Sustainability and operational excellence

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Abstract

Water, the essence of life, needs preservation.

A study published nearly decade ago, by the 2030 Water Resources Group, concluded that, in 2030, competing demands for water resources would create an estimated gap of 40% between global demand and supply. Water usage optimisation projects must be embraced now more than ever. Opportunities exist for FMCG companies to optimise site water usage through practices driving prevention of waste or plants maintaining consistent, sustainable hygiene standards. A holistic site hygiene plan, including water hygiene management is required. Practical approaches to manage water hygiene are presented showing positive impact on plant hygiene and water usage when implemented.

SPEAKER/S PROFILE/S + PHOTOGRAPH

Bettie worked as a microbiologist for SAB optimising fermentations and sustainable brewery hygiene. She received the IBD award for the presentation: “Assuring Brewing Water Hygiene for the Future” based on this work. Her PhD from University of Stellenbosch resulted in the MBAA Presidential award. She was appointed as affiliated Professor at the University of Free State, serves on the editorial board of the ASBC (American Society of Brewing Chemists) and have authored/co-authored 26 papers related to yeast research and brewing science. Bettie holds a MSc in Molecular Genetics (cum laude) as well as a PhD in Microbiology. She is currently a Project Development Manager with NrG.

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References – Previous Speaking Experiences

- 1999: Winner of the MBAA Presidential award for the outstanding refereed paper “Optimisation of wort dissolved oxygen for an industrial brewers' yeast in high gravity brewing”.

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- 2007: Invited to present the plenary lecture for the session on Brewing yeasts at the 26th ISSY (International Specialized Symposium on Yeasts). This work was published as a review paper in Federation of European Microbiological Societies (FEMS) in 2008.
- 2009: Invited as SME to present an intensive course on Yeast and Fermentation (Seminario de Cerveceria) to the SABMiller breweries in Colombia.
- 2011: Presented as invited speaker to Wort Hog Brewers on the topics of "Cleaning & Sanitation" and "Yeast & Fermentation"
- 2015: Presented as invited speaker to craft brewer's Beer Boot Camp on "Maintaining your own yeast culture at home".
- 2015: JP Dufour award for the paper entitled "Assuring Brewing Water Hygiene for the future".
- 2017: Presented as invited speaker to craft brewer's PowWow on "Yeast Propagation and Harvesting"

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