



# **Sub-Group Agrochemical Analysis (AA) (1972)**

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## AA SG – Objectives

1. To perform **regular proficiency testing** of Multi-Residue Methods for the analysis of agrochemical residues on tobacco.
2. To undertake joint experiments to resolve unanswered questions arising from proficiency tests; to **expand knowledge base** on agrochemical residues and their analysis.
3. To produce and maintain a **series of Technical Notes** (on different agrochemical residue classes and selected individual compounds) to supplement the Technical Guideline and aid method development and improvement.



## ❖ Proficiency test 2015 (FAPAS FT0111) → completed

### ➤ Test materials (natural and spiked)

- 18 CPAs spiked on blank tobacco
- 13 CPAs in incurred tobacco

### ➤ 30 participant laboratories from 19 countries

### ➤ FAPAS Report finalized and distributed to participants

## ❖ CORESTA Guide No. 5

### ➤ *Technical guidance on Pesticide Residues Analysis on Tobacco and Tobacco Products* - reviewed by Q4 2015

## ❖ Technical note

### ➤ To be completed for EBDCs (*ethylenebisdithiocarbamates*)



## ❖ 2015 meeting

- **Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe) on June 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> 2015**
- **Hosted by the Zimbabwe Tobacco Research Board**
- **28 registered participants from 14 countries**
- **Opening speech by Dr. J.M. Made – *Zimbabwe Minister of Agriculture, Mechanization and Irrigation development***



# AA SG – Next Activities

## ❖ Next activities

- Joint Experiment Test Study on EBDC
- Joint Experiment Test Study on Maleic hydrazide
- Joint Experiment Test Study on matrix effect from different types of DAC tobaccos
- 2016 FAPAS-CORESTA PT with spiked and incurred tobacco samples
  - Incurred tobaccos provided by the RFT TF

## ❖ 2016 meeting

- Chiang Mai, Thailand, hosted by Premium Tobacco