AATCC Encourages Education and Discussion on Wearable Technology and Electronic Textiles

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, NC, USA, February 11, 2016—AATCC is encouraging the fast-growing electronic segment of the textile industry by sponsoring and participating in upcoming workshops and partnering with the WEAR Conference, the longest-running conference series dedicated to smart textiles, wearable technology, material innovation, and the business of consumer experience.

Standards for Wearable Technology and Electronic Textiles Workshop
March 8-9
North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, USA
www.assistworkshops.com/wearable-standards

The two day workshop includes talks and panel sessions involving representatives from standards organizations (including AATCC), government, and industry that will help identify challenges related to standards for wearable devices. Industry and academics are invited to learn more about the standards communities and what resources are available to assist in product development and evaluation. Day 2 of the workshop will have a specific emphasis on textile electronics standards development.

AATCC Committee Meetings
May 10-12
Research Triangle Park, NC, USA
www.aatcc.org/evnt/meetings

The exploratory committee on Wearables will meet to finalize scope and priority action items. The group has proposed the following title and scope.
- Wearables—Electronically Integrated Textiles
- Scope: To develop methods and terminology for testing electronically integrated textiles.

Priority projects include exploration of laundering for electronically-integrated textiles. Other related committees will also meet this week, including those focused on printing, static, laundering, and water resistance.

WEAR Conference 2016
May 24-26
Boston, MA, USA
www.wearconferences.com

This year, AATCC will be a media partner in the WEAR Conference. Representatives will share information and be available for discussion at the AATCC table onsite. AATCC members are eligible for a registration discount for the conference.
Workshop on Smart Textiles

June 26
Marriott Downtown Chicago Magnificent Mile, Chicago, IL, USA
Contact Vicky Taylor

This workshop is sponsored by AATCC and ASTM Committee D13 on Textiles in conjunction with the June standards development meetings of ASTM D13. A call for speakers is now open. The objective of this workshop is to educate those in the area of smart textiles by providing a forum for the exchange of ideas and to identify new opportunities for standards in this emerging industry segment.

About AATCC: AATCC, the Association of Textile, Apparel & Materials Professionals, is the world’s leading not-for-profit association serving textile professionals since 1921. AATCC, headquartered in Research Triangle Park, NC, USA, provides test method development, quality control materials, and professional networking for members in about 50 countries throughout the world.

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