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## **International Committee on Cotton Testing Methods**

## **Successful ITMF Recognition of Two Cotton Testing Instruments:**

## FIBROTEST by Textechno (Germany) and Premier aQura 2 by Premier Evolvics (India)

At its Plenary Meeting on March 20, 2012 in Bremen/Germany the International Committee on Cotton Testing Methods (ICCTM), a Committee of the International Textile Manufacturers Federation (ITMF), has granted full recognition to two instruments. Full recognition of a testing instrument means that according to the Committee the instrument manufacturer has provided sufficient information and results from instrument comparison of multiple testing units in order to assess whether the instrument can be usefully applied in textile mills or for research purposes.

The first instrument that received full recognition was the FIBROTEST from Textechno Herbert Stein GmbH in Germany. The FIBROTEST is a testing device for the determination of the length distribution and the fiber bundle strength/elongation of short-staple fibers, especially cotton, in a direct measurement as well as in HVICCS calibrated mode.

The second instrument that received full recognition was the Premier aQura 2 from Premier Evolvics Pvt. Ltd. in India. The Premier aQura 2 is an instrument used for testing the length and nep properties of cotton fibre materials at various process stages which include raw cotton and slivers as well as other processing stages and outputs.

The ICCTM is a non-profit technical Committee of the International Textile Manufacturers Federation (ITMF) with the main function to critically examine and discuss existing and new cotton testing methods and instrumentation.

The full documentation from the instrument manufacturers which have been submitted for recognition to the Committee will be available on the ITMF website at: <a href="http://www.itmf.org/cms/pages/committees/cotton-testing-methods-com..php">http://www.itmf.org/cms/pages/committees/cotton-testing-methods-com..php</a>. For additional information please contact: <a href="mailto:secretariat@itmf.org">secretariat@itmf.org</a>

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