montana Analytical Laboratory Bureau
1:45 pm	Wisconsin Check Sample Report - Matthew J. Gramse, Chemistry Section Manager – Bureau of Laboratory Services/ Division of Management Services, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection
2:00 pm	Indiana Formulation Check Sample Report – Ping Wan, Chair, AAPCO Check Sample Program, Supervisor, Pesticide Laboratories Office of Indiana State Chemist
2:15 pm	2024 State Lab Updates: Samples, Scope, and Program Changes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Each lab should prepare to give their labs update on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ samples tested in 2024 ○ testing scope ○ special projects ○ issues or roadblocks ○ home runs or hoorays ○ changes in pesticide program (add/lose people?) etc*
2:45 pm	Break
3:00 pm	2024 State Lab Updates Continued / Open Discussion
4:00 pm	Adjourn

Day 3 - Tuesday, March 4, 2025

Lab Committee Break-Out Session: Potomac Room

9:00 am	Pesticide Registration Process for Manufacturers - Janet Hou, State Regulatory Affairs Manager, BASF and Anna Thomas, BASF
9:45 am	Break
10:00 am	Tackling Emerging Issues: State Roundtable/Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pesticide formulations and residues • Legislation • Challenging analytes • ISO accreditation status • Validation vs. Verification of published validated method • New methylene chloride guidance • HR/Staffing

11:00 am	User Perspectives on High-Resolution LCMS vs. QqQ: An Honest Comparison – Yoko Johnson, Supervisor, Pesticide Analysis Unit Minnesota Department of Agriculture Laboratory Services Division
11:45 pm	Lunch on your own
1:00 pm	Quality Assurance Project Plans (QAPPs) - Mary Goldade, Regional QA Manager (EPA, Region 8 LSASD)
2:00 pm	National Workshop Funding Discussion - Kelly Engle (EPA, OECA/OC)

2:45 pm	Break
3:00 pm	AAPCO Business Meeting in Main Room
5:00 pm	Adjourn
6:00 pm	President's Reception, Grand Ballroom Foyer

Day 4 - Wednesday, March 5, 2025

Morning Moderators: Sarah Caffery, AAPCO Director at Large, Office of the Indiana State Chemist and Bob Blankenburg, AAPCO Director at Large, Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation

8:00 am	The Future of Pesticide Labels – Sarah Hovinga, Regulatory Policy, Bayer CropScience; Taylor Wetli, US Commercial & Business Development Manager, Solinftec; Hal Ambuter, Head of Global Digitalization and Regulatory Compliance, Arxada; Scott Mueller, Head of Business Development, Compass Regulatory; Tim Deppen, NPIRS Program Manager, Center for Environmental and Regulatory Information Systems
10:00 am	Break
10:30 am	E-commerce Panel – Toby Primbs, Compliance and Enforcement Manager, Oregon Department of Agriculture; Otto Oemig, Pesticide Programs Unit Supervisor, Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection; Faye Golden, Director of Governmental Affairs, Cook's Pest Control, Inc.; and Bonnie Rabe, Managing Director of Government Relations, Rollins
11:30 am	Closing Remarks - Kelly Friend, AAPCO President-Elect, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
12:00 pm	Adjourn