



FOREWORD

The Corn Refiners Association (formerly the Corn Industries Research Foundation) has developed this compilation of analytical methods to assist the corn refining industry and its customers. The CRA publishes these methods as a service and emphasizes they do not in any way prescribe or restrict the internal scientific activities of any company.

A company or its personnel may use a given method for their own work. Commonly understood, analytical methods may also serve as procedures for referee purposes.

These methods can enable companies to demonstrate to the industry's customers, the general public and the government, corn refiners' proficiencies in manufacturing quality products. Further, they demonstrate how this industry maintains and often sets a technological pace with or for other modern industries in the food and chemical fields.

Industry scientists, serving on the CRA Technical Affairs Committee, developed these methods. Technical personnel of member companies revised and approved the methods prior to their final endorsement.

The methods contained here do not cover the entire range of the industry's products. The CRA makes no claim as to the completeness of the work. In fact, the task has no foreseeable ending because industrial growth is bound to bring forth new products, their modifications and refinements. The methods contained here include common or usual methods for the analysis of corn and finished products.

Members of the Technical Affairs Committee hope the publishing of these analytical methods constitutes another contribution by the corn refining industry to scientific advancement, technological development, industrial progress and the promotion of the public welfare. Toward each of those ends, the Committee would welcome comments or criticism of these methods at any time.

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