

# Announcing the New Peer-Reviewed “Journal of Distilling Science”

*A Peer-Reviewed Science Journal published by Artisan Spirit Magazine in cooperation with  
The Society of Distilling Scientists and Technologists.*

**An Introduction:** Artisan Spirit Magazine began its journey nine years ago, diving headfirst into an industry of art, technology, business, and, most importantly, science. The industry, and its people, have traveled miles since that wild start, and we are profoundly humbled to have been welcomed into a family of entrepreneurs, academics, and scientists. Its with that same family that we are joyously excited to announce the creation of the peer-reviewed “Journal of Distilling Science,” alongside the future formation of an independent non-profit “Society of Distilling Scientists and Technologists” (SDST). Over two years in the making, the SDST is the passion project of Gary Spedding, Ph.D, and a group of likeminded scientists, academics, and distillers.

**A New Scientific Body - the Society and the Journal:** The non-profit, multi-disciplinary-relevant SDST will be open to any distiller/brewer or allied industry individual worldwide who is interested in the field of distilling potable beverages and or those associated with its attendant raw materials and quality assurance/quality control, and to those who appreciate, market, or serve alcoholic beverages. The focus is on the science and technology of producing potable beverages and to provide expert advice and services to the distilling industry. This will include promoting and supporting relevant research as needed for the key scientific disciplines and domains of and within the industry.

The associated peer-reviewed journal for the publication of reviews and solid research is the Journal of Distilling Science (JDS), and is open to an international audience, publishing high-quality and original scientific papers communicating significant research, technical reports, applicable analytical techniques and methods, and reviews, that deal with the scientific and technical disciplines applied primarily to the distilling of high quality potable alcoholic beverages (biology/microbiology, chemistry/biochemistry, molecular biology, physics and engineering). Acceptable research and review areas include those related to the brewing, fermentation (including multiple parallel and solid-state fermentation and koji production, etc.), distilling, maturation and distribution of quality distilled spirits and to their associated raw materials and by-products. Papers will be accepted for review from universities and colleges, research institutes and industrial laboratories, distilleries, raw materials producers, and allied industries supporting the testing and quality control functions of distilling operations. All submitted materials will be sent to three expert reviewers for their considered assessment with due consideration to all confidentiality.

**The Journal Team:** The review board comprises over 50 highly qualified scientists, master distillers, and academics covering all branches of science, technology, physics, math, theoretical, and engineering.

Members of the independent editorial board include distillation and fermentation scientists and distillers from key Universities and Institutions hailing from the USA, Canada, Mexico, South America, Europe, and Asia. The review process will include a minimum of three reviewers per manuscript utilizing a blind review/editing structure for only the highest quality reviews, original papers, and technical reports.

**Members of the board include:** Aaron MacLeod, Alan Wolstenholme, Andrew Weihebrink, Conor O'Driscoll, Dean McDonald, Denise Anderson, Dr. Akira Wanikawa, Dr. Alex Speers, Dr. Ana Valenzuela, Dr. Andre Ricardo Alcarde, Dr. Andrei Prida, Dr. Annie Hill, Dr. Blake Layfield, Dr. Bowen Wang, Dr. Brad Berron, Dr. Chris Gerling, Dr. Chris Paumi, Dr. Christopher Findlay, Dr. Curtis Bird, Dr. Darrin L. Smith, Dr. Derek Bussan, Dr. Franklin Chen, Dr. Greg Miller, Dr. Jacob Lahne, Dr. Jeannine Delwiche, Dr. John Edwards, Dr. Kurt A. Rosentrater, Dr. Matt McCarroll, Dr. Michael Qian, Dr. Nik Willoughby, Dr. Patrick Hayes, Dr. Patrick Heist, Dr. Paul Hughes, Dr. Ray Marsili, Dr. Seth DeBolt, Dr. Stuart Williams, Dr. Tom Collins, Dr. Gary Spedding, Gordon Burns, Jamie Baxter, John Jeffery, Liz Rhodes, Luis Ayala, Martin Williams, Matthew Pauly, Miguel Ceden, Molly Troupe, Reade Huddleston, Rob Arnold, Rob McCaughey, Roy Desrochers, Sir Adam Carmer, Steve Wright, and Toshio Ueno.

**Gary Spedding**, "I am so happy to have a stellar team in place as we move forward. There was clear interest in the need for such a journal from the distilling community and excitement from all I contacted in joining us. The time is right, and the time is now!"

**In-Closing:** I cannot express how excited we are to launch a high-quality science journal for peer-reviewed distilling papers to benefit the distilling community worldwide. It is a tremendous responsibility, and a challenge we are thrilled to undertake.

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