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## 2017 Revision Guide to Authors

The *American Journal of Enology and Viticulture* (AJEV) publishes full-length research papers, research notes, literature reviews, and technical briefs on subjects related to enology and viticulture.

*Research papers* are scientific communications that present a new principle, rigorously test an existing hypothesis, or otherwise provide important novel information to the scientific community. Descriptive studies that are hypothesis generating also fit into this category.

*Research notes* present data of value to the scientific community. Examples include an extensive compositional study/survey from a single region that would be valuable in a broader examination of fruit or wine quality attributes in different wine-growing areas; an ampelographic study of regional varieties; or an update on research already performed. Research notes must draw a conclusion, may present important but negative results, and are generally no longer than three to five published pages (3,300 words, excluding figures and tables).

*Literature reviews* synthesize the hypotheses and results within the research area under review and critically compare the published literature.

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### Review Process

The viticulture and enology editors assign each manuscript to an associate editor. Manuscripts then undergo a two-step review

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- Online manuscript submission: <http://ajev.edmgr.com>
  - Format and organize manuscripts as explained in *Content of Manuscripts*, p. 2
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process. Manuscripts are first screened to determine whether they meet AJEV standards of scientific rigor and language. Manuscripts that are largely descriptive, confirmatory, or that otherwise do not present any new information or novel insights will not be accepted.

A manuscript that passes the initial screening is generally sent to two peer reviewers (some articles receive one to three reviews). AJEV has a single-blind review process in that authors are identified to reviewers, but reviewers are not identified to authors. Additional reviewers are consulted as necessary. Reviewer comments and the associate editor's decision regarding acceptability of the manuscript will be forwarded to the corresponding author by the managing editor. AJEV does its best to return timely reviews, but reviewers and editors do volunteer their time and may often be delayed by academic duties. Authors should be willing to review other submitted manuscripts when requested by AJEV.

The editors reserve the right to edit accepted manuscripts to make them conform with AJEV style and/or to return them to the authors for further clarification. Any revision that has not been submitted within six months following the date of the initial decision notification letter will be considered withdrawn (with pre-notice communicated to the author by the managing editor). If the authors wish for the manuscript to still be considered by AJEV, the manuscript will be required to be resubmitted and undergo a full review process.

Authors of submitted manuscripts should recommend three qualified reviewers who are not members of their institutions and who are not collaborators. Such reviewers are contacted at the discretion of the associate editor. Authors may also note individuals they prefer not to review their manuscripts. Any correspondence from the author should be directed to the managing editor.

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Authorship should be based only on substantial contributions to (1) the conception and design or analysis and interpretation

of data and (2) the drafting of the paper or major revision for important intellectual content. The corresponding author must obtain final approval of the manuscript from all authors. All authors must have agreed to submission of the paper and take public responsibility for defending its content, including acknowledgments and citations, and have agreed that the corresponding author act on their behalf on all matters pertaining to publication. It is the corresponding author's responsibility to provide all coauthors with a copy of both the submitted and final manuscripts.

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### Content of Manuscripts

Format manuscripts for letter-size (8.5 x 11 inch) paper, in Times New Roman font, with numbered pages, and double-spaced lines that are consecutively numbered. There is a Word template for formatting your manuscript, found on <http://ajev.edmgr.com> and [www.ajevonline.org](http://www.ajevonline.org). All manuscripts must follow American-English standards of spelling and scientific notation (see abbreviations at the end of this guide and consult *The ACS Style Guide* [American Chemical Society] as a reference). A cover letter must accompany the manuscript and state that all authors have contributed to the manuscript, have approved its submission, and that the manuscript is not currently submitted to or in review with another publication. Prepare manuscripts in the following order:

**Title.** The title must reflect the important aspects of the article as concisely as possible, in no more than 120 characters.

**Authorship and byline.** List the first and last names of all authors. List the authors' current addresses and the corresponding author's email and/or fax number. If an author's affiliation has changed between the time of submission and publication, please notify the managing editor with the present address details, which will be included on the manuscript.

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**Abstract.** For full research articles, include a one-paragraph abstract of no more than 275 words that clearly states the hypothesis, intent, or purpose of the research, the theoretical or experimental plan used, key findings (without experimental details or data), and major conclusions. Do not cite references, figures, or tables. Limit abstracts for research notes to 200 words.

**Interpretive abstract.** This abstract must be included with the final accepted manuscript. Its purpose is to explain the research in nonspecialized language to a less scientific audience in approximately 300 words. It should state the question being

investigated and then explain how the findings help to answer the questions and the implications the findings may have in a broader scope and for a wider audience.

**Key words.** Create a list of approximately six key words, selecting from the list that is available online at [www.ajevonline.org](http://www.ajevonline.org) or at <http://ajev.edmgr.com>. Author may "write in" up to two key words of their own selection that do not appear on the AJEV key word list, if necessary.

**Introduction.** Include a background review of the experimental design of your study and the measurement techniques used, citing salient literature. Conclude with the hypothesis involved and/or the purpose of the investigation and how it will address deficiencies in existing knowledge.

**Materials and Methods.** See the sections *Reporting Information*, *Reporting Winemaking*, *Reporting Sensory Evaluation*, and *Reporting Molecular Marker Data* in the following pages. Enough detail must be given in Materials and Methods so that others may repeat your work. Identify the number of replications of experimental treatments and the number of times individual experiments were duplicated. For standard methods, cite the corresponding literature; describe in adequate detail those procedures that have not been fully described in cited publications. List model number and sources (vendor name) of equipment and media. Include statistical analysis. Specify conditions or variables whose control influences the experimental results (e.g., use of colored lights or glasses in sensory evaluation).

**Results.** Report the results of your study here; reserve your interpretation of the results for the discussion section. Present results concisely in the text and any accompanying tables and figures, if necessary. Avoid extensive use of graphs; tables are often more effective. If specific results are given in tables, then it is not necessary to repeat that information in the text (e.g., exact significance values). In short articles, the Results and Discussion sections may be combined.

**Discussion.** The purpose of this section is to interpret the results in relation to previous literature, to propose explanations for the results observed, and to discuss possible applications. Avoid speculation unsupported by the data obtained.

**Conclusion.** This final section should specify conclusions concerning the original problem/hypothesis and the information given in the article. Do not simply summarize the article and do not introduce new information or cite literature sources. The conclusion section should communicate the implications of the findings rather than repeat specific results.

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Most research articles can be limited to 35 salient literature citations (25 to 30 for research notes and technical briefs). The

LC should contain only published, relevant references that are accessible through an information system: journal articles, books, chapters in books, proceedings, bulletins, reports, patents, theses, dissertations, and in-press articles that have a date, volume, and page numbers. Peer-reviewed references are preferred. All references listed in the LC must be cited within the text.

Do not include the following in the LC: unpublished abstracts and oral presentations, unpublished data, personal communications, manuscripts in preparation or submitted for publication, letters, company publications, databases, and software used for analysis; these should be referred to in parentheses in the text (see examples below). For personal communication and unpublished data, obtain permission from the person cited and provide the editors with the written permission. Submit unpublished manuscripts and/or data that are essential to the submitted manuscript together with the manuscript to provide enough background for the reviewers and the handling editor.

The AJEV uses the author and date system for in text citations. Consult the sample issue of AJEV posted at [ajeonline.org](http://ajeonline.org) and the following examples for the correct format of literature cited. Arrange citations chronologically by date of publication, with the earliest date first. Separate multiple citations with a comma between each citation (example: Wolpert et al. 2004, Harbertson et al. 2012). All authors of an article must be listed in the LC, unless there are over 10 authors (if so, list the first author and “et al.”). In edited works, if there are three or more editors, list the first editor and “et al.”. If a source has no author, list the sponsoring organization or publisher; do not use “Anonymous.”

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Kennedy JA, Saucier C, Glories Y. 2006. Grape and wine phenolics: History and perspective. *Am J Enol Vitic* 57:239-248.

*In-text citation:* (Kennedy et al. 2006) [for three or more authors, use “et al.” following the senior author’s name]

*Book:*

Boulton RB, Singleton VL, Bisson LF and Kunkee RE. 1996. Principles and Practices of Winemaking. Chapman & Hall, New York. *In-text citation:* (Boulton et al. 1996)

*Chapter in book:*

Sponholz WR. 1993. Wine spoilage by microorganisms. *In Wine Microbiology and Biotechnology*. GH Fleet (ed.), pp. 395-420. Harwood Academic Publishers, Chur, Switzerland.

*In-text citation:* (Sponholz 1993)

*Symposium/meeting proceedings:*

Wample RL and Wolf TK. 1996. Practical considerations that impact vine cold hardiness. *In Proceedings for the Fourth International Symposium on Cool Climate Enology and Viticulture*. T Henick-Kling et al. (eds.), pp. 23-38. New York State Agricultural Experiment Station, Geneva.

*In-text citation:* (Wample and Wolf 1996)

*Thesis:*

Wolpert JA 1983. Cold acclimation of Concord grapevines. Thesis, Michigan State University, East Lansing.

*In-text citation:* (Wolpert 1983)

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*Unpublished data and communications:* (A. Reynolds, unpublished data, 2004); (G. Creasy, personal communication, 2004).

*Software:* “. . . data were analyzed with SAS statistical software (ver. 8.1; SAS Institute, Cary, NC).”

*Website:* “as found on the ASEV website ([www.asev.org](http://www.asev.org)).”

*Database:* “. . . vector sequences were removed by cross-match ([www.genome.washington.edu](http://www.genome.washington.edu)).”

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**Tables.** Information presented in a table must be self-explanatory and agree with the text. If only a few values are presented or if the information is simply a list, then place the information in the text rather than in a table. Do not repeat data in the text that are given in a table or figure and make sure tables and figures are not redundant.

Construct tables using your word-processing program, not in Excel or as a fixed object. They must fit within one (3.5 inches or 8.9 cm) or two columns (7.25 inches or 18.4 cm). The table caption should summarize the information in the table without repeating the column headings. Each column must have a brief heading that names the variable being measured and indicates the unit of measure within parentheses, such as (mg/L) and (%). If significance of value is indicated, use a lowercase letter (not superscript). Explain nonstandard abbreviations in footnotes. Designate footnotes with superscript lowercase letters beginning with <sup>a</sup> (a, b, c). Use the same style for all tables. Cite tables in numeric order in the manuscript.

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*Figure construction:* For line graphs and frame graphs, affix index marks to the vertical axis (y axis, or ordinate) and to the horizontal axis (x axis, or abscissa). Use symbols to indicate data points: open circles for the first set of data and filled circles for the second; triangles, open and filled, are next; then squares, open and filled (○●△▲□■). If a graph requires more than

six symbols, consider presenting the data in two graphs. Keys to symbols should be set in a small box in the graph (or next to it); do not place them within the legend/caption.

- For a multipanel figure, place a capital **A**, **B**, **C**, etc. in the upper left or right corner of the panels. (All panels should be included in the same file.)
- Do not use special effects, such as 3-dimensional bar charts or graphs.
- Use solid gray shades in bar charts (not patterns); differentiate among the gray levels by at least 20%.
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Single-column figure: 3.5 inches (8.9 cm) wide.  
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Maximum figure height: No more than 9.5 inches (24.5 cm), including space for figure caption underneath.
- Black and white illustrations are standard, but color may be considered. Color costs for the print journal are paid by the author in addition to any page fees (~\$500.00 US per each page with color).

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- Place your original files (before being exported or saved as tiff, jpeg, or bitmap images) in Microsoft Word, Excel, or PowerPoint files. AJEV can save these files at the correct resolution and make any corrections needed. (Do not place images that have already been exported or saved as tiff, jpeg, or bitmap images.)
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- 300 DPI for halftones (CMYK/RGB/grayscale): For images containing pictures or areas of gray or color shades only—an image not containing any text labeling or lines.
- 600 DPI for combination of lines or text with halftones: For images containing pictures or areas of gray or color shades and text labeling and/or thin lines.

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- Crop figures with only a small amount of white space bordering them. (This reduces file size.)

- Use the correct resolution (see previous).
- Select grayscale (for black and white) or CMYK and RGB (for color).
- Select LZW Compression (to reduce file size) and Byte Order: IBM PC.

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Authors will be charged an extra fee if extensive manipulation on tables and/or figures is required.

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## Reporting Information

**Statistical methods and replications.** Authors must report enough details of their experimental design so that the results can be judged for validity and so that previous experiments may serve as a basis for the design of future experiments.

Multiple comparison procedures such as Duncan’s multiple range test are frequently misused. Such misuse may result in incorrect scientific conclusions. Multiple range tests should be used only when the treatment structure is not well understood (for example, studies to compare cultivars). When treatments have a logical structure, significant differences among treatments should be shown using *t* or *F* tests.

Field experiments, such as studies on crop yield and yield components that are sensitive to environmental interactions and in which the crop environment is not rigidly controlled or monitored, should be repeated (over time and/or space) to demonstrate that similar results can (or cannot) be obtained in another environmental regime. Perform replicate chemical and sensory evaluations to show reproducibility and consistency, respectively.

**Trade names.** The trade names of materials and the names of manufacturers or suppliers of special (not reagent grade) materials must be given. In experimentation, identify a chemical compound by its common name (if such name exists) or by the chemical name and structural formula.

**Nomenclature.** The binomial or trinomial (in italics) must be shown for all biological species when first used in the abstract and in the text (for example, *Vitis vinifera*). Following citation in Materials and Methods, the generic name may be abbreviated to the initial, except when confusion could arise by reference to other genera with the same initial. A collection number or that of a comparable listing should identify algae and microorganisms referred to in the manuscript.

For varietal names, the AJEV conforms to spellings listed in the TTB listing of approved grape names for American wines (<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CFR-2011-title27-vol1/xml/>)

CFR-2011-title27-vol1-sec4-91.xml); AJEV does use a lowercase format for noir, blanc, and franc. Do not use single quote marks around cultivar names.

**Chemical identification.** Papers reporting on flavor constituents should conform to the recommendations made by the International Organization of the Flavor Industry [see J. Agric. Food Chem. 44:10 (1996)]. Any flavoring substance must have its identity confirmed by at least two methods. Otherwise, the identification should be labeled “tentative.” Include at least semi-quantitative data on the concentration of an identified component in the original source. Ranges such as <1 µg/L, 1 to 10 µg/L, 10 to 100 µg/L, rather than absolute amounts, are acceptable.

**Numerals.** Spell out all numbers or fractions that begin a sentence. Do not use a dash or hyphen to replace the preposition “to” between numerals (3 to 10°C) within the text; however, a dash or hyphen may be used in tables and figures.

Write out numerals one through nine when referring to general numbers (e.g., three panelists, five sessions, four training systems). Use numbers with all units of measure, and always use decimals, not commas (3.56 mL, not 3,56 mL). Write out and hyphenate simple fractions (for example, two-thirds), but in general use decimals instead of fractions.

**Units.** Units of measure are treated as collective nouns and take singular verbs (e.g., “2.5 mL bentonite was added to the sample”). The International System of Units (SI) is the only acceptable system, and the solidus (/) is preferred to the negative index form (e.g., g/L rather than g L<sup>-1</sup>). Also observe the following:

Latitude and longitude: report as (42°31'N; 12°29'E).

Grape weights: report as grams (g), kilograms (kg), and metric tons (t).

Wine volume: report as liter (L) or milliliter (mL). Hectoliters are not recommended. Abbreviate liter as a capital L, not lowercase, to avoid confusion with the number 1.

Wine or juice yield: report as liters per 1000 kg (L/1000 kg) or milliliters per kilogram (mL/kg) (equivalent).

Parts per million (ppm) and parts per billion (ppb) are not recommended. Use the equivalent milligrams per L (mg/L) and micrograms per liter (µg/L).

**Significant figures.** Report analytical data only to the appropriate numbered significant figures for the precision of the assay.

**Time and dates.** When reporting time, use the 24-hour system with four digits (e.g., 0400 hr for 4:00 a.m., 1630 hr for 4:30 p.m.). Report dates as day, month, year (9 Apr 2007).

**Abbreviations and symbols.** See the accompanying list of abbreviations. Replacement of certain unwieldy chemical names by well-known abbreviations is acceptable (e.g., HPLC, DNA). Standard chemical symbols may be used after an initial definition (Ca, NaOH). With the exception of those standard for international usage (e.g., HPLC, ATP), do not use abbreviations in the title or abstract. The metric system is standard, and SI units are preferred (other units may be placed in parenthesis after the SI). Symbols and abbreviations in figures and tables must also conform to guidelines.

## Reporting Winemaking

Winemaking experiments have specific issues that require description to allow reproducibility. While it is understood

that some variables cannot be controlled, there are factors that should be reported in each study. If an experiment starts with fresh grapes, then report the following data:

- Local source of grapes
- Variety(ies) (and species if not *vinifera*), clone and rootstock, if known
- Harvest date
- Harvesting method
- History of grapes between harvest and crushing (or analysis), including time delay and temperatures and disease conditions (amount of Botrytis, etc.)
- Crushing and pressing devices with settings
- Yield of juice or wine
- Juice or must samples should be analyzed for components under study in the resulting wine. All samples must be replicated.

For fermentations, include the following:

- Replicate fermentations. At least duplicate, but preferably triplicate, winemaking procedures must be applied. For field trials, retain field replicates as fermentation replicates, rather than pooling grapes from field replicates and creating separate fermentation replicates. Describe techniques used to reduce replicate variability, especially with red musts. Replicate variability should be assessed within the context of the experiment.
- Additions, including amount and time of addition, preparation, and method of mixing. For yeast or bacteria, report source and genus, species, and selection.
- Specify weight of grapes per fermentation lot, fermentation volume, and container type.
- Maceration technique for red musts
- Daily measurements during fermentation: temperatures (separate measure of cap temperature for red musts before maceration) and Brix and, if no inoculation is used, microbial populations should be counted at the genus level.
- Analysis of these factors before fermentation: Brix, pH, titratable acid, fermentable nitrogen, and any other variable under investigation.
- Analysis of these factors after fermentation: pH, titratable acidity, ethanol, residual sugar, free and total sulfites, and, depending upon the study, malic and lactic acid, total phenols, absorbance at 420 and 520 nm, and volatile acidity or acetate, and any other variables under study.
- Specify history of samples (time and temperature) between collection and analysis.
- Replicate analyses should be conducted and statistical treatment of data reported.

If an experiment starts with finished wine:

- Wines should be analyzed initially for components under study. Describe the sampling technique and the analytical procedures. All samples must be replicated.
- Wine composition: pH, residual sugar, TA, ethanol, and free and total sulfites
- Postfermentation storage container size and material and storage temperature
- Vintage dates and dates of experiment and analyses
- Replicate analyses should be conducted and statistical treatment of data reported.

- Bottling operations or study of bottle closures: visual examination of closures for mechanical defects, and wine must be tested for dissolved oxygen immediately after bottling.

### Reporting Sensory Evaluation

Sensory methodology used must demonstrate sound scholarship and meticulous attention to the methodological details expected within the field and be capable of testing what it purports to be testing. All articles reporting a sensory analysis must meet the acceptable analytical standards for this field. In all cases, authors must clearly indicate exactly how the test was conducted, at what temperature the wines were stored, for how long the wines were stored, at what temperature the wines were served to the panelists, what type of glassware was used, how much wine was poured in each glass, how many tests the panelists performed, and how many samples were served per session.

**Panelists.** Trained panelists or “expert” panelists may not be asked to indicate their liking or the acceptability of the sample(s). Only true consumer panelists can give this type of information. Consumer panelists usually should not be asked to score the intensities of specified sensory attributes. However, there may be isolated situations where this would be acceptable.

**Discrimination testing.** With discrimination testing (such as paired difference, duo-trio, triangle, two-out-of-five), the objective is to determine whether two samples are perceptibly different. In all cases, except the directional paired difference test, that is the only information the test provides.

The major issue with discrimination tests is ensuring that the test had enough power. (Power is defined as the probability of finding a difference that actually exists.) Power is affected by several factors, but the one that the experimenter usually has control over is the number of panelists evaluating the samples.

If a discrimination test shows that two samples are perceived to be significantly different, then the test had enough power (regardless of the number of panelists).

If a discrimination test shows that two samples are not perceived to be significantly different, then the power issue becomes crucially important and the authors must then indicate the power associated with their test. (This is usually the issue when authors want to show that a new method or variation does not affect the sensory properties of the product—the power of such tests is low when the number of panelists is low.<sup>1</sup>)

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<sup>1</sup>Example: Authors want to indicate that using a new fining agent produces a wine that is not perceptibly different from a wine fined with a more traditional agent. Before starting the study, the authors determine that they want a power of 90% (a 90% chance of detecting a difference if it exists), analogous to a type II error ( $\beta$ ) of 10%. In addition, the authors use the usual type I error ( $\alpha$ ) of 5%; they want less than 10% of the population to discriminate between the samples. Given these assumptions, the authors determine that to perform a triangle test they would need at least 342 panelists. Using the same assumptions but a duo-trio test, authors would need 853 panelists.

After completing the study, the authors write a paper stating that they used  $\alpha$  at 5%, a duo-trio test, and 50 panelists and found that the two fining agents did not significantly differ in how they affected the sensory quality of the wine. The reviewer determines that assuming that less than 25% of the population can detect a difference; the power of this test is about 55%. If the authors had performed a triangle test, then the power would have been 78%.

Using the directional paired difference test with wines can be problematic. The requirement for this test is that the two samples may only differ in a single sensory attribute: for example, a 1% salt-water solution is less salty than a 2% salt-water solution, but it does not differ in any other sensory modality. However, when real products are used this is often not true; for example, a wine with 2% residual sugar is perceived to be less sweet than one with 4% residual sugar, but the first wine may also be perceived to be more sour than the second. In such cases, the paired directional test should not be used.

**Descriptive analysis.** When authors use the descriptive analysis techniques to evaluate their samples, there are three major issues. First, unless the panel was trained by or in direct consultation with the Tragon Corp. (Palo Alto, CA), the technique used was not QDA (Quantitative Descriptive Analysis). QDA is a registered trademark of Tragon. The same is true for the FPA (Flavor Profile Analysis), which is trademarked by A.D. Little Company (Boston, MA), and the SDA (Spectrum Descriptive Analysis) of Sensory Spectrum (East Hanover, NJ).

Second, authors typically use variations of the above techniques. They could refer to a variation of the QDA technique as the consensus training method and to variations of the FPA and SDA as ballot training methods. It is also possible to amalgamate the two methodologies as a combination training method.

Third, authors must give explicit information on the following: number of panelists; source of panelists; method of training; length of training; assessment of training; attributes used; reference standards/verbal descriptors used for attributes; number of times each panelist evaluated each sample; number of samples per session; number of sessions; duration of sessions; time between sessions.

### Reporting Ampelographic or Molecular Marker Data

The AJEV publishes studies on cultivar ampelography and genetic diversity in *Vitis* and Vitaceae. However, unless they are submitted as Research Notes or present significant phenotypic data, articles must have a broad impact and be of significance to the entire international community. Studies on international collections should strive for comprehensive treatment of a collection, rather than simply address small subsets of cultivars within a collection. For example, a recent article examined the entire Brazilian collection (AJEV 2009, 60:517-524), rather than simply a subset of that collection.

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Term	Abbreviation or Symbol
absorbance/ absorbance units (in tables and figures)	abs/AU
active ingredient	a.i.
adenosine 5' triphosphate (adenosine triphosphate)	ATP
ampere	A
et alia (Latin: and others)	et al.
atmosphere (see also standard atmosphere)	Atm
average (abbreviate in tables and equations only)	avg
boiling point	bp
Brix (no degree sign)	Brix
°Celsius	°C
°centigrade	°C
chemically pure	CP
coefficient	coeff.
colony forming unit(s)	cfu
concentration (in tables and figures)	concn
constant	const.
cubic centimeter	cm <sup>3</sup>
cultivar (only after specific epithet)	cv.
day, days	day
decibel	dB
degree (angular)	°
dextro (preceding chemical name)	(small cap) D
dextrorotatory (preceding chemical name)	(italic) <i>d</i> (+)
diameter	diam
dry weight (with unit of measurement)	DW
electron volt	eV
equation (reference in text)	(eq)
equivalent	equiv
exponential	exp
for example (in tables and figure captions only)	e.g.
freezing point	fp
fresh weight (with unit of measurement)	FW
gram	g
gravity (gravitation constant)	(italic) <i>g</i>
hectare	ha
hertz	Hz
high-performance liquid chromatography	HPLC
hour	hr
hydrogen ion concentration, negative logarithm of	pH
infrared	IR
inhibitor constant	K <sub>i</sub>
inside diameter	i.d.
joule	J
kelvin	°K
kilo (x 10 <sup>3</sup> )	k
kilodalton	kDa
kilogram	kg
kilometer	km
kilovolt	kV
kilowatt	kW
levo- (preceding chemical name)	(small cap) L
liter	L
mass	(italic) <i>m</i>

mass-to-charge ratio	(italic) <i>m/z</i>	per	/
mass charge on electron	(italic) <i>m/e</i>	percent	%
maximum	max.	peta (x 10 <sup>15</sup> )	P
mega (x 10 <sup>6</sup> )	M	pico (x 10 <sup>-12</sup> )	p
megapascal	MPa	polymerase chain reaction	PCR
melting point	mp	probability (lowercase italic)	<i>p</i>
meta- (preceding chemical name)	(italic) <i>m</i>	racemic (optical configuration, a mixture of dextro- and levo-) (preceding chemical name)	(small caps) DL
meter	m	revolutions per minute	rpm
Michaelis constant	<i>K<sub>m</sub></i>	second (time)	sec
micro (x 10 <sup>-6</sup> )	μ	significant at 0.05 level	*
microequivalent	μeq	significant at 0.01 level	**
microgram	μg	significant at 0.001 level	***
microliter	μL	species (only after generic name)	sp., spp.
micrometer (micron)	μm	specives nova (only after specific epithet)	sp. nov.
micromole	μmol	specific gravity	sp gr
milli (x 10 <sup>-3</sup> )	m	specific heat	sp ht
milliampere	mA	specific volume	sp vol
milliequivalent	meq	square	sq
milligram	mg	standard atmosphere	atm
milliliter	mL	standard deviation	SD
millimeter	mm	standard error	SE
millimole	mmol	substrate constant (see Michaelis)	(italic) <i>K<sub>m</sub></i>
millivolt	mV	surface tension	N/m
minute (time)	min	tangent	tan
mitochondrial deoxyribonucleic acid	mtDNA	temperature	temp
molar (concentration)	(italic) <i>M</i>	tera (x 10 <sup>12</sup> )	T
mole	mol	that is (in tables and figure captions only)	i.e.
month	mo	tonne (metric ton)	t <sub>m</sub>
Nephelos turbidity unit	NTU	ultraviolet	UV
newton	N	varietas (variety; only after specific epithet)	var.
nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide	NAD	versus (only in tables and figures; spell out in text)	vs
nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide, reduced	NADH	volt	V
nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide phosphate (reduced)	NADP	volume	vol
normal (concentration)	<i>N</i>	volume ratio (volume per volume)	v/v
normal (preceding chemical name)	<i>n</i>	watt	W
not significant	ns	week	wk
nuclear magnetic resonance	NMR	weight	wt
ohm	Ω	weight per volume	w/v
ortho- (position; preceding chemical name)	(italic) <i>o</i>	weight ratio (weight per weight)	w/w
outside diameter	o.d.	year	yr
para- (preceding chemical name)	(italic) <i>p</i>		
parts per billion	μg/L		
parts per million	mg/L		