**TeXtreme® sponsored team wins FSAE Michigan 2013**

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The FSAE Michigan 2013 competitions took place 8-11 of May at the Michigan International Speedway, USA. The race ended with a total victory for Rennteam Stuttgart with their car built using TeXtreme® Spread Tow carbon fabrics.

FSAE Michigan is the oldest and biggest Formula Student Competition. 120 Teams from all over the world competed against each other in various disciplines. In the end the Rennteam Stuttgart was able to collect the most points and win the competition, a great result and payoff for months full of hard work by the team.

Henrik Blycker, CEO of Oxeon, says: “TeXtreme® has been successfully used in Formula 1 for many years and almost as long as teams in Formula Student have been using TeXtreme® Spread Tow fabrics to save weight and improve mechanical performance. We are glad to see the TeXtreme® supported teams continuously at the top of competitions like this which ultimately shows the contribution of our materials”.

Formula Student is the world’s largest competition for engineers, it challenges student engineers to design, build and race a single seat racing car in one year.

Michael Hufnagel, team leader chassis of Rennteam Stuttgart says: “With an intensive use of CFRP-parts the Rennteam was able to present its car in ready to race condition with a weight of 167 kg at the technical inspection, the lightest Rennteam car so far. By using the TeXtreme® Spread Tow carbon fabrics the Rennteam was able to build very lightweight CFRP-parts”.

“The TeXtreme® fabric features a spread tow structure which provides the possibility of thinner layers, resulting in a fewer amount of resin needed. Also, the reduced crimp of the fibers leads to a higher strength of the composite. For the upcoming competitions, the new car was built with aerodynamic package consisting of a front wing, rear wing and an under tray with diffusor. With the use of TeXtreme® fabrics the Rennteam was able to build their aerodynamic package with a total weight of only 7kg”, Hufnagel continues.

TeXtreme® Spread Tow carbon fabrics reduce weight of composite parts by 20-30% compared to conventional fabrics. TeXtreme® has been implemented in a wide range of industries bringing weight savings, improvements of mechanical properties and giving superior surface smoothness.

**About TeXtreme®**
TeXtreme® Spread Tow reinforcements is the ultimate choice for making ultra light composites. TeXtreme® Technology is flexible and tow-size independent which enables development of optimized reinforcement solutions tailor-made for specific application needs. Utilization of TeXtreme® Spread Tow carbon fabrics and carbon UD tapes by manufacturers of advanced aerospace, industrial and sports products confirms that 20-30% lighter composite parts can be produced with improved mechanical properties and superior surface smoothness.

TeXtreme® is a registered trademark owned by Oxeon AB. Founded in 2003, Oxeon has quickly established itself as the market leader in Spread Tow reinforcements with its products marketed under the brand name TeXtreme®.

**About Formula Student**Formula Student is the most established educational motorsport competition. The competition aims to inspire and develop enterprising and innovative young engineers.  Universities from across the globe are challenged to design and build a single-seat racing car in order to compete in static and dynamic events, which demonstrate their understanding and test the performance of the vehicle. Students are to assume that a manufacturing firm has engaged them to produce a prototype car for evaluation. In addition to technical skills, students acquire management, marketing and people skills - so vital across all sectors of employment.

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