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## Multifunctional multilayer textiles for health care sector

*with protective barrier properties and enhanced wearing comfort  
using enzymes for PET modification  
for improved breathability and final treatment*

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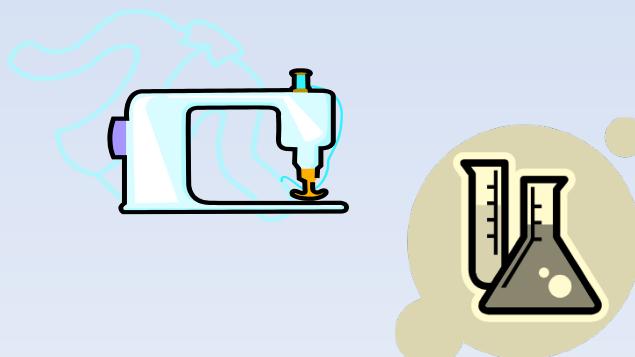
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## Multifunctional textile surfaces as carriers of permanent protective barrier effects, mechanical and physiological parameters (wearing comfort)

### Basic trend of sustainability

for

- Protective clothing (PPE)
- Functional outer garment
- **Health care sector**
- Cleanroom application



#### ⊕ Textile substrates selection

natural, synthetic polymers, mass modification,..

#### ⊕ Functional fibers / yarns incorporation

#### ⊕ Fabric construction

weight, sett, weave, multilayer structures,..

#### ⊕ Textile surfaces activation /active centers creation enzymes, plasma,..

#### ⊕ Final treatment

functional chemicals, mechanical surface treatment

## Multifunctional textile surfaces as carriers of permanent protective barrier effects, mechanical and physiological parameters (wearing comfort)

Healthcare sector 

### Effects reliable

- ✚ simultaneously
- ✚ permanent in maintenance  
(washing 64°C, thermosterilizing 134°C, 10min)



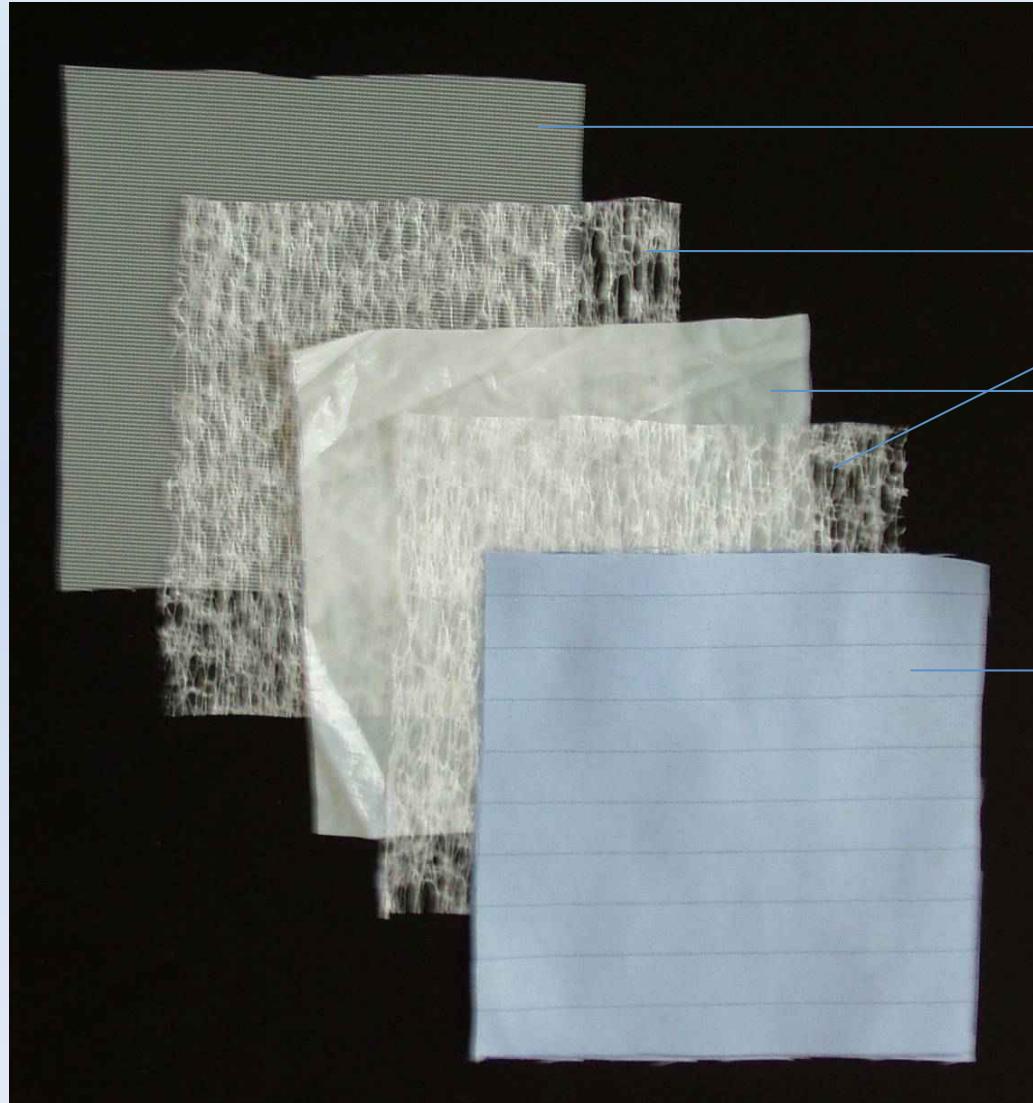
### Required properties and effects :

- hydrophobicity / hydrostatic head EN 20811
- antistatic EN 1149-1, 2, 3
- low linting ISO/DIS 9073-10
- antibacterial properties (EN ISO 20743)
- resistance to microbial penetration  
EN ISO 22610 –wet, EN ISO 22612 – dry
- mechanical parameters  
EN ISO 13934-1, 13938-1, 29073-3
- wearing comfort (MMT)
- breathability (MVTR) EN ISO 15496
- specific : electromagnetic shielding  
MIL-STD 285, FR - EN ISO 15025,..

**EN 13795 Part 3: Surgical drapes, gowns and clean air suits, used as medical devices for patients, clinical staff and equipment – Performance requirements and performance levels**

Characteristic	Standard	Unit	Requirements			
			Standard performance		High performance	
			Critical product area	Less critical product area	Critical product area	Less critical product area
Resistance to microbial penetration - Dry	EN ISO 22612: 2005-05	$\log_{10}$ (CFU)	not required	$\leq 2$	not required	$\leq 2$
Resistance to microbial penetration - Wet	EN ISO 22610: 2006-10	$I_B$	$\geq 2,8$	not required	6.0	not required
Cleanless - microbial	EN 1174 (1-3)	$\log_{10}$ (CFU/dm <sup>2</sup> )	$\leq 2$	$\leq 2$	$\leq 2$	$\leq 2$
Cleanless – Particulate matter	EN ISO 9073-10: 2005-03	IPM	$\leq 3,5$	$\leq 3,5$	$\leq 3,5$	$\leq 3,5$
Linting	EN ISO 9073-10: 2005-03	$\log_{10}$	$\leq 4,0$	$\leq 4,0$	$\leq 4,0$	$\leq 4,0$
Resistance to liquid penetration	EN 20811: 1992-08	cm H <sub>2</sub> O	$\geq 20$	$\geq 10$	$\geq 100$	$\geq 10$
Bursting strength – Dry	EN ISO 29073-3: 1992-08	kPa	$\geq 40$	$\geq 40$	$\geq 40$	$\geq 40$
Bursting Strength - Wet	EN ISO 29073-3: 1992-08	kPa	$\geq 40$	not required	$\geq 40$	not required
Tensile strength – Dry	EN ISO 13938-1: 1999-10	N	$\geq 20$	$\geq 20$	$\geq 20$	$\geq 20$
Tensile Strength - Wet	EN ISO 13938-1: 1999-10	N	$\geq 20$	not required	$\geq 20$	not required

## Multilayer (bio)functionalized laminated sandwich structures

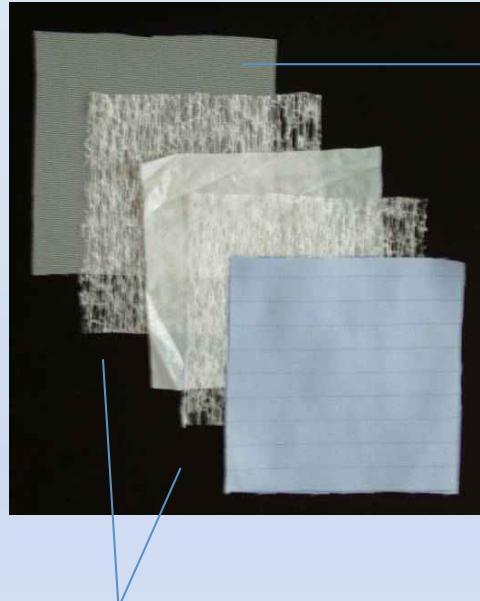


- supporting separative PET inner layer
- thermoadhesive copolymer net (E.V.A. – PET)
- enzyme treated PBT non-porous membrane
- outer (functionalized) PET layer



***THERMOCALENDER LAMINATION***

## Multilayer textile structures: Added value enhancement by enzymes



**separative inner layer**

100% PET, air permeable, light, soft

*THERMOCALLENDER  
LAMINATION*

**non-porous hydrophilic PBT membrane**

- 20g/m<sup>2</sup>
- permanent waterproof (>100cm)
- breathable (MVTR)
- non-airpermeable
- resistant to microbial penetration
- thermoinsulative

**Treatment with  
PET-enzymes**  
for :

- breathability enhancement

**thermoadhesive net**

ultralight copolymer webs

- optimized melting point
- from 14g/m<sup>2</sup>
- air-permeable
- moisture transport
- bonding strength and durability
- thermocallender application

**outer PET layer**

breathable, low linting,  
functionalization possibilities:

- electroconductive fiber / polymer
- antimicrobial
- (AB polyester-micro or finishing)
- FR (Trevira CS or finishing)

**Treatment with PET-enzymes**

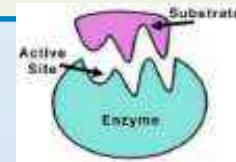
for :

- binding of antimicrobial agent
- enhancement of FR (wet pick-up)
- antistatic properties support
- moisture transport improvement

# ENZYMIC MODIFICATION OF POLYESTER SUBSTRATES

**TEXAZYM PES:** 30-35°C, 30-60min, pH=4,5

**TEXAZYM CP:** 50°C-55°C, 30-60min, pH= 6-7,5



Limited ester bond breaking:



- + New reactive groups forming
- + Improvement of end-use properties
  - Hydrophilicity improvement
  - Breathability increase
  - Antistatic properties support
    - = Physiological parameters improvement (MMT)
  - Possibilities of next functionalization (binding of antimicrobial agent)
- + Without weight and tensile strength loss
- + Mild application conditions



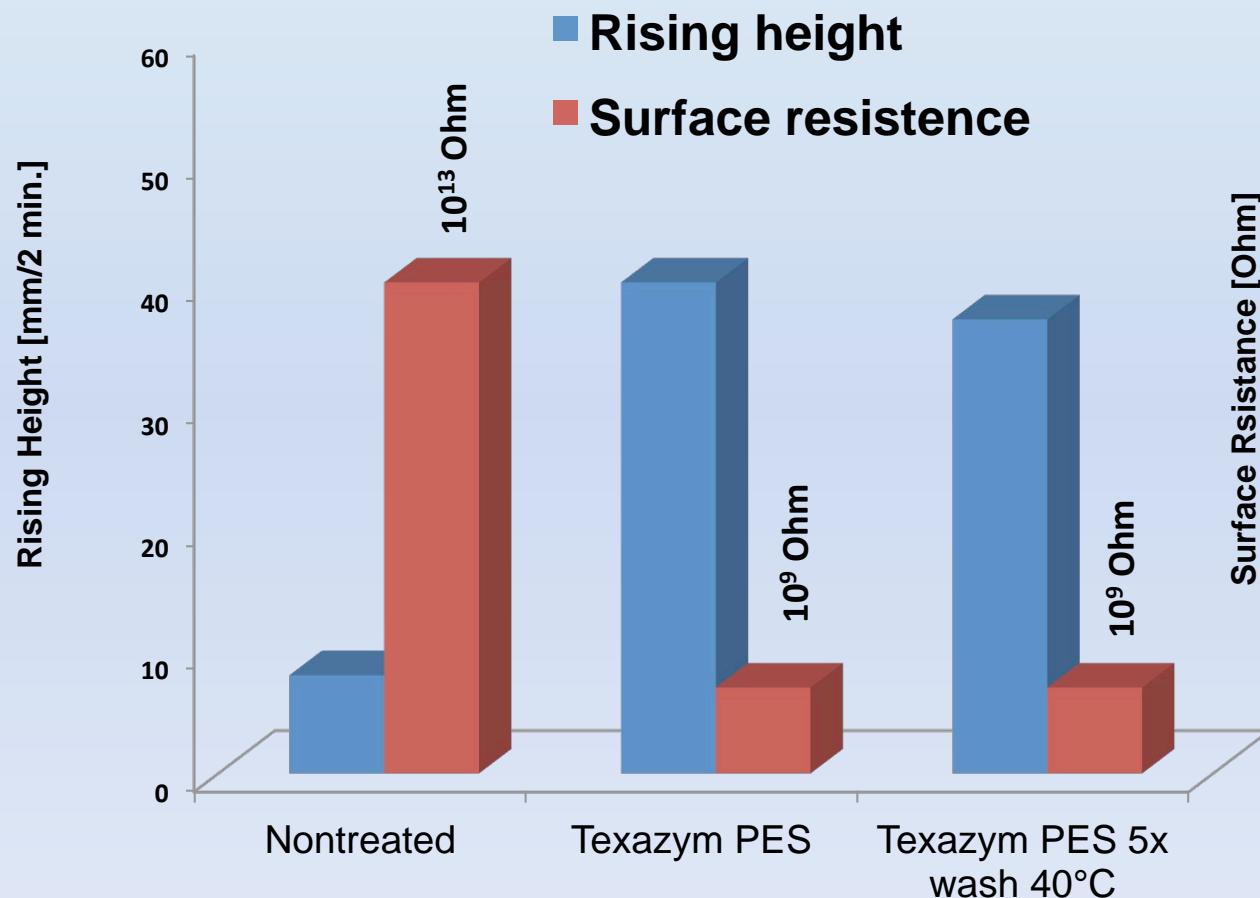
verification by dyeability  
with reactive dye:  
C.I. Reactive Blue 11

## Colourfastness

water	:	4D / 4-5 / 4-5
washing 40°C	:	4-5D / 4-5 / 4-5
alk. perspiration	:	2-3D / 4-5 / 4-5
wet rubbing	:	4-5
dry rubbing	:	4-5

## Enzymatic modification of PES – Experience

***Antistatic effect, improved hydrophilicity, durability in repeated laundry***



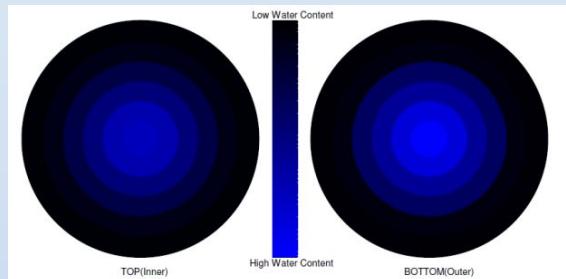
Also FR polyester (Trevira CS) and blended constructions parameters improvement



## Enzymatic modification of PES – Experience *Liquid transport improvement*

*spreading speed /  
mm/s/*

0,3



PET

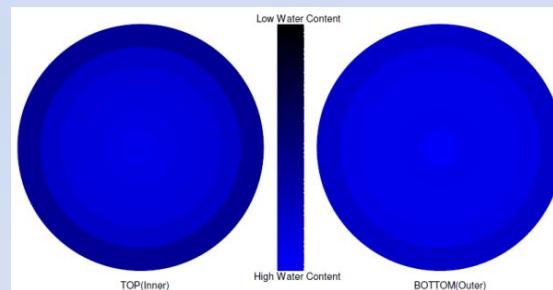
0,4

MMT

PET micro

1,6

3,1

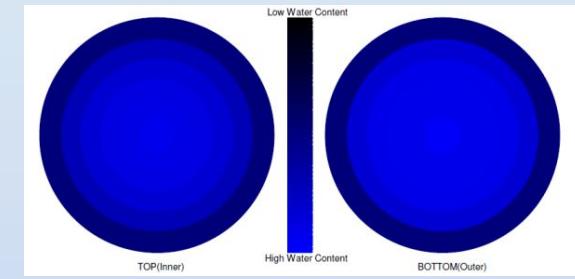


*Untreated*

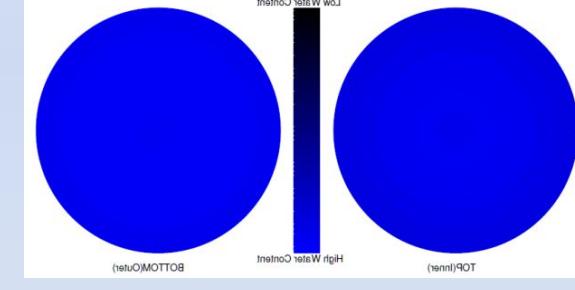
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*TEXAZYM PES*

1,7



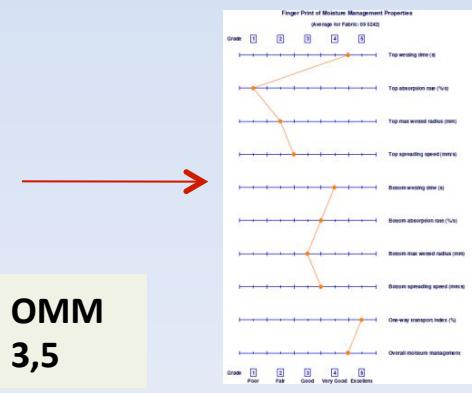
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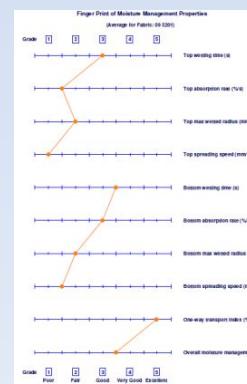
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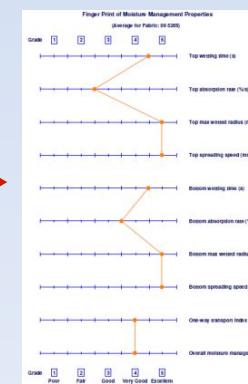
OMM  
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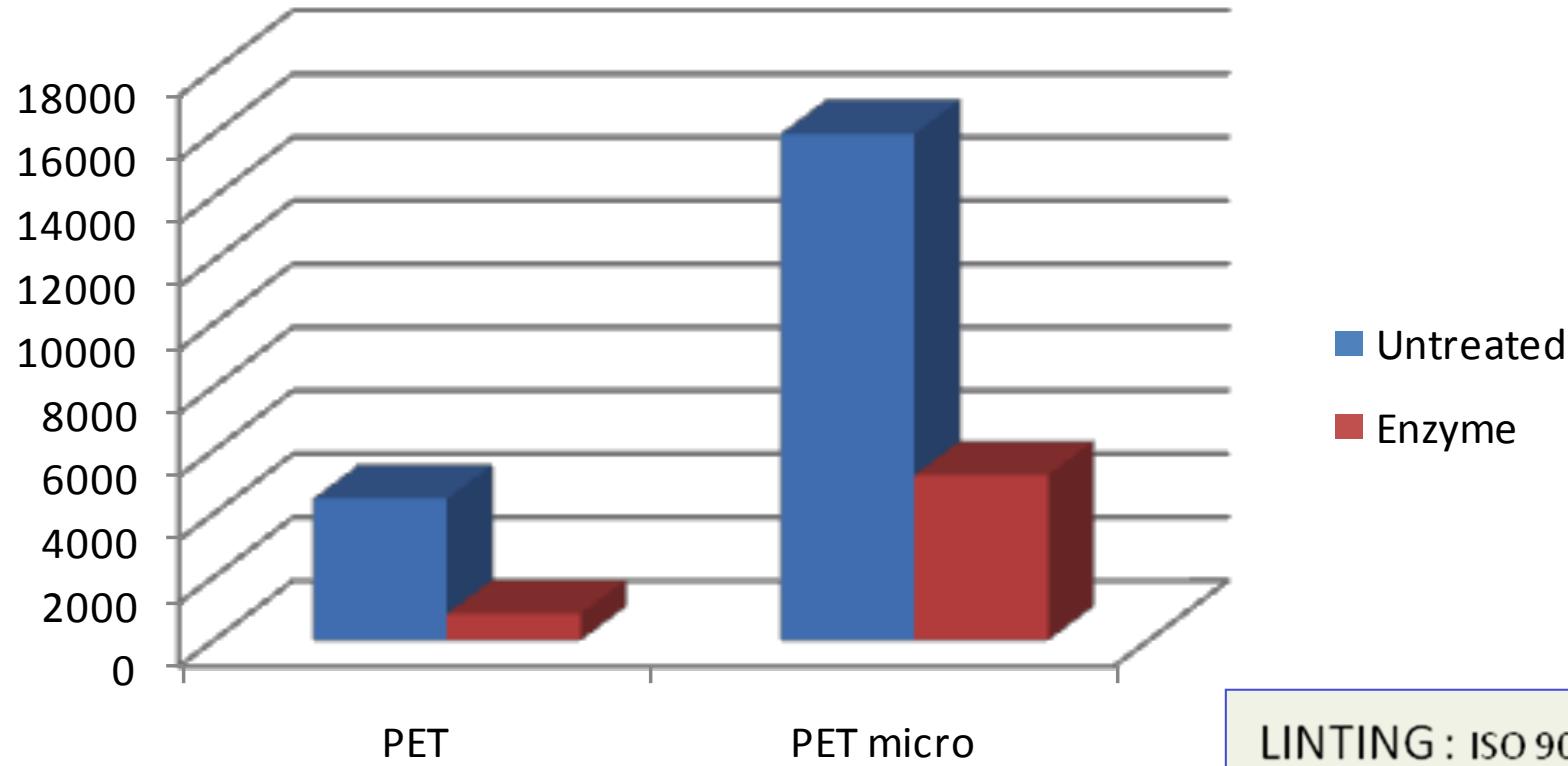


OMM  
3,5

**Enzymatic modification of PES – Experience**  
**Reduction of number of released particles (LINTING)**



**Total linting (number of particles 0,3-25µm)**



**LINTING : ISO 9073-10**

- clean room class 5 (EN ISO 14644-1)
- temperature ( $23 \pm 2$ )°C
- RH ( $50 \pm 5$ )%

## Enzymatic treatment of PBT membrane – breathability improvement

TEXAZYM PES – lipolase: 1:10; 2%owf; 35°C, pH= 4,5; 60min, rinsing water

TEXAZYM CP – cutinase: 1:10; 2% owf; 50°C, pH=6,0; 60min, rinsing water

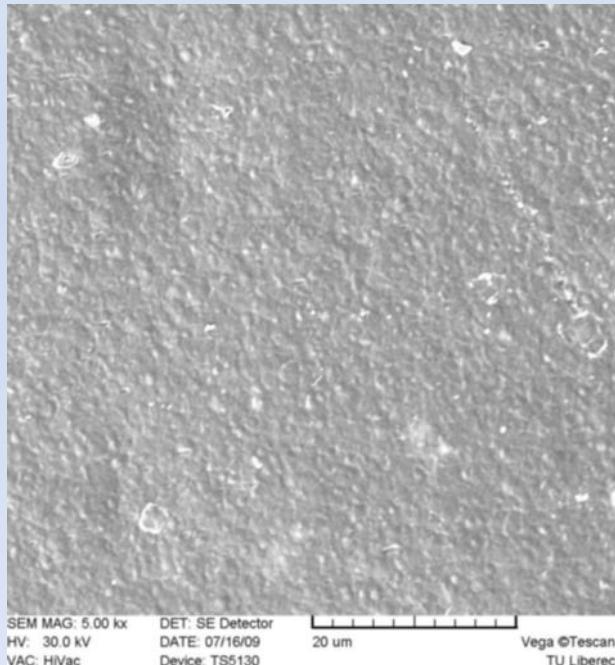
PBT membrane	hydrophobicity EN 20811 (cm)	breathability MVTR EN ISO 15496 (g/m <sup>2</sup> .Pa)	dimensional change EN ISO 1077 (%)
untreated	>100	0,11	-
5x washing 64°C	>100	0,10	0
5x washing 64°C, thermosterilization 134°C/10min.	>100	0,09	+0,1
TEXAZYM PES	>100	0,18	0
5x washing 64°C	>100	0,18	+0,05
5x washing 64°C, thermosterilization 134°C/10 min.	>100	0,21	+0,02
TEXAZYM CP	>100	0,22	-0,01
5x washing 64°C	>100	0,21	+0,02
5x washing 64°C, thermosterilization 134°C/10min.	>100	0,24	+0,03

## Enzymatic treatment of PBT membrane

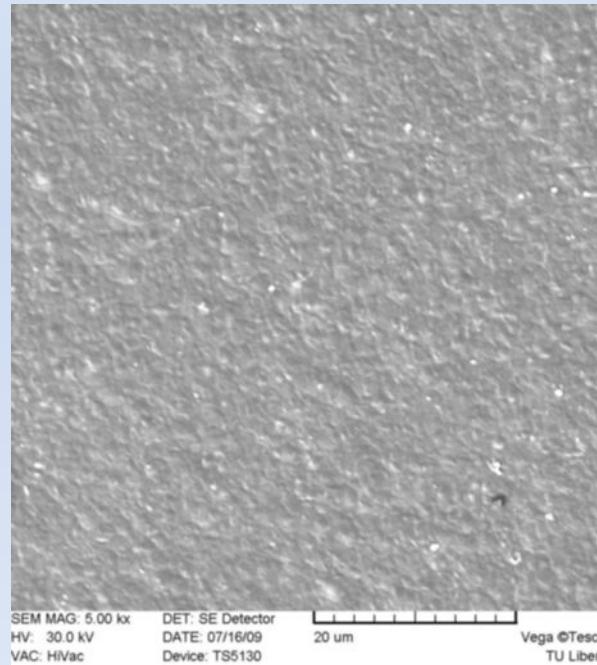


Effects need to be durable (membrane resistivity)  
in repeated washing 64°C + thermosterilization 134°C 10min (steaming)

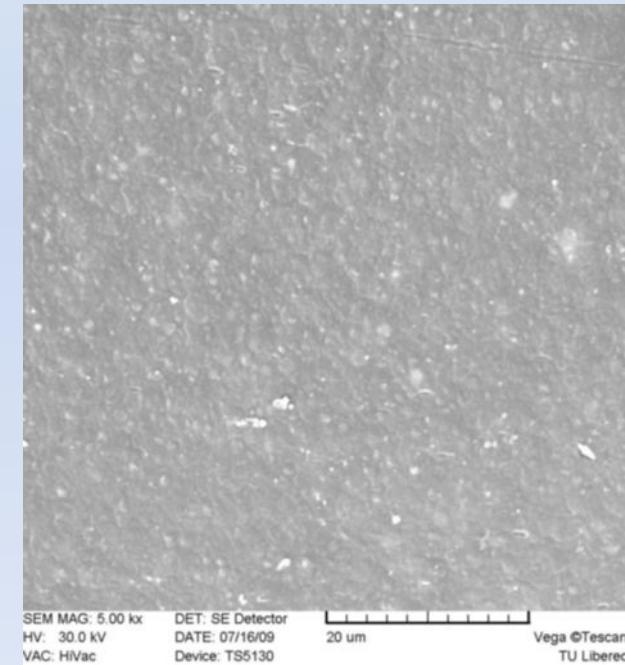
PBT membrane 300x magnified



original



5x washed 64°C



5x steamed 134°C 10min

# Enzymatic treatment of PET fabric outer layer binding of antimicrobial agent: improved permanency



**Chemical bond between new –COOH and –OH groups and quat based antibacterial system**

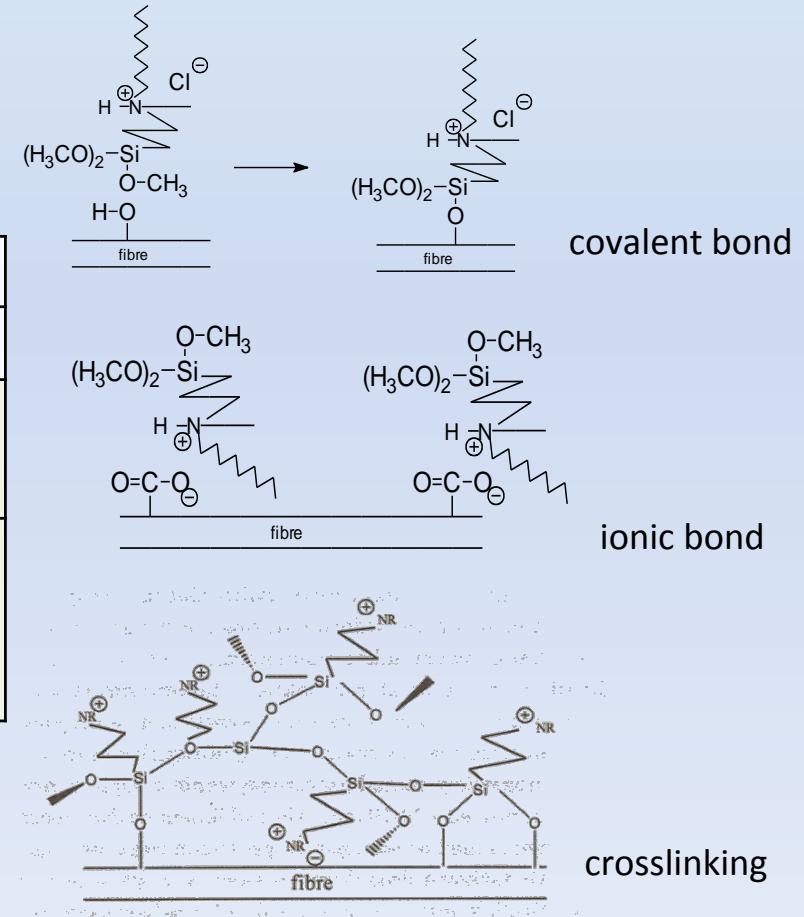
„Dimethyltetradecyl (3-(trimethoxysilyl)propyl)ammonium chloride“



*Staphylococcus aureus* (AATCC 100)

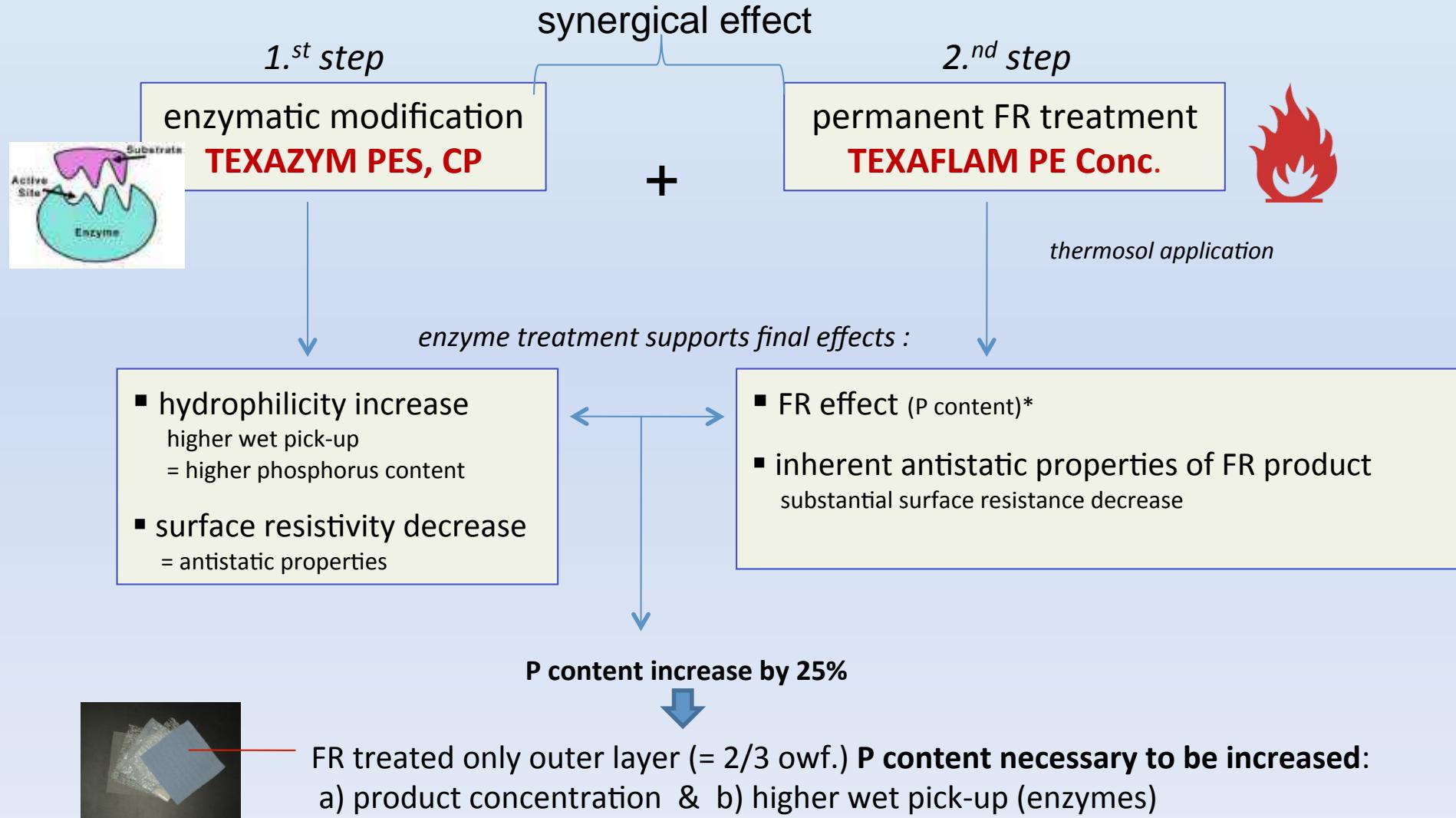
	Reduction of colonies %/		
	without washing	5 x washing 40°C	15 x washing 40°C
PES + antibacterial agent	90%	exceed	exceed
PES + TEXAZYM PES + antibacterial agent	85%	96%	92%

G+ and G- effective





## Enzymatic treatment of PET fabric outer layer + enhancement of FR & antistatic properties support



## Resulting multilayer textile structure properties

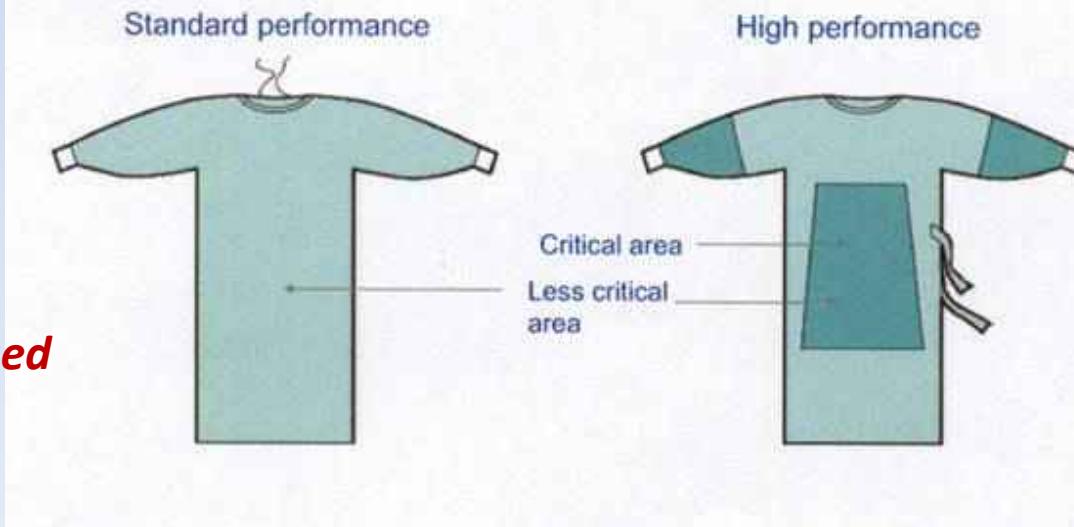


Parameter	Standard	Result
Resistance to water penetration	EN 20811	>100cm
Breathability (MVTR)	EN ISO 20811	0,2g/m <sup>2</sup> .Pa
Air permeability	EN ISO 9237	0mm/s
Resistance to microbial penetration - Wet	EN ISO 22610	< 2
Resistance to microbial penetration - Dry	EN ISO 22612	< 2
Surface resistivity	EN 1149-1	$10^5 \Omega$ (64% r.h.) $10^7 \Omega$ (25% r.h.)
Tensile strength	EN ISO 13934-1	1358N (weft) 1991N (warp)
Square weight	EN 12127	215g/m <sup>2</sup>

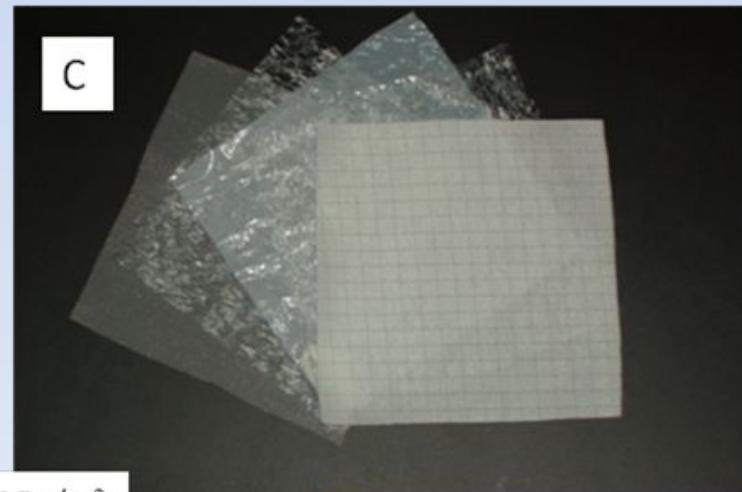
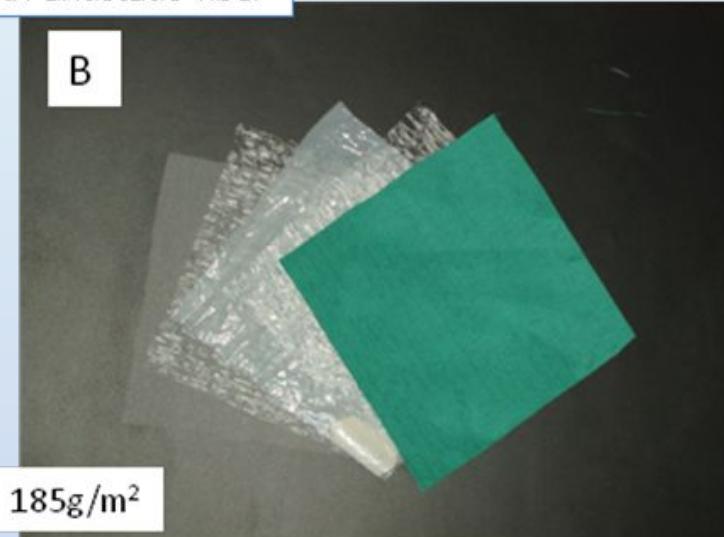
### Effects durable

in repeated washing 64°C  
+ thermosterilization 134°C 10min

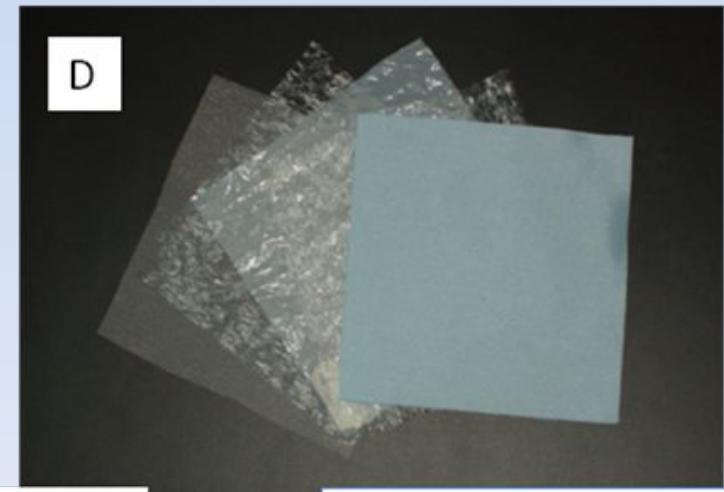
**Multilayer structure possible to be used  
only for critical areas of garment :**



examples of structures with antistatic fiber



Antimicrobial PET-micro,  
antistatic grid (AMANDA)



PET FR/antistat or  
antibacterial treatment

## CONCLUSIONS

- **Multilayer textile structures using functional PBT membrane have extra high and durable barrier effects**
  - waterproof
  - resistivity to microbial penetration
  - antistatic
  - antimicrobial, FR effects support, ...
- **Enzymatic modification of non-porous PET membrane can double its breathability without negative influence on membrane properties (decisive layer)**
- **Enzymatic modification of outer surface PET layer improves effects of its functionalization (antibacterial, FR) and moisture management parameters (MMT)**
- **Ecofriendly enzyme biotechnologies as a part of complex processing and functionalization of textiles**



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