

A Symposium on
Reliability and Failure in Textiles

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Textiles are used in almost everything: From industry to human applications. These textile applications depend greatly upon the mechanical behaviour of the textile fabric, which can be a composition of several materials using different technologies, and one must assure that the textile material is able to maintain its performance for a specific lifetime. For example, compression stockings need to be replaced periodically due to the material fatigue, in order to guarantee the proper compressive effect. Another example is the textile based sensor. The mechanical behaviour of the textile structure can greatly influence the electrical behaviour, and the fatigue material assumes a paramount importance for the reliability of the textile sensor. Temperature and other properties also influence the performance of textiles and thus their characterization need to be performed.

This symposium intends to address the influence of material fatigue and inherently the reliability of a textile in specific applications, namely (but not only) on health, sports, e-textiles, among others. The authors are thus invited to submit their contribution involving this particular issue.

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