



# Sustainable functional finishing and beyond

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up close and beyond

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High Value Effects

for

**Textile Surfaces** 

using

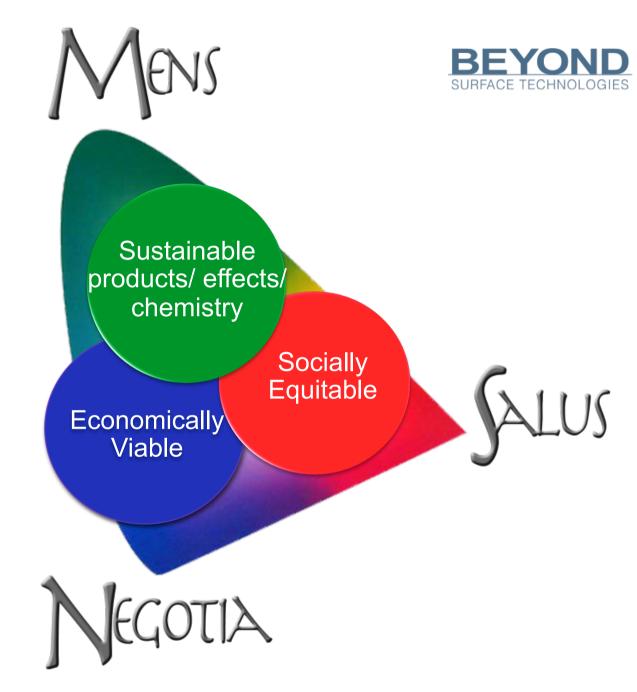
Sustainable Technologies











# Why is sustainability important to the textile industry?



 The amounts of water and energy used in the production and after-care of textiles

Production	Textile Care
Fibre manufacture	■ Washing
■ Yarn & fabric production	■ Tumble drying
<ul><li>Colouration</li></ul>	<ul><li>Ironing</li></ul>
<ul><li>Finishing</li></ul>	
End article manufacture	

Lifetime energy consumption (100% Co.T-shirt)



Source Well dressed? The present and future sustainability of clothing and textiles in the United Kingdom University of Cambridge Institute for Manufacturing

#### An uncomfortable truth.....

BEYOND SUBSEASE TECHNOLOGIES

- The textile processing industry consumes the equivalent volume of more than
   50 times that of Lago Maggiore sea every year
- During the whole life cycle, up to 250 times the volume of the Lago Maggiore may be consumed

Lake Maggiore Volume 37km<sup>3</sup>

#### BST's founding principles....





\* Economic viability also means no compromise on performance Economic viability can be increased by using less chemistry



#### Sustainable Textile Products



#### Sustainable Effects



Sustainable Chemistry







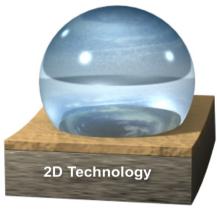
#### How it Works



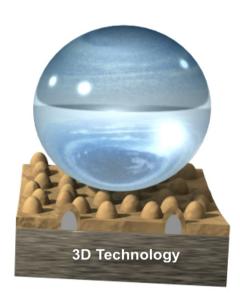
Surface structure = superior repellency



No repellent treatment



Conventional fluorine treatment



Particle-based treatment Super-hydrophobic effect

**Increasing ease for removing droplet (rolling)** 

Decreasing contact between droplet and surface

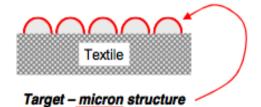




## BARRIER Why is it Different?



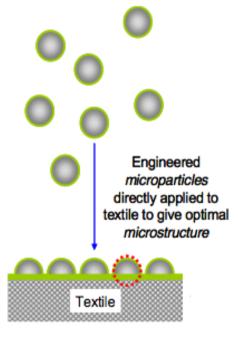




1st Generation Nanoparticles assemble to give large clusters Clusters give microstructure on textile surface Textile

First generation approach

#### 2nd Generation

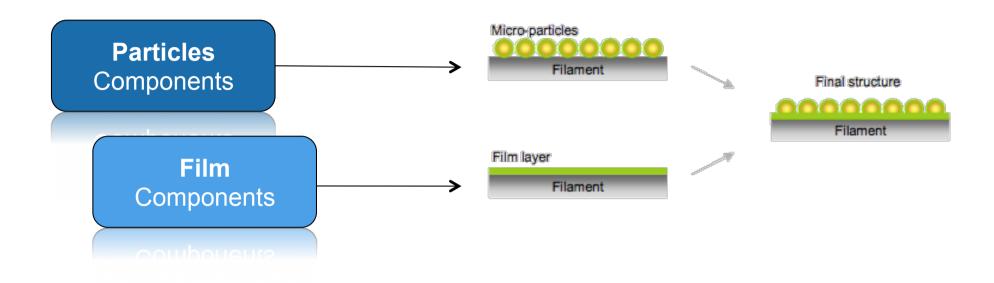


HeiQ Barrier approach



## Barrier by HeiQ

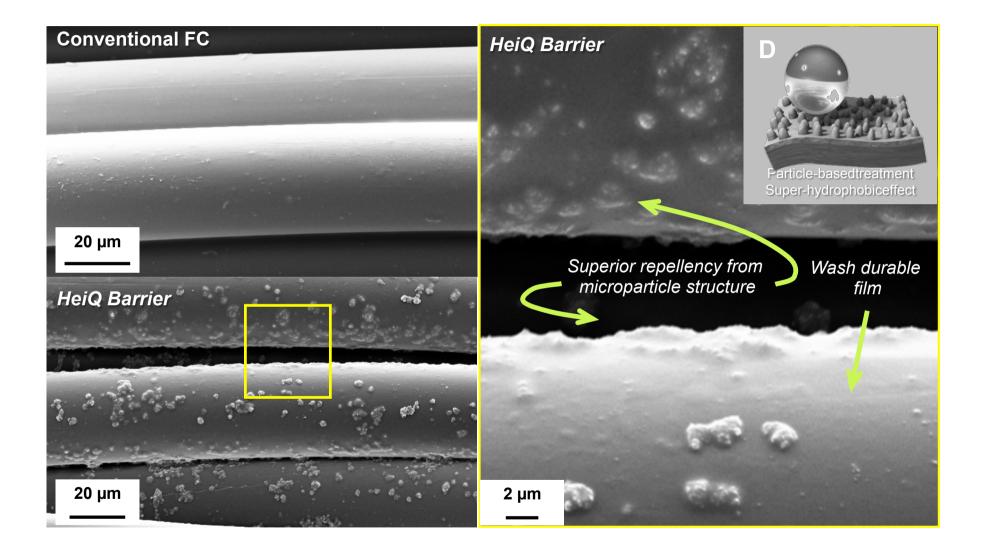






## SEM 2D vs. 3D technology

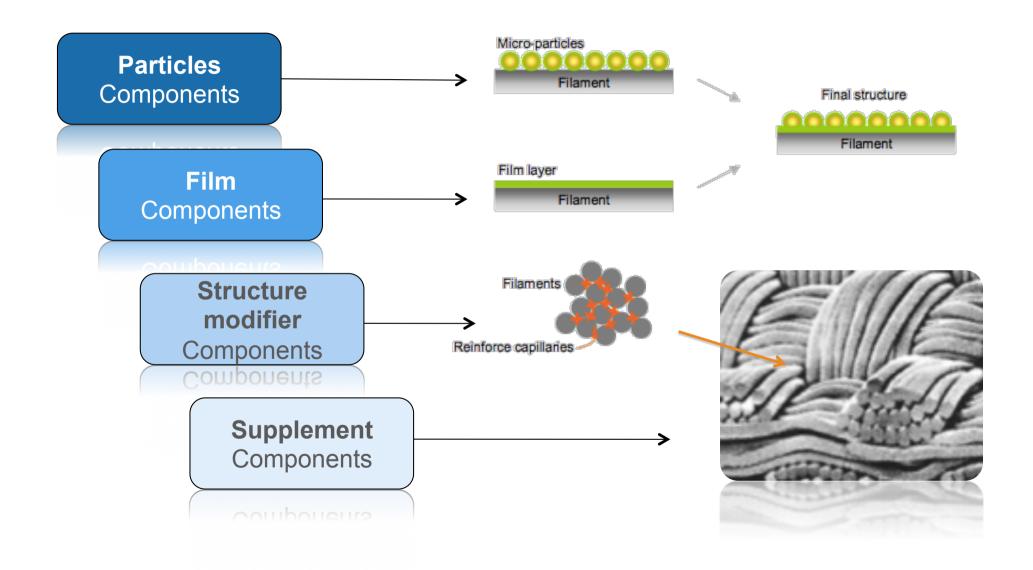






### Barrier by HeiQ







## Performance examples



#### 100% Polyester awnings

Sample fabric	Bundesmann Rainy note (/5)			Water up- take	Oil test	Spray rating	Roll-off angle	Water pressure	
	1 min	10 min	30 min	60 min	(end value) %	(/8)			(mbar)
Standard FC	4	3	2.5	1.5	16.58	7	100	18.8	27.5
High performance Barrier	5	5	5	5	5.52	8	100	11.7	33





#### Polyester/cotton workwear

Product	Technology	Bundesmai rating	nn	Roll-off angle (°)	Contact angle Heptane (°)	Heptane pick-up mg/g
Barrier by HeiQ	Particle system + Fluorocarbon	Original 10x wash	5 5	<20	85 <b>-</b> 90 83 - 87	101 123
Product 1	Particle system + Fluorocarbon	Original 10x wash	5 4	<20	40 – 45 25 - 30	258 285



#### Sustainable Textile Products



#### Sustainable Effects



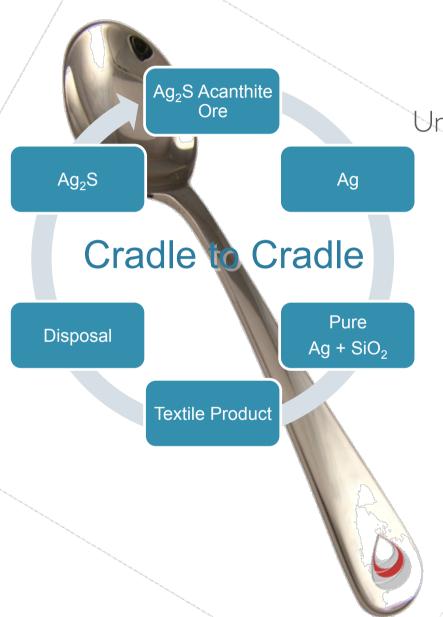
#### Sustainable Chemistry





#### Silver – the sustainable antimicrobial





Unique qualities of silver ions:

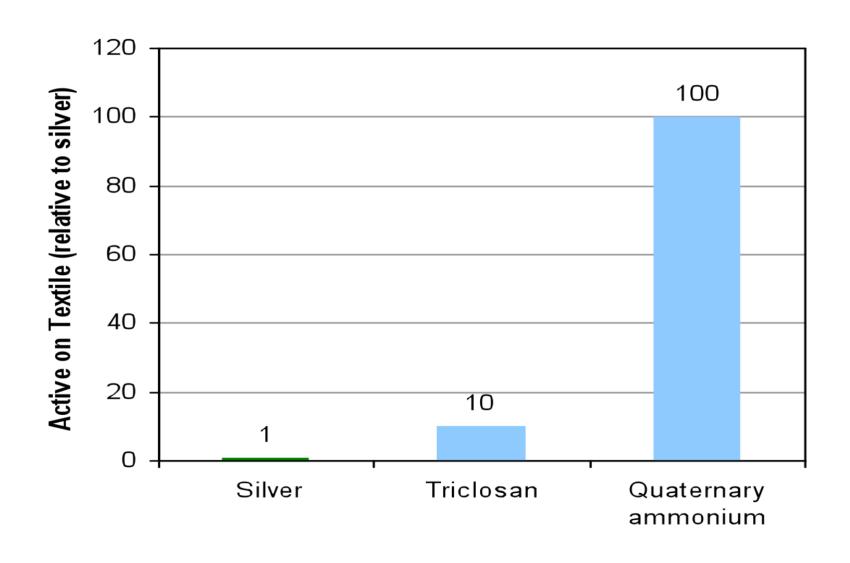
- Low risk for bacteria resistance<sup>[4]</sup>
- Effective in very low concentrations<sup>[3]</sup>
- No human/toxicity
- Immediately de-activated in effluent sludge /land-fill

<sup>3.</sup> Gilchrist T, et al., Biomaterials, 1991, 12: 76-78.

<sup>4.</sup> Damm, C. et al., Soft materials, 2006, 3:71-88.

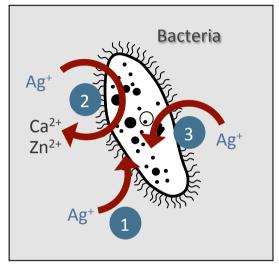
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#### How it works?







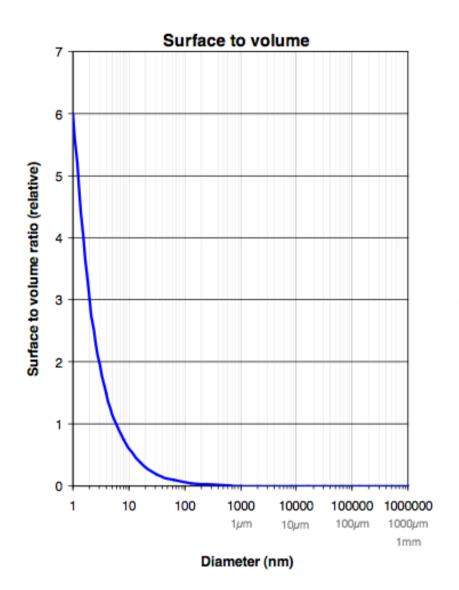
- All silver-based antimicrobials act against a broad spectrum of bacteria through the action of silver ions (Ag<sup>+</sup>)
- Silver ions interact with bacteria cells through three mechanisms
  - 1 Damage cell membrane<sup>[1]</sup>
  - 2 Displace Ca<sup>2+</sup> and Zn<sup>2+</sup> ions<sup>[1]</sup>
  - Interact with sulphur, oxygen or nitrogen<sup>[2]</sup>

<sup>1.</sup> Sondi I, et al. Journal of Colloid Interface Science, 2004, 275: 177-182.

<sup>2.</sup> Dowling DP, et al., Thin Solid Films, 2001, 398: 602-606.

#### Silver Metal – Why go smaller?





 Ag+ release proportional to surface to volume (mass) of the particle

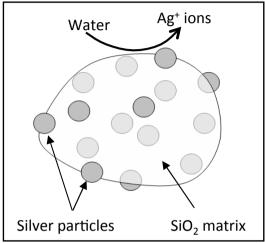
Example: For equivalent Ag+ dosing

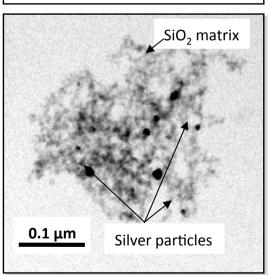
 $I \mu$  m particles 10'000 ppm Ag required

10 nm particles 100 ppm Ag required

#### HeiQ AGS-20TF - Why it's different





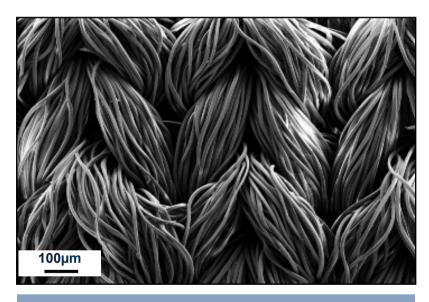


- Silver-silica micro-composite particle (20% silver, 80% silica)
- Silver particles supported in a porous amorphous silica matrix
- No agglomeration strong activity maintained

#### HeiQ AGS-20TF - up close



- HeiQ AGS-20 TF is a textile coating formulation containing the HeiQ AGS-20 particle
- The formulation is engineered to show superior durability and highest performance with lowest amount of silver.

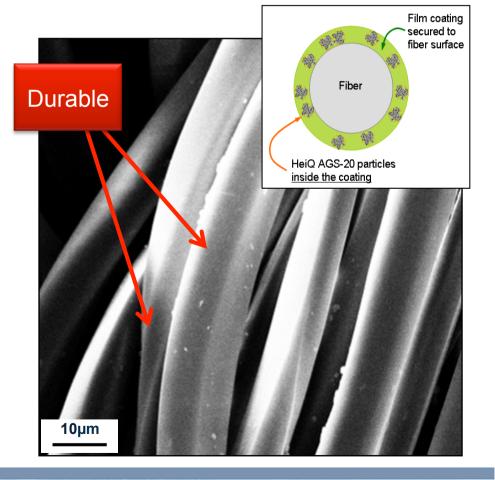


Uniform functional coating layer covering all filaments

No webbing between filaments

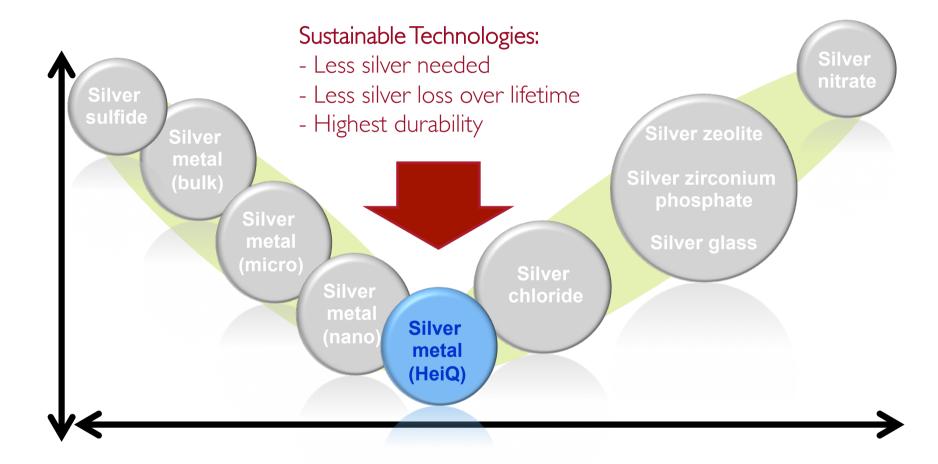
Secure binding of functional micro-particles

No film deterioration after 50 wash cycles



#### Product performance comparison





The amount of additive to be used in an application is a function of Ag<sup>+</sup> release and durability



#### Sustainable textile products



#### Sustainable effects



Sustainable chemistry







- BST's product line for sustainable feedstock chemistry
- MiDori<sup>®</sup> products are developed from plant oils derived from Ethicrops<sup>®</sup>



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MiDori links high-value effects with sustainable chemistry

#### Ethicrops by Verdex®



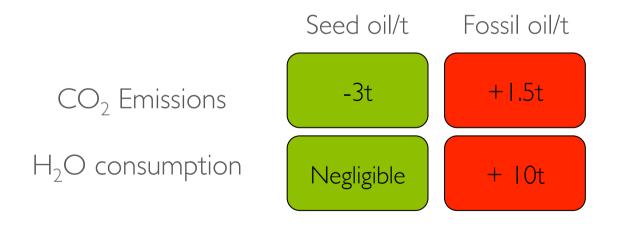
- Managed using 'Fairtrade' concept
- Plant oils are derived from industrial crops
- Plants do not compete with food crops
- Crops are grown sustainably
- Do not destroy natural habitats







- Ethicrops<sup>®</sup> are already being used in other industrial applications
- Low carbon footprint for oil production









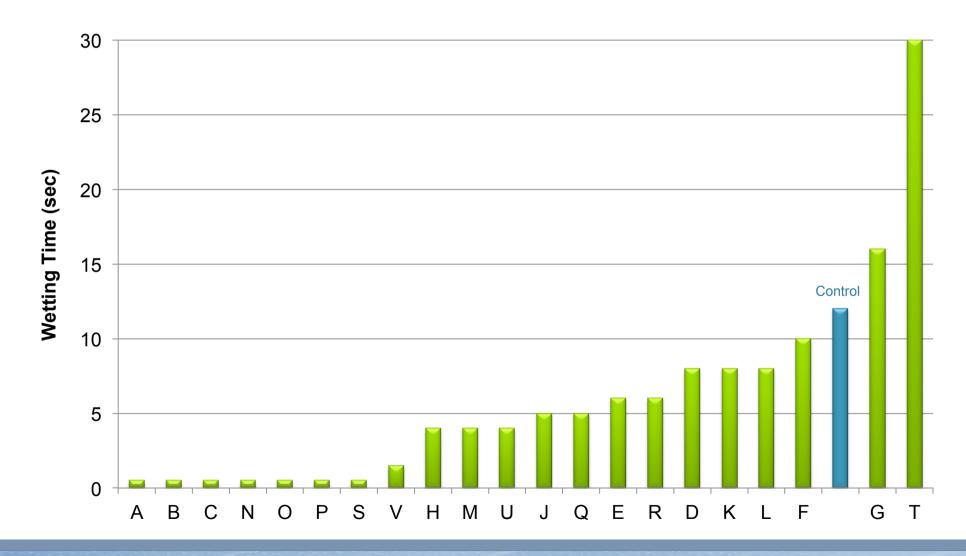


- Applications include;-
  - Handle modification
  - Moisture management
  - Water repellency
  - Easy-care enhancement
  - Bio-SMART



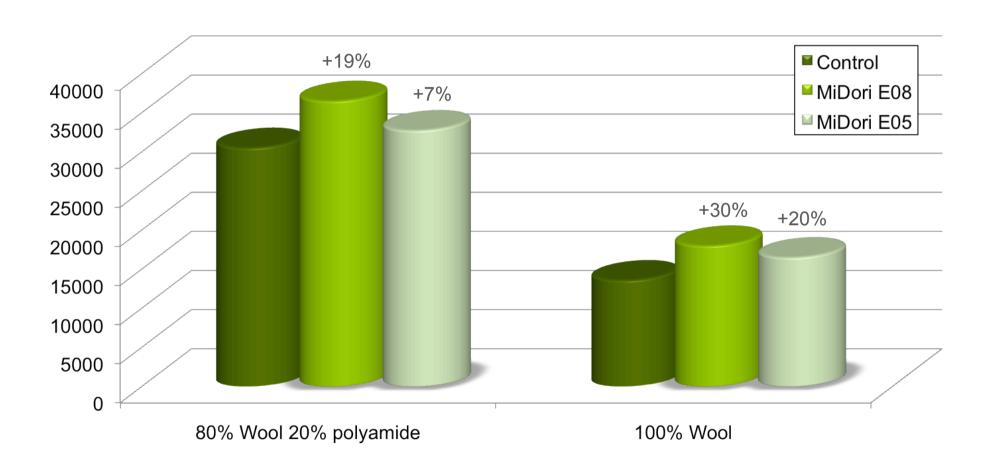


Water absorption/repellency





Physical enhancement (Martindale abrasion)





#### MiDori<sup>®</sup> 緑



## Sustainable technology pipeline



Moisture management/ handle modifiers



Bio-Plus

Physical enhancement



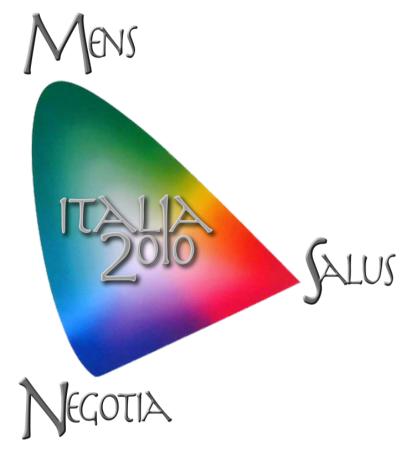
Resin substitution



Bio-Smart technologies







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## Commercial programs on apparel

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## NATURALLY FRESH ODOR-FREE TEXTILES

Commercial programs on apparel



Pure by HeiQ on Alpine Underwear

Co-Branding







Pure by HeiQ on Major Product Ranges







Pure by HeiQ on new 2010 Golf line

Co-Branding







Pure by HeiQ on Motorbike safety apparel lining





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**FUNCTIONAL UNDERWEAR** 







## Dry, Clean & Green

Commercial programs on apparel







Barrier by HeiQ on Sailing Gear











Barrier by HeiQ on German Olympic equestrian national team







Commercial programs on apparel





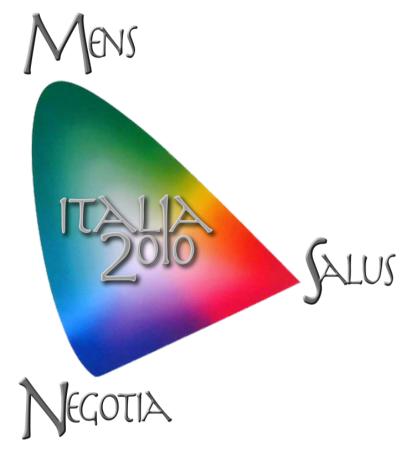
MiDori® on ecochic lines for Triumph underwear



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