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## **HANDS ON PRACTICAL TRAINING ON ADVANCES IN AAS UV-VIS SPECTROSCOPY OPERATIONS & SERVICE 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2024**

### **Course Overview**

A comprehensive 5 days' course designed to increase expertise and optimize results for all users of AAS. Understanding sample introduction and optimization of instrument performance are important subject areas within this 5 days' course. Interactive Training sessions and practical exercises are used to reinforce key learning points.

### **Who is this course for?**

The training is useful for those who are working in industries like Oil Industries, Cosmetics, Chemicals, Food & Agriculture, Water Testing, Pharmaceuticals as well as the Analytical Testing Laboratories and various others.

### **Previous knowledge**

Background knowledge of AAS Spectrometry may be useful but not necessary, as all the essentials are covered in the course. Previous experience using AAS equipment is very important.

### **What you will learn & Why**

1. Why have calibration schedule
2. Why AAS is particularly suitable for Analysis
3. How AAS can be used for the analysis of ultra-trace metal elements (0.0005-1000ppm)

Application of AAS to non-metallic elements (e.g. S, P)

<b>DAY 1</b>	<b>EVENTS</b>
<b>09.00-09.30</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Registration and Climate setting</li></ul>
<b>09.30-10.00</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Objectives of the training, expected outcomes and review of the agenda</li></ul>
<b>10.00-10.30</b>	<i>Tea Break</i>
<b>11.00-12.30</b>	Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Principles of spectroscopy</li><li>• Principles &amp; operation of AAS</li></ul>
<b>12.30-14.00</b>	<i>Lunch Break</i>
<b>14.00 -16.30</b>	<b>Laboratory session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Learning components of AAS, i.e. Assembling the sample introduction system</li><li>• AAS gas requirements</li><li>• Consumables and spares</li><li>• Introduction to AAS technique, Basic Principle, its Applications and Uses in various fields</li></ul>
<b>DAY 2</b>	
<b>9.00-10.30</b>	<b>Sample preparation techniques</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Wet digestion</li><li>• Dry ashing Fusion</li></ul>
<b>10.30-11.00</b>	<i>Tea Break</i>
<b>11.00-12.30</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Microwave assisted digestion</li></ul>

<b>12.30-14.00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
<b>14.00-16.30</b>	<b>Laboratory session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparation of organic sample</li> <li>• Preparation of inorganic samples</li> <li>• Preparation of difficult samples</li> <li>• Software basic and instrument set-up</li> </ul>	
<b>DAY 3</b>		
<b>9.00-10.30</b>	<b>Calibration methods</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Calibration curve,</li> <li>• Use of quality controls</li> </ul>	
<b>10.30-11.00</b>	<b>Tea Break</b>	
<b>11.00-12.30</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Internal QCs – spiking, HRM, replicate testing</li> <li>• External QCs – CRM, PTs, ILC</li> </ul>	
<b>12.30-14.00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
<b>14.00-15.30</b>	<b>Laboratory session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparation of standards</li> <li>• Preparation of QCs</li> <li>• Method development</li> <li>• Sample analysis using AAS</li> <li>• Introduction and Hands-on practice on preparation of different types of samples for determination of heavy metals</li> </ul>	
<b>DAY 4</b>		
<b>9.00-10.30</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hands-on practice on preparation of different types of samples for determination of heavy metals</li> <li>• Analysis of different types of food samples</li> </ul>	
<b>10.30-11.00</b>	<b>Tea Break</b>	
<b>11.00-12.30</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Laboratory session</li> <li>• Analysis of different types of food samples</li> </ul>	
<b>12.30-14.00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
<b>14.00-15.30</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analysis of different types of water samples</li> </ul>	
<b>DAY 5</b>		
<b>9.00-10.30</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Analysis of data &amp; uncertainty measurements</li> <li>• Maintenance of AAS and Trouble-shooting covering all the possible problems</li> </ul>	
<b>10.30-11.00</b>	<b>Tea Break</b>	
<b>11.00-12.30</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Course overview</li> <li>• Conclusion</li> </ul>	
<b>12.30-14.00</b>	<b>Lunch Break</b>	
<b>14.00 – 15.00</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Directors speech and issue of certificates</li> </ul>	
<b>DATES</b>	<b>COST</b>	<b>VENUE</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> June 2024</b>	<b>Cost Kes. 92,800.00 or USD 928.00</b>	<b>KISUMU</b>
<b>Deadline 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2024</b>		