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## 2015 ASBC Annual Meeting

June 14–17 ■ La Quinta, CA

### Program





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## Welcome from the Program Committee



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Dear Attendees,



It is my extreme pleasure to welcome you to La Quinta, California, for the 2015 ASBC Annual Meeting: **see what SCIENCE can brew for you.** The Annual Meeting brings together professionals and students from around the world to advance their science, network, and careers.

The Program Committee has worked diligently this year to create a diverse and energizing program that will update your knowledge, broaden your skills, and challenge you to explore other arenas within the **SCIENCE OF BEER.**

The extensive selection of workshops, technical sessions, and special interest sessions will surely enlighten your mind. I encourage you to take advantage of the extended poster hours to view posters and discuss the great science being undertaken by our members. I also invite you to join me for the Opening Session and State of the Society Address at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, where we will highlight ASBC's accomplishments over the past year and discuss some of our future initiatives. Immediately following will be keynote speaker, **Katherine Smart, (SABMiller PLC)**, who will discuss the contributions of brewers to some of the most impactful scientific discoveries in her talk entitled "Brewing Science—From Envable Heritage to Impressive Future."

In addition to this year's keynote speaker, we are excited to debut an expanded list of guest speakers. Don't miss the thought-provoking presentations by **Chris Swersey (Brewers Association)**, **Jennifer Jo Wiseman (E. & J. Gallo Winery)**, and **Christina Schoenberger (Joh. Barth & Sohn GmbH & Co. KG)**.

Finally, have fun as you meet, connect, and enjoy a beer with your colleagues from around the world. I invite you to join me at the **Orientation and Molecular Mixer, "The Buzz" Happy Hour, Luminosity: Reception under the Stars,** and the **"Top Cosmos" Challenge.** After all, this meeting is about "brewing" up some good connections.

I look forward to seeing familiar faces, making new friends, and hearing about the most recent advances in brewing science in La Quinta! If you see me, please stop me to say "Hi."

**Scott J. Britton**  
ASBC Program Committee Chair



## SCHEDULE-AT-A-GLANCE

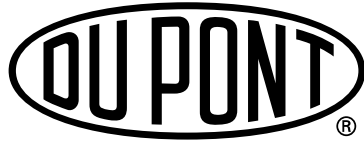
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8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.	Board of Directors Meeting	<i>Las Brisas</i>
9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	<b>Premeeting Workshop:</b> Quality Parameters for Freshness and Flavor	<i>Fiesta 14</i>
1:30–4:30 p.m.	<b>Premeeting Workshop:</b> Barrel Aging: Knock on Wood!	<i>Fiesta 14</i>
2:00–5:00 p.m.	Registration Desk Open	<i>The Studio</i>
5:30–6:00 p.m.	<b>Orientation and Molecular Mixer</b>	<i>Flores 2</i>
<b>Sunday, June 14</b>		
7:30–8:30 a.m.	Speakers' Breakfast	<i>Flores 1–2</i>
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8:30–10:00 a.m.	<b>Opening Session and Keynote:</b> Brewing Science—From Enviably Heritage to Impressive Future	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
10:15 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 1:</b> Sensory	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
10:15 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	<b>Workshop:</b> Statistical Process Control I	<i>Flores 1–2</i>
2:00–3:15 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 2:</b> Industrial Yeast Management	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
2:00–4:00 p.m.	<b>Special Interest Session:</b> The Journey from Tribal Knowledge to Solid Science: Building a Quality Program	<i>Flores 1–2</i>
4:00–6:00 p.m.	<b>Exhibits Opening: “The Buzz” Happy Hour</b>	<i>Fiesta 1,2,5,7,9,11,12</i>
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10:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 4:</b> Flavor and Product Stability I	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
10:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 5:</b> Foam	<i>Flores 1–2</i>
12:00–2:00 p.m.	Exhibits and Lunch	<i>Fiesta 1,2,5,7,9,11,12</i>
2:00–3:45 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 6:</b> Yeast and Microbiology	<i>Flores 1–2</i>
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1:30–3:15 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 8:</b> Methods of Analysis	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
1:30–3:30 p.m.	<b>Workshop:</b> What’s the Difference? Understanding and Selecting Sensory Difference Test Methods	<i>Flores 1–2</i>
3:15–3:45 p.m.	<b>New and Alternate <i>Methods of Analysis</i></b>	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
<b>Wednesday, June 17</b>		
8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.	Registration Desk Open	<i>The Studio</i>
8:30–10:15 a.m.	<b>Technical Session 9:</b> Hop Flavor and Analytics	<i>Fiesta 13–14</i>
8:30–10:30 a.m.	<b>Special Interest Session:</b> Science of Sour Beer	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
10:40–11:40 a.m.	<b>Special Interest Session:</b> “I’ve Always Wanted to Know...”	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
1:00–2:15 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 10:</b> Fermentation	<i>Fiesta 13–14</i>
1:00–2:15 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 11:</b> Flavor and Product Stability II	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
2:30–4:00 p.m.	<b>Closing Session with Guest Speaker:</b> Sensory Thinking: An Essential Element to Innovation	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
4:00–5:00 p.m.	<b>“Top Cosmos” Challenge</b>	<i>Hotel Waterfall</i>



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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Registration Hours

*Location: The Studio*

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Wednesday, June 17 .....	8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

**Please have your name badge with you at all times to ensure access to sessions and events.**

### Hospitality Room Hours

*Location: Diego Rivera Room*

Saturday, June 13 .....	3:00–11:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 14 .....	6:00–11:00 p.m.
Monday, June 15 .....	5:00–6:30 p.m. 9:00–11:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 16 .....	5:00–11:00 p.m.
Wednesday, June 17 .....	5:00–11:00 p.m.

### Guests

Guests wishing to attend the Luminosity Reception must purchase a ticket to attend. Guests do not have access to the technical program or the exhibit hall, and they must register and have a name badge to gain access to the hospitality room. Coworkers and business associates are not considered guests and must pay the appropriate registration fees.

### Technical Subcommittee Meetings

Attend any of the technical subcommittee meetings held throughout the annual meeting and help ensure the ongoing quality of the *ASBC Methods of Analysis*. Each meeting is specific to a technical subcommittee run from 2014–2015 and will provide an overview of the committee’s results and recommendations. The meetings are open to all, and your feedback and participation are essential to the methods program. Check the addendum for subcommittee meetings.

### Speaker Kiosk

The speaker kiosk will be available for speakers to review their presentations the day before their scheduled session. The kiosk is located near the Registration Desk.

### Photo Release

Photographs will be taken at the 2015 ASBC Annual Meeting for use in promotional materials after the meeting has concluded. By registering for this meeting, you agree to allow ASBC to use your photo.





## PROGRAM

## Saturday, June 13

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1:30–4:30 p.m.	<b>Premeeting Workshop:</b> Barrel Aging: Knock on Wood!	<i>Fiesta 14</i>
2:00–5:00 p.m.	Registration Desk Open	<i>The Studio</i>
3:00–11:00 p.m.	Hospitality Room Open	<i>Diego Rivera Room</i>
5:30–6:00 p.m.	<b>Orientation and Molecular Mixer</b>	<i>Flores 2</i>

## Saturday Highlights

**Premeeting Workshop:  
Quality Parameters for Freshness and Flavor**

9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • *Fiesta 14*

*Aaron MacLeod, Canadian Grain Commission; Lauren Zeidler, Ballast Point Brewing Co.; Jessica Davis, The Bruery*

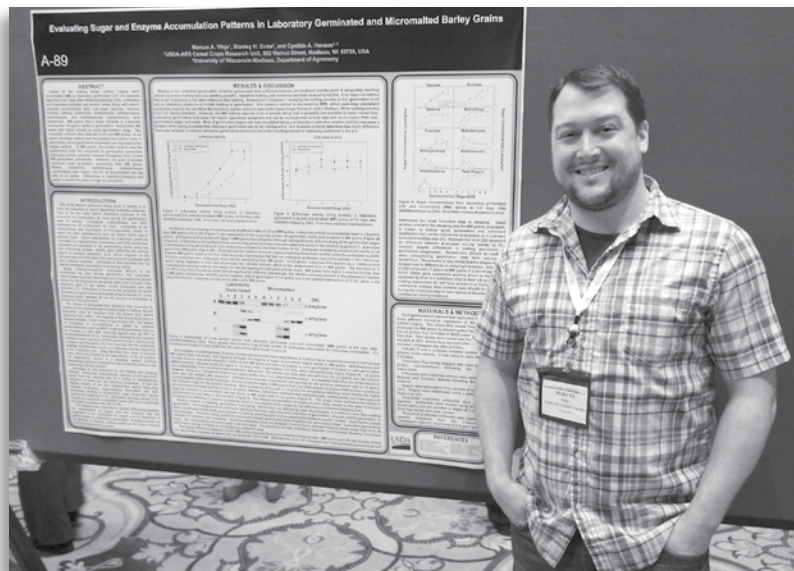
In this workshop, brewers will get great insight on moving quality to the forefront with limited resources, especially in breweries undergoing rapid expansion. What would experts do to create the best quality program to support freshness and flavor? Find out the key metrics for sensory, micro, and analysis that provide an edge to freshness and flavor so your beer is not tortured before it leaves the brewery.

**Premeeting Workshop:  
Barrel Aging: Knock on Wood!**

1:30–4:30 p.m. • *Fiesta 14*

*Gwen Conley, Port Brewing Co., Lost Abbey; Christine Hansen, E. & J. Gallo Winery*

How does a brewer create a barrel age program for consistency? This workshop will cover barrel sampling, barrel micro, barrel genealogy (wood type, previous fill), flavor impacts, and gains from barrel aging. What are the decisions for best beer production? Keep it to the Science of Beer and understand what is required to be successful. Can consistency be gained, can micro be controlled, and is sampling “secret” or are there parameters for best selection?





## Sunday, June 14

7:30–8:30 a.m.	Speakers' Breakfast	<i>Flores 1–2</i>
7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.	Registration Desk Open	<i>The Studio</i>
8:30–10:00 a.m.	<b>Opening Session and Keynote: Brewing Science— From Enviably Heritage to Impressive Future</b>	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
10:15 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 1: Sensory</b> <i>Moderator: Cindy-Lou Lakenburg, Anheuser-Busch, LLC</i>	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
10:15 a.m.	1. L. Guerdrum. A contemporary tool for a new age in brewing: Bringing modern science into everyday flavor analysis	
10:40 a.m.	2. J. Hort. Measuring the emotional response to beer: The long and the short of it!	
11:05 a.m.	3. B. Gadzov. Beer quality and stability on the market	
11:30 a.m.	4. A. G. Barlow. New methods of sensory evaluation: Their implications and applications for drinkability assessment and beer–food pairing based upon statistical and consumer studies	
10:15 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	<b>Workshop: Statistical Process Control I</b>	<i>Flores 1–2</i>
2:00–3:15 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 2: Industrial Yeast Management</b> <i>Moderator: Xiang Yin, SABMiller PLC</i>	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
	2:00 p.m. 5. A. R. Bhat. Evaluating a portable yeast pitching skid for reliable and accurate pitching for craft breweries	
	2:25 p.m. 6. K. M. Thomson. Practical experiences with an automated yeast cell counter using methylene blue in breweries	
	2:50 p.m. 7. L. L. Chan. Rapid yeast viability detection method in complex brewing samples using the Cellometer X2 image cytometry	
2:00–4:00 p.m.	<b>Special Interest Session: The Journey from Tribal Knowledge to Solid Science: Building a Quality Program</b>	<i>Flores 1–2</i>
4:00–6:00 p.m.	<b>Exhibits Opening: “The Buzz” Happy Hour</b>	<i>Fiesta 1,2,5,7,9,11,12</i>
4:00–6:00 p.m.	<b>Posters Opening: “The Buzz” Happy Hour</b>	<i>Fiesta 13–14</i>
6:00–11:00 p.m.	Hospitality Room Open	<i>Diego Rivera Room</i>

## Sunday Highlights

### Opening Session and Keynote: Brewing Science— From Enviably Heritage to Impressive Future



8:30–10:00 a.m. • *Fiesta 3,4,6,8*

*Katherine Smart, SABMiller PLC*

Brewing can be considered to be the most interesting combination of art, skill, technology, engineering, and science. Despite this, brewers are seldom given credit for their contributions to novel scientific discovery, despite an enviable heritage in this regard. During this presentation, the impact of brewers on some of the most important historical scientific discoveries will be discussed. Many eminent scientists have been attracted to and intrigued by key brewing challenges and this presentation will explore what future challenges drive these individuals towards our sector. Insights into the future of brewing science and engineering will be discussed.

### Workshop: Statistical Process Control I

10:15 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • *Flores 1–2*

*Gina Shellhammer, GSJ Consulting*

Learn to define and calculate standard deviation, explain the connection between the central limit theorem and the use of normal distribution in control charting, and differentiate between common and assignable cause. This workshop is geared toward beginners and novices who want to learn more about process control and statistics. At the conclusion of this workshop, you will learn how to construct a control chart utilizing Excel, describe how changes in mean and variation affect a control chart,

predict the effect of different sampling plans when assignable cause variation is present, and be able to modify your control chart for varying sampling sizes.

### Special Interest Session: The Journey from Tribal Knowledge to Solid Science: Building a Quality Program

2:00–4:00 p.m. • *Flores 1–2*

*Eric Jorgenson, Highland Brewing; Ben Chambers, Ninkasi Brewing Co.; Karen Fortmann, White Labs; Aaron Golston, Lagunitas Brewing Co.; Christine Hansen, E. & J. Gallo Winery*

Many of our new and expanding breweries are coming from the success of making great beer, and consumer demand has defined their quality. Looking ahead as a brewery grows, how will a brewer move from tribal knowledge to creating a robust quality program? Can a brewery move from quality control through quality assurance to achieve quality improvement and innovation with ease and understanding? This session provides insight into how and who at the breweries are making those quality programs happen. It's all about the science of beer!

### Exhibits and Posters Opening: “The Buzz” Happy Hour

4:00–6:00 p.m. • *Fiesta 1,2,5,7,9,11,12 and Fiesta 13–14*

Don't miss the Exhibit and Poster Grand Opening. It's your opportunity to spend valuable time with industry suppliers and poster presenters to exchange ideas, expand your knowledge, and, most importantly, make rewarding connections. Of course, take advantage of “The Buzz” Happy Hour with beer and light snacks. It's sure to be an effervescent event.

## Monday, June 15

7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.	Registration Desk Open	<i>The Studio</i>
8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.	Poster Viewing Hours	<i>Fiesta 13–14</i>
8:30–10:15 a.m.	<b>Technical Session 3: Hop Aroma</b> <i>Moderator: Patricia Aron, MillerCoors</i>	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
	8:30 a.m. 8. D. C. Sharp. Contributions from the $\beta$ -glucosidase activity of brewing yeast to hoppy beer aroma	
	8:55 a.m. 9. T. Praet. Sesquiterpene oxidation products as key impact compounds for “kettle hop” aroma	
	9:20 a.m. 10. D. M. Vollmer. The influence of oil content on aroma in beer dry-hopped with Cascade	
	9:45 a.m. 11. J. Wei. Measurement of terpene alcohols and their stereoisomers in beer and the applications for improving beer hop aroma	
8:30–10:30 a.m.	<b>Workshop: The Science Behind Packaging Quality</b>	<i>Flores 1–2</i>
10:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 4: Flavor and Product Stability I</b> <i>Moderator: Aaron Golston, Lagunitas Brewing Co.</i>	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
	10:45 a.m. 12. A. L. Heuberger. Non-volatile metabolites associated with flavor stability in beer	
	11:10 a.m. 13. N. Doi. What compound is primarily responsible for the metallic flavor in beer?	
	11:35 a.m. 14. N. Rettberg. Permeation of volatile organic compounds into packaged beer—Tools for practice oriented simulation and analysis	
10:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 5: Foam</b> <i>Moderator: Dana Sedin, New Belgium Brewing Co.</i>	<i>Flores 1–2</i>
	10:45 a.m. 15. Y. Katayama. Improvement of wort foam stability by yeast-derived substances	
	11:10 a.m. 16. C. Neugrodda. Influence of hop products and natural foam enhancer on beer foam	
	11:35 a.m. 17. Y. Zhou. The influence of beer protein components and content on beer colloidal and foam quality	
12:00–2:00 p.m.	Exhibits and Lunch	<i>Fiesta 1,2,5,7,9,11,12</i>
12:30–1:30 p.m.	Poster Authors Present	<i>Fiesta 13–14</i>
	12:30–1:00 p.m. Odd-numbered poster authors at poster	
	1:00–1:30 p.m. Even-numbered poster authors at poster	
2:00–3:45 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 6: Yeast and Microbiology</b> <i>Moderator: Karen Fortmann, White Labs</i>	<i>Flores 1–2</i>
	2:00 p.m. 18. T. Kato. Fermentation ability of bottom fermenting yeast exhibiting defective entry into the quiescent state	
	2:25 p.m. 19. J. Bergsveinson. Search for genetic markers for lactic acid bacteria beer-spoilage and the role of dissolved CO <sub>2</sub> /pressure on bacterial growth in beer	
	2:50 p.m. 20. C. Schoenberger. Gushing Task Force: Round table on “primary gushing”	
	3:15 p.m. 21. C. Geissinger. <i>Fusarium</i> species on barley malt—Visual assessment as an appropriate tool?	
2:00–4:00 p.m.	<b>Special Interest Session: State of the Hop Industry</b>	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
4:15–5:00 p.m.	<b>Guest Speaker Session: Why Should Anyone Care About Quality Beer?</b>	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
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6:30–9:30 p.m.	<b>Luminosity: Reception under the Stars</b>	<i>La Casa Complex</i>
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## Monday Highlights

### Workshop: The Science behind Packaging Quality

8:30–10:30 a.m. • Flores 1–2

*Lauren Torres, Bell's Brewery; Scott Brendecke, Ball Corporation*

Shadow the process of beer packaging from the manufacturing facility to the consumer. Discover the science behind how storage of empty packages, seaming of can-ends, crowning of bottles, and filling affect the flavor of your product. Learn to recognize what steps should be followed and to quantify how you can minimize oxidative flavor changes.

### Special Interest Session: State of the Hop Industry

2:00–4:00 p.m. • Fiesta 3,4,6,8

*Michael Roy, Roy Farms, Inc.; Jason Perrault, Perrault Farms, Inc.; Patricia Aron, MillerCoors; Christina Schoenberger, Joh. Barth & Sohn GmbH & Co. KG; Tim Kostelecky, John I Haas Inc.*

As the craft beer industry matures and grows horizontally, the supporting hop industry is adapting to support the market needs. This session will provide insight into the hop industry at many different levels. Featured speakers will discuss the state of the world hop market, advancements in hop breeding, improvements in sustainability, and advancements in hop agronomics, as well as industry hop usage and the hop flavor impact paradigm.

### Guest Speaker Session: Why Should Anyone Care About Quality Beer?



4:15–5:00 p.m. • Fiesta 3,4,6,8

*Chris Swersey, Brewers Association*

Today's alcohol drinker has more beverage type and brand choices than ever before. Competition for share of stomach and share of dollars means that only the strongest will survive; brewers who ignore customer expectations do so at their peril. Fulfilling drinker quality expectations is essential for the long-term health of beer as a beverage and for individual beer brands. Brewers large and small have unique needs and means of satisfying those expectations. Communicating the quality imperative to motivate brewers and providing the right tools to help individual brewers measure quality progress are critical to keeping beer, breweries, and their brands competitive. Chris Swersey, technical brewing projects manager and competition manager for the Brewers Association, will address the craft brewer mindset, identity, and needs as they pertain to overall beer quality.

### Luminosity: Reception under the Stars



6:30–9:30 p.m. • La Casa Terrace

*Sponsored in part by Du Pont.*

Enjoy a brilliant evening under the stars at the historic La Quinta Resort. The Luminosity Reception will take place at the La Casa outside terrace overlooking the picturesque Santa Rosa Mountains. Relax, drink, eat, and reflect on all the enlightening content of the past couple days with colleagues and friends.



## Tuesday, June 16

8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.	Registration Desk Open	<i>The Studio</i>
8:00 a.m.–1:30 p.m.	Poster Viewing Hours	<i>Fiesta 13–14</i>
8:30–10:15 a.m.	<b>Technical Session 7: Malt and Grain</b> <i>Moderator: Rebecca Jennings, Rahr Malting Co.</i>	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
	8:30 a.m. 22. C. L. Almaguer. From raw materials to malts: Influence of the malting parameters on malt aroma development	
	8:55 a.m. 23. D. W. Herb. Barley contributions to beer flavor I: Effect of variety, location, and genotype × environment interaction on beer flavor	
	9:20 a.m. 24. C. I. Nnamchi. Influence of added commercial enzyme preparations and mashing temperature on extract recovery of laboratory malted Nigerian grown pearl millet and wheat	
	9:45 a.m. 25. K. L. Christiansen. Overcoming pre-harvest sprout damaged malt: The effects of enzyme addition	
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	1:30 p.m. 26. D. Sedin. Development of a GC method for the analysis of twelve key fermentation derived volatiles utilizing deuterated internal standards, SPME, and SIM	
	1:55 p.m. 27. C. A. Hughey. Beeromics: From QC to IDs of differentially expressed compounds	
	2:20 p.m. 28. A. R. Spevacek. NMR metabolomics reveals molecular details of the brewing process	
	2:45 p.m. 29. F. Verkoelen. The evolution of CO <sub>2</sub> measurement within the brewing industry: What does it bring to breweries and what will be the next step?	
1:30–3:30 p.m.	<b>Workshop: What's the Difference? Understanding and Selecting Sensory Difference Test Methods</b>	<i>Flores 1–2</i>
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5:00–11:00 p.m.	Hospitality Room Open	<i>Diego Rivera Room</i>

## Tuesday Highlights

### Workshop: Statistical Process Control II

8:30–10:15 a.m. • *Flores 1–2*

*Gina Shellhammer, GSJ Consulting; Paul Pettinger, New Belgium Brewing Co.; Eric Samp, MillerCoors*

Process control is the next frontier in a QA/QC program. Understanding variation in your process from a raw material and equipment perspective can provide insight into issues before they happen. This workshop is geared toward those already with a basic knowledge of process control and statistics. In this advanced session, industry specialists will showcase the tools and methods that are needed to work more challenging problems and turn them into solutions. Speakers will cover hypothesis testing, analysis of variance (ANOVA), repeatability and reproducibility, and most importantly practical examples of using these tools in a brewery. This workshop will teach you how to effectively test problems and use data to make informed decisions.

### Special Interest Session: Dry Hop Aroma in Beer—A Review

10:30–11:30 a.m. • *Fiesta 3,4,6,8*

*Christina Schoenberger, Joh. Barth & Sohn GmbH & Co. KG*

Dry hopping is a crucial part of most craft beers. This originally British technique is used today in many different ways in all emerging craft beer markets around the globe. With this technique, dry hopping has become an important research field for many brewing universities. The two main aspects that researchers want to answer are: 1) What happens during dry hopping and how can dry hopping be carried out smartly and efficiently? and 2) Are there key flavor components in hops, maybe even variety-specific ones, that can explain the unique aroma and flavor of dry hopped beers? This review gives an overview on all relevant research findings to date in this context.

## Workshop: What's the Difference? Understanding and Selecting Sensory Difference Test Methods

1:30–3:30 p.m. • Flores 1–2

Meghan Peltz, Oregon State University; Lindsay Guerdrum, New Belgium Brewing Co.; Cindy-Lou Lakenburges, Anheuser-Busch, LLC

Statistics are at the core of sensory as a scientific discipline. They guide how panel leaders evoke a panel while taking bias into account, take appropriate measurements according to the desired outcome, analyze the data using appropriate statistical tools, and interpret valid data. Sensory science is applied statistics and as such, panel leaders require a wide statistical knowledge base including: running suitable tests, understanding biases, and determining outliers. In this workshop, the principles of sensory science will be applied by focusing on the most commonly used, and abused, sensory test: the difference

test. Participants will walk away from this workshop knowing when to run a difference test, which one to choose, and how to utilize the panel while minimizing bias.

## New and Alternate Methods of Analysis

3:15–3:45 p.m. • Fiesta 3,4,6,8

Karl Lakenburges, Anheuser-Busch, LLC; Mark Eurich, New Belgium Brewing Co.

Do you have a need for a new method that has not been published in the *ASBC Methods of Analysis*? Then join us for a chance to be involved in the core of what ASBC provides to its members: science that is proven, vetted, tested, peer reviewed, and endorsed by the brewing community. This session will give you the chance to make your voice heard about the technical direction of the ASBC.

## Wednesday, June 17

8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.	Registration Desk Open	<i>The Studio</i>
8:30–10:15 a.m.	<b>Technical Session 9: Hop Flavor and Analytics</b> <i>Moderator: Tom Shellhammer, Oregon State University</i>	<i>Fiesta 13–14</i>
	8:30 a.m. 30. M. Biendl. Hard resins: The complementary bitter fraction present in hops, pellets, and ethanol extract	
	8:55 a.m. 31. G. Hasman. Direct ESI-MS quantitation of bittering acids, isomerization, and oxidation products in hops and beer for calculation of the hop storage index and international bitterness units	
	9:20 a.m. 32. C. Schoenberger. The influence of mode of dry hopping on flavor stability of dry-hopped beers	
	9:45 a.m. 33. M. C. Qian. Key aroma compounds in “Centennial,” “Citra,” and “Nelson Sauvin” hop identified by aroma extract dilution analysis	
8:30–10:30 a.m.	<b>Special Interest Session: Science of Sour Beer</b>	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
10:40–11:40 a.m.	<b>Special Interest Session: “I’ve Always Wanted to Know...”</b>	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
1:00–2:15 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 10: Fermentation</b> <i>Moderator: Jessica Davis, The Bruery</i>	<i>Fiesta 13–14</i>
	1:00 p.m. 34. Y. Muraoka. Very high gravity brewing: Effects of the processes on fermentation in 30°Plato wort	
	1:25 p.m. 35. A. Speers. Monitoring of industrial ale and lager brewing fermentations	
	1:50 p.m. 36. T. Irie. Analysis of sugar attenuation with a curve-fitting method and its application for industrial fermentation control	
1:00–2:15 p.m.	<b>Technical Session 11: Flavor and Product Stability II</b> <i>Moderator: Lindsay Guerdrum, New Belgium Brewing Co.</i>	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
	1:00 p.m. 37. G. Zhou. Study on proanthocyanidins-rich beer	
	1:25 p.m. 38. B. M. Titus. The effects of polyphenols extracted during dry hopping on beer flavor stability	
	1:50 p.m. 39. D. J. Cook. A novel beer fining and stabilizing agent extracted from hops	
2:30–4:00 p.m.	<b>Closing Session with Guest Speaker: Sensory Thinking: An Essential Element to Innovation</b>	<i>Fiesta 3,4,6,8</i>
4:00–5:00 p.m.	<b>“Top Cosmos” Challenge</b>	<i>Hotel Waterfall</i>
5:00–11:00 p.m.	Hospitality Room Open	<i>Diego Rivera Room</i>

## Wednesday Highlights

### Special Interest Session: Science of Sour Beer

8:30–10:30 a.m. • Fiesta 3,4,6,8

Gwen Conley, Port Brewing Co., Lost Abbey; Kara Taylor, White Labs

Want to understand the technical elements of sour? This special interest session will focus on how to assess for consistency and quality of sour beer. Three areas for discussion include microbiology, chemistry, and sensory. As brewing scientists, how do we test for success in this intriguing and growing segment of the beer industry?

### Special Interest Session: “I’ve Always Wanted to Know...”

10:40–11:40 a.m. • Fiesta 3,4,6,8

Christina Schoenberger, Joh. Barth & Sohn GmbH & Co. KG

Do “hop hazes” exist? What are the most important chemical markers for shelf life? How does soil impact hop growth and aroma? Do you have a burning question that needs an answer? Attendees will be encouraged to submit questions prior to the session as well as bring up questions during the session. Join us for an open forum as our experts, and everyone else, attempt to answer your questions.

### Closing Session with Guest Speaker: Sensory Thinking: An Essential Element to Innovation

2:30–4:00 p.m. • Fiesta 3,4,6,8

Jennifer Jo Wiseman, E. & J. Gallo Winery



Innovation is a core value and primary growth driver for The E. & J. Gallo Winery. This has been critical to growth, particularly in the last ten years, as the winery has innovated throughout the business to deliver brands and products on a global basis that delight consumers. “Sensory thinking” is one of the essential fuels to this continuous fire of innovation. Thinking about your business in terms of the sensory experience for your consumers, shoppers, products, and processes is something that every person in the audience can practice and instill in their own company. We will explore the possibilities of reach and impact by discussing five core principles to enable innovation through sensory thinking!

ASBC Awards will be presented during this session.

### “Top Cosmos” Challenge



4:00–5:00 p.m. • Hotel Waterfall

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Join us for “Top Cosmos,” where teams will compete against each other in a drink-making challenge. ASBC leaders will serve as team captains to not only lead the team, but also share and discuss insights from the meeting. Teams will be judged by a panel of master “scientists” and the winning team will be titled “Top Cosmos.” This is a great opportunity to be creative, exchange ideas, and celebrate the end of a successful meeting!



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**A contemporary tool for a new age in brewing: Bringing modern science into everyday flavor analysis**

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Brewing sensory science has been plagued for decades with a need to standardize its flavor terminology. Despite growing support for standardization, the task has proven to be notoriously difficult, and one that unsurprisingly, due to the many challenges it poses, few have chosen to tackle. The most well-known effort toward this end was taken on by a working group composed of representatives from the American Society of Brewing Chemists (ASBC), the European Brewing Convention, and the Master Brewers Association of the Americas. Convened in the late 1970s, the group set out to create a universal system to communicate beer flavor that would be regularly assessed and updated by the ASBC. The outcome of this committee—the ASBC Flavor Wheel—was a huge step forward for the brewing industry. However, despite the call to action from the committee to the brewing industry, the wheel was not regularly updated as intended. And as of 2015, the ASBC Flavor Wheel remains in the same form as when it was first published, 36 years ago. While a model for flavor analysis remains a needed and sought-after tool, the data behind the ASBC Flavor Wheel is based on now outdated science, and in some cases is indisputably perpetuating false information. The presenters here propose a new model for beer flavor that learns from the successes of the ASBC Flavor Wheel, but is scientifically aligned with the sensory research of the last three decades, accounts for new complexities in brewing science, and is actionable by brewing professionals. The goal of this proposed beer flavor identification system is uniform use across the industry and the ability to be reevaluated regularly by the ASBC sensory sub-committee through input by brewing and sensory professionals as both language and research advance.

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**Measuring the emotional response to beer: The long and the short of it!**

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Beer is an emotive product and understanding consumer emotional response has been shown to give greater insights into product differentiation beyond traditional measures of liking. However the sensory tools for measuring the emotional response to beer are limited. Verbal self-report measures available commonly include a long lexicon of emotion terms which inevitably increases the potential for consumer boredom and fatigue and typically they are not beer specific. This study assessed the effectiveness of

a novel approach for reducing the number of terms in a beer-specific lexicon by comparing results obtained using both a full emotion lexicon and a reduced version. The relative ability of each lexicon to discriminate between beer samples and between different consumer groups (gender and age) was evaluated. The study utilized a consumer-led lexicon generated by 3 focus groups of 5–7 subjects ( $n = 17$ ) in response to 10 beer samples. Three samples were assessed at a time and subjects were asked to describe how their emotional response to any one sample was different to the other two (triadic elicitation). The focus groups generated 43 emotion terms which were subsequently used by the 17 subjects to rate their emotional response to the 14 samples. Linguistic checks and cluster analysis were used to group terms into categories of similar emotions. Nine distinct emotion categories were identified. Consumers ( $n = 109$ ) rated emotional response to the 14 samples using both the full (43 items, 1 line scale for each emotion term) and reduced lexicon (9 items, 1 line scale associated with each of the 9 emotion categories). Fifty-nine consumers used the full lexicon first, whereas the remaining fifty-two used the reduced form first. Encouragingly, multiple factor analysis indicated that the emotional spaces generated by both lexicons were comparable (RV coefficient = 0.791). Nevertheless, further analyses (ANOVA and post hoc multiple comparisons) revealed noteworthy differences concerning the level of discrimination between samples. In some instances e.g. *nostalgia*, the reduced form did not highlight subtle differences captured by the use of the full lexicon. However, for some emotions e.g. *tame/safe*, grouping of emotion terms on the reduced form led to increased discriminability across beers. The different lexicons had little effect on differences in emotional response across gender, but the full lexicon did highlight more differences across age groups. Further findings of interest will be discussed in the presentation. Whilst more detailed emotion information was potentially lost through the employment of the reduced form, consumers appeared to be able to use some emotion categories to more effectively discriminate between the samples. Therefore in commercial environments, a reduced emotion lexicon may be preferable given its relative similarity to the full form for sample discriminability and its significant savings in both time and resources. However, if the aim of emotional research is to differentiate between consumer segments, particularly between age groups, then it may be preferable to use a full emotion lexicon.

*Joanne Hort is the SABMiller Chair in Sensory Science and Head of the International Centre for Brewing Science (ICBS) at the University of Nottingham in the United Kingdom. Originally Joanne established the Sensory Science Centre at the university, which is internationally renowned for its sensory research and training. After developing a passion to understand the complexity of beer flavor she is now applying her expertise to progress understanding concerning multi-sensory interactions, individual variation, temporal changes in flavor perception, and the emotional response to the sensory properties of beer. Her multidisciplinary approach combining analytical, brain imaging, and sensory techniques provides rich insights into beer flavor perception. Joanne leads ICBS, which has an international reputation for its brewing research and innovative postgraduate training programs. Joanne is a member of the editorial board for JASBC, Food Quality, and Preference, Chemosensory Perception, and Flavour. She is a member of ASBC and IBD and Fellow of the Institute of Food Science and Technology. She is the current chair of the European Sensory Science Society and past chair of the UK Professional Food Sensory Group.*

**3****Beer quality and stability on the market**

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High quality beverages, plus beverage stability and batch-to-batch consistency are essential requirements for all producers. Beer flavor is not static; it is in a constant state of change requiring sensory analysis at each stage. Understanding how the beer sensory profile can be affected by various factors is critical to delivering a consistently fresh product. Therefore aligning pre- with post-production best sensory practices will ensure high quality and stability across the market. This study describes the sensory evaluation of 18 different brands packaged in glass, can, and PET, taken from 36 locations from the market over a period of 24 months. In total 2,916 samples have been tasted by a professional, expert, in-house panel. The results will highlight the range and intensity of off-flavors produced in beer depending on the different packaging material (i.e. bottle, can, or PET). The findings will then be used to advise the producer on aspects of the supply chain that may be compromising quality, e.g. packaging supplier, transportation, storage, and so on. Additionally, comparing tasting results with analytical data for selected off-flavors will bring about a best practice sensory panel training criteria and methods for tasting and profiling market samples. Tasters have been trained and validated on 150 GMP flavor standards which are used globally by professional sensory panels within the beverage industry. The panel also compared analytical data available with some of the non-conformances detected in this study. The project aims to improve understanding of beer non-conformances in different types of packaging and storage conditions on the market, in addition to analyzing sensory good practices in tasting, comparing tasting with instrumental data, and monitoring and preventing faults and recalls. The study results are considered to be suitable to monitor beer stability after production.

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**4****New methods of sensory evaluation: Their implications and applications for drink-ability assessment and beer–food pairing based upon statistical and consumer studies**

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Beer flavor is increasingly important as a method for communicating brand virtues to trade customers and consumers. Master Brewer Alex Barlow designed an evaluation system (ALL BEER Flavor Notepad, ABFN) to assess beer flavor, which results in empirical results for beer balance and flavor intensity and could form a simple, useful system to communicate beer attributes for trade and consumer benefit. The integrity and usefulness of this system was put to scientific test by Nottingham University using PCA and statistical methods, the results were presented in widely

acclaimed posters at WBC 2012 and EBC 2013. The objective of the most recent study is to carry out consumer trials on beer–cheese pairings and to assess whether any wider beer–food pairing rules may be determined. Cheese was selected as a suitable food for pairing due to its broad range of styles, flavors, textures, and ad hoc appreciation of beer and cheese matches. ABFN was adjusted to suit food groups and capture details of cheese production, after which some 50 cheeses were tasted to determine category differentiation for aroma, taste, and mouth-feel and to suggest suitable beer pairings, from experience. Certain of these cheeses and suggested beers were subjected to consumer testing ( $n = 132–134$ ) scoring hedonic liking of beer and cheeses alone and in combination as pairings over two sessions. Within each session, three beers and cheeses were evaluated using a 9 point hedonic scale. Consumers were asked to rate the balance of the beer–cheese pairings using 5 point JAR scales. Demographics were recorded via questionnaire. Mean liking was calculated for each individual beer, cheese, and the beer–cheese pairings. Overall, hedonic scores for the cheese alone were reduced when paired with any of the beers. Clustering of consumers dependent on their demographic and common beer/cheese consumption type was performed, providing a further insight into the hedonic results. These results will be presented and discussed in the context of consumer liking of beer–cheese pairings. There is increasing interest worldwide in flavorsome and crafted beverages, notably beer. As this interest grows the place for beer at the dinner table is increasingly open; however there have been few studies into beer–food pairing or insights into techniques that can offer practical help to brewers, retailers, and consumers who are interested in this field. We believe the insights afforded by these studies offer opportunity for improved flavor evaluation and combination methodologies.

*Alex Barlow was brought up in Chester in northwest England and in Zambia, Africa. His 25 years of experience in brewing and passion for beer started as a bar and cellarman in his local pub, before studying for two medical sciences degrees. He learned brewing skills at Bass' U.K. breweries, becoming the youngest qualified master brewer in 1991, before moving to police beer quality in the pubs and clubs of Yorkshire, Lincolnshire, and northeast England. He became the first Englishman to manage a Czech brewery, with Staropramen in Prague, and developed two new beer brands while gaining a taste for European beer styles. Alex is an independent brewing and flavor consultant, presenter, and sommelier. He is director of training for The Beer Academy and regularly judges international beer competitions and presents beer experience events in the United Kingdom, Europe, and North America to consumer audiences and beer retailers. Alex is the author of the ALL BEER Guide, winner of four international awards, and has contributed to many publications. Alex provides independent beer evaluations and food pairings for [www.allbeerfinder.com](http://www.allbeerfinder.com) and continues to research beer sensory projects with the Nottingham University Brewing School.*

**5****Evaluating a portable yeast pitching skid for reliable and accurate pitching for craft breweries**

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Market expansion and continuous process innovation spells the need for more sophisticated yeast management systems in craft breweries. Managing yeast is of utmost importance, since consistent fermentation performance and beer quality are heavily influenced by the accuracy of pitching the exact amount of live yeast into a fermenter. Precise regulation of pitching is the key to ensuring consistent performance in terms of fermentation cycle times, extent

of yeast growth, the related efficiency of extract conversion, and the formation of yeast-derived beer flavor components. Larger commercial brewers tend to set very tight tolerances on yeast pitching rates and these need to be within  $\pm 10\%$  of the target rate. Although most of the bigger breweries have created customized yeast dosing systems using online dielectric spectroscopy to automate their pitching, this is not always possible in the case of expanding craft breweries. There is a strong need for an affordable portable yeast dosing skid that can be connected to different yeast storage vessels/fermenters in a craft brewery, has an integrated local PLC and flow meter in its design, and can perform cone-to-cone pitching as well. In this paper, we report the performance, functioning, and benefits of a new yeast pitching skid incorporating online dielectric spectroscopy, at the Meantime Brewing Company, London, U.K. Working with different recipes, the skid was first used successfully to accurately pitch different concentrations of yeast in a fermenter, depending on the brand of beer being used. Accuracy of pitching using mass and the skid was compared. Interestingly, when mass was used to pitch yeast into the fermenter, the viable yeast concentration was overestimated, hence pitching fewer liters of yeast than necessary. This led to slower fermentations and inadequate fermentation performance. In contrast, the automatic skid estimated the right amount of live yeast, thus pitching the appropriate viable liters of yeast essential for an improved fermentation performance. The average difference in the number of liters pitched for four different brews was about 100 L or 1 hL. In addition, the °Plato (expressed as the average of four brews) was seen to decrease quicker when yeast was pitched using the skid, as compared to when it was pitched using mass. This could be due to the fact that adequate numbers of live yeast cells were pitched at the beginning of fermentation using the skid to convert the sugars in the wort into alcohol more efficiently. Improvement in fermentation performance leads to time, energy, and cost savings. Overall, the yeast pitching module helped to obtain a more uniform fermentation profile, thus making planning easier. Significant improvement in batch-to-batch consistency was also observed after its adoption.

*Aditya Bhat has completed his Ph.D. and M.S. degrees in biotechnology and microbiology from reputed universities in the United Kingdom. Having performed his M.S. dissertation project on the Aber Biomass Monitor, he is presently working as a product applications manager for Aber Instruments Ltd, Aberystwyth, U.K. With rich academic and industrial experience behind him, he takes special interest in measurement of cell concentration in various brewing and biopharmaceutical processes.*

## 6 Practical experiences with an automated yeast cell counter using methylene blue in breweries

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Automation in breweries has always been sought after, especially with respect to cell counting procedures that reduce errors associated with manual counting and inter-operator variability. Along with being expensive, the fluorescent dyes used in most automated cell counters pose greater hazards and health and safety concerns. In addition, viability estimation using fluorescent dyes tends to be a two step process, or require dual staining, as opposed to a simple one-step process with classical stains such as methylene blue and methylene violet. Therefore, “the gold standard” methylene blue dye exclusion method is still favored in the industry. In this paper, we report the performance, functioning, and benefits of an automated cell counter (the Aber Countstar, Aber Instruments, U.K.) that analyzes yeast viability using the methylene blue dye exclusion method for brewer’s yeast. Previous

work had demonstrated the instrument’s accuracy and improved consistency with baker’s yeast when compared to manual counts. In this study, the Countstar was tested across a selection of industrial dried lager and ale yeasts. In addition, bottled wheat beer samples containing trub, that can pose a challenging background, were tested using the Countstar. Inter-operator variability was assessed using automated and manual methods, where cell concentrations and viabilities were recorded by four different operators using both procedures and compared for consistency. All results from the Countstar were compared to manual cell counts using the hemacytometer. Variables were kept to a minimum using the two techniques, since both methods use bright-field microscopy and methylene blue. The study also includes extensive tests performed by The Boston Beer Company (USA), where yeast from different processes in the brewery, namely fermentation, propagation, and yeast storage was analyzed and compared using the automated and manual methods. The Countstar readings matched well with hemacytometer counts for various active dry yeasts (e.g.  $R^2 = 0.991$ ), through a range of concentrations with readings. However, some active dry strains did not correlate well, as with one ale yeast tested ( $R^2 = 0.537$ ), although this was due to high variation in the manual cell counts ( $R^2 = 0.993$  Countstar; 0.292 manual). A simple evaluation of some parameters in the Countstar software improved accuracy of measuring the wheat beer samples with interfering trub particles in association with manual assessments ( $R^2 = 0.938$ ). The automated Countstar reduced inter-operator errors among four operators considerably, a major hindrance with manual analyses. The tests performed at The Boston Beer Company demonstrated that the automated counter can be used successfully with both lager and ale yeast, throughout various stages of the brewing process and highlighted the instrument’s ease of use and consistency across the brewery.

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## 7 Rapid yeast viability detection method in complex brewing samples using the Cellometer X2 image cytometry

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One of the major parameters measured in beer fermentation is the viability of yeast in the sample. Yeast viability can be monitored throughout fermentation to optimize brewing performance that may increase yield as well as produce consistent quality products. Recently, a novel imaging cytometry method has been demonstrated to rapidly and accurately measure yeast viability via fluorescent staining. The simplest fluorescent viability staining method utilizes propidium iodide (PI) to identify the dead yeast cells in the sample. By counting the total yeast cells in bright-field image and dead cells in PI fluorescence, one can accurately determine viability. However, single fluorescence may not be

adequate for yeast in specialty beer where complex materials are added into the fermentation creating numerous background debris. The debris can cause inaccurate over-counting of total yeast cells, which can artificially generate higher viability. In this work, we developed a novel dual-fluorescence viability method using an acridine orange (AO) and PI nuclear staining technique. One of the most complicated samples is yeast with corn mash material, and by testing AO/PI with this sample, it can validate the capability of this staining method. Numerous fluorescent stains were examined before selecting AO and PI. In addition, a special buffer was used in order to increase the fluorescence signals generated by AO/PI. In order to validate the method, SYTO 9, CFDA, calcein AM, Calcofluor, AO, PI, ethidium bromide, and DAPI were tested with yeast in corn mash samples. Furthermore, the yeast viability was measured for a fermentation from 2 to 55 hours, and the results were compared to the manual counting methylene blue method. This viability method can be used with a variety of yeast samples that can produce accurate results for optimizing brewing fermentation process.

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### Contributions from the $\beta$ -glucosidase activity of brewing yeast to hoppy beer aroma

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Non-volatile hop-derived aroma precursors contribute to aroma in finished beer. Specifically, glycosidically bound terpenoids extracted from hops during the brewing process are hydrolyzed to release volatile aglycones. Previous studies show that the complexity of hop aroma can be partly attributed to these water-soluble glycosides through yeast biotransformations. However, the effect of yeast strain on biotransformation has not been fully investigated. This study quantifies the hydrolytic activity of different yeast strains on glycosidically bound terpenoids and determines whether differences in these activities change hop aroma profiles in beer.  $\beta$ -Glucosidase activities for 80 different yeast strains were quantified as a measure of the glycoside hydrolysis capability of each yeast. 4-Methylumbelliferyl  $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside (4-MUG) was used as a substrate and the fluorescence emission of the liberated aglycone, 4-methylumbelliferone, was measured and normalized by optical density. Bench-top fermentations were conducted with a subset of the initial population using yeasts exhibiting a range of glucosidase activities. After fermentation was complete, terpenoid contents in each beer were measured by solid phase micro extraction with GC-MS analysis. Yeasts were found to have a range of  $\beta$ -glucosidase activities from 0 U/L to ~250 U/L with an average of 95 U/L (1 U catalyzes the hydrolysis of 1  $\mu$ mol substrate per min at pH 5). Increases in terpenoid levels as a result of yeast biotransformation were observed. For example, compared to unfermented wort, linalool contents increased between 45% and 78% depending on yeast strain. These results help explain the extent to which different brewing yeasts are able to contribute to hoppy beer aroma through the biotransformation of hop-derived compounds. In a broader sense, the results from this project will aid brewers in selecting yeast strains during recipe development and to better understand the contributions of yeast to hop-derived aroma in beer.

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### Sesquiterpene oxidation products as key impact compounds for “kettle hop” aroma

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Although the “dry hopping” process is gaining popularity, lager beers with a refined “kettle hop aroma,” imparted by (early) addition of hops to the boiling kettle, are still widely consumed. This highly desired spicy/herbal top note has been correlated to sesquiterpene oxidation products (SOPs), formed during ageing of hops. SOPs are also presumed to arise during kettle boiling by oxidation of sesquiterpene hydrocarbons (SHCs). However, whether SOPs are actually formed upon boiling, and how exactly they contribute to “kettle hop aroma,” is, despite the efforts of many scientists, still relatively unclear. Therefore, we aimed at obtaining scientific solid insights into formation and flavor-activity of these SOPs upon lab-scale boiling, and at investigation of the validity of these findings in real brewing practice. Hop essential oils (cv. Saaz, Hallertau Tradition, Perle, Magnum) and SHC fractions (isolated via solid phase extraction [SPE], cv. Saaz) were boiled (lab scale) in both aqueous and wort media and samples were analyzed via HS-SPME-GC-MS for comprehensive characterization of volatile hop-derived profiles. For sensory evaluation, GC-olfactometry and descriptive analysis (trained panel) were combined. The SOP fingerprint of commercial kettle-hopped American beers was recorded and flavor-active constituents were determined (GC-O). Specific hopped (cv. Saaz) lager beers were prepared at our pilot plant (4 hL) and samples were screened for SOPs to map their formation and behavior along the brewing process. We statistically demonstrated a discrimination between unboiled and boiled hop oil and established a general increase in the level of SOPs upon boiling, which is attributed to both quantitative (i.e. increased levels, typical  $\alpha$ -humulene and  $\beta$ -caryophyllene derivatives) and qualitative (i.e. newly formed compounds) changes in the hop-derived volatile profile. Interestingly, SOP formation is clearly positively correlated with the initial boiled hop oil concentration (e.g. 10 g/L hop essential oil cv. Saaz: SOPs recovery up to 258%  $\pm$  23 [ $n$  = 3]) and independent of the investigated hop variety. SPE isolation of SOPs after boiling of a SHC fraction unambiguously proved oxidation of SHCs. Via GC-O, humulene epoxide III, humulenol II, caryophylla-4(12),8(13) diene-5 $\alpha$ / $\beta$ -ol, 3Z-caryophylla-3,8(13)-diene-5 $\alpha$ / $\beta$ -ol, and 14-hydroxy- $\beta$ -caryophyllene were detected in flavor-active zones and non-aromatized iso- $\alpha$ -bittered lager beers, spiked with the SOP fraction, were described as “hoppy” and “spicy.” Remarkably, the newly formed compounds and constituents, characterized by increased levels, were also detected in commercial kettle-hopped American beers and the same  $\alpha$ -humulene and  $\beta$ -caryophyllene oxidation products were found to be flavor-active in these beers upon GC-O analyses. In addition, pilot brews indicate that “early” kettle hopping does not lead to losses of all hop oil compounds, as believed by many brewers, but instead introduces SOPs to wort. In conclusion, the flavor-active SOPs are candidate key character impact compounds for “kettle hop aroma.” Insights into development of “kettle hop aroma” is of importance for both hop

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### The influence of oil content on aroma in beer dry-hopped with Cascade

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Dry-hopping is a method whereby hops are added post-fermentation to deliver hop aroma to beer without subjecting the hop material to the volatilization that occurs in hot-side hopping techniques. The oil fraction of hop material is a reservoir of compounds with aromatic properties and we hypothesized that dry-hopping with hops having greater oil content would lead to beer with more aroma. Whole-cone Cascade hops with three different levels of total oil (0.6 mL/100 g; 1.2 mL/100 g; 2.0 mL/100 g) were used to separately dry-hop 12 L of pale ale at a fixed dry-hopping rate of 3.8 g/L for 12 and 24 hours. Dry-hopped beers were evaluated using descriptive analysis techniques and analyzed instrumentally by SBSE GC-MS. Sensory differences among the beers prepared with different levels of oil were shown to not be influenced by exposure time ( $P = 0.718$ ) and were suggestively influenced by the level of total oil content ( $P = 0.055$ ). Instrumentally, the effect of time was also deemed not significant for all of the target analytes with the exception of linalool and geraniol, and to some extent nerol and  $\beta$ -eudesmol. For the effect of oil, significant differences were measured among the treatments in terms of the concentrations of linalool, geraniol, geranyl acetate, and caryophyllene oxide among others. The conclusions of this work suggest that longer dry-hopping times do not necessarily result in increased aroma intensity in dry-hopped beers from a sensory perspective. There is a slight trend in hop aroma intensity with increasing hop oil content but this needs further testing to verify. Instrumentally, dry-hopping for extended periods of time, or with hops that have higher levels of total oil, resulted in increased levels of certain analytes, particularly terpene alcohols. This work provides insight into the role of hop oil content and quality and could elucidate which raw material properties serve as indicators of beer performance for hops primarily used for aroma purposes.

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### Measurement of terpene alcohols and their stereoisomers in beer and the applications for improving beer hop aroma

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Hop aroma was considered as the soul of beer and 12 hop aroma compounds, including terpene alcohols and stereoisomers, in beer and hops were measured simultaneously and investigated using a quick, simple, and economical method based on GC-MS with only one single chiral column. As far as the major terpene alcohols and their stereoisomers are concerned, different sensory thresholds in beer were established between stereoisomers by ASTM679 method. For example, the threshold of R- and S-linalool, R- and S- $\beta$ -citronellol in beer were 2.60  $\mu\text{g/L}$ , 180  $\mu\text{g/L}$ , 23.78  $\mu\text{g/L}$ , and 7.00  $\mu\text{g/L}$ , respectively. Different biotransformation was also studied for terpenoids of hops during fermentation. R-( $-$ )-linalool predominantly in hop was reduced into S-( $+$ )-linalool, ( $+$ ) and ( $-$ ) of  $\alpha$ -terpineol. Geraniol in hop was reduced into R-( $+$ )- $\beta$ -citronellol, geranyl acetate, R- and S-linalool et al. Generally, the loss of hop aroma during brewing contributes to evaporation loss during boiling and biotransformation of terpenoids in hop with low sensory threshold into stereoisomers or other terpenoids with high thresholds. In this study, the main hop aroma compounds in different beers, including R-( $-$ )-linalool, geraniol, and R-( $+$ )- $\beta$ -citronellol, were detected with the ranges of 1.52~144.94  $\mu\text{g/L}$ , 1.18~253.8  $\mu\text{g/L}$ , and 0.64~103.17  $\mu\text{g/L}$ , respectively. At the same time, the utilization rate of R-( $-$ )-linalool was investigated with different adding points as follows: dry-hopping (36%) > whirlpool-hopping (31%) > hopping after boiling (25%) > 10 min of hopping before the end of boiling (5%). The higher concentration of R-( $-$ )-linalool was detected, while the later the aroma hop was added. In addition, different hops have different concentration and utilization rates for R-( $-$ )-linalool, which should also be considered when breweries select aroma hops varieties. Meanwhile, sensory evaluation of hop aroma in the final beer also can't be ignored.

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### Non-volatile metabolites associated with flavor stability in beer

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Flavor stability is vital to the brewing industry as products are often stored for long durations. The use of an accelerated model that evaluates new brewing techniques to improve flavor stability is invaluable. We tested a model that stores bottled beer at high temperatures to estimate flavor stability after long-term cold storage. Additionally, three brewing methods were compared that are predicted to improve flavor stability: use of antioxidant crowns,

removal of pro-oxidants, and varying hops. Two beers, an amber ale (AA) and India pale ale (IPA) were brewed using modified methods with the goal of improving flavor stability during storage. Control and test beers were stored for 2 months at cold temperatures and also at 37°C for 1–7 days. Non-targeted metabolomics was conducted by injecting 1 µL of beer into a Waters Acquity UPLC (1.0 × 100 mm C8 column, water-acetonitrile gradient) coupled to a Waters Xevo G2 ESI-TOF-MS (positive ionization) operating in MSE mode. Data analysis was performed using XCMS, RamClust (a custom feature clustering algorithm), and the NIST-MS search program for compound annotation. Sensory analysis revealed no significant difference in flavor, aroma, or appearance for the AA beer after 2 months of cold storage; however the test IPAs resulted in superior aging (i.e. more stable) profiles within the first 2 months. The UPLC-MS metabolite profiling revealed metabolites that varied among the IPA methods, but not the modified AA beer, and included purines, amino acids, iso- $\alpha$ -acids, and alkaloids. The high temperature incubation revealed metabolites that differed between the control and test beers over the 7-day time course, including several purines previously shown to change during beer storage. Taken together, these data support that variation in purine compounds can be interpreted as a marker of beer aging. Thus, the association between purines and aging could be used to screen experimental methods for improved beer stability in conjunction with accelerated aging at high temperature.

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#### What compound is primarily responsible for the metallic flavor in beer?

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The perceived quality of beer is heavily based on its flavor; therefore, flavor is one of beer's most important components. Among the most important flavors associated with beer, a metallic taste, even if present in trace amounts, imparts a certain unpleasantness to the consumer. Although a number of compounds have been reported to contribute to a metallic flavor in beer and other alcoholic beverages such as wine, none have been identified as the primary cause. In this study, to identify which compound is primarily responsible for the metallic flavor in beer, we investigated the concentrations and odor thresholds of several compounds previously reported as contributors. Using gas chromatography–olfactometry and gas chromatography–mass spectrometry, we identified the following three compounds as the main imparters of a metallic flavor: 1-octen-3-one (OEO); 1,5-octadien-3-one (ODO); and 4,5-epoxy-2-decenal (epoxy). The reason that none of these compounds have previously been identified as the primary cause of a metallic flavor is that their concentration and odor

thresholds in beer are too low. Our analysis revealed that the concentrations of ODO and epoxy in fresh beer were lower than their odor thresholds; conversely, the concentration of OEO was higher than its odor threshold. These results suggest that in fresh beer, OEO is the compound primarily responsible for the metallic flavor and that the other compounds we identified as contributors do not impart a metallic flavor to fresh beer independently. Further analysis also revealed that the concentration of epoxy increased during beer storage. The concentration of epoxy in aged beer was higher than its odor thresholds. This result suggests that epoxy is also responsible for the metallic flavor in aged beer.

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#### Permeation of volatile organic compounds into packaged beer—Tools for practice oriented simulation and analysis

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Distribution of packaged beer from brewery to point of sale is a critical process, especially when beer is subject to long-distance transport such as overseas shipping. Heat, light, humidity, and movement are factors that may alter the integrity of packaging materials as well as beer quality. In addition, packaged beer may be exposed to an environment polluted by volatile organic compounds (VOCs). VOCs may be released by microbial attack on wooden pallets, as vapors from cardboard boxes, but can also be emitted from other cargo or machinery of the transport vehicle. In order to ensure product quality and safety packaging materials such as crown cork (liners), PET bottles, and closures are frequently evaluated for their barrier properties concerning O<sub>2</sub> uptake or CO<sub>2</sub> loss. A permeation test for VOCs is rare, and even trace concentrations of some compounds (e.g. chlorophenols such as 2,4,6-trichloroanisole) are known to have negative impact on the organoleptic properties of foods. This paper presents the experimental setup for practice oriented permeation testing of packaging materials for VOCs. Permeation testing includes an experimental setup to simulate long-distance transports under defined and controlled VOC atmosphere, as well as sophisticated analytical tools for identification and quantification of possible contaminants. Depending on the VOCs employed in permeation testing GC-NCI-MS and GC-MS/MS combined with stable isotope dilution assays ensure the highest accuracy of the analytical data. In addition to a detailed description of permeation testing and analysis, the paper includes analytical data recorded for different packaging materials under varying experimental conditions. The data will sensitize brewers to reassess their packaging testing procedures, especially if beer is designated for export trade.

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### Improvement of wort foam stability by yeast-derived substances

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Foam is one of the most important properties of non-alcoholic/alcoholic beer. We worked on improvement of wort foam stability to improve the foam quality of non-alcoholic beer containing malt and hops. As a result, the foam stability of the wort was dramatically improved by adding substances released from the yeast. Foam quality is affected by many factors such as raw materials, process conditions, and yeast. Yeast plays both positive and negative roles in foaming. It releases foam-negative substances such as lipids, ethanol, and proteases. Conversely, yeast-derived compounds such as mannoprotein are involved in foam formation and stabilization. In this study, yeast cultivated without malt and hops was suspended in distilled water. The suspension was centrifuged and the supernatant was freeze-dried. The dried extracts were then mixed with the hopped wort (10 mg/L). The wort with or without yeast-derived substances was carbonated. Foam stability was measured using the NIBEM test. The NIBEM values for the wort increased by more than 150 sec when yeast-derived substances were added. There was no effect when yeast extracts were added to the final beer, presumably because yeast-derived substances in the beer were sufficient. In Japan, 0.00% non-alcoholic beer is popular with consumers. However, it is not always easy to develop alcohol-free beverages using yeast. Our studies indicate that yeast extracts improve wort foam stability without adding viable yeast into the wort. Therefore, it will be easier to accomplish both alcohol-free and improvement of foam stability in non-alcoholic beer. We are now investigating the mechanism of the wort foam stabilized by using yeast. The understanding of the mechanism may contribute to the elucidation of foam formation during beer fermentation as well as development of non-alcoholic beer.

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### Influence of hop products and natural foam enhancer on beer foam

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Besides turbidity, beer foam is one of the most important quality parameters of beer. The consumer expects a stable, homogeneous, and fine-pored foam. For brewers, there exists only limited possibilities that allow them to enhance the beer foam stability. The German Purity Law allows, for example, the option of increasing the hop dosage and thereby improving the beer foam. However, this also has an effect on bitterness and impacts the final sensory profile of the beer. The brewer may also choose different hop products; however there are no conclusive studies illustrating how conventional hop products (pellets type 90, ethanol extract, and CO<sub>2</sub> extract) affect the foam stability of beer. Brewers who do not brew according to the German Purity Law may use foam enhancing products such as propylene glycol alginate, iso extract, and tetrahydro-iso extract. The positive influence of these products

on foam stability has previously been published. With a growing trend toward natural products, the consumer increasingly looks favorably on natural ingredients. Therefore we used natural foam enhancers such as an  $\alpha$ -acid extract and a yeast product for our research. Like other studies we used three foam analysis methods and a method to quantitatively calculate the percentage of foam cling adherence. In contrast to other studies, which evaluated foam stability, but neglected the sensory part, we did a sensory evaluation of the produced beers. All experimental beers were evaluated according to the DLG approved scheme. The bitterness of the hoppy beers produced was characterized in more detail by assessing them according to the Kaltner scheme. Additionally, reference photos of different beer foams were used to visually assess the foam of the brewed experimental beers. Our results showed that hop products, even conventional hop products, and other foam enhancers have different impacts on foam stability. Additionally we created a foam value (which included all foam methods) because foam analysis reacted differently to the used product. This means there is an increase in one foam measurement, but if measured with another stability test this increment is not detected. The sensory assessment revealed that some products had a negative effect on the sensory profile of the beer. In addition the foam texture of some products was very unnatural. It must also be mentioned that some hop products were difficult to handle.

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### The influence of beer protein components and content on beer colloidal and foam quality

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In this study, protein analyzer and high performance gel filtration chromatography (HPGFC) were applied for qualitative and quantitative analysis of protein components in beer to investigate the influence of protein components on colloidal stability and foam stability and identify haze-active and foam-positive components. Comparing the changes in protein distribution and content in beer samples after a forcing test, total nitrogen in beer decreased and the content of protein under 25 kDa molecular weight (MW) was obviously reduced, while the proteins with an apparent MW >45 kDa were increased. The results demonstrated that proteins with an MW <25 kDa in beer were prone to oxidation and polymerization or interaction with other substances, forming macromolecular substances or insoluble haze particles in beer. Stepwise regression analysis showed proteins with an MW of 9.5 kDa and 0.9 kDa had a positive correlation with a sensitive protein. The higher the content of protein at 9.5 kDa in beer, the higher the EBC turbidity value. It suggested that when the 9.5 kDa protein exceeds 90 mg/L the shelf life of a beer would be affected. The content of protein components with an MW >5 kDa decreased significantly at around 30% in the foam-removed sample compared with the original beer. It revealed that beer foam contains high levels of proteins with an MW >5

kDa. It was worth noticing that the lower the content of MW 5–25 kDa proteins, the worse the beer foam performance. Therefore, beer foam-positive proteins mainly were distributed in the range of 5–25 kDa. The correlation of protein components and other physicochemical parameters with beer head retention was analyzed. It indicated that the 43 kDa and 9.5 kDa proteins had a positive correlation with foam retention, while pH in the range of 4.0–4.6 had a negative influence. CO<sub>2</sub> content had a significantly positive effect, while the impact of total polyphenols was not obvious. More beer samples (100) were determined for investigating the influence of protein components and iso- $\alpha$ -acid on foam retention using partial least squares regression (PLSR). Results suggested that protein components with an MW of 43 kDa, 9.5 kDa, and 2 kDa and iso- $\alpha$ -acid had more impact on foam retention, of which the 9.5 kDa protein was an important foam-positive protein and the advised level is 80–90 mg/L. Further study on protein components in wort after boiling was also carried out. Protein contents in Congress wort prepared by eight varieties of malts and in the wort after boiling for 30 min were measured. The results illustrated the >45 kDa proteins in wort decreased significantly after boiling. Metcalfe, Baudin, and Gan Pi #4 had relatively higher foam-positive protein contents in Congress wort, while Gan Pi #4, Metcalfe, and Scarlett had relatively higher foam-positive protein content in boiled wort. It is interesting that Metcalfe showed the least protein content variation after boiling, while Gairdner presented the largest variation.

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#### 18 Fermentation ability of bottom fermenting yeast exhibiting defective entry into the quiescent state

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In beer brewing, the yeast plays an important role not only in the alcohol production but also in the flavor profiles of beer. Therefore, the fermentation ability of brewing yeast affects the quality of beer products. The fermentation ability of brewer's yeast has been studied for a long time. Recently, it was reported that the elevated fermentation ability of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* yeast used for Japanese sake brewing is related to the defective transition into the G0 phase (quiescent state) in the cell cycle. To investigate the relationship between the G0 entry and the fermentation ability of bottom-fermenting yeast, we constructed two genetically modified strains of Weihenstephan34/70. One is a *S. cerevisiae* type *RIM15* gene-disrupted strain, the other is a *S. cerevisiae* type *CLN3-1* mutant strain. Both strains exhibited the phenotypic properties characterized by the defective entry into the quiescent state. As a result of the fermentation test in the synthetic medium, it was revealed that the fermentation abilities of the constructed strains, such as sugar utilization efficiency, were enhanced compared to those of the wild-type strains. These results suggest that there is a relationship between the fermentation ability and cell cycle in bottom-fermenting yeast and that the manipulation of the relevant genes leads to the construction of yeast strains with higher fermentation ability. This is the first report that indicates the defective G0 entry may induce the modified fermentation profiles of bottom-fermenting yeast.

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#### 19 Search for genetic markers for lactic acid bacteria beer-spoilage and the role of dissolved CO<sub>2</sub>/pressure on bacterial growth in beer

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The search for a small set of universal genetic markers for beer-spoilage by lactic acid bacteria (LAB) has long been of interest for researchers and brewers alike. To date, only a few genes have been proposed to confer the ability to spoil beer and all are purported to solely mediate the stress of hops. Unfortunately, these hop-tolerance genes are not the “Holy Grail” of genetic indicators, as they are not foolproof markers of beer-spoilage. Specifically, these genes are not found in all LAB that cause spoilage and, conversely, are sometimes found in LAB with limited beer-spoilage ability. Thus much remains to be investigated regarding the genetics and physiology of LAB beer-spoilage isolates in relation to other physiological stresses present in beer, such as dissolved CO<sub>2</sub>/pressure. The impetus to expand the focus of investigation of these isolates is increased in light of the recent appreciation of the role some LAB isolates play in fermenting lambic beers and selected specialty craft brews. Under certain circumstances, flavor compounds produced by LAB contribute favorably to the flavor profile of a beer, though when these compounds are over produced or are “undesired,” they spoil the beer. This suggests that there is either a relative scale of brewing-related virulence for LAB isolates (i.e., the extent to which an isolate can grow and metabolize in beer) or that differences in the physicochemical properties of a given beer limits which LAB isolates can grow in it. This poses an interesting dilemma as to how best to define brewing-related LAB and how to detect virulent, spoilage-LAB versus their non-spoilage counterparts. To investigate differences in LAB genetics and the resulting physiology of isolates with different beer-growth capabilities, we have sequenced the genomes of six LAB isolates via the Illumina MiSeq platform and performed subsequent comparative genomics and detailed plasmid profile analysis. We also assessed the transcriptional activity of three of these isolates via RNA sequencing with the Illumina HiSeq platform under conditions of varying hop concentrations, as well as dissolved CO<sub>2</sub> levels, in beer. Further, we assessed alterations in the fatty acid profile of 10 LAB isolates of interest under conditions of varying dissolved CO<sub>2</sub> levels in beer via gas chromatography. Analysis of these data sets indicates that the search for beer-spoilage indicator genes must be expanded beyond hop-tolerance genes to include conserved regulatory elements such as non-coding RNAs and DNAs, and that strong beer-spoilage potential is indicated by selected genetic pathways. Additionally, the data reveal the importance of fatty acid adaptations in correlation with dissolved CO<sub>2</sub>/pressure, as this is clearly a selective pressure for the virulence of LAB in beer. In sum, the expectation of finding a small subset of “universal” or “Holy Grail” genes in relation to beer-spoilage must be curtailed. Instead, expression of genes from multiple physiological systems needs to be further analyzed vis-à-vis relevance to LAB growth in and spoilage of beer.

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### Gushing Task Force: Round table on “primary gushing”

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The Gushing Task Force (GTF) is a scientific group of experts involved in research on the causes of primary gushing (PG). The first concern of the GTF is to reach a scientific agreement about the basic cause and origin of PG. Target 1: Consensus on physico-chemical parameters responsible for PG in order to propose the true guidelines of a standard method. 1. It's becoming more and more evident and accepted by the brewing industry that the energy needed to liberate the volume of foam from the glass container (bottle) is provided by the carbonic acid stored under two states: the one encapsulated under highly pressurized nanobubbles; the other one linked to the liquid by low energy bonds (van der Waals forces). 2. The nanobombs can only be observed if amphiphilic molecules are present in the liquid at a critical concentration, in other words “encapsulated structures of carbonic acid can only exist when hydrophobic molecules are present at sufficient concentration at the surface of the beer.” 2.1. Actually, only class 2 hydrophobins were clearly purified and identified from overfoaming beer by GC-MS-MALDI-TOF spectrometry as responsible for PG. 2.2. If it is not excluded that other amphiphilic compounds present in beer it can also be responsible for PG, their exact nature and structure is still unpublished (unknown). Target 2: Inter-disciplinary scientific studies of primary gushing origins in other beverage industries (ciders, spumante, perries). Target 3: Practical trials to help the brewing industry (malting and brewing) to treat PG (based on scientific knowledge and research).

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### *Fusarium* species on barley malt—Visual assessment as an appropriate tool?

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*Fusarium* infection in brewing cereals is a serious problem and a sign of poor malt quality. To evaluate the amount of *Fusarium*-damaged kernels, brewers and maltsters use visual assessment. Reddish discoloration is a common symptom of *Fusarium*-covered kernels caused by *Fusarium* species. In malt batches up to 5–7

red kernels per 200 g is acceptable for brewing use. Hitherto, little information has been available on the *Fusarium* species that cause these red kernels. In this study, over 50 barley malt samples were analyzed using RT-qPCR, (agar) plate cultures and visual assessment to determine which *Fusarium* species are responsible for the red discoloration of the barley kernels. In 2012 it was found that *F. avenaceum* was responsible for the red coloring of the seeds ( $R^2 = 0.75$ ). However, in 2013 *F. tricinctum* was the predominant species. In 2014, both, *F. avenaceum* and *F. tricinctum* were found to be liable for the symptoms. Correlation analyses were done with the collected data. *Fusarium* DNA was not only detected in colored malt; *F. avenaceum* and *F. tricinctum* DNA could also be found in many of these practice samples which seemed to be clean. To further substantiate these results, dilution series were carried out. In these dilution series, 0 to 40 kernels infected with *F. avenaceum* and *F. tricinctum* were added to a clean, greenhouse cultivated batch to a total weight of 200 g. RT-qPCR was done on these samples; a very good correlation between the amount of red kernels and corresponding *Fusarium* DNA was found. In this study it was possible to establish a correlation between the intensity of *Fusarium* infection and the proteolytic properties of malt. In the 2012 samples, there was a significant correlation between the amount of red kernels and the Kolbach index. In 2014, however, there was a very significant correlation between red kernels and the soluble nitrogen content. From the data collected in this study, it can be established that visual assessment can indicate increased *Fusarium* contamination.

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### From raw materials to malts: Influence of the malting parameters on malt aroma development

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Malting involves the controlled germination and subsequent drying (kilning) of cereal or pseudocereal grains. By varying the processing parameters during germination and drying, a variety of malts with different attributes is obtained. The brewer's main requirement of malt is as a source of substrate, enzymes, and color; as a result traditional malting technology has developed to improve these properties. However, suitable manipulation of the malting conditions could positively enhance the aroma profile of malts as well as the sensory and nutritional properties of raw materials. Malt aroma is created based on the effects of the available combinations of amino acids and reducing sugars. These are available due to the kernel modification brought about by germination. The increased concentration of free sugars and essential amino acids provides a rich source of precursors for the key flavor generating reactions (e.g. Maillard reaction, Strecker degradation). Ultimately, the concentration and distribution of amino acids and reducing sugars in the modified grains determine the resulting aroma profile. In an attempt to understand the impact of the malting process on malt aroma development, three raw

materials (barley, rye, and quinoa) were investigated and compared. This study focused on the influence of three malting parameters (temperature, germination time, and moisture) on the analytical and sensory properties of the produced malts. The experimental design allowed the contribution of each factor, along with their interactions, to be assessed from an analytical perspective using the appropriate instrumentation (e.g. GC-FID). Changes in the aroma profile associated with the influence of the malting parameters were determined. In addition, a standard malt was produced for each of the raw materials used. The aroma profile of the produced standard malts was determined and the key aroma compounds were identified. To determine the key aroma compounds, different analytical methods were coupled. The volatile compounds were isolated by headspace solid-phase microextraction (SPME), solvent assisted flavor evaporation (SAFE), and simultaneous distillation/ extraction (SDE); these were then analyzed with GC-MS/O. Aroma extract dilution analysis (AEDA) of the SAFE extracts was done to identify the key aroma compounds of each of the produced malts. The collected data allowed accurate disclosure of the volatile compounds responsible for the rye malt aroma, quinoa malt aroma, and barley malt aroma and comparison of them among each other. Compared to other aspects in malting, little attention has been given to the aroma development in malt. Small variations in the malting process can lead to a wide range of products with very different aroma characteristics. Understanding the impact of germination on aroma properties as well as increasing the knowledge on key malt aroma compounds is essential for an informed assessment of aroma development during malt production. The maltster and brewer, in turn, may benefit from proper selection of malting parameters to add subtle aromas and flavors to beers.

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### **Barley contributions to beer flavor I: Effect of variety, location, and genotype × environment interaction on beer flavor**

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Barley contains significant amounts of positive flavor compounds that are contributed to malt and beer; however the impact of variety and environment on barley flavor is not well understood. In this study we evaluated the beer flavor potential of three barley varieties (Full Pint; AC Metcalfe; Klages) grown in replication in three environments (Corvallis, OR, USA; St. Paul, MN, USA; Saskatoon, SK, Canada). The resulting grain was micromalted by Rahr Malting, Sierra Nevada Brewing Co. and New Glarus Brewing Co. both conducted Congress wort sensory assessments. The controls were AC Metcalfe high- and low-color malts. Gas chromatography

coupled with mass spectrometry (CG-MS) at Sierra Nevada revealed that the principal volatile compounds present across samples were dimethylsulfide (759164.8 *m/z*), 3-methyl butanal (72583.2 *m/z*), 2-methyl butanal (144753.2 *m/z*), hexanol (129991.8 *m/z*), phenylacetaldehyde (393667.1 *m/z*), and methyl mercaptan (835.5 *m/z*) and contributed flavors such as fruity, floral, cooked corn, nutty, potato chips, biscuit, malty, and cereal. There were off-odors as well. Concentrations of dimethylsulfide and *trans*-2-hexanal were highest in Full Pint, while 2- and 3-methyl butanal and methyl mercaptan was highest in AC Metcalfe, and hexanal in Klages. Principal component analysis (PCA) indicated that variety and environment account for 34% and 12%, respectively, of the variation in mass-spec abundance analyte concentrations across samples. In a blind sensory assessment, panelists distinguished unique flavors and preferences across the different varieties and environments, suggesting that barley variety and production environment play a significant role in beer flavor.

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### **Influence of added commercial enzyme preparations and mashing temperature on extract recovery of laboratory malted Nigerian grown pearl millet and wheat**

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The aim of this work was to demonstrate how different commercial enzymes and mashing temperatures of 65°C and 85°C influenced extract recovery during infusion mashing of Nigerian-grown pearl millet and wheat malts. Additionally, the effects of differences in the starch granules of the two cereal types on extract recovery were studied. Results obtained showed that wheat grown in Nigeria contained high proportions of very large-sized starch granules and reasonable amounts of small starch granules while millet contained only small granules. When mashed at 65°C, both cereal malts produced extract yields at similar levels, while mashing at 85°C increased their extracts beyond twofold. The addition of commercial enzymes during mashing of malts from both crops produced different effects. Added amylases increased extract yields of both cereals many fold at the two mashing temperatures. Added β-glucanase enzyme was more effective on millet malt than on wheat malt at 65°C despite both cereals having similar β-glucan contents. Added xylanase was more effective on wheat malt than on millet malt at both infusion mashing temperatures. Added combined β-glucanase/xylanase enzyme was more effective on wheat malt than on millet malt especially at the mashing temperature of 85°C. However, the individual enzymes produced higher levels of extracts than their combinations, a significant fact considering the immensely high cost of enzymes. Thus, the

correct and proper choice of individual enzymes such as  $\alpha$ -amylase,  $\beta$ -glucanase, and xylanase rather than their combinations should produce higher extracts from the cereals. These results highlight the complex grain physiology of cereals and therefore the need for continuous research on them. In this work,  $\alpha$ -amylase added during infusion mashing of wheat malt at 65°C gave the highest extract of 304 L°/kg (as is). Similarly,  $\beta$ -glucanase enzyme added during infusion mashing of millet malt at 65°C gave highest extract of 304 L°/kg (as is).

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### Overcoming pre-harvest sprout damaged malt: The effects of enzyme addition

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Given the pre-harvest rains that occurred in some barley growing regions in North America in 2014, a large percentage of the malting barley crop suffered sprouting damage. While there are methods like RVA to measure germination viability, they are unlikely to predict if or when grains will lose germination energy while in storage. Decreasing germination energy negatively impacts the malting process, malt quality, and ultimately brewing parameters such as extract yield and filtration time. Germination tests and micromalting can provide some guidance for commercial malting recipes to maximize malting potential; however, it is likely there will be malt with lower enzyme activity, lower extract, and higher viscosities. This study focused on leveraging various commercial enzymes to determine the impact of the enzymes on micromalted batches with varying levels of sprout damage (40–5%) on extract,  $\beta$ -glucans, and viscosity. Given the poor crop, being aware of other enzymes that solubilize  $\beta$ -glucans in wort, it would be valuable to know what challenges are present that cannot be affected by kilning. Additionally, to understand the countering effects of enzymes that solubilize  $\beta$ -glucans, those enzymes were measured in selected batches. With commercial enzymes applied in germination or in the mash, the sprout damaged batches saw improvements of 1–7% increase in extract, 10–60% decrease in viscosity, and 50% plus decrease in  $\beta$ -glucans. Finally, while no differences in enzymes that solubilize  $\beta$ -glucans were observed between sprout damaged and sound kernels, differences were detected between the varieties Metcalfe, Copeland, Meredith, and Tradition.

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### Development of a GC method for the analysis of twelve key fermentation derived volatiles utilizing deuterated internal standards, SPME, and SIM

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The analysis of fermentation-derived volatiles can be critical for ensuring beer flavor consistency, evaluating shelf life, and troubleshooting critical off-flavors in beer. A number of methods have been developed using gas chromatography (GC) with different detectors (for example mass spectrometers [MS] or flame ionization detectors [FID]). In addition, there are a number of sample preparation techniques and different techniques for introducing the sample to the GC, including headspace injection, liquid injection, solid phase micro-extraction (SPME), and stir bar sorptive extraction (SBSE). Choosing the analytes most critical to a brewery's specific beer styles, then choosing the optimal method to conduct the analysis can be a difficult task. This talk will review the process New Belgium Brewing Company followed to develop, optimize, and validate a method for measuring fermentation volatiles. The first step was to narrow the options; this was accomplished through identifying the primary requirements for the method: high sample throughput, minimal sample preparation, compatible with instrumentation available in our laboratory, measurement of all analytes of significance for our primary brands, linear ranges to bracket all of our different brands, and a limit of quantitation (LOQ) below the flavor threshold for the key analytes. To select the analytes most critical to our beers, we utilized sensory panel data and GC-olfactometry analysis. Flavor thresholds were identified utilizing the ASBC Flavor Database. We compared different sample introduction options/parameters, sample preparation details, columns, and MS parameters. The final, optimized method utilizes deuterated internal standards, 3-phase SPME, and selected ion monitoring (SIM). The method measures 12 analytes (acetaldehyde, isoamyl acetate, isoamyl alcohol, ethyl acetate, phenethyl acetate, ethyl hexanoate, ethyl butyrate, 4-vinyl guaiacol, ethyl octanoate, decanal, 3-methyl butanal, and 2-methyl butanal). The limit of quantitation is below the flavor threshold for all analytes, and the linear dynamic range covers the concentrations found in all of our year-round beers. A full validation was completed for the method. The data are utilized to ensure process consistency, troubleshoot fermentation issues, and will be utilized for flavor matching our beers at a new brewery.

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**Beeromics: From QC to IDs of differentially expressed compounds**C. A. HUGHEY (1), C. M. McMinn (1), J. Phung (1)  
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A robust analytical platform for untargeted differential analysis of beer samples by liquid chromatography mass spectrometry (LC/MS) was developed for the identification of compounds unique to a particular year of production or hop. The presented methodology could also be used to identify differentially expressed compounds that result from a change in a raw ingredient, a change in the brewing process, or prolonged storage. Twenty-four single-hop India pale ales (Mikkeller brewery, Copenhagen, Denmark) from two different production years were analyzed using an Agilent 6530 q-TOF-MS in positive- and negative-ion modes. A mixture of target compounds, a QC beer and an internal standard were used to monitor changes in instrument response, retention time (RT), reproducibility, and mass error. Unique molecular features (~3,000/sample) were extracted and aligned in "Mass Profiler Professional" for both the QC and Mikkeller beers. Differential analysis of the QC beer identified days that were "out of spec." Analysis of the Mikkeller beers afforded differentiation by hop and year of production; the latter yielded the greatest compositional differences. Features unique to each production year underwent MS/MS. A METLIN and literature search afforded tentative identifications. The QC beer was run in triplicate at the beginning and end of every day/work list. Target compounds were quantified in the QC beer to determine the intraday and interday RT RSDs, response RSDs, and mass error. Over the course of 13 months, the RT deviation was  $3.0 \text{ s} \pm 1.3 \text{ s}$ , the mass error was routinely  $<5 \text{ ppm}$ , and the interday response RSD was  $<15\%$ . To demonstrate that the target compounds, most of which were flavonoids, adequately represented the response trends of compounds in the beer, target compound responses were compared to the summed response of features found in all QC samples ( $n = 54$  for each polarity) above a given abundance threshold. This included 418 and 124 molecular features in positive- and negative-ion modes, respectively. Indeed, the two responses tracked quite well, thus demonstrating that unknown molecular features in a sample QC may be used to monitor instrument response. The use of external standards found in the QC, however, offers additional assurance that the QC beer does not change over time. Differential analyses of randomized Mikkeller IPAs run in triplicate were conducted based on hop, year of production, and hop year. Hierarchical clustering revealed that beers strongly clustered by year and not hop for both polarities, as IPAs produced with the same hop in different years did not cluster together. In an attempt to identify features responsible for this clustering, features unique to each production year were identified and targeted for MS/MS analysis. Exact masses and MS/MS spectra (when available) were searched against the METLIN Database. Tentative assignments were also made by comparison to the literature. Compounds such as 5-methylthioadenosine have been reported in aged beer (*Food Chemistry* 135:1284-1289, 2012) and were identified in the earlier production beer.

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**NMR metabolomics reveals molecular details of the brewing process**A. R. SPEVACEK (1), K. L. Benson (2), C. W. Bamforth (1), C. M. Slupsky (1)  
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Many of the macromolecular details of the brewing process have been elucidated in the several millennia that have elapsed since the first beer was brewed. However, as analytical techniques evolve in their sophistication and sensitivity, there are opportunities for delving ever more deeply into the fate of small molecules in brewing. We have used  $^1\text{H}$  nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) metabolomics to follow the progression of the small molecules in four different beers (brewed in triplicate) at five time points throughout the brewing process. The majority of the metabolites that we identified significantly changed in concentration from the start of the boil to after secondary fermentation. In addition, we observed differences in several metabolite concentrations between dry- and late-hopped beers. These results give molecular insight into the brewing process and the effects of hops on yeast metabolism. Monitoring the small molecule profile of brews with NMR metabolomics could assist in evaluating yeast health and in early detection of bacterial contamination.

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**The evolution of CO<sub>2</sub> measurement within the brewing industry: What does it bring to breweries and what will be the next step?**F. VERKOELEN (1)  
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The world of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) measurement is on the move. Conventional CO<sub>2</sub> measuring principles in which equilibrium pressure and temperature are measured with a manometer and thermometer, and then CO<sub>2</sub> content is determined with a CO<sub>2</sub> ruler or table are becoming obsolete. Digital technology has been introduced that allows automatic calculation of the CO<sub>2</sub> content. The latest development in measuring CO<sub>2</sub> is in the optical direction. Two examples are attenuated total reflection (ATR) for in-line CO<sub>2</sub> measurement and non-destructive CO<sub>2</sub> measurement for bottled beverages. ASBC describes standard methods of CO<sub>2</sub> determination and has set the standards for calculating CO<sub>2</sub> content; to overcome influences of temperature on the dissolved CO<sub>2</sub> content of a packaged beverage by controlled sample temperatures; and for compensating for the effect of foreign gases on the CO<sub>2</sub> content of packaged beverages by measuring headspace air and volume. Developments in CO<sub>2</sub> technology go further in the direction of selective CO<sub>2</sub> measurement that allows measurement of dissolved CO<sub>2</sub> without disturbance of foreign gases like nitrogen, oxygen, and/or other gasses; and CO<sub>2</sub> principle determining the dissolved CO<sub>2</sub> result independently of the beverage temperature by recalculating the CO<sub>2</sub> content to a standardized temperature, e.g. 20°C. What did all these changes bring to the breweries and what is the next step—total packaged CO<sub>2</sub> (TPCO)?

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#### Hard resins: The complementary bitter fraction present in hops, pellets, and ethanol extract

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The commercial value of hops is particularly influenced by the content of  $\alpha$ -acids, the main source of bitter taste in beer. Only recently could the additional positive contribution of hard resins to beer bitterness be clearly demonstrated after isolation of more than 30 single constituents from this fraction with subsequent confirmation of their bitter sensory profile (thesis of Michael Dresel, 2013). Based on spiking experiments in the laboratory, at least 20% of the hop-derived beer bitter intensity was attributed to hard resins and around 75% to iso- $\alpha$ -acids. Now the goal was to verify the practical impact of these findings by comparing the bitterness impressions resulting from different hard resin-containing hop products in brewing trials (6 hL). Single-hopped lager beers were produced in duplicate using pellets, ethanol extract, or a special product, enriched in hard resins, all from the hop variety Hallertau Taurus, crop 2013. The beers were evaluated by chemical (LC-MS/MS and GC-MS) and sensorial (two trained panels) analyses. Single constituents like xanthohumol, isoxanthohumol, or co-multifidol glucoside, which are typical for the hard resin fraction, were present in all the different beers. Their concentrations were almost identical in the case of pellets and ethanol extract but at least a factor of three higher in the case of the hard resin-enriched product. However, the taste panels detected no significant differences between the various beers, even when the so-called "duo/trio test" was performed. The fact that the variant of using the special product also resulted in comparable quality confirms a positive impact of hard resins. This product was the residual bitter fraction after re-extracting ethanol extract with supercritical carbon dioxide. It contained the whole range of hard resin constituents that are carried over from hops, pellets, or ethanol extract during the brewing process. Thus their beneficial influence on the bitter taste of beer could be verified in this study. Moreover, this fraction consists of single compounds supporting the positive image of beer with regard to health aspects as, for example, recently discussed in the scientific paper "American India Pale Ale Matrix Rich in Xanthohumol is Potent in Suppressing Proliferation and Elevating Apoptosis of Human Colon Cancer Cells" (published in 2014). Considering both their contribution to the bitterness and to the health image of beer makes it evident that evaluating the hard resins as an important hop fraction has value for the brewing industry.

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#### Direct ESI-MS quantitation of bittering acids, isomerization, and oxidation products in hops and beer for calculation of the hop storage index and international bitterness units

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A new direct analysis mass spectrometric method is demonstrated to simultaneously quantitate the  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -acid content, as well as the isomerization and oxidation products, of the hop acids in hop or beer samples. The bittering potential of hops can be attributed to isomerization of the hop acids and other non-isomerized hop acid products. The total bitterness in beer is usually measured in international bitterness units (IBU). The bitter non-isomerized hop acid products are typically due to oxidation, which is measured by the hop storage index (HSI). The HSI measures the decrease of  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -acids due to oxidation that occurs during storage, which can reduce the isomerization bittering potential of the hops but also lead to additional bittering due to the bittering potential of oxidized hops when dry-hopping beer. Typically, HSI is measured by UV-VIS as the ratio of absorbencies of two wavelengths corresponding to the oxidized and non-oxidized bittering acids. Standard HPLC-UV methods (e.g. ASBC Hops-14) generally do not measure the hop storage index. Here, we present an alternative method for the quantification  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -acids and their oxidation products in hops pellets, bracts, and extracts for the calculation of bittering potential and HSI. The same method can also be applied to beer samples to measure isomerization products and oxidized  $\alpha$ -acids, for the calculation of IBUs in beer. The proposed method uses direct analysis by electrospray ionization mass spectrometry of prepared samples to calculate bittering potential, HIS, or IBUs and other sample attributes in less than 1 minute. Hop standards were force oxidized at 80°C for 48 hours or subjected to direct sunlight for up to 21 days. Calculation of oxidation product concentrations in the standard was based on the assumption of complete oxidation, as verified by ultra-high performance liquid chromatography mass spectrometry (UPLC-MS). The  $\alpha$ -,  $\beta$ -, isomerized, and oxidized bittering acids were measured by loop injections and analyzed by ESI-MS without chromatographic separation. The components were quantitated by external calibration after serial dilution of the force oxidized standards. The HSIs were calculated by the ratios of the sums of the mass percentages of the bittering acids and oxidation products and compared to the UV-Vis calculated HSI values. Similarly IBUs were calculated based on measured iso- $\alpha$ -acid and oxidation product concentrations and compared to standard methods for IBU determinations.

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**The influence of mode of dry hopping on flavor stability of dry-hopped beers**

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Dry hopping can be carried out in many different ways. Important parameters in this context are: 1) Is dry hopping done in a static or dynamic way? 2) Is yeast present during dry hopping—and does this make a difference? 3) What is the influence of pasteurization of dry-hopped beers. In this study all 3 parameters were investigated and 12 different beers were brewed and compared. The fresh beers revealed noticeable sensory differences depending on parameters 1–3. These beers were stored for 6 months at 2 different temperatures to monitor the flavor changes and to see how the different parameters influence the flavor stability of these dry-hopped beers over time.

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**Key aroma compounds in ‘Centennial’, ‘Citra’, and ‘Nelson Sauvin’ hop identified by aroma extract dilution analysis**

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Hops (*Humulus lupulus* L.) are considered the most important ingredient in brewing since they contribute the characteristic aroma and flavor to beer. However, the chemical compounds responsible for the hoppy aroma have not been well understood due to the complexity of hop composition. With the increased interest in dry hopping and aroma hops in the industry, it is important to understand the aroma composition of hops. The aroma compounds in ‘Centennial’, ‘Citra’, and ‘Nelson Sauvin’ hop varieties were investigated in this study. The hops were extracted with dichloromethane followed by solvent assisted flavor evaporation (SAFE) to remove the non-volatile components. The volatiles were further pre-fractionated on a silica gel column into non-polar and polar fractions. Aroma extract dilution analysis was performed for both fractions. The odor compounds were identified by GC/Olfactometry-MS, retention indices, and two-dimensional GC-MS/olfactometry. Although different hop varieties had different aroma profiles, the compounds with high FD values in all three hop varieties were geraniol, 3-methylbutanoic acid, linalool, vanillin, and myrcene. The isomeric ratio of linalool was further investigated on two-dimensional GC-MS. It was found that the (R)-linalool was dominated in all three hop varieties (92–96%); however, during the beer making process, some of the (R)-linalool were converted to (S)-linalool, which has a much higher sensory threshold. The (R)/(S)-ratio of linalool in some commercial beers were further studied and the (R)-linalool ranged from 80% to 93%. This conversion was minimal during the dry-hopping process.

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**Very high gravity brewing: Effects of the processes on fermentation in 30°Plato wort**

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Many breweries make use of high gravity brewing (HGB) to increase productivity without expanding existing brewing facilities and to save energy. However, HGB has a number of disadvantages. One of the major problems is poor fermentation performance, mainly because of osmotic and ethanol stress on brewing yeast during fermentation. To overcome this problem, various yeast nutrient supplements such as fatty acids, sterols, free amino nitrogen, and so forth, have been used to maintain yeast performance under stressful conditions. Furthermore, the improvement of fermentation has also been attempted through aeration during fermentation. However, this method is time-consuming; it takes about 2 weeks to complete fermentation. In this study, we investigated whether fermentation efficiency can be improved by combining agitation and aeration in a 2.8 L scale fermentation test using 30°Plato wort. This wort was prepared by the addition of corn syrup to all-malt 12°Plato wort. We used bottom-fermenting yeast. Agitation was carried out throughout the fermentation period. Aeration was conducted for 4 days of fermentation. As a result, we concluded that it was possible to produce up to 11% (v/v) ethanol by both agitation and aeration within about 1 week. We measured free and esterified ergosterol content in yeast cells at the end of fermentation. The esterified ergosterol content of yeast with both agitation and aeration was increased compared to when either one of these processes was performed independently, although the amount of free ergosterol was similar among those. Free ergosterol is localized at the plasma membrane, while esterified ergosterol is stored within the lipid granule. It is reported that free ergosterol contributes to the ethanol tolerance of yeast cells. From these results, it was assumed that very high gravity brewing fermentation could be achieved within a shorter period of time, not because free ergosterol improved the ethanol tolerance of yeast, but because yeast grew effectively through the synergy of agitation and aeration.

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**Monitoring of industrial ale and lager brewing fermentations**

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The logistic model has been used to fit and predict the decline of wort density in both industrial and laboratory data since 2003. This four-parameter sigmoidal (s-shaped) function fits the decline in apparent extract using a non-linear regression technique and now forms part of ASBC Yeast-14: The Miniature Fermentation Assay. While this logistic model has been shown to fit industrial and laboratory fermentations (MacIntosh, et al. 2012 and 2014, J. ASBC; and Speers et al. 2003 and 2006, J. Inst. Brew.) it would be useful to predict the error of these fits. Prediction intervals (PI) are defined as estimated ranges where future observations will fall above and below the curve. When constructed, these intervals can serve as the equivalent of upper and lower control limits used in univariate control charts. As such, PI values would be a useful addition to the brewing statistical process control (SPC) tool kit. Our objective was to examine data from industrial lager and ale brewing fermentations to see how PIs could be simply constructed. If variance throughout the fermentation is constant (or is homoscedastic) then PIs can be easily calculated via use of Graphpad Prism software. However, if the variance of the data varies with time (or is heteroscedastic) then calculation becomes more difficult. However, PIs can be estimated when repeated fermentation data at fixed fermentation times is available. With fixed fermentation time data, the calculation of sample standard deviations (SD) is possible. Then, one can estimate (at each time), the upper interval (+3SD), the mean, and the lower interval (-3SD). These three curves (i.e., the upper control limit, mean, and lower control limit) can be fit by the logistic model producing an estimate of the change in apparent extract as well as an estimate of the heteroscedastic PI. Examination of the both the lager and ale fermentations revealed that the fermentations were heteroscedastic with a low variation at the beginning and end of the fermentation and a wide variation at the midpoint of the fermentations. However, the data was not measured at fixed interval times precluding the PI estimation technique discussed above. To allow for estimation of apparent extracts at random fermentation times the logistic model was used to fit to individual fermentations thus producing a data set at fixed times. This then allowed estimation of a heteroscedastic PI as discussed above. In examining the ale fermentation, a 99.7% confidence prediction interval made assuming homoscedastic data excluded 4.3% of the data indicating an overly conservative interval. When using the method of 99.7% confidence prediction interval construction assuming heteroscedasticity only 0.33% outliers occurred. With this technique brewers now can produce fermentation prediction intervals which can be used in an analogous method to univariate control charts to help control fermentations.

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**36****Analysis of sugar attenuation with a curve-fitting method and its application for industrial fermentation control**

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In industrial brewing, we can obtain much information from the sugar attenuation profile during fermentation. We've made some indices from the profile to monitor the yeast activity and to provide the appropriate feedback to the next fermentation condition. Even with the practical larger scale they could help us to optimize the quality of our products. In this study, we examined a curve-fitting method to analyze the attenuation data in beer fermentation. By curve-fitting with a least square method, we could approximate a series of apparent extract data by a certain shape of model curve. And from the function of the model curve we could obtain information about attenuation rate with a mathematical method. We investigated whether this method would be useful for analyzing fermentation also on the industrial scale. We used some kinds of S-shaped (sigmoidal) curves with several parameters to fit a series of attenuation data in beer fermentation. Some of these curves showed good fitness ( $R^2 > 0.97$ ) even to the data from the large scale fermenter (2,000–5,000 hL). From each result curve we picked up some critical points, such as an inflexion point, and also calculated some values, such as attenuation rate, at the point. We analyzed the fermentation data for various beer brands in our several breweries through all seasons. The result from this analysis with various brewing conditions suggested that the shapes of these fitting-curves would change depending not only on beer characters such as row material composition and original gravity of wort, but also on the variety of brewing conditions in our different breweries. And the parameters from the curve function would help us to describe the fermentation features in each brewery and make a strategy to optimize fermentation quality regardless of brewery. We also made a hypothesis that the critical point for the attenuation would correspond to the changing point for the growth phase of the yeast, and from the fitting-curve we could monitor the period of the phase change. From this point of view we will discuss some examples that we used for these critical points as new milestones for controlling the formation of some aroma compounds which have important roles for beer quality, such as esters and sulfur compounds.

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**Study on proanthocyanidins-rich beer**

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Proanthocyanidins are a large family of phenolic compounds. Recent studies have shown that proanthocyanidins are antioxidative, anti-inflammatory, anti-hypertensive, and hypocholesterolemic. Regular consumption of proanthocyanidins may decrease the risk of cardiovascular diseases, cancer, and neurodegenerative diseases. However, the content of proanthocyanidins in common beer is low. Their main sources are malt and hops. *Lycium ruthenicum* Murr, which grew only in Tibet China, had a much higher proportion of proanthocyanidins than hops and malt and it could be used as part of the raw material for beer brewing to increase the proportion of proanthocyanidins in beer. In this study, 5% of *L. ruthenicum* was used as raw material to brew lager beer with 12°P. Results showed that the content of proanthocyanidins was increased from 48 mg/L to 103 mg/L in wort and from 22 mg/L up to 49 mg/L in final beer. The total content of polyphenols in beer was improved from 86 mg/L to 149 mg/L. Finally, DPPH and hydroxyl radical scavenging activity assay showed that the antioxidant activities and free-radical scavenging activities of high-proanthocyanidin content beer was significantly higher than that of control beer, which is beneficial to human health and can even significantly improve beer flavor stability.

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**The effects of polyphenols extracted during dry hopping on beer flavor stability**

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The phenolic profiles of barley, hops, and beer have been quantified in past research and their interactions with flavor-active compounds in beer has been documented by many researchers, but this work is far from exhaustive. Little is known about the composition of the compounds that influence the antioxidant behavior of hops and beer. Very few studies have documented the extraction of hop-derived compounds specifically during dry-hopping while monitoring the effects of this process on beer flavor stability. It is important to understand the origins of antioxidant compounds in beer as they have been shown to contribute significantly to beer quality and stability over time and they prevent the deterioration of flavor-active compounds in beer. Control of the concentration of these compounds in beer can not only increase the shelf life of the beer, but it can also have significant effects on the colloidal stability of the beer. The combined positive effect that polyphenols exhibit on beer flavor stability and the potential negative effect on colloidal stability make them a dichotomous set of compounds that require careful consideration. The objectives are 1) to determine the impact of dry-hopping on the flavor stability of beer in relation to polyphenol extraction; and 2) to determine the extraction rates of hop-derived flavor-active compounds during dry-hopping. The methods used include beer brewing: all experimental beers will be brewed at the August A. Busch III pilot brewery on the UC Davis campus in Davis, CA, and dry-hopped

for a duration of up to 4 days. Iso- $\alpha$ -acid analysis: modified SPE-HPLC/DAD analysis as described in Jaskula et al. (2007). Polyphenol analysis: SPE-HPLC/DAD analysis as described in Dvořáková et al. (2007). Carbonyl analysis: modified HS-SPME/GC-MS analysis as described in Saison et al. (2008). Descriptive analysis: sensory analysis will be performed on selected treatments by a trained panel of 15 individuals. Analysis will be done on fresh beer and on the same beer aged for 2–3 months. This research is in progress. The results of this original research will provide data increasing our understanding of the extraction of flavor-active compounds during the dry-hopping process. A positive correlation of chemical and descriptive analyses will provide strong evidence of the preservative effects that hop-derived polyphenols contribute to beer as well as build on the current body of research in the fields of polyphenols and beer flavor stability. This research will provide the industry with a better understanding of the contribution made by polyphenols to beer flavor while elucidating the role of the dry-hopping process in flavor stability. As breweries continue to employ the dry-hopping process for a growing number of their beers, the importance of research in the field of hop chemistry increases.

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**A novel beer fining and stabilizing agent extracted from hops**

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Fining agents are used in the clarification of beers to reduce the time required to sediment suspended yeast cells and ensure the colloidal stability of beer. Here we describe the production and characterization of a novel fining agent extracted from hops—a natural ingredient used in the brewing process. This can be used in brewing instead of isinglass, with the advantages that it is kosher and vegan friendly. Not only does it flocculate yeast efficiently, it also takes out chill-haze. The objective was to demonstrate the feasibility of extracting and preparing a fining agent from hops and to characterize its performance. A rapid assay to appraise the yeast-fining activity of hop extracts was developed and used to screen extracts of both native hop cones and spent hops (from commercial extraction with either CO<sub>2</sub> or ethanol). Several commercially significant hop varieties were screened. The influence of extraction solvent and conditions such as time, temperature, and pH were also investigated. Following optimization of the extraction process hop extracts were compared to a commercial isinglass preparation for their fining activity and effectiveness in reducing chill-haze in both ale and lager style products. The results showed the active material could be extracted from both intact hops and spent hop material and was present in all eight spent hop samples investigated (Galena, Summit, Zeus, Target, Magnum, Hallertauer Magnum, Hallertauer Herkules, and Hallertauer Taurus). Extraction using 70% acetone (aq) generated the purest, most active form of product with an indicative dose rate to fine beer of 16 mL/L at 4°C, as compared with 12 mL/L of commercially sourced isinglass. Approximately 20 g of spent hops generated sufficient extract to treat 1 hL of beer, on which basis there are more than enough spent hops produced annually to meet global demands for fining agents in brewing. The active component is a proanthocyanidin. These polyphenolic compounds occur in many plant types, are known to



stick to yeast cells, and are associated with antioxidant activity. The proanthocyanidins extracted from hops are of sufficient size to be potent yeast-flocculating agents, effecting rapid fining of suspended cells. Moreover, within the optimal dose range, hop extracts were active against chill haze and matched the action of isinglass in this regard in the beers tested. When used to treat beer in maturation, or under cask conditions, the finings formed a compact sediment which was not easily disturbed and should ensure that beer losses are minimized. The feasibility of preparing a novel fining agent from hops has been demonstrated. Preliminary data indicate that addition of the finings at an optimal dose rate has minimal impact on the organoleptic properties of beer. Brewing trials to determine the potential impacts on the properties and stability of beer in-pack are ongoing and will be reported at this meeting.

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##### **Origin of hydrophobins and the constant “k” in Henry’s Law govern the volume of foam formed by primary gushing of beer**

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Primary gushing of beer is basically most often related to microbial contamination of raw materials such as barley and malt by typical fungi. Moreover it has been demonstrated since 2006 that, depending on the mold involved, the amount of the proteins (the class II hydrophobins) responsible for primary gushing (expressed in volume) is variable. However it remains to be underlined that the major responsible molecule of “primary gushing” is in fact CO<sub>2</sub> (as also for “secondary gushing”). After opening of a bottle (decapping), the overfoaming (liquid expulsion) by “primary gushing” occurs in two phases: at first, over-pressurized nanobubbles (nanobombs) contain CO<sub>2</sub> and they explode. This generates shock energy which reaches the glass wall of the bottle. This phenomenon was studied by Rodriguez who showed that the hydrogen bonds (low energy) between CO<sub>2</sub> and beer can be disrupted consecutively to a developing cavitation movement. Finally, after the onset of this reaction the quantity of liquid expelled out of the bottle represents the difference between the energy liberated by the cavitation, the resistance of the hydrogen bonds, and the volume taken by the liberation of the CO<sub>2</sub> under gaseous form! Quantitatively (regarding the volume of the bottle), the latter is clearly the most important. Qualitatively, it would be a good improvement to reduce gushing should it be possible to improve (increase) the binding between CO<sub>2</sub> and the beer matrix in a beer susceptible to primary gushing. This link is in fact under

the governance of the law of Henry and more precisely of the constant “k.” This constant varying in function with temperature (!) establishes the solubility of gaseous CO<sub>2</sub> in liquids in function with the pressure. As indicated, the bonding between CO<sub>2</sub> and water is based on van der Waals forces and lowering the temperature can play an important role by helping the stability of the structure. In specialty beers with a complex structure, CO<sub>2</sub> can be more or less linked depending on the raw materials that are used by the recipe. In those beers, also depending on the brand characteristics (ale or lager for example), the use of an identical malt can be done without risks or provoke detrimental consequences after selling the beer. This all depends on the consumption (dispensing) conditions and on the aspects of the constant of Henry.

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##### **Optimization of kilning conditions for multiparameter equilibrium of malt using response surface methodology**

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The kilning process is a key process for final malt quality which is balanced by various positive and negative parameters. In this paper, the influence of kilning conditions on malt quality related to malt lipoxygenase (LOX), malty aroma, flavor stability, and sensory evaluation was investigated using response surface methodology (RSM). Micro-malting (1 kg) trials were conducted with Gairdner barley. A Box-Behnken factorial design with three factors and three levels was used for fitting a second-order response surface. The results indicated that the minimum value (3.36 U/g) of LOX activity was obtained when the kilning temperature, kilning time, and withering time were 90°C, 3.0 h, 14 h respectively, and were especially greatly affected by kilning temperature and withering time. The content of HDMF (4-hydroxy-2, 5-dimethyl-3 (2H)-furanone), TBZ value, and stale flavor aldehydes clearly increased with the rise of kilning temperature and the extension of kilning time and withering time. Second, the corresponding second-order mathematical models were established for predicting each parameter. Among them, *P* values of model equation of LOX activity, nonenal potential, HDMF, TBZ, methional, and furfural were 0.0303, 0.0301, 0.0402, 0.0037, 0.0103, and 0.0191, respectively, and *R*<sup>2</sup> values were 0.9165, 0.9168, 0.9054, 0.9658, 0.9475, and 0.9317, respectively, which indicated that *F* examination showed highly significant relativity for regression equations (*P* < 0.05) and data in excess of 90% could be well explained (*R*<sup>2</sup> > 0.88). Finally, setting the goal of minimizing LOX activity, nonenal potential, TBZ, methional, and furfural and maximizing the content of HDMF, we carried out optimization of the kilning process by balancing the above six positive and negative parameters and the optimum kilning conditions were obtained. The optimum kilning temperature, kilning time, and withering

time were 86.56°C, 3.14 h, and 14 h, respectively. These results offer understanding of the influence of kilning conditions on malt quality and provide technological guidance for malting plants.

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##### **Establishing a new quantitative method for *Fusarium* hydrophobins using LC/MS/MS**

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Hydrophobin, an amphiphilic low-molecular protein produced by filamentous fungi that infect barley and malt, is the direct cause of beer gushing. Hydrophobins produced by *Fusarium* fungi are especially known for their tendency to induce gushing in beer. It has been reported that, in beer, ~3 µg/L of such hydrophobins can cause gushing (Sarlin, T., et al. J. Inst. Brew., 111:105, 2005). To evaluate the gushing potential more accurately, the hydrophobins need to be quantified with higher specificity. Previously, papers reported measurements performed by the ELISA method using polyclonal antibody (Sarlin, T., et al. J. Inst. Brew., 111:105, 2005). However, since it does not quantify hydrophobin proteins with high specificity, a highly specific quantification method is desired. Thus, in this research, to analyze hydrophobins with higher accuracy and specificity, we established an analytical method that specifically quantifies hydrophobins derived from *Fusarium* fungi in beer and malt using liquid chromatography/triple quadrupole tandem mass spectrometry. A multiple reaction monitoring method was designed, using the target peptide fragments derived from hydrophobins that were detected after pre-treatment via enzymatic digestion and solid-phase extraction. This allowed for highly sensitive analyses with a detection limit of several µg/L for beer and less than 1 µg/g for malt. Malt samples that exhibited different gushing propensities in the gushing test were analyzed using our method. Results showed that malt samples with high hydrophobin content had a tendency to exhibit gushing. This indicated that our method has the potential to be useful for predicting gushing potential in malt and beer.

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##### **Identifying the protein molecular weight distribution of different malting barley varieties by capillary gel electrophoresis**

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It is well-known that the protein components of malting barley are correlated with barley variety and growing regions. This study examined the differences in protein molecular weight distribution (PMWD) among 18 malting barley varieties by capillary gel electrophoresis with 26 samples of 8 Canadian malting barley varieties (CDC Copeland, AC Metcalfe, CDC Meredith, Newdale,

Legacy, AC Bountiful, Sister, and Select) and 9 Australian malting barley varieties (Baudin, Gairdner, Schooner, Commander, Sloop, Vlamingh, Flagship, Hindmarsh, and Hamelin). The test results showed that there were some significant differences in protein molecular weight distribution between Canadian and Australian malting barley. The proportion of high molecular weight protein (e.g. 50–100 kDa molecules) for Canadian barley (16.74%–46.06%) was significantly higher than that for Australian barley (4.26%–16.16%). And the proportion of low molecular weight protein (e.g. less than 10 kDa molecules) for Australian barley (23.53%–41.86%) was significantly higher than that for Canadian barley (12.28%–32.54%). On the other hand, the PMWD of difference among the Canadian varieties was recorded: CDC Copeland's PMWD was similar to AC Metcalfe, and the 50–100 kDa protein proportion for the two varieties was highest among the 18 malting barley varieties. However, the proportions of 10–20 kDa, 20–50 kDa, and 50–100 kDa for AC Metcalfe and CDC Meredith were 31.6%, 16.01%, and 40.28% and 40.91%, 11.78%, and 16.74%, respectively. Compared with SDS-PAGE, the capillary gel electrophoresis has better resolution and accuracy, as well as higher degree of automation; this method could be used for screening barley varieties with high molecular weight protein, which offers better beer foam stability, and for the identification of malting barley varieties.

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##### **Development of a detection method and occurrence of citrinin in corn and rice from China**

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Citrinin (CIT) is a fungal metabolite and a common food contaminant which can cause the deterioration of liver or kidney function in animals. Corn and rice used in the brewing process have frequently been reported to be contaminated with fungi. In some countries, beer samples have been reported to be contaminated with a high concentration of CIT during the summer season. In this study, CIT protein conjugate antigen was prepared with bovine serum albumin (BSA), ovalbumin (OVA), and keyhole limpet hemocyanin (KLH) using CIT-BSA, CIT-KLH, CIT-OVA, CIT-DCC-BSA, and CIT-DCC-OVA. Titration results showed that only anti-CIT-KLH serum highly combined to CIT-BSA conjugate and CIT. The linear range for the developed indirect competitive ELISA was 1–100 µg/kg of CIT concentration, and the limit of detection for CIT was 0.1 µg/kg. Half maximal (50%) inhibitory concentration (IC<sub>50</sub>) of the anti-CIT-KLH serum was 9.8 µg/kg. The recovery rate of CIT from spiked grain samples was between 81.6% and 132%. The cross-reactivities of the anti-CIT-KLH serum against salbutamol, ractopamine, patulin, and aflatoxin B1 were less than 1.0%. A total of 88 samples of corn and rice were collected from farms and supermarkets in northeastern China. Among the samples tested by IC-ELISA, CIT was not detected in 85 (96.6%) of the samples. Only 1 corn and 2 rice samples were positive for CIT. The risk of CIT in corn and rice from northeastern China seems to exist as a public health concern and CIT concentration should be continuously monitored.

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**Effect of increasing nitrogen fertilization on barley protein content and endosperm modification during malting**

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Only about 25% of barley is selected for malting in Western Canada annually due to strict quality specifications, including acceptable levels of grain protein. While application of nitrogen fertilization can increase yield, it can also impair quality by increasing protein to undesirable levels. Barley with high grain protein content is difficult to modify and limits the amount of potential extract. The objective of this study was to determine the responses of four relatively new malting barley cultivars (AAC Synergy, CDC Kindersley, Voyageur, and Cerveza) to increasing nitrogen rates compared to the response of AC Metcalfe, the most commonly grown malting cultivar in Western Canada. In the first year of this study, the five cultivars were grown at four rates of nitrogen fertilization (0, 25, 50, and 100 kg/ha), producing grain with a range of protein levels. While increasing rates of nitrogen fertilization generally resulted in increased grain protein levels and associated decreases in malt extract, not all varieties responded similarly. AAC Synergy and CDC Kindersley had lower levels of protein at higher nitrogen levels. This resulted in better endosperm modification as indicated by improved friability, lower wort  $\beta$ -glucan, and increased levels of soluble protein. Preliminary results suggest that varieties differ with respect to their ability to resist the negative effects of increasing rates of nitrogen, resulting in smaller reductions in friability and malt extract than the check cultivar, AC Metcalfe. This indicates that the need to restrict application of nitrogen fertilizer in order to achieve acceptable grain protein levels, which has a detrimental effect on yield, can be overcome with specific variety choices.

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**Components in black malt impacting beer foam**

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Myriad factors impact the stability of beer foam. Substances can be classified into two categories: foam-positive and foam-negative. It was originally proposed by Bishop that intense heating of malt leads to the production of materials that are especially foam-positive, perhaps due to the cross-linking of polypeptides and polysaccharides. Small scale mashing was carried out with roasted barley and black malt and the foaming properties of materials extracted in the wort investigated. Mashing in the presence of added amylase appears to have a significant impact on the foaming properties of extracts of roasted barley, although not black malt. Generally the foaming performance of extracts of black malt

is superior to that from roasted barley, but not if amylases are included in the extraction of the latter. The paper will report studies on the isolation and characteristics of the foam-active materials from these preparations.

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**Determination of wheat protein in beer using the wheat/gluten (gliadin) ELISA kit: 2014 BCOJ Collaborative Work**

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Barley malt is the main ingredient in most Japanese beers, but wheat is also used as an ingredient in some types of beer. The objective was to establish a quantitative method for measuring allergenic wheat protein. The method will be able to detect contamination from a production line for beer containing wheat in beer not containing wheat produced on the same line. It will be useful to assess the impact on consumers who are allergic to the protein. The Consumer Affairs Agency in Japan indicates that the ELISA method is applicable to quantitate the allergenic wheat protein, and foods with wheat protein contents exceeding 10  $\mu\text{g/g}$  are evaluated positively. The ELISA method has not been used with beer in Japan until now. The BCOJ subcommittee was charged with evaluating the ELISA method. We evaluated wheat protein contents in beer with FASPEK Wheat/Gluten (Gliadin) ELISA Kit II which met the guidelines determined by the Consumer Affairs Agency. The collaborative work was performed by 12 associates. The statistical summary of results were as follows:  $\text{RSD}_r$  ranged from 2.0 to 4.7%;  $\text{RSD}_R$  ranged from 7.5 to 20.1%. Recovery of wheat protein was 83.8%. We judged these results were acceptable. The subcommittee recommended that the FASPEK Wheat/Gluten (Gliadin) ELISA method be adopted for inclusion in the Methods of Analysis of BCOJ.

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**Chinese barley malt filterability related proteins explored by the proteomic strategy**

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The filterability defect of domestic barley malt is a long-term disturbing problem in the Chinese brewing industry. In contrast, beer manufacture using Canadian and Australian barley malts seldom encounters this problem. The direct factor impacting filterability historically was considered to be certain incomplete hydrolyzed macromolecules, such as  $\beta$ -glucan, arabinoxylan (AX), and prolamine, which was attributed to complex reasons, including low expression level or activity of endogenous hydrolases, differential expression of isozymes among barley cultivars, affections of enzyme regulators, and even the excessive contents of macromolecules in barley. To systematically characterize filterability related proteins in Chinese barley malt, a proteomic strategy as applied. The Canadian Metcalfe barley malt, which has superior filterability, and the Chinese Dan'er barley malt, which has filterability problems, were chosen for comparative proteomic by two-dimensional difference gel electrophoresis (2D-DIGE). The Dan'er and Metcalfe barleys contained similar amounts of macromolecules. While the contents of macromolecules in their Congress wort were significantly different, with 226.1 mg/L of  $\beta$ -glucan and 1,072 mg/L of AX in Dan'er wort, and 102 mg/L of  $\beta$ -glucan and 750.1 mg/L of AX in Metcalfe wort, respectively. The proteomic results showed that Metcalfe malt had more hydrolases such as  $\beta$ -amylase and arabinofuranohydrolase (AXAH-I), while Dan'er malt expressed higher levels of pathogen related proteins, especially the serpins and peroxidase (POD). At the same time, the activity of AXAH-I was monitored during the Congress mash, using Dan'er and Metcalfe malts. Throughout the mashing process, the AXAH-I activity of Dan'er malt was always lower than that of Metcalfe. The highest AXAH-I activity shown by Dan'er wort was 9 mU/g malt, which was only 60% of the activity of Metcalfe (13 mU/g malt). To verify its role in malt filterability, a certain amount of AXAH-I was purified from Dan'er malt and added to the start of the EBC mashing process. It was found that extra AXAH-I added to the mash enhanced the separation rate, decreased viscosity, and also, unexpectedly, increased turbidity. When 6 mU/g malt of AXAH-I was added, the separation rate and turbidity were increased by 34.2% and 32.5%, and viscosity was reduced by 5.5%. Meanwhile, the contents of macromolecules, including high molecular weight AX and  $\beta$ -glucan, were reduced. Dan'er malt was also found to contain more POD, which could promote the cross-link between AX and ferulic acid (FA) to form feruloylarabinoxylans. The concentration of monomer AX-FA, the activity of POD, and the separation rate of 10 collected malt samples were detected in their Congress wort, the results showed that the wort separation rate was negatively correlated with these factors. With added ascorbic acid, the POD inhibitor to the EBC mashing process using Dan'er malt, the separation rate of Congress wort was significantly increased. The roles of other different proteins in filterability still need to be researched further.

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**Information to action: Using the ASBC Flavor Wheel to unwind the complexity of beer flavor**

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The ASBC Sensory Subcommittee has recently produced an updated model for describing beer flavor that is scientifically aligned with the sensory research of the last three decades and accounts for new complexities in brewing science. Nevertheless, a two-dimensional model remains an insufficient format for making this information actionable; to address this problem, the new ASBC Flavor Wheel is being released in conjunction with the ASBC Flavor Wheel App. The Flavor Wheel App allows for the easy transmission of vital information like attribute origin, threshold level, and reference. For the first time, the entire picture can be accessed with the click of a button, giving the user the ability to use the flavor wheel as a multidimensional training and troubleshooting tool. The app displays a computer generated, graphic representation of the flavor wheel with links to the ASBC Beer and Hop Flavor Databases. By providing both graphic and text search functionality it allows users to dive deeper into beer flavor.

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**Sensory bitterness quality of oxidized hop acids: Humulinones and hulupones**

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Extracts of known oxidized hop acids, humulinone and hulupone, were prepared from  $\alpha$ -acid and  $\beta$ -acid extracts using methods developed by Cook et al. (1955) and Wright (1963). High purity humulinone (93.7%) and hulupone (92.5%) extracts were achieved through reverse-phase preparative liquid chromatography and measured using high pressure liquid chromatography (HPLC-MS). Using results from prior sensory evaluation, the purified extracts along with commercially available iso- $\alpha$ -acids were dosed into unhopped lager beer at approximately equi-bitter concentrations (28 mg/L humulinone, 21 mg/L hulupone, 18 mg/L iso- $\alpha$ -acids). The dosed beers were evaluated by a panel of 10 trained tasters using descriptive analysis. The panel rated the quality of the bitterness using five descriptive terms: peak bitterness, duration, metallic, medicinal/harsh, and vegetative. The panel was capable of discriminating the beer treatments on four of the five sensory attributes, and the results suggest that the hulupone and iso- $\alpha$ -acid treatments were indistinguishable in bitterness quality, while the humulinone treatment was perceived to be lower in peak bitterness, less medicinal, and shorter in duration. Previous work in our lab has demonstrated that the bitterness intensity of humulinones and hulupones is greater than previously suspected. The presence of oxidized hop acids and differences in sensory bitterness quality should be taken into account when formulating beer with aged/oxidized hops.

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### Automating measurement of malt diastatic power

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Malt diastatic power is determined by measuring a D-glucose end product with a specific enzymatic reaction. Instead of using traditional titration measurements or a flow analyzer for reducing sugars, a discrete analyzer is used. The advantage of such a technique is speed, ease-of-use, and the ability to test a broad range of analytes, like free amino nitrogen (FAN), sulfur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>), bitterness, protein, or color. This method principle is based on photometric determination of diastatic power in homogenous liquid malt samples using an automated Thermo Scientific Gallery Plus Beermaster analyzer. The process extracts enzymes by malt infusion, followed by the reaction of a solution with ASBC Malt-6 special starch substrate under the controlled conditions of time, temperature, pH, and enzyme-substrate relations. The resulting sugars, primarily maltose, further react with  $\alpha$ -glucosidase to produce glucose. Glucose is measured using the Thermo Scientific D-glucose kit, a method based on the reaction of glucose with hexokinase and glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase. Measurements are taken at 37°C with a 340 nm filter. Preparation of the special starch solution, malt infusion, calibrator, and  $\alpha$ -glucosidase solution is required. The D-glucose method is based on ready-to-use traceable system reagents. After formation of the sugars, all reagent and sample additions, measurements, and reporting of results are automated. First results are reported quickly and several samples can be analyzed without the need for additional hands-on time. The sample preparation process described in the ASBC Malt-6 method can be used. Megazyme EMAST malt amylase was used as a calibration standard. The lot concentration is usually about 220 ASBC units and a linear calibration type can be used. If additional speed is required, the analyzer's software allows the enzyme calibration to be changed to a factor calibrated test and the factor can be verified by an automated request for a quality control sample. This method has been tested with samples varying from 52 to 368 ASBC units. A method correlation study compared gallery results to the reference method. Preliminary results were obtained using Sigma-Aldrich  $\alpha$ -glucosidase which was diluted with 0.5 % NaCl. The method has been further developed by improving the solution of  $\alpha$ -glucosidase. With a new citrate buffer, the  $\alpha$ -glucosidase enzyme reagent can be frozen in aliquots enabling cost-effective enzymatic analysis. The discrete analyzer allows flexible, fast, and accurate diastatic power analysis, as well as simultaneous analysis of other analytes. By using the sample and substrate preparation methods already used by the laboratory along with an enzyme preparation as a calibrator, results can be easily correlated to existing methods.

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### Comparison of tetrad and triangle testing as an applicable discrimination test

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Panelist availability is a primary struggle for many sensory programs. This creates challenges in obtaining statistically powerful results and can lead to improper conclusions. A triangle test is the most widely used difference test. However, it requires a large number of panelists to obtain results with confidence. The tetrad test is a new alternative method. In this study, we will compare not only the theory of tetrad versus triangle but the practical application as well. Panelists evaluated products using both tetrad and triangle tests with known differences in diacetyl. The results of this study indicate the tetrad test is more operationally powerful and applicable than the triangle test.

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### Determination of sugar metabolism profiles of non-traditional yeasts in the *Saccharomyces* and *Brettanomyces* families

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Maltotriose is a major constituent of brewing wort and is metabolized poorly by many strains of brewing yeast. The presence of residual extract in finished beer can have significant impacts on flavor, packaging stability, and resistance to spoilage bacteria. Recently the popularity of beers brewed or aged with non-traditional yeast strains, particularly in the *Brettanomyces* family, has risen dramatically. While the maltotriose fermentation profile of more traditional yeasts such as *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* and *S. pombe* is well known, the ability to metabolize maltotriose by yeasts in the *Brettanomyces* family is less well characterized. The objective in this study was to begin the process of determining the metabolic preferences and abilities of several non-traditional yeast strains such as *B. bruxellensis*, *B. custersianus*, and *S. ludwigii* in comparison to that of a commonly used strain of *S. cerevisiae*. Standard malt extract wort was prepared and inoculated with each yeast strain. The wort was aerated and fermentation was allowed to proceed to completion. The sugar profile of the fermentation mixture was monitored periodically using HPLC with an Aminex HPX-87H column and ELSD detection. We found that the ability to metabolize maltose and maltotriose varied widely between different yeast strains. Whereas *S. cerevisiae* is known to consume glucose, maltose, and maltotriose, we found that neither *B. custersianus* nor *S. ludwigii* were able to metabolize maltose, but were able to clear glucose and maltotriose efficiently from the media. This work suggests that final fermentation or aging of finished beer in the presence of these yeasts could be a useful tool to assure complete fermentation of maltotriose, increase package stability, and add protection against spoilage bacteria.

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### Simultaneous quantification of furaneol and sotolon in beer and other alcoholic beverages by in-solution derivatization-GC-MS analysis

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Furaneol and sotolon have been identified in beer, wines, and other alcoholic beverages as very important aroma compounds. However, it is difficult to reliably analyze these compounds due to their high polarity and thermal instability. In this study, a reliable and robust method was developed to analyze furaneol and sotolon based on *N,O*-bis(trimethylsilyl) trifluoroacetamide (BSTFA) silylation coupled with GC-MS. Various derivative parameters were evaluated, and the results demonstrated that the ratio of sample, BSTFA (5% trimethyl chlorosilane, TMCS), and dichloromethane of 1:1:1, derivatization temperature of 50°C, and reaction time of 30 min were the best for the reaction. Recovery of furaneol and sotolon was 92.5 and 85.2%, respectively. Limit of detection (LOD) and limit of quantification (LOQ) were 7.3 and 9.1 µg/L for furaneol and 24.3 to 30.4 µg/L for sotolon, respectively. The optimal method resulted in good repeatability and reproducibility with inter- and intra-day relative standard deviations less than 11%. The developed method was applied to wines, beer, and iced tea; the results showed that the beer samples had the highest furaneol and sotolon concentrations, ranging from 101 µg/L to 487 µg/L, which was 200–400 times higher than in Pinot Noir wine and 20–40 times higher than the iced tea.

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### A simple, cost-effective treatment for declumping super yeast

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In the early fermentation stages, many types of yeast cells may form clusters that can increase the difficulty for both manual counting, as well as automated image-based cell counting. In this work, we demonstrate a simple and cost-effective method for declumping yeast cells in order to facilitate accurate automated cell counting and viability measurement. We examined the Super San Diego Yeast that has high clumping characteristic during fermentation. A beer sample with Super Yeast was collected from the fermentation tank and treated with a small dose of HCl for 10–30 seconds. A

control sample was treated with the same dose of H<sub>2</sub>O for the same duration. Concentrations of both samples were then measured in an Cellometer X2 image cytometer. Results showed that after declumping treatment, the yeast concentration increased due to the single cell suspension that can be accurately counted. The declumping method also improved the accuracy of measuring viability with PI using Cellometer X2. By utilizing the declumping method, clumpy yeast or yeast in early stage of fermentation can be made into a single cell suspension, which can improve the accuracy in cell counting and viability.

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### Formation of humulinones in hops and hop pellets and its implication for dry-hopped beers

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Humulinones are formed by the oxidation of  $\alpha$ -acids. Their detection in hops, hop pellets, and dry-hopped beers is relatively new. Humulinone formation in leaf hops and continued formation days following hop pelleting can occur in the absence of air. High HSI (hop storage index) hops have higher concentrations of humulinones than low HSI hops and concentrations as high as 0.2%–0.5% w/w are typically found in hops and hop pellets. Humulinones have been measured in dry-hopped beers at concentrations as high as 24 ppm and their bitterness has been reported to be 65% that of iso- $\alpha$ -acids. Detailed analysis of the concentration of humulinones found in hops, hop pellets, and dry-hopped beers will be presented.

*John Paul Maye is the technical director at Hopsteiner. John Paul received his Ph.D. degree in organic chemistry from Purdue University in 1994. He started his work as a hop chemist in 1993 at Pfizer's Brewing Ingredients Division located in Milwaukee, WI. He has published several papers and patents on hops and their applications inside and outside of brewing. In 2000 he was the recipient of the Eric Kneen Memorial Award for his publication in the Journal of the American Society of Brewing Chemists on the preparation of HPLC standards for isomerized and reduced  $\alpha$ -acids. He is also a founding member and secretary of the International Hop Standards Committee.*

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### Characterization of *Humulus lupulus* microbial communities by Illumina 16S rRNA gene amplicon sequencing

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The female inflorescence of the common hop (*Humulus lupulus*) is a necessary ingredient that provides distinctive aromatics, bitterness, and antiseptic properties to beer. Although substantial research has been conducted on the antiseptic properties of hops, almost no research exists on the natural microbial communities that populate this perennial herbaceous vine. High-throughput DNA sequencing was conducted on samples from hop plants to characterize the microbial community of cones and leaves, and

from the soils located at the base of mature plants. Samples were obtained aseptically from hops vines in September 2014 and stored at  $-80^{\circ}\text{C}$  until DNA extraction. Microbial genomic DNA was extracted directly from each soil sample ( $n = 8$ ), and the microorganisms removed from the surfaces of cone ( $n = 9$ ) and leaf ( $n = 5$ ) samples by sonication. The V3 and V4 regions of 16S rRNA genes were PCR amplified into single amplicons of approximately 460 bp, which were sequenced with an Illumina MiSeq. A genus-level hierarchical classification grouped samples into two distinct clusters, one representing the microbiomes of cones and leaves and the second the microbiomes of soils. Shannon diversity indexes for cone and leaf samples were mostly lower than for soil samples. Cone and leaf microbiomes were dominated numerically by the genera *Sphingomonas* (phylum Proteobacteria), *Calothrix* (phylum Cyanobacteria), and *Pseudomonas* (phylum Proteobacteria). In most samples these genera represented 50% or more of the sequences yet none of these appeared in soils. Soils also differed in that the most common genera rarely accounted for more than 20% of all sequences. The most common genera in soils included *Megasphaera* (phylum Firmicutes), *Pedospaera* (phylum Verrucomicrobia), and three from the phylum Proteobacteria: *Azospirillum*, *Chondromyces*, and *Rhodoplanes*. At the conclusion of this study we elucidate the microbial communities associated with *H. lupulus*, a crop of significant importance to the brewing community, and reveal potential agents of contamination resulting from the post-boil addition of hops.

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### Selective adsorption of hop derived aroma substances by nonviable dry brewing yeast

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There have been many studies on selective adsorption of nonpolar substances by viable brewing yeast. Besides viable brewing yeast, we have found that nonviable dry brewing yeast also has the same characteristic. Viable brewing yeast adsorbs nonpolar substances selectively. Therefore, hop derived polar substances such as myrcene and humulene, resin-like aroma substances, are adsorbed to a greater extent compared to less polar substances such as linalool and geraniol, floral and/or fruity aroma substances. This is one of the reasons for favorable modification of hop aroma during beer fermentation. With this selectivity of viable brewing yeast, hop flavors have been developed by bringing viable brewing yeast into contact with hop oil. However, the method requires control of fermentation. Furthermore, alcohol is produced and as a result, it could not be used for non-alcohol beverage products, such as alcohol-free beers. Therefore, the objective of the study was to find a suitable, easy to handle and non-alcohol producing adsorbent which is a substitute for viable brewing yeast. In a first experiment, activated carbon and synthesized adsorbent were added to hop oil respectively. Both results showed no selectivity in adsorption. Not only myrcene and humulene, but also linalool and geraniol were more than 90% adsorbed. In the second experiment, non-viable dried brewing yeast was put into contact with hop oil. The yeast is a by-product of beer and is produced by drying yeast from beer at a temperature higher than  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Because of its high content of nutrients, such as amino acids and minerals, it is used in cattle feed or dietary supplement for humans or lipid membranes of the yeast

are used as materials for medical capsules. Recent studies revealed its function as biosorbent. For example, it adsorbs iron ions, odor inducing factors, from red wine or cadmium ions from wastewater to prevent water pollution. Therefore, we have investigated its selectivity of adsorption to hop derived resin-like aroma substances. The result of the experiment showed a selectivity similar to viable brewing yeast. Myrcene and humulene were adsorbed at 90% and 85%, respectively. On the other hand, adsorption of linalool was 20% and of geraniol was 35%. No alcohol was produced. Therefore, we have identified nonviable dry brewing yeast as a suitable biosorbent for producing hop flavors.

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### Examination of extraction solvents to improve laboratory efficiency and reduce solvent use for the analysis of hop products

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Hops are typically analyzed for their bitter acids composition through the use of ultraviolet (UV) spectrophotometric or high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) analysis. American Society of Brewing Chemists (ASBC) methods have been developed for UV spectrophotometric and HPLC analysis of  $\text{CO}_2$  hop extracts (Hops-8 and Hops-14, respectively). Hops-14 can also be used for HPLC analysis of hop cones and pellets, but a separate method has been approved for UV spectrophotometric analysis (Hops-6a). Each of the three ASBC methods (Hops-6a, 8, and 14) utilizes a different solvent protocol for extracting hop components for instrumental analysis. If the same solvent could be used to prepare samples for both UV spectrophotometric and HPLC analysis, it would reduce sample preparation time and laboratory solvent use significantly. Methanol is a solvent commonly employed in the extraction of hop components for analysis. In this study we explored the use of a common methanol solvent protocol for the preparation of cone hops, hop pellets, and  $\text{CO}_2$  hop extract samples for UV spectrophotometric and HPLC analysis of their bitter hop acid components. A single solvent system utilizing methanol was found to produce statistically comparable results for UV spectrophotometric and HPLC analyses of  $\text{CO}_2$  hop extracts. However, a methanol solvent system was not appropriate for extracting hop cones and pellets for UV spectrophotometric and HPLC analysis as the results were significantly different from analysis performed using the standard ASBC solvent protocols.

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### A comparison of quality: Freeze-dried versus kiln-dried Cascade hops

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This study investigates freeze-drying hops (*Humulus lupulus*) and its effects on hop and beer quality. Cascade hops grown in Yakima, WA, were harvested from a single plot and then both freeze-dried and kiln-dried. A 5 kg proportion of the Cascade hops was freeze-dried at Oregon State University, and the remaining Cascades hops were conventionally dried in a commercial kiln. Instrumental analysis showed the freeze-dried hops contained substantially more oil than the kiln-dried hops (2.5 mL per 100 g vs. 1.6 mL per 100 g) and had a lower HSI than the kiln-dried hops (0.26 vs. 0.33). GC analysis of the hop cones indicated that the freeze-dried and kiln-dried Cascades also had differences in hop oil composition. Sensory analysis was carried out in beer to determine the flavor impact of the hop drying methods. A single malt lager was prepared as the control beer, bittered with high  $\alpha$  extract to 20 BU. Forty liters of the lager was dry hopped with the freeze-dried Cascade hops and another forty liters was dry hopped with the kiln-dried Cascades hops; both at a level of 5.7 g per L (1.5 lb per bbl). A 14 member trained panel was capable of distinguishing the beers in triangle testing ( $P = 0.01$ ,  $N = 14$ ). In descriptive analysis testing, the panel scored the freeze-dried beer higher in grassy and earthy attributes, and the kiln-dried beer higher in fruity attributes. The drying method of the hops significantly impacted the aroma profile of the dry-hopped beers. Although the kiln-drying method produced hops with lower oil content and higher HSI, desirable flavor characteristics of the hops were transferred to the finished beer.

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### Sensory and analytical assessment of advanced hop products and the influence of hop starting material on bitterness

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The use by brewers of pre-isomerized and reduced advanced hop products, such as dihydro-( $r$ )-iso- $\alpha$  acids (Rho), tetrahydro-iso- $\alpha$  acids (Tetra), and hexahydro-iso- $\alpha$  acids (Hexa), continues to increase. Given the potential for each of these to impart different relative bitterness to beer, as well as the previously unexplored variance associated with the starting material and the manufacturing process involved, a study was undertaken to better assess how various hop acid products impact beer flavor and bitterness. Reduced hop acid products and starting materials evaluated included  $\alpha$ -acid derived,  $\beta$ -acid derived, and iso- $\alpha$ -acid derived Tetra;  $\alpha$ -acid and  $\beta$ -acid derived Hexa; and  $\alpha$ -acid and iso- $\alpha$ -acid derived Rho. Each of the eight different reduced iso- $\alpha$ -acid products was individually dosed into unhopped lager beer and evaluated using two different trained sensory panels. The samples were rated on eight attributes: citrus, paper, medicinal, astringent, vegetative, metallic, peak bitterness intensity, and duration of bitterness. Through replicated descriptive analysis testing, the panels found significant differences between the different classes

of advanced hop acids. For example, univariate and multivariate analyses of the descriptive data suggest that large differences exist between Rho, Hexa, and Tetra in lager beer while only subtle differences exist within the Tetra treatments. Surprisingly, the Tetra samples that exhibited the greatest differences in sensory scores were the most similar in terms of analog composition, suggesting that the relative concentrations of individual analogs (e.g., *co*-tetrahydro-iso- $\alpha$  acids) are not a valid predictor of sensory bitterness quality. Replicated triangle testing also found no differences within Hexa nor within Tetra treatments. While solubility and other physical differences can exist, generating Tetra from hop  $\alpha$ -acids, iso- $\alpha$ -acids, or  $\beta$ -acids will produce a product of similar bitterness quality. Details of the product syntheses, brewing and dosing, analytical analysis, sensory analysis, and data processing will be discussed.

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### Validation and application of osmolyte concentration as an indicator to evaluate fermentability of wort and malt

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Prediction of brewing performance is important and most breweries still resort to a small-scale fermentability test, which entails the fermentation of wort under controlled conditions in an excess amount of yeast. The objective of study was to develop a new simple and quick approach based on osmolyte concentration (OC) to predict wort fermentability. Eight malts from seven barley cultivars were assayed for DP (diastatic power), starch-degrading enzymes ( $\alpha$ -amylase,  $\beta$ -amylase, and limit dextrinase). Then malts were mashed to determine wort OC (WOC), RDF (real degree of fermentation), and sugar in a small-scale mashing protocol with a mash temperature of 65°C. First, WOC correlated better with  $\alpha$ -amylase and limit dextrinase ( $r = 0.881$  and  $0.831$ , respectively;  $P < 0.01$ ) than did DP, which only had a correlation with  $\beta$ -amylase ( $r = 0.855$ ,  $P < 0.01$ ). Moreover, wort RDF correlated significantly with WOC ( $r = 0.929$ , respectively;  $P < 0.01$ ), suggesting that WOC can be used to evaluate malt fermentability without use of yeast and fermentation step. Meanwhile, WOC correlated dramatically with maltose, glucose, total sugars and fermentable sugars ( $r = 0.923$ ,  $0.928$ ,  $0.807$ , and  $0.982$ , respectively;  $P < 0.01$ ). These suggested that WOC can be used to quickly predict the wort sugar contents. Furthermore, the effect of mashing temperature and duration on the WOC, RDF, and sugar was discussed. Adjusted mash temperature near 65°C or extended mash duration dramatically increased RDF and WOC simultaneously, whereas ME (malt extract) was relatively stable. Similarly, WOC had significant correlations with RDF and fermentable sugars ( $r = 0.912$  and  $0.942$ , respectively;  $P < 0.01$ ), suggesting that WOC could provide a simple and fast tool to assist brewers in optimizing mash parameters toward the production of ideal wort fermentability and sugar content. In conclusion, the ability of WOC to predict malt fermentability and sugar content allows brewers to keep better control of fermentability in the face of variation in malt quality and quickly adjust mashing conditions for the consistency of wort fermentability.

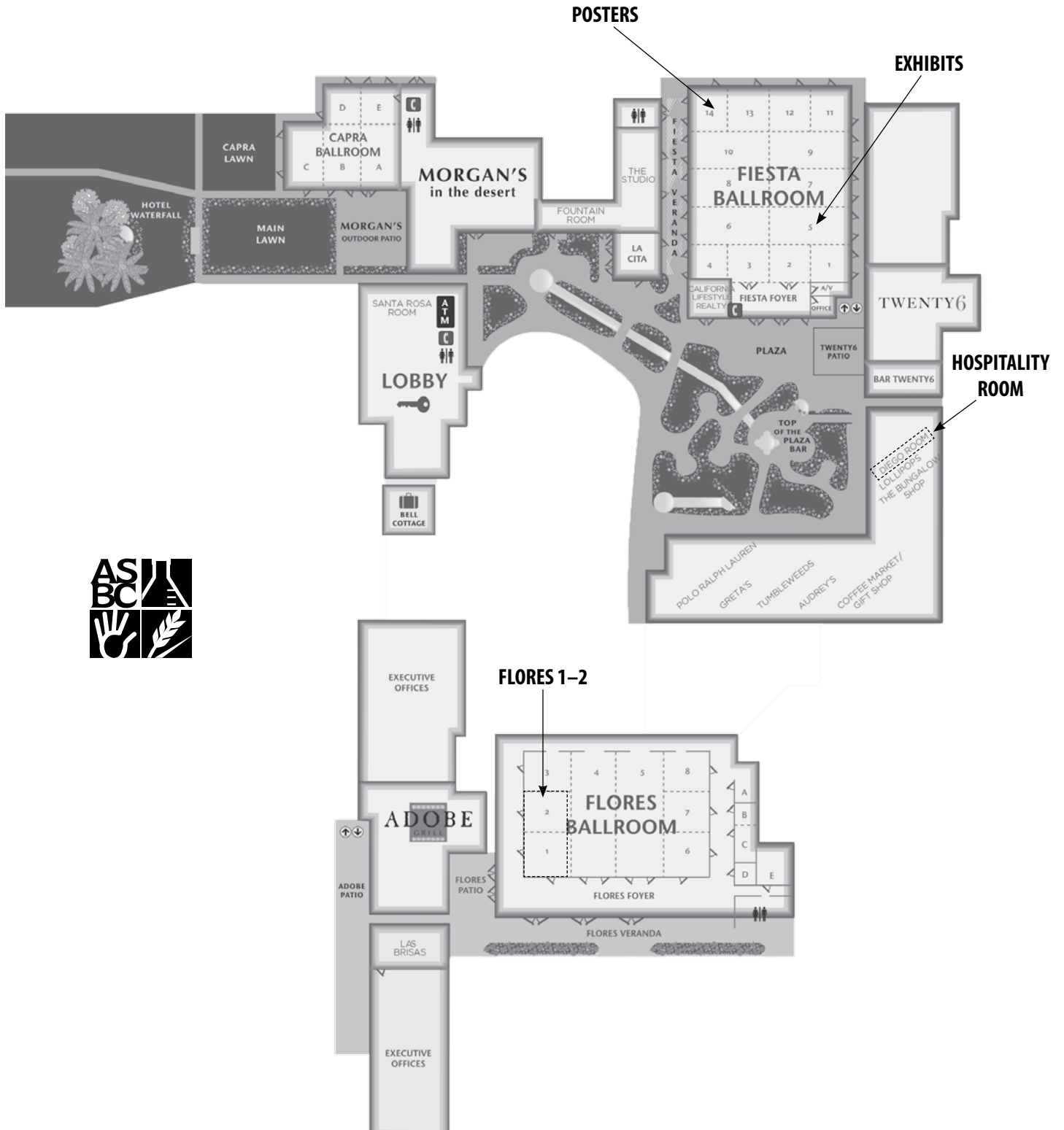


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# FACILITIES MAP





## POSTERS

### Poster Hours

Posters will be open all day on Monday and Tuesday in Fiesta 13–14, located adjacent to the exhibit and lunch area. Times are subject to change.

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<b>Monday, June 15</b>	12:00–2:00 p.m.	Exhibits, Posters, and Lunch <i>12:30–1:00 p.m. Odd-numbered poster authors at poster</i> <i>1:00–1:30 p.m. Even-numbered poster authors at poster</i>
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*Moderators: Kimberly Bacigalupo, Sierra Nevada Brewing Co.; Christine Hansen, E. & J. Gallo Winery; Dan Vollmer, Oregon State University*

### Poster Topics

40. M. Postulkova. Origin of hydrophobins and the constant “k” in Henry’s Law govern the volume of foam formed by primary gushing of beer
41. S. Huang. Optimization of kilning conditions for multiparameter equilibrium of malt using response surface methodology
42. K. Inomoto. Establishing a new quantitative method for *Fusarium* hydrophobins using LC/MS/MS
43. J. Yu. Identifying the protein molecular weight distribution of different malting barley varieties by capillary gel electrophoresis
44. W. J. Lee. Development of a detection method and occurrence of citrinin in corn and rice from China
45. A. I. MacLeod. Effect of increasing nitrogen fertilization on barley protein content and endosperm modification during malting
46. M. Kanauchi. Components in black malt impacting beer foam
47. T. Watanabe. Determination of wheat protein in beer using the wheat/gluten (gliadin) ELISA kit: 2014 BCOJ Collaborative Work
48. X. Li. Chinese barley malt filterability related proteins explored by the proteomic strategy
49. D. O. Letcher. Information to action: Using the ASBC Flavor Wheel to unwind the complexity of beer flavor
50. M. Peltz. Sensory bitterness quality of oxidized hop acids: Humulinones and hulupones
52. A. Suoniemi-Kähärä. Automating measurement of malt diastatic power
53. A. Donelan. Comparison of tetrad and triangle testing as an applicable discrimination test
54. W. A. Deutschman. Determination of sugar metabolism profiles of non-traditional yeasts in the *Saccharomyces* and *Brettanomyces* families
56. M. C. Qian. Simultaneous quantification of furaneol and sotolon in beer and other alcoholic beverages by in-solution derivatization-GC-MS analysis
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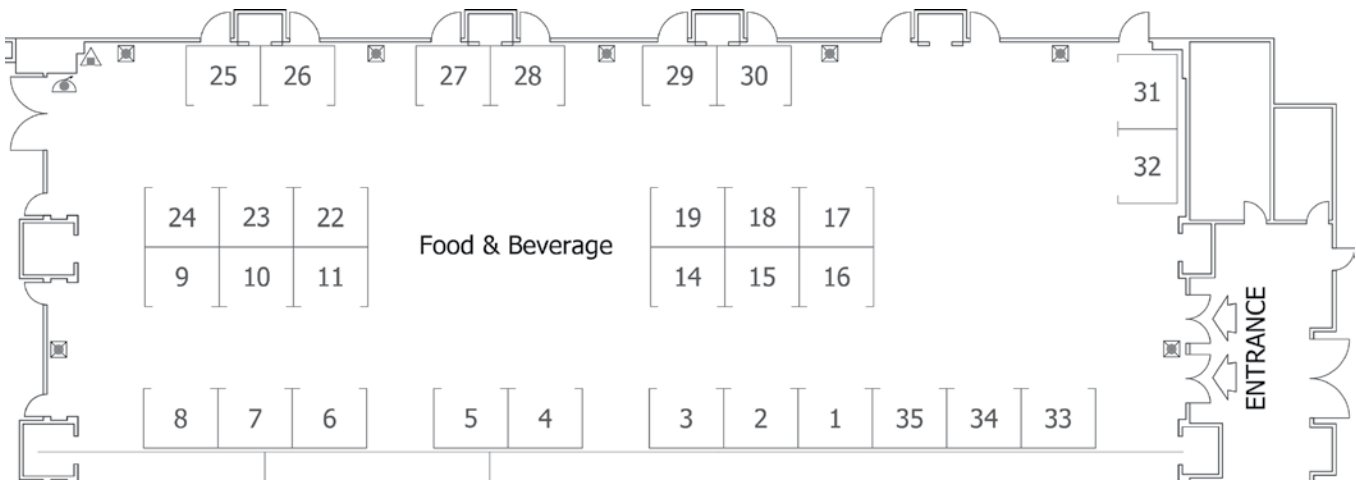
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3	ERA, A Waters Company	16	GEA Westfalia Separator	29	Ecolab
4	Argelith Ceramic Tiles, Inc.	17	LECO	30	Ellutia Inc.
5	Cargill Malt	18	Logos Biosystems, Inc.	31	Siebel Institute & Lallemand Brewing
6	Anton Paar USA	19	Hach	32	American Tartaric Products, Inc.
7	Bruker BioSpin Corp.	22	Thermo Scientific	33	Profamo Inc.
8	Rheonix Food and Beverage Testing	23	Skalar	34	Gusmer Enterprises
9	White Labs	24	optek-Danulat, Inc.	35	Nexcelom Bioscience
10	Hygiena	25	Pentair		
11	DSM Food Specialties	26	Aber Instruments Ltd.		

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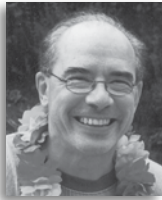
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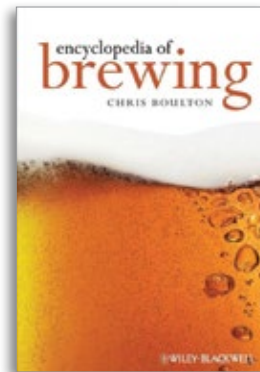
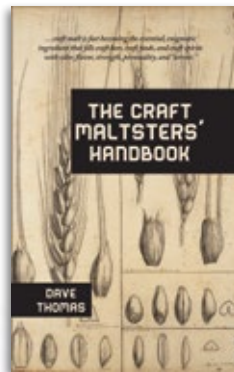
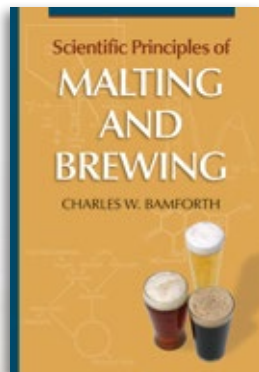
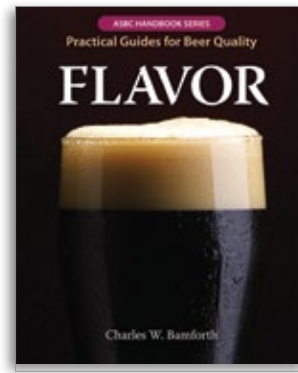
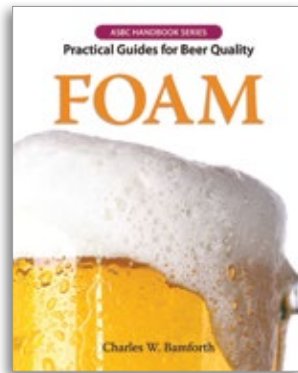
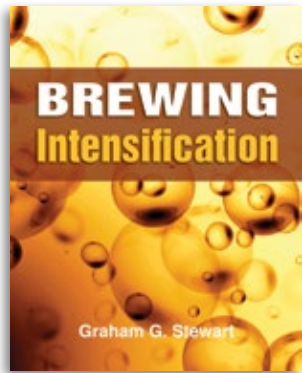


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