

Journal of Cosmetic Science Celebrates 75 Years with Special Issue on Sustainability

New York, NY (March 10, 2025) — The *Journal of Cosmetic Science (JCS)*, the official digital publication of the Society of Cosmetic Chemists (SCC), announces the release of Volume 75, Issues No. 5, featuring articles addressing key topics in sustainability. This special edition is fully open-access, viewable in the [SCC Media Library](#). It is part of a 75th anniversary celebration for the *Journal of Cosmetic Science* and will be followed by a special issue on microbiome, as well as a second edition dedicated to the topic of sustainability.

"The SCC is proud to celebrate 75 years of the *Journal of Cosmetic Science* with these special open-access issues. We invite researchers, industry professionals, and consumers to explore these special issues as we encourage and embrace sustainability as a cornerstone of the industry's future," said Erica L. O'Grady, CAE, Chief Executive Officer of the Society.

Sustainability is a vast, multifaceted concept that extends beyond the expertise of any single individual. JCS technical editor, Robert Lochhead, PhD, has gathered insights from renowned industry leaders bringing diverse perspectives and expertise to each special issue. Through a comprehensive compendium of articles, the SCC provides a deeper understanding of sustainability in cosmetics and personal care, creating a foundational text for industry-wide reference, and inspiring action toward a responsible future.

The JCS special issues dedicated to Sustainability in Cosmetics and Personal Care explore sustainability through three interconnected concepts: **(i) personal sustainability, (ii) community sustainability, and (iii) environmental/global sustainability**. Each concept presents unique challenges and opportunities to advance towards a better, healthier world for humans and their coexisting environments related to the cosmetics and personal care industry.

At the **personal level**, the focus is on consumers making informed choices about products that align with their health, wellness, and ethical values. This includes hygiene and clean beauty, cruelty-free certifications, and transparency in ingredient sourcing. At the **community level**, the emphasis shifts to ethical labor practices, fair trade, and initiatives that promote social equity, ensuring that communities involved in raw material production and manufacturing benefit from sustainable practices. At the **environmental and global level**, attention centers on minimizing the ecological footprint of cosmetics and personal care products, encompassing innovations such as responsible sourcing, ingredients that can be safely discarded into the environment, and the reduction of greenhouse gas and ocean-acidifying emissions in supply chains and distribution networks.

"As an industry, we understand skin and hair structures, and are beginning to understand the microbiome. We're adapting our products so that we don't disturb these systems that we need, and disturb the systems that are threatening us," Lochhead remarked. "In simplest terms, that's what these issues are all about."

About the Journal of Cosmetic Science

The Official Journal of the Society of Cosmetic Chemists publishes annually publishes six issues on topics concerning cosmetics and fragrance products of the like, formulation techniques and ingredient properties on the skin or in consumers well-being, and papers relating to the sciences underlying cosmetics such as human skin physiology, color physics, physical chemistry, or psychological effects in humans. The online *Journal of Cosmetic Science* archives all current issues dating back to 1947. Learn more and stay up to date on the latest research by visiting [library.scconline.org](#).

About SCC

Founded in 1945, the SCC is the oldest and largest non-profit membership organization serving the needs of the cosmetics and personal care industry. Dedicated to the advancement of cosmetic science education, SCC headquarters provides unparalleled

education, resources, and networking for more than 5,000 members globally and via 19 chapters across Greater North America. Visit www.scconline.org for more information.