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Research in the design, development and measurement of natural and synthetic polymeric materials and fibers, including polymer mixtures and additives.

Biologically Active Bioabsorbable Fibers for Biomedical Uses

We are developing poly(ester-amide)-based, biologically active bioabsorbable fibers with improved biodegradation and biological properties for biomedical applications. (Chu with UTenn) [M03-CR04]

Nano Crafted Layered Optical Filaments for Diffractive Colors

By understanding the structures needed to print interference colors on textiles, we can enable new sensors and fabrics that can reflect or transmit light for optimal cooling or warming. (Calvert) [M03-MD14]

Liquid Wetting and Flow in Nano-Fibrous Systems

We are developing computer models to predict and characterize wettability, permeability, flow, transport phenomena and absorbency in nanoporous fibers and nano-fibrous substrates. (Hsieh with TRI) [M04-CD01]

Distributed Sensors and Actuators via Electronic-Textiles

Using electrospinning, we are developing non-woven "e-textiles" containing charged carbon nanotubes to provide enhanced sensing capabilities for more reliable and accurate feedback. (Jalili) [M04-CL05]

Poly(lactic acid) Derived Fibers with Enhanced Performance

We are researching ways to significantly enhance the thermal and mechanical performance of biodegradable fibers from renewable resources (e.g. lactide from corn sugar). (Smith with Long Island U.) [M04-CL07]

Surface Modification of Capillary Surface Material Fibers

We are tailoring the surfaces of capillary surface material fibers using linear, hyperbranched and comb-polymer migratory additives for biomedical applications. (Hirt with Florida) [M04-CL11]

Cellular Encapsulation into Porous Alginate Fibers

We are developing fibrous biomaterials with genetically modified cells that release biological agents that emulate normal wound healing of body tissue. (Brown with U. of Rhode Island) [M04-CL13]

Nano Scale Polymerization and Fiber Spinning

Using “extrusion polymerization” through mesoporous silica channels, we are producing highly crystalline nylon and polyester nanofibers with exceptional mechanical properties. (Jacob with Ohio St) [M04-GT11]

Textile Fibers Engineered from Molecular Auxetic Polymers

We are developing polymeric fibers that exhibit a strong bulk auxetic response under tensile stress because of fundamental lateral expansions on a molecular level. (Griffin) [M04-GT21]

Quantum Tunneling Nanocomposites as Sensors and Actuators in Fabric

We are using piezoresitivity arising from quantum tunneling in conducting polymer nanocomposites to make printable stress sensors and actuators for textiles. (Patra) [M04-MD07]

Efficient Biological-Chemical Protective Materials

We are developing the fundamental knowledge to design "breathable" fabrics that also provide barrier protection from biological and chemical hazards. (Gowayed with Clemson) [M05-AE11]

Functional Fibers via Biomimesis

We are developing a fundamental understanding of how liquid wets and flows in nanoporous fibers and nanofibrous substrates. (Hsieh with Clemson, Natick) [M05-CD01]

New Cellulose Engineering Materials

We are developing a fundamental understanding of the cellulose dissolution process to create a new class of cellulose engineering materials. (Frey with NC State) [M05-CR02]

Shape Memory Polymer Fibers for Comfort Wear

We are using chemical and mechanical shape memory effects to develop fibers that change their shape in response to external stimuli, e.g. temperature, for enhanced fabric comfort. (Cook with NC State) [M05-GT14]

High Modulus Aliphatic Nylon Fibers via Lewis-Acid Complexation

By forming a Lewis acid - nylon 66 complex to reduce hydrogen bonding during drawing, we have produced high melting, ultra-high modulus and high strength fibers. (Kotek with Long Island U.) [M05-NS05]

Integrated Production of Functional Fibers and Nonwovens

We are developing processes to graft polymerize during reactive extrusion to yield self-decontaminating non-woven barrier fabrics that protect against biological and chemical hazards. (Sun) [M06-CD04]

Fibers for Textile-Based Electrical Energy Storage

We are studying fiber-based capacitors suitable for electrical energy storage in textile products. (Creager with Old Dominion) [M06-CL07]

Hierarchically Designed and Conductive Elastomeric Fibers

For elastomeric fibers with superior elasticity, recovery, durability, specific strength and tunable electrical conductivity, we are embedding micro-gel clusters into polymers. (Jacob with UMass Amherst) [M06-GT03]

Textile Based Carbon Nanostructured Flexible Antenna

We are researching micro-droplet deposition of carbon nanotube-based conducting electronic inks on textiles for printed circuits and systems, such as antenna. (Patra with RPI) [M06-MD01]

Improving Textiles with Cyclodextrins

We are exploiting the tendency of cyclodextrins to form inclusion compounds with many small molecule additives and polymers to improve/enhance textile properties. (Tonelli with Georgia Tech) [M06-NS02]

Fabrication

Research in the fabrication, processing and manufacture of fibrous structures and fabricated products.

Textile Prostheses for Vascular Applications

We are exploring the application of textile structures as stents. (Adanur with UMassD, Emory) [F03-AE02]

Electro-Static Web Formation

We are using electrostatic field forces to form webs with positively controlled fiber orientation and minimal hook formation for improved strength, pore size and bending behavior. (Kim with NC State) [F03-MD01]

Bio-active Bandages

We are developing bandages that contain growth factors which will accelerate wound healing. (Bhowmick with Harvard) [F03-MD15]

Coated and Laminated Fabrics for Fuel Cells

We are studying gas diffusion layers to find new ways to improve their performance in fuel cells. (Adanur with UMassD) [F04-AE01]

Fibrous Micro-Electro-Mechanical-Systems (MEMS)

We are developing a fundamental understanding of fiber elasticity, strength and near fatigue-free behavior at sub-millimeter scales of common MEMS structures, such as cantilevers. (Netravali) [F04-CR02]

Frequency Effect on Drawing Behavior of Staple Fiber Strands

We are developing the knowledge base to enhance the strand drafting process by minimizing drafting waves in staple yarn manufacturing. (Wang with UC Davis) [F04-GT01]

Superdraw Processing of Hollow Fibers

We seek to understand the fundamental principles of superdrawing, and to study its application to hollow fiber production. (Wang with East Carolina U.) [F04-GT02]

Micro-Flow in Textiles

Magnetic Resonance Imaging and Computational Fluid Dynamics provide a detailed insight into flow phenomena in textiles. (Leisen with Niederrhein Univ.) [F04-GT05]

Compact Fiber-Based Biofiltration Systems

We are developing highly efficient, fiber-based bioconversion media for use in the detoxification of ammonia-contaminated water. (Kim) [F04-MD11]

Fracture Toughness of Through-Thickness Reinforced Composites

We are developing fabric layered organic polymer engineering composite materials with improved interlaminar shear strength. (Rice) [F04-MD12]

Printing Electric Circuits onto Non-Woven Conformal Fabric Substrates

We are developing technology to print flexible electronic circuits and sensor systems onto nonwoven surfaces which are custom designed and fabricated with textile processing technologies. (Pourdeyhimi) [F04-NS17]

Single-Step Protein Surface-Attachment to Electrospun Fibers

By electrospinning conventional synthetic polymers with novel synthetic-bioorganic hybrid copolymers, we aim to produce fibers with specific bioactive surface functionalities. (Spontak with Max Plank) [F04-NS26]

Reinforcement Fabrics with Electronic Transmission Capability

We are developing fundamental knowledge to understand how to design geotextile roadbed liners embedded with antennae and electronic transmission capability. (Thomas) [F05-AE13]

Demand Activated Toughening in Ballistic Protective Garments

To design comfortable, ballistic protective garments, we are developing understanding of shock-induced chemical reactions that convert flexible polymers to hard ceramic materials. (Jacob with Auburn) [F05-GT04]

Melt Electrospinning Route to Cost-Effective Nanofibers

We are developing an electrospinning process from melt polymer with prospects of higher productivity and without the costly solvent recovery step of solvent electrospinning. (Warner with NJIT) [F05-MD01]

Robospiders for Spinning Strong Sub-Micron Fibers

We are developing an understanding of the rheology and kinetics with real-time feedback control needed to pultrude minute quantities of strong, sub-micron, fibrous materials for medical uses. (Calvert) [F05-MD09]

Electrospun Bicomponent Fibers for Tissue Engineering

We are developing electrospun bi-component nanofiber structures using biodegradable polymers for application as scaffolds for tissue engineering. (Gupta) [F05-NS04]

Scent-Infused Textiles to Enhance Consumer Experiences

We are developing polymer fibers that incorporate effective, long-lasting fragrances for innovative and marketable textiles and to measure their psychology of acceptance. (Pierce) [F05-PH03]

Direct Writing Biological Patterns & Constructs onto Fabrics

We are exploring the knowledge of direct writing of biological patterns and constructs onto fabrics to create textile-based bio/medical microdevices. (Huang with Naval Research) [F06-CL02]

Nanolayer Self-assemblies: Novel, Adaptable Fiber Surfaces

We are using electrostatic self-assembled nanolayers to add functionality to textile substrate surfaces without significantly altering the weight, bulk or comfort of the textile. (Hinestroza with NC State) [F06-CR02]

Ultra-fine Filament Yarns Made by Supersonic Jet Splitting

We are developing the fundamental understanding to lead to a new approach towards cost-effective production of ultra-fine continuous filament yarns. (Yao) [F06-GT01]

Piezoelectric Fabrics for Energy Harvesting

We are studying the possibilities of incorporating piezoelectric fibers into fabrics in order to harvest energy and to power small electronics. (Guillot) [F06-GT05]

Transport in 3-D Nanofab Geometries

Our aim is to fundamentally understand the fluid transport properties of controlled nanofibrous 3-D structures for uses, such as protective garment design, filtration and drug delivery. (Bhowmick with Natick) [F06-MD04]

Formation and Performance of Auxetic Textiles

We are developing fundamental understanding of auxetic textiles processes and properties in such uses as protective clothing, composites, biomedical filtration and bandages. (Ugbolue) [F06-MD09]

Blue-Cured Adhesives for Bonding and 3-D Medical Textiles

We are exploring the use of blue light instead of UV to rapidly cure bonding resins and to build 3-D fabric structures for biomedical uses, such as tissue engineering. (Calvert with UMass Lowell) [F06-MD14]

Environmental Fabrics and Breathing Wall Systems

We are developing fabric and modular wall assemblies to retrofit existing buildings to combat Sick Building Syndrome and will be developing multiple skins structures. (Messinger) [F06-PH03]

Chemistry

Research in chemical applications to, and modifications of, fibers and fiber substrates, including dyeing, finishing and waste reduction.

Universal Set of Dyes for Digital Inkjet Textile Printing

Using new technology to rapidly design new molecules, we are creating a universal set of dyes and chemicals that enable inkjet printing on chemically diverse textile materials. (Ujii) [C03-PH01]

Ultrahydrophobic Fibers: Lotus Approach

By biomimicking the hydrophobicity and miniature protrusions on lotus leaves, we are developing ultrahydrophobic fibers with excellent water repellency and self-cleaning ability. (Luzinov with Clarkson) [C04-CL06]

Ionic Crosslinking - A Novel Method of Fabric Stabilization

To replace formaldehyde-based crosslinking agents, we are developing ionic ones that provide outstanding wrinkle recovery and strength retention, but do not release carcinogens. (Smith) [C04-NS01]

Static Generation and Control in Textile Systems

We are seeking fundamental understanding of static generation/control on polymer surfaces in terms of processing parameters, ambient conditions, polymer type and finish. (Seyam with Western Ontario) [C04-NS07]

Optimizing Color Control Through the Textile Supply Chain

We are developing an integrated color control system that optimizes color models and methods to enable effective digital color communication through the textile supply chain. (Hinks with Clemson) [C04-NS11]

Molten Organic Salts as Solvents for Fiber Extrusion

We are investigating using molten organic salts as solvents for the extrusion of stiff and/or polar materials, including cellulose. (Broughton with U. of Alabama) [C05-AE05]

Textiles with Highly Selective Receptors for Specific Molecules

By molecular imprinting polymers on fibers, we are designing novel functionalities with molecular recognition capability for molecular separation, isolation, immobilization and sensing uses. (Luzinov) [C05-CL01]

Microporous Membranes for Comfortable Protective Clothing

We are developing hybrid microporous membranes for protective clothing which restrict liquid/pathogen penetration, yet allow water vapor to diffuse out from skin. (Obendorf with UC Davis) [C05-CR01]

High-Yield Application of Permanent Colorants

We are incorporating functional groups into textile colorants and finishes to increase add-on and permanency via subsequent *in situ*, thermally-induced, covalent bond formation. (Beckham) [C05-GT04]

Inkjet Deposition of Complex Mixtures to Textiles

We are developing a fundamental understanding of the process of deposition of complex mixtures by the inkjet method. (Carr with CCNY) [C05-GT07]

Boundary Lubrication and Molecular Assembly

We are elucidating the nature of the boundary layer (e.g. finish) adsorbed on fiber surfaces, that controls wear and friction during textile processing. (Rojas with Cornell, UC Santa Barbara) [C05-NS09]

Using Genetic Algorithms in Molecular Design of Fibers

Using artificial intelligence techniques, we are designing polymer formulations with specified properties, such as stretch, strength, bulk, comfort and dyeability. (Sztandera with Cornell, Oxford) [C05-PH01]

Self-Decontaminating Textiles

We are developing fibrous systems that can self-decontaminate fabrics, surfaces and environments by photoinducing strongly reducing radicals without altering physical properties. (Slaten) [C06-AC01]

Effect of Silicone Finishes on the Burning Behavior of PET

To mitigate adverse silicone interactions, we are developing fundamental understanding of the impact of siloxanes on the burning behavior of polyester fibrous structures. (Drews with U of Georgia) [C06-CL01]

Hydrodynamic Lubrication in Fiber Processing

We are expanding understanding of physical and chemical interactions during hydrodynamic fiber lubrication, to increase production speeds and to develop new fiber structures. (Krause) [C06-NS07]

Systems

Research in the management of product design, sourcing, production, distribution and consumption systems.

Knowledge Management Across the Value Chain for Competitive Advantage

We are developing management tools for industry to increase their retention and retrieval of knowledge, to decrease cycle time and to add product value via consumer input. (Solomon with Berry College) [S03-AC01]

Sustainable Environmental Practices for Competitive Advantage

We developed a model that seeks to optimize labor/capital ratios and energy resources and measures the impact of trade agreements and foreign competition. (Rusinko) [S03-PH01]

Improving Competitiveness of the U.S. Textile and Apparel Complex

We developed a model that seeks to optimize labor/capital ratios and energy resources and measures the impact of trade agreements and foreign competition. (Datta with NC State) [S03-PH02]

Apparel Product Development for Plus-Sized Tween Girls

With body scan, social-psychological and behavioral data, we seek to improve garments and sizing for overweight and obese girls aged 9-14 to improve their social interactions. (Connell/Ulrich with [TC]²) [S04-AC01]

Effects of Carpets on Posture Steadiness and Locomotion Stability

We are investigating how biomechanical and ergonomic factors affect postural steadiness, locomotion stability and human fatigue on textile floor coverings. (Pan) [S04-CD03]

Improved Apparel Sizing: Fit and Anthropometric 3-D Scan Data

We are providing insight into body/apparel relationships using body scan data to develop research and analysis protocols that will improve apparel fit of firm sizing systems. (Ashdown with UC Davis) [S04-CR01]

Quantifying the Value of Information in a Supply Chain

We are developing ways to quantify the value of information sharing in a supply chain (e.g. inventory levels, demand forecasts) to improve intelligent decisions regarding operation of that chain. (King) [S04-NS02]

Masculine Fashion Choices: Shifting Identities

We aim to understand how the shifting male consumer culture thinks about fashion and lifestyle issues and how men evaluate and purchase clothing. (Solomon with Berry, UC Davis, Delaware, Cornell) [S05-AC02]

Fabric/Skin Interactions: Contact, Friction and Dynamic Motion

We are developing multi-scale models of physical and physiological interactions between fabric and skin, such as contact and friction, and the impact of dynamic motion (e.g. walking). (Pan with UCSF) [S05-CD04]

Hispanic Characterization System

This is the first comprehensive, empirical research system designed to generate a multidimensional profile of the U. S. Hispanic market in terms of textile and apparel needs and preferences. (Jones) [S05-NS04]

Strategic Sustainability and the Triple Bottom Line

We are examining how sustainability practices in the apparel-textile complex relate to economic, social and environmental goals in apparel, furnishings and artificial turf. (Solomon with Berry College) [S06-AC01]

Apparel Product Development for Plus-sized Tween & Teen Boys

We are investigating the physical and social-psychological dimensions of demand for apparel by tween boys (aged 9-14), particularly those who are overweight and obese. (Connell with [TC]²) [S06-AC03]

Visual Approach to Assessing Apparel Brand Personalities

We are developing a visual lexicon of brand personality that links apparel brands with the meanings a standardized set of images evoke for improved market positioning. (Solomon with Berry) [S06-AC04]

Research Network on Multifunctional Protective Clothing

We are forming a group of researchers and manufacturers to focus on multifunctional protective clothing and materials for firefighters, paramedics and police officers. (Sun with Auburn, Cornell, NC State) [S06-CD01]

Dynamic Textile Process and Quality Control Systems

We are developing a dynamic process and quality control system for dry and wet textile processes that are either continuous or serially connected with time lags. (Suh) [S06-NS02]

Guide to NTC Project Numbers (XNN-YYnns) where ...

X = first letter of the competency

NN = last two numbers of the NTC fiscal year (May to April) when the project was first funded

YY = university:

AC = Auburn Consumer Affairs (was A)

AE = Auburn Textile Engineering (was A)

CL = Clemson (was C)

CD = U Cal-Davis (was E)

CR = Cornell (was B)

GT = Georgia Tech (was G)

MD = U Mass Dartmouth (was D)

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nn = number assigned by university to project

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Auburn (AE, AC): University of Auburn, Auburn AL 36849 [E=TE;C=Consumer]	MAE: Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering	TFPS: Textile, Fiber & Polymer Science
Chem Eng: Chemical Engineering	ME: Mechanical Engineering	TRI: Textile Research Institute (Princeton NJ 08542)
CivE: Civil Engineering	M.I.T.: Mass. Inst. of Technology	UAB: Univ. of Alabama-Birmingham
Clemson (CL): Clemson University, Clemson SC 29634	NC State (NS): North Carolina State University, Raleigh NC 27695	UC-Davis (CD): University of California – Davis, Davis CA 95616-8722
Cornell (CR): Cornell University, Ithaca NY 14853	NMR: nuclear magnetic resonance	UD: University of Delaware
dpf: denier per filament	PET: poly(ethylene terephthalate)	UG: University of Georgia
DSC: differential scanning calorimetry	PhilaU (PH): Philadelphia University, Philadelphia PA 19144	UNC-G: University of North Carolina at Greenville
ESR: electron spin resonance	Poly Sci: Polymer Science	UMassD (D): University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth MA 02747
Fib: Fiber	SEM: scanning electron microscopy	UNL: University of Nebraska at Lincoln
FTIR: Fourier Transform Infrared	TAM: Textile and Apparel Management	UNO: University of New Orleans
Georgia Tech (GT): Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta GA 30332	[TC] ² : Textile/Clothing Technology Corp	U of PA: University of Pennsylvania
LSU: Louisiana State University	TE: Textile Engineering	U of Tenn: University of Tennessee
	TEM: transmission electron microscopy	URI: Univ. of Rhode Island
	Tex: Textile	
	TexE: Textile Engineering	
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The following abbreviations are not always defined in articles.

Auburn (AE, AC): University of Auburn, Auburn AL 36849 [E=TE;C=Consumer]	MAE: Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering	TFPS: Textile, Fiber & Polymer Science
Chem Eng: Chemical Engineering	ME: Mechanical Engineering	TRI: Textile Research Institute (Princeton NJ 08542)
CivE: Civil Engineering	M.I.T.: Mass. Inst. of Technology	UAB: Univ. of Alabama-Birmingham
Clemson (CL): Clemson University, Clemson SC 29634	NC State (NS): North Carolina State University, Raleigh NC 27695	UC-Davis (CD): University of California – Davis, Davis CA 95616-8722
Cornell (CR): Cornell University, Ithaca NY 14853	NMR: nuclear magnetic resonance	UD: University of Delaware
dpf: denier per filament	PET: poly(ethylene terephthalate)	UG: University of Georgia
ESR: electron spin resonance	PhilaU (PH): Philadelphia University, Philadelphia PA 19144	UNC-G: University of North Carolina at Greenville
Fib: Fiber	Poly Sci: Polymer Science	UMassD (D): University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth MA 02747
FTIR: Fourier Transform Infrared	TAM: Textile and Apparel Management	UNL: University of Nebraska at Lincoln
Georgia Tech (GT): Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta GA 30332	[TC] ² :Textile/Clothing Technology Corp	UNO: University of New Orleans
ITT: Institute of Textile Technology, Charlottesville VA 22903-4614	TE: Textile Engineering	U of PA: University of Pennsylvania
LSU: Louisiana State University	Tex: Textile	U of Tenn: University of Tennessee
	TexE: Textile Engineering	URI: Univ. of Rhode Island
	TFE: Textile and Fiber Engineering	

Discontinued Projects

[ordered by year, then competency, then University]

The following NTC projects were discontinued because they successfully completed their maximum three-year life span (or one-year for seed projects) or because other research was of higher priority. For their last report, see the NTC website at <http://www.ntcresearch.org>, the [November 2005 NTC Annual Report](#) (link below) or the [June 2006 NTC Research Briefs](#). You may also contact the principal investigators whose phone numbers and E-mail addresses are listed therein. New projects often grew out of completed projects (See the notes following the listings below for any new projects).

[Biomimicking of Enzymes for Textile Processing](#) (Buschle-Diller) C02-AE02 (C02-A02)

[Assessment of Continuous, Pulsed and Aerated Pressure Washing](#)
(Gowayed) C02-AE08 (C02-A08)

[The Chemistry of Functional Finishing: Self-decontaminating Textile Materials](#) (Sun with Auburn) C02-CD06 (C02-E06)

[Textile Ink Jet: Drop Formation and Surface Interaction](#) (Carr) .. C02-GT07 (C02-G07)

[Color Destruction in Mill Effluent via Biomimetic Methods](#)
(Bottomley with Emory) C02-GT09 (C02-G09)

[Integration of Fabric Formation and Coloration](#)
(George with NC State) C02-PH03 (C02-P03)

[Nano-Porous Ultra-High Specific Surface Fibers](#)
(Hsieh with UMassD, Natick) C04-CD06s

[Genetic Algorithms in Molecular Design of Novel Fibers](#)
(Sztandera with Cornell, Oxford) C04-PH02s

[Compressive Behavior of Fiber Assemblies](#) (Jacob) F02-GT04 (F02-G04)

[Development of Layered Functional Fiber-based Microtubes](#)
(Ghosh) F02-NS05 (F02-S05)

[3-D Virtual Draping with Fabric Mechanics and Body Scan Data](#)
(May-Plumlee) F02-NS08 (F02-S08)

[Transport Phenomena in Fibrous Substrates: Liquid and Solid Interactions](#) (Pan with Cornell) M02-CD03 (M02-E03)

[Functional Fibers for Immobilization of Biomolecules](#)
(Hsieh with Natick) M02-CD05 (M02-E05)

[Biomimetic Manufacturing Of Fibers: Materials Development](#)
(Ellison) M02-CL04 (M02-C04)

[Photonic Crystal-Based Polymer Optical Fibers](#) (Brown) M02-CL06 (M02-C06)

[Nano Engineered Fire Resistant Composite Fibers](#)
(Patra with Auburn) M02-MD08 (M02-D08)

[Polymers Processed with Cyclodextrin Inclusion Compounds](#)
(Tonelli with Ga Tech) M02-NS01 (M02-S01)

[Terahertz Properties of Textiles: Metamaterials, Sensors, and Security](#)
(Citrin) M04-GT19s

[Modeling Consumer Behavior in On-line Environments](#)
(Forsythe) S02-AC23 (I02-A23)

A Strategic Model for Functional Protective Clothing (Sun)..... S02-CD01 (I02-E01)
A Model for Optimizing the Textile Complex Value Chain
(Rucker with California State Polytechnic - Pomona) S02-CD02 (I02-E02)
Sensory Science: Social and Physical Interactions in Textile Evalua-
tions (Kaiser with U of Delaware) S02-CD04 (I02-E04)