

Press Release: Bally Ribbon Mills Announces a Technical Paper Presented at the Clemson Medical Textile Symposium

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Bally, PA – January 16, 2006 - Bally Ribbon Mills (BRM), Bally, PA - Will present a technical paper at **the Clemson Medical Textiles Symposium, which is to be held in Greenville, SC March 21 to 22, 2006.** An abstract and specifics about the paper follows:

Narrow Woven Fabrics for Use in Medical Textiles

Wednesday, March 22, 2006 – Day Two - 11:00 am to 11:30

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Abstract - When developing components for a new medical textile application, it is necessary to understand clearly the mechanical, chemical and biological demands on the final product as well as the limitations imposed by the fabrication, assembly technology, and associated costs. Often the success of a medical textile product not only depends on the selection of the appropriate fiber and fabrication method, but also on the applied finish, or surface modification and method of sterilization. This paper will review alternative technical strategies for prototyping flat, tubular and 3 dimensional structures, and will highlight how management decisions can be made to select only those projects that will bring a positive financial return to the company. Several samples of actual medical textile devices, developed to solve specific medical applications, will be shown.

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