

Report on Ligament Regeneration is 2008 Paper of the Year



Philip J. Brown, Kristofer D. Sinclair, and Charles Kenneth (Ken) Webb published "Capillary Channel Polymer Fibers as Structural Templates for Ligament Regeneration" in the December 2008 issue of *AATCC Review*. The paper was selected as the best peer reviewed paper published in the journal that year and the authors were honored with the **J. William Weaver Award** for their contributions to textile science literature.

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