



### **26TH**

#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

OF

THE SOUTHERN AFRICAN GRAIN LABORATORY NPC



2022/2023

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** 

- It is an honour to deliver the 26th Chairmans's Report of the SAGL for the 2022/2023 financial year.
- Since inception, the SAGL focused on developing the capacity of the laboratory in alignment with the needs of the grain and oilseed value chain.
- The reliable measurement system that was successfully implemented and maintained provides the necessary support to the industry for quality assurance and compliance.
- Within the constant changing regulatory environment, the SAGL
  has an important role to play in providing technical support and
  measurement services to ensure compliance in areas of trade,
  food safety and food security.











- The measurement solutions, calibration services, proficiency schemes and testing of grains and associated food and feed products, provide reliability and comparability of measurement results which is critical to support the success of the agricultural industry.
- SAGL continued the important function of conducting Crop Quality Surveys on wheat, maize, soybeans, sunflower seed and grain sorghum with financial support from the Agricultural Trusts. These annual surveys serve as evidence of the industry's commitment to food safety through the maintenance of unique and very valuable databases. For local and international trade, this information is used to ensure informed decisions.











- Participation in several investigative and research collaborative studies provides a basis for recommendations to improve the grain and oilseed value chains.
- The Crop Protection Division of the SAGL was created in 2016 to align with the strategic imperatives to expand the services and to assist with the compliance of agricultural remedies to regulations.
  Compliance with OECD GLP Principles and ISO 17025
  Accreditation, position this laboratory as an independent service provider to the broader agricultural industry.













#### STRATEGIC INTENT

To be recognised as market leader in grain and oilseed analysis and related services in Southern Africa













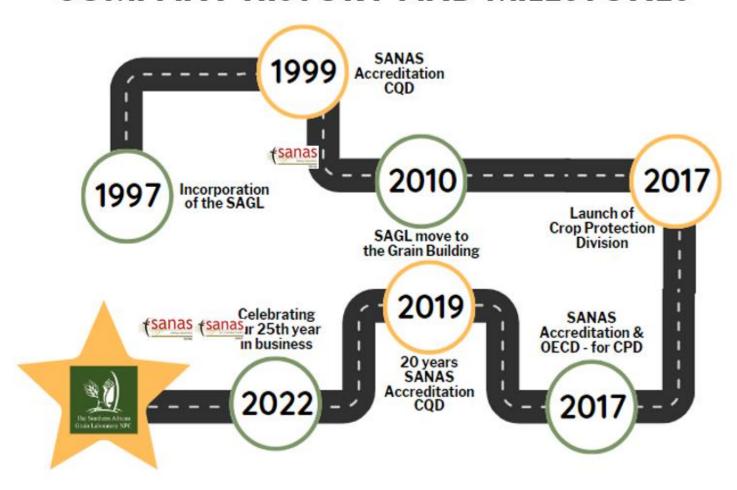


To be the analytical service provider of choice for the grain and oilseed industries to enhance competitiveness and sustainability



Accurate measurement, agricultural prosperity, social responsibility, and good governance

#### **COMPANY HISTORY AND MILESTONES**













Each of the five testing areas specialises in a different range of analyses, using specific skills to execute the validated methods.

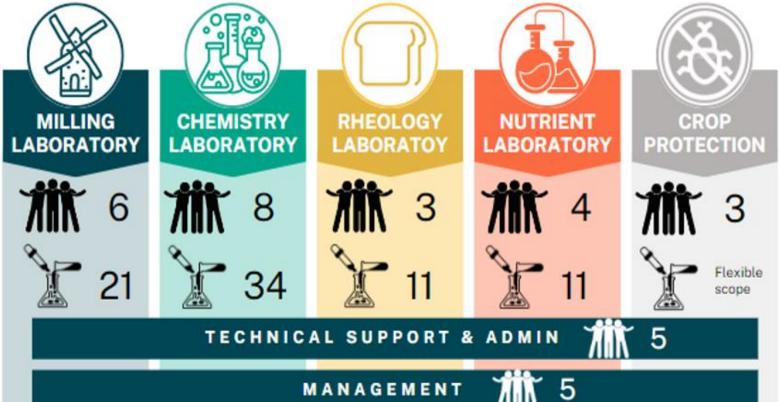




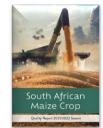








As a reference laboratory for grains and oilseeds, SAGL offers proficiency testing to participants locally and other African countries.



Participants use Proficiency testing as an independent assessment of quality control measures to monitor equipment, personnel and analytical methods



These tests serve as powerful tool for a laboratory or testing facility to demonstrate competency in the grain and oilseed sector



The SAGL offers **nine** proficiency tests on different products and with varying intervals

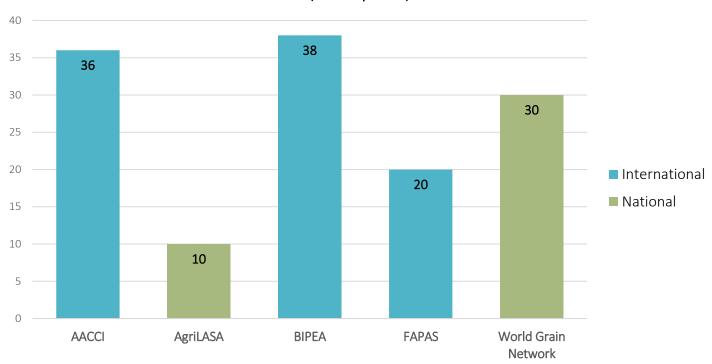


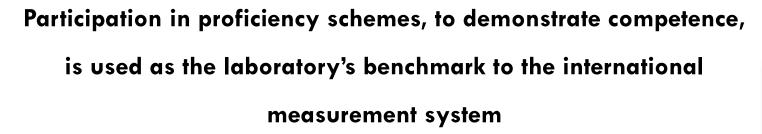
• 127 local participants

South African Wheat Conp

26 international participants

## SAGL ANNUAL PROFICIENCY PARTICIPATION (Samples)

















Gene editing tech offers new oppo

One article: Mariana Purnell (on behalf of the SAGL)



One article: Ben Van Der Linde



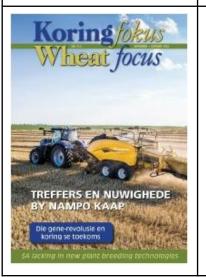




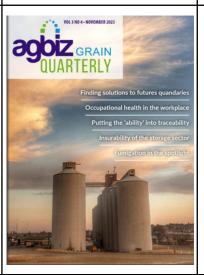






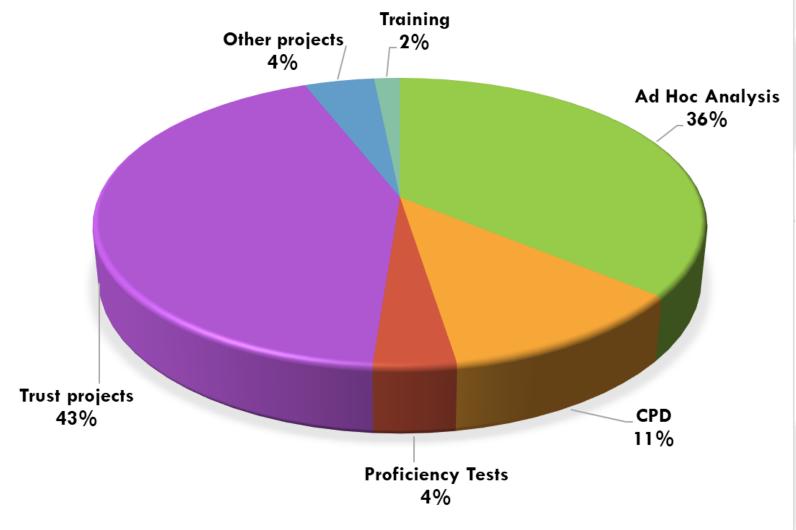


Two articles: Theresa De Beer Mariana Purnell (on behalf of the SAGL)



One Article: Izak Hofmeyr (on behalf of the SAGL)

#### **SOURCES OF INCOME 2022 - 2023**









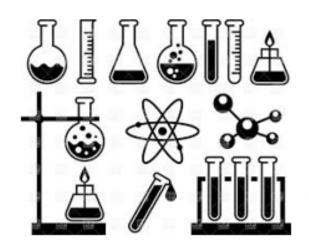




# 1,212



projects registered in CQD laboratory



284
studies registered
in the CPD laboratory











The SAGL continues to pride itself as the reference laboratory of choice.

The laboratory will continue to serve the industry with commitment, dedication, integrity and excellence that have always been maintained over the years.

With the industry's continued solid support, the organisation can sustain its structures and build on the success of the last 26 years.



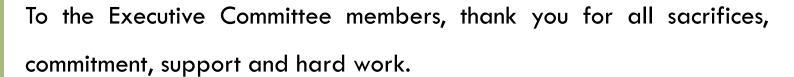








Gratitude to fellow Board members for being generous with their time and wisdom in ensuring that the SAGL remains committed to its strategic intent, aim and value.



Lastly, I would like to acknowledge the management team and staff for their efforts in ensuring that the SAGL continues to achieve its strategic objectives as the organisation grows from strength to strength.

All the best to Wiana and the management for the next financial years to follow.











WITH THANKS

MR BOIKANYO MOKGATLE

CHAIRPERSON 2022/2023



