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| Publications | <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ H.G.T.H Jayatunga, W. H Weerathunga, H.P.P.S Somasiri, K.R.R Mahanama, 2023, Use of Process-Based Marker Compounds to Identify Different Coconut Oils, Food analytical method, https://doi.org/10.1007/s12161-023-02552-y.➤ H.G.T.H Jayatunga, H.P.P.S Somasiri, K.R.R Mahanama, 2020, Rapid determination of adulteration in virgin and copra coconut oil using Fourier transform near infrared spectroscopy, International Journal of Food Science and Nutrition, 5(3), 38-43.➤ H.G.T.H Jayatunga, C K Jayasuriya, 2016, Development of a biodegradable polymer composite based on natural rubber and screw-pine leave particles for manufacturing gloves, Journal of Emerging trends in engineering and applied science, 7(2) 56-60. <p>Abstract</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Jayatunga H G T H, Weeratunge H D, Somasiri H P P S, Mahanama K R R, Comparison of volatile compounds identified by two different techniques in virgin coconut oil, 6th ITI Biennial research symposium,32.➤ Jayatunga H. G. T. H., Somasiri H. P. P. S., Mahanama K. R. R., Determination of adulteration of pure coconut oil with used coconut oil by FT-NIR spectroscopy, 2020, 2nd Asian International conference on multidisciplinary research 2020.➤ Jayatunga H. G. T. H., Somasiri H. P. P. S., Mahanama K. R. R., Development of a fingerprint to identify the different types of coconut oil, 2020, International conference on applied science.➤ Jayatunga H G T H, Weeratunge H D, Somasiri H P P S, Mahanama K R R, Identification of aroma constituents in copra coconut oil, 2019, ITI Biennial |

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- Jayatunga H. G. T. H, 2014, Development of biodegradable polymer composite for glove material based on natural rubber and Screw-Pine leave particle, 2014, Peradeniya International Research Symposium (IPUSE), 420.
- Sumaradiwakara S, Gunasekara L, Medis B, Karunaratne U, Jayatunga T, Slegers R, Fernandopulle N, 2009, Preliminary study on DNA barcoding of Cinnamon varieties in Sri Lanka, 14th international Forestry and Environment Symposium at University of Sri Jayawardanapura, 69-70

Major Projects Undertaken

- Development of reference material for coconut oil
- Research project of development of near infrared spectroscopic method to detect adulterated coconut oil and its authenticity
- Research work on Development of biodegradable polymer composite based on Natural rubber latex and Screw-Pine leaf particles for gloves
- Consultancy for implementation on ISO 17025:2017 to;
Camso Loadstar Central Manufacturing Plant,
Camso Loadstar Research, development laboratory
Gem & Jewelry Authority laboratory,
Ceylon Petroleum Storage Terminal,
Ceylon petroleum cooperation,
Ferentino Tire company laboratory,
Water resources board,
MAS industrial park laboratory,
Lanka Phosphate Limited
- Trainings programs on ISO 17025:2017, Measurement Uncertainty