

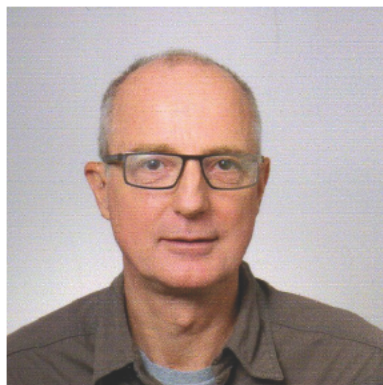


Marc Foulger: All things papermaking

Editor's Note: This month, we continue our series of columns profiling the background and expertise of TJ's editorial board members. These volunteer members spend long hours overseeing the peer review process and contributing to TJ. TAPPI would like to express its gratitude to the editorial board members for their hard work and willingness to share their expertise with the forest products community.

– Monica Shaw, Editorial Director

TAPPI and the *TAPPI JOURNAL* (TJ) editorial staff would like to welcome a new member to the TJ editorial board, Marc F. Foulger, Global Business Manager, Headboxes, for GL&V USA Inc. A member of TAPPI since 1988, he has been active in the Water Removal Committee, serving as membership chairman, secretary, vice chairman, program chairman, and chairman of the committee. Marc was named a TAPPI Fellow in 2004 and also received the TAPPI Engineering Division's Leadership & Service Award in 2002.



Marc Foulger, Global Business Manager, Headboxes, for GL&V joins the TAPPI JOURNAL editorial board as a papermaking expert.

Originally from the UK, Marc resides in Dexter, New York. He holds an HND in Mechanical Engineering from Oxford Brookes University, as well as advanced and intermediate City & Guilds of London Certificates in paper and board making from Reed International College. At GL&V, Marc is responsible for technical development, marketing,

and sales of headboxes and related equipment worldwide. He previously served as Director of Research for GL&V and Black Clawson Paper Machine Divisions, running a pilot paper machine center.

Marc has authored more than 50 papers for magazines, journals, conferences, and seminars. He has also been a contributing author and reviewer for books on papermaking. In addition, he holds three patents on wet end starch application. As a member of the TJ Editorial Board, Marc looks forward to helping expand papermaking-related topics.

Additional TAPPI involvement

Marc joined TAPPI when his boss asked that he attend a conference. In addition to his earlier mentioned activities and accolades within the association, Marc been involved with the TAPPI Empire State Local Section and the Papermakers Committee of the Paper and Board Division. He has also moderated paper sessions for the New Technology Showcase at PaperCon for several years.

Reflecting on his TAPPI membership, Marc appreciates the expanded horizons his involvement has provided.

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Industry perspective

Since joining the pulp and paper industry, Marc sees a variety of papermaking equipment among the greatest technical advances, including twin wire formers, shoe presses, drive technology, DCS systems, headbox technology, and controls, instrumentation and automation. He also cites recycled furnishes and nanofibers, with particular emphasis on the potential opportunities that cellulose nanofibers may bring for the industry's future.

As for addressing challenges in the pulp and paper industry, Marc views adaptation to change as the key.

"This industry must develop new, relevant products in an age of digital media and plastic packaging, as well as make products that are very uniform, visually appealing, strong, lightweight, and environmentally friendly to address consumer demands," Marc said.

On a personal note, Marc enjoys foreign travel, food, cooking, photography, and music. He holds three passports, but considers himself "truly American." **TJ**



Marc hiked on Jiangshan Mountain in Jianglang National Park, China, earlier this year.

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