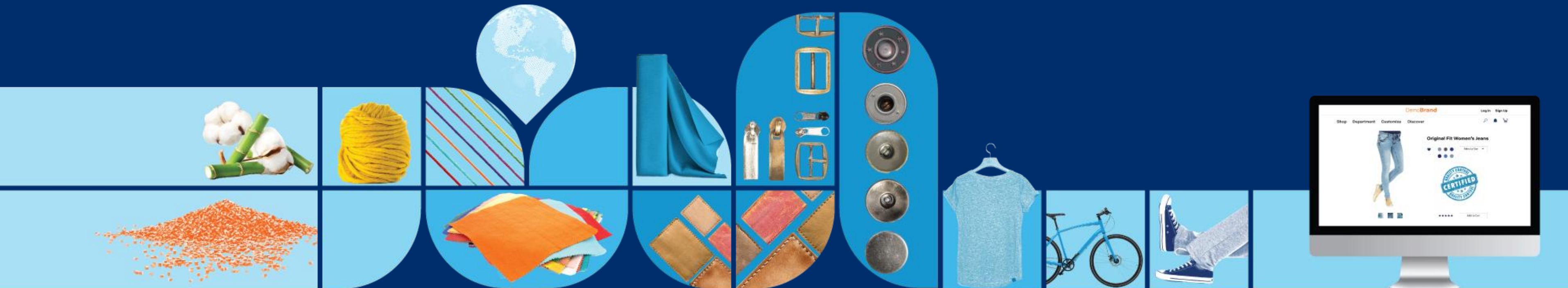




# Eliminating Data Gaps with Connected Supply Chains





## DATA MANAGEMENT WEBINAR SERIES:

1. Internal Data Management Strategies & Tactics
- 2. Eliminating Data Gaps with Connected Supply Chains**
3. Putting Your Data to Work: What Comes Next After Collection

# Purpose of this session:

Why external data is critical and often the biggest challenge:

Most of the data needed to complete a compliance report or sustainability claim doesn't live in your internal systems.

It comes from third-party sources, this includes:

- RSL test results
- Material origins
- Certifications
- When this data is delivered through emails or PDFs without structure, it becomes nearly impossible to use efficiently. You can't easily reuse it across systems, audit it, or prove its validity.

Inaccurate or incomplete external data = delays, potential audit failures, missing compliance data, and unreliable reporting



# Common Challenges

## What Internal Teams Are Up Against

Many teams still rely on email chains, siloed spreadsheets, and disconnected data, making it hard to track compliance requirements or link test data to materials.

### The Challenges:

- Manual entry and duplicate work
- Disjointed supplier communication & collaboration
- Scattered data with no single source of truth
- Compliance is reactive, not proactive

### The Solution:



One location for all data & documents  
from your entire supply chain.





**Poll Question 1:**

**Do you know where 100% of your materials are sourced from?**

# What We Are Hearing



Other brands are seeing..

- Thousands of test reports stored in shared folders, with no version control
- Suppliers sending data in different formats and with no consistent naming
- Teams manually tracking restricted substances in disconnected spreadsheets
- Constant back-and-forth emails to clarify test requirements or data submissions

**This creates manual work,  
inconsistent data and missed  
opportunities to reuse existing  
information.**

# Why External Data Matters

Advantages of a common data platform:

- Regulatory demands go beyond internal systems
  - Accuracy and traceability rely on supplier inputs
  - Poor data flow creates bottlenecks across compliance and sustainability efforts
- Sharing a core schema and limitless customization





# Structured Supplier Communication

## How brands are solving these challenges:

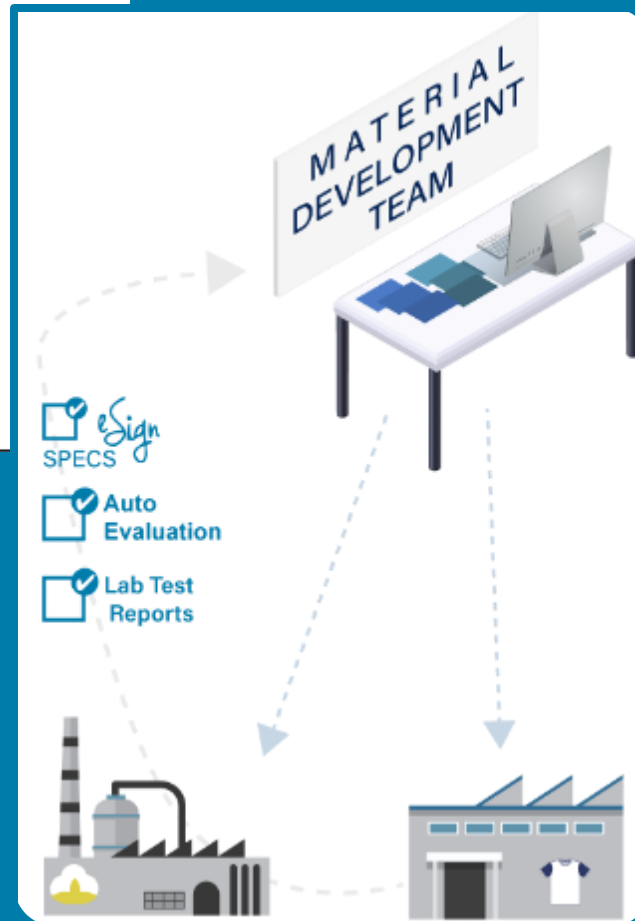
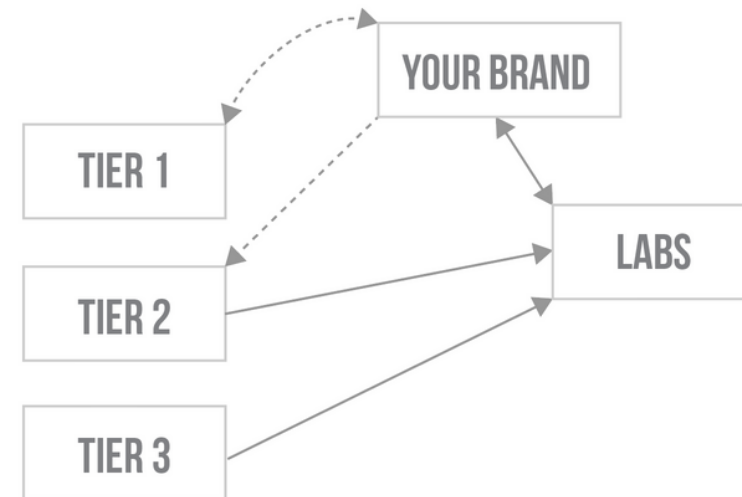
- Giving suppliers a standard, guided way to submit data and documents
- Automatically linking supplier-submitted data to internal material and product records
- No more guesswork: suppliers know exactly what's expected and where to submit it
- Teams track submission progress and status in real time
- Reusable workflows help scale collaboration across suppliers, seasons, and business units





# Texbase Connect

## CONNECT WITH SUPPLIERS



Texbase Connect is an integrated collaboration platform that solves the problem of collecting data across your supply chains by providing one central location to store your data no matter where in the supply chain it originates.

There are six areas of collaboration built into Texbase Connect:

- 01** Document Connect
- 02** Material Connect
- 03** Spec Connect
- 04** Lab Connect
- 05** Compliance Connect
- 06** Color Connect



**Poll Question 2:**

**Does your brand have direct connectivity to your tier 2 suppliers?**

# Texbase Document Connect

## Problem:

Managing document exchange with suppliers is tedious and lacks efficiency, standardization and version control.

## Solution:

Document Connect streamlines document distribution and collection:

- Build mailing lists of supply chain partners.
- Send any file for review, editing and/or eSigning.
- Attach surveys, RSL documents, NDA's or SOP's.
- Suppliers receive and respond directly in Texbase Connect.
- All document versions are stored in the supplier's record for easy access and reporting.





# Texbase

## Material Connect

### Problem:

Collecting material data often involves messy email threads, Excel templates, and manual data entry—leading to delays, inconsistencies, and missing information.

### Solution:

Material Connect enables suppliers to enter and submit material data directly into your Texbase library.

No more chasing templates. Just clean, complete material data—ready to go.

### Material Connect Functionality:

- Build customized Material Data Sheets with both custom and required fields.
- Suppliers enter yarn, fabric, and component data in a guided, easy-to-use interface.
- Submissions flow into a Material Connect Queue for review—accept or request edits with a click.
- System Notifications alert users when submissions arrive.
- Includes secure authorization and authentication to protect data integrity.



# Texbase Spec Connect

## Problem:

Test requirements are difficult to manage using static documents and are often miscommunicated, causing rework and compliance risk.

## Solution:

Spec Connect enables the collaborative creation and eSigning of test requirements between customer and supplier. This ensures clear communication and establishes shared accountability for adherence to quality and compliance standards.

Everyone in the supply chain is always working off the latest information in support of standardized testing and data collection.

Specification Details

| Test Standard # - Description (Units)                  | Selected Value | Target Value | Precision |  | Min | Max | Comment | Require In Test                     |  |                          |
|--|----------------|--------------|-----------|--|-----|-----|---------|-------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| AATCC-8-1989 - Obsolete Colorfastness to Crocking, Dry |                |              | 0.0       |  | 3   |     |         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| AATCC-8-1989 - Obsolete Colorfastness to Crocking, Wet |                |              | 0.0       |  | 3   |     |         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Shrinkage in Length                                    |                |              | 0.00      |  |     | 4   |         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Shrinkage in Width                                     |                |              | 0.00      |  |     | 4   |         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| ASTM D3776 - Weight, g (g/m2)                          |                |              |           |  |     |     |         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Visual - Width (cm)                                    |                |              |           |  |     |     |         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |  | <input type="checkbox"/> |

DEMOGEAR

Specification Copy

Vendor: ABC Textiles

Vendor Item: Crayon

Spec is For: DemoGear

Spec is Final: True

Content: 98% Nylon, 2% Lycra

Concept: Day Pack, Down Vest, Fleece Vest, Softshell

Spec Number: SPEC - 318

Type: Fabric

Season: 2018 Fall

Finish: Sanded

Chem. Finish: Anti-Static, DWR

| Test                           | Test Standard  | Value  | Units | Min | Max | Require for Testing                 |
|--------------------------------|----------------|--------|-------|-----|-----|-------------------------------------|
| Colorfastness to Crocking, Dry | AATCC 8 1989   | 4      |       | 3   | 5   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
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| Shrinkage in Width, CTL        | ASTM D3776     | 4      |       | 3   | 5   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Weight                         |                | 6 g/m2 |       | 5.4 | 6.6 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

Notes:

Signatory: Marci Supplier

Status: Approved

Signed Date: 09/25/2024 09:45 AM

Signatory: Marci Y

Status: Approved

Signed Date: 09/25/2024 10:19 AM

# Texbase Lab Connect



## Problem:

Collecting lab test data from supply chain partners is difficult to do using static files, email and shared folders. Manual processes are difficult to control and manage at scale.

## Solution:

Lab Connect streamlines lab test workflows and supports direct input from testing labs located anywhere in the world. Lab Test Data Importer uses custom Excel templates to capture lot-to-lot data in production. Lab Connect seamlessly captures data from your entire supply chain in support of multiple workflows depending upon the purpose of the lab test requirements and feeds into the core functionality of Texbase Testing.

## Lab Connect Functionality

- Partners can create and/or respond to test requests
- Uses agreed-upon testing requirements to create test requests for internal or external labs
- Print customized test request forms to include with physical submits for 3rd party labs
- Search and report on all historical test data



# Texbase Compliance Connect

## Problem:

Collecting data and documents from suppliers and testing labs in support of the CPSIA, is tedious, inconsistent and difficult to verify.

## Solution:

- Compliance Connect makes it easy for Tier 1 manufacturers and independent testing labs to collaborate using data from Texbase Materials, Texbase Testing and Texbase Product to capture the data needed to create Certificates of Compliance.
- Compliance Connect supports multiple workflows including CoC creation at any location within the supply chain.
- All data flows back to one central location for review and archiving.
- CoC's and related data are available to support the upcoming eFiling requirement.

## Compliance Connect Functionality:

- Tier 1 manufacturers create and issue test requests to independent labs.
- Completed test reports drive automatic CoC creation.
- Keeps everything centralized, organized, and audit-ready.
- Simple collaboration.
- Stronger compliance.



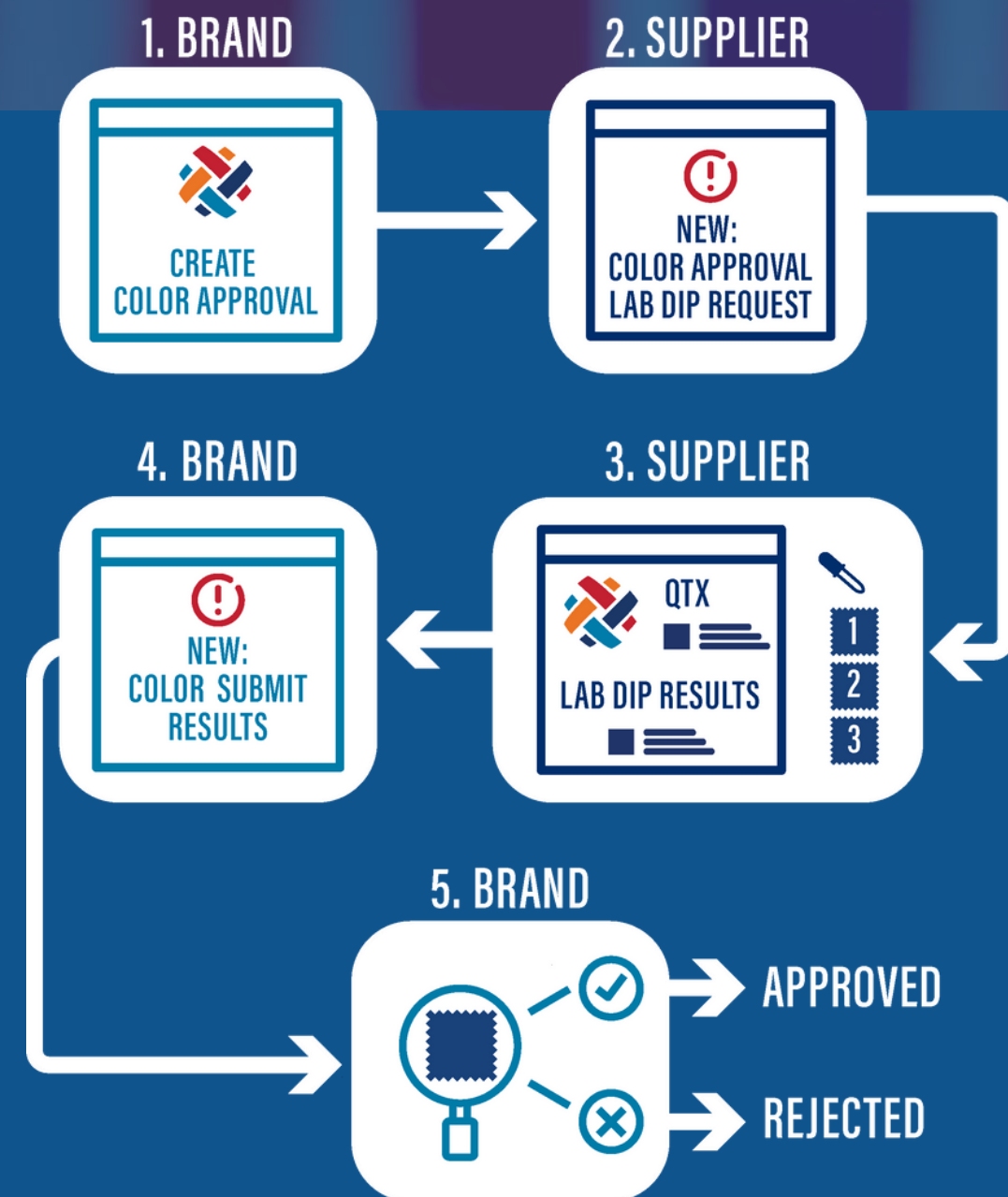
# Texbase Color Connect

## Problem:

Tracking Color submits via email and spreadsheets is inefficient and prone to error.

## Solution:

Color Connect allows bi-directional digital communication for color submissions, including QTX file management (if needed) thereby improving speed and accuracy.





# Texbase Discussions

## Problem:

Important conversations with suppliers, testing labs, and internal teams often get lost in scattered emails—making it hard to track decisions, history, and accountability.

## Solution:

Texbase Discussions keeps all conversations connected to your materials, products, tests, and suppliers inside the platform.

- Threaded discussions stay linked to the relevant objects.
- Capture institutional knowledge.
- Share conversations with non-Texbase users when needed.
- Strengthen collaboration and improve audit readiness.



The screenshot displays the 'Edit Fabric: Marley & Me Company - TW009CH' discussion page. At the top, there is a 'Refresh Discussions' button. The discussion thread is titled 'Adding Stain Release to TW009CH' and shows a message from Teresa West with DemoGear, dated Monday, July 17, 2025, at 03:32 PM MST. The message content is: 'Hi All; What do we think about adding stain release to TW009CH? I think it will be a valuable feature for our product and will increase the value to the customer. Let me know your thoughts.' Below the message, there is a 'Reply' button and a text input area for responding. At the bottom of the input area, there are fields for 'Images' and 'Files', each with a 'Select' button, and 'Submit' and 'Cancel' buttons.

# Texbase Notifications

## Problem:

Without real-time updates, teams can miss critical changes in supplier activities, material statuses, testing results, or compliance workflows.

## Solution:

Texbase Notifications keep users informed with automatic alerts whenever key events occur:

- Supplier submissions
- Test result updates
- Color approval changes
- Compliance documentation uploads
- Etc...

Stay connected, automatically, to important activity both within your organization and across your supply chain.

You have 14 unread notifications  
You have 14 unread notifications since your last login.

 Mark All As Read

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Go To

SCM

Materials

Product

Color

Inventory

Support

Q Advanced Find

B Bulk Load

My Archived Notifications

Search Text:

Created Date:

Filter Grid

Clear Filters

Message Type:

Select One

Created By:

Select One

Hide Viewed Notifications

Search Notification Archive:

|             | Title  | Message   | Message Type                      | Created By   | Created Date        |             |
|-------------|--|---|-----------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------|
| <div></div> | <div></div> Compliance Certificate added for: Boy's Puffy Down Jacket - 2018 Fall                                      | Teresa West at DemoGear added a compliance certificate for Boy's Puffy Down Jacket - 2018 Fall from ABC Textiles on 3/27/2025 2:12:13 PM.       | Compliance Certificate Created    | Teresa West  | 03/27/2025 02:12 PM | <div></div> |
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# Texbase Supply Chain Mapping

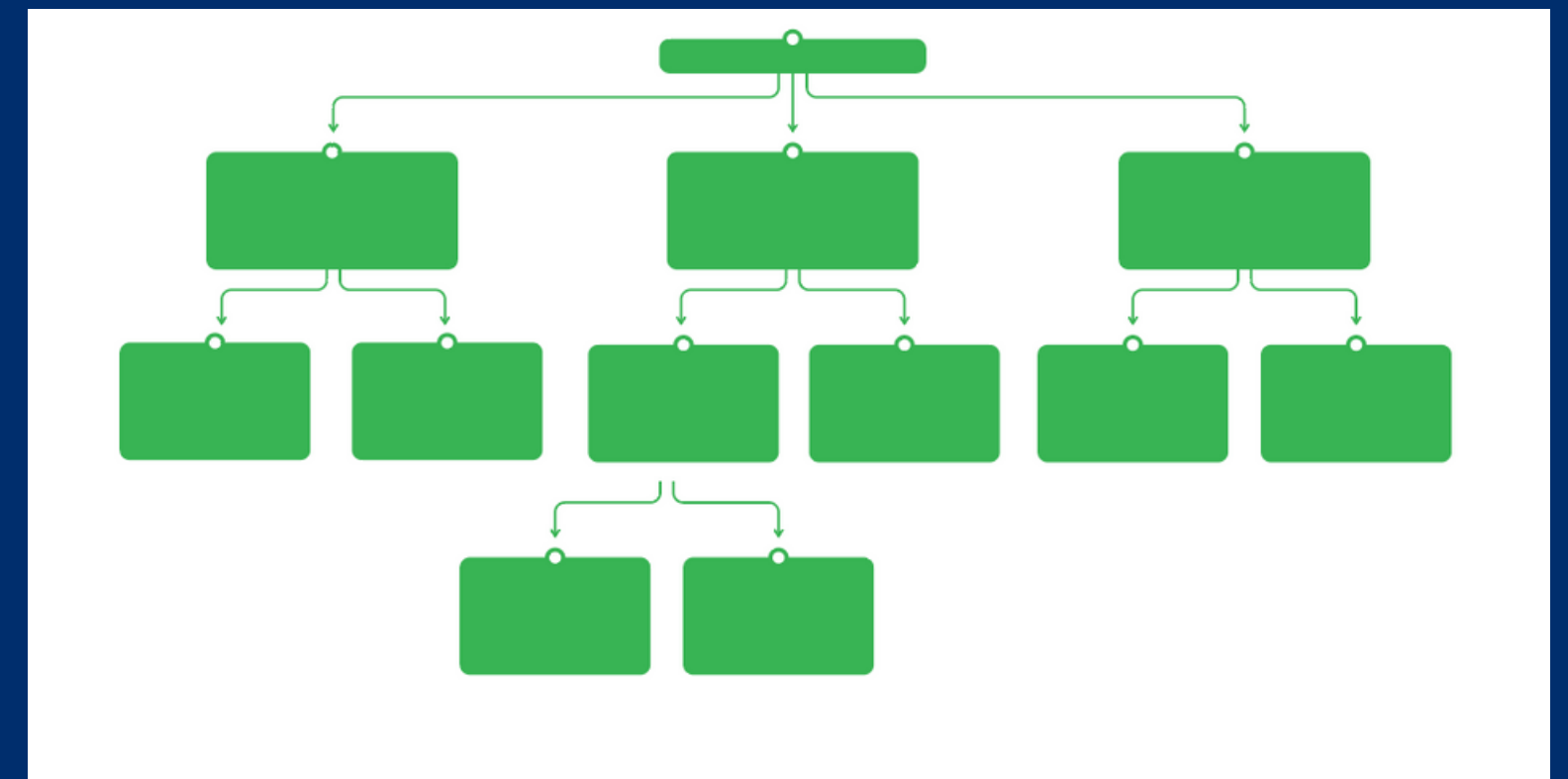
## Problem:

It's difficult to visualize and track the full supply chain, especially across multiple tiers and global suppliers, leading to blind spots, missed risks, and limited traceability.

## Solution:

Texbase Supply Chain Mapping links every object (materials, components, products) to its supply chain partners, dynamically assigns tier levels, and displays the data in interactive maps, including Google Maps views.

This gives you clear, real-time visibility into who is involved, where they are, and what they're supplying to whom.





# Texbase Certificate Management

## Problem:

Manual tracking of certifications across products, suppliers, and regulations leads to errors and inefficiencies.

## Solution:

Automate certification tracking with Texbase tools, integrating third-party certifiers (OEKO-TEX, bluesign, etc) and ensuring consistent renewal alerts for a seamless process.

## Solutions for:

- Suppliers
- Fibers
- Yarns
- Fabrics
- Components
- Finished Products



The screenshot shows a table titled "Fabric Certifications Expiring Within 90 Days". The table has five columns: Module Type, Object Certified, Name, Number, and Expired Date. It displays five rows of certification data.

| Module Type | Object Certified                        | Name   | Number        | Expired Date |
|-------------|---|--|---------------|--------------|
| Fabric      | ABC Textiles - abc123 1000              | Raw Material Inbound Transaction Certificate | RMITC -1      | 4/20/2022    |
| Fabric      | Burlington - DF18272019                 | Certified Organic Cotton                     | COC10853      | 2/10/2022    |
| Fabric      | DemoTex - Purple Rain                   | BlueSign Certified                           | BLU-20126     | 2/18/2022    |
| Fabric      | Fabric Supplier - Fabric Article Number | Certified Organic Cotton                     | OrgCotton-503 | 3/4/2022     |



# Texbase Dashboards



## Problem:

Without real-time visibility into key metrics, it's hard to track progress, spot issues early, or drive continuous improvement across teams and suppliers.

## Solution:

Texbase Dashboards give every user customizable, real-time views into critical data:

- Track supplier performance, testing status, compliance progress, and more.
  - Build personalized dashboards with key metrics that matter to you.
  - Visualize Advanced Find results without running reports manually.
  - Spot trends, bottlenecks, and opportunities at a glance.
- Turn your data into action—every day.

Texbase My Texbase Dashboard

Show Available Widgets

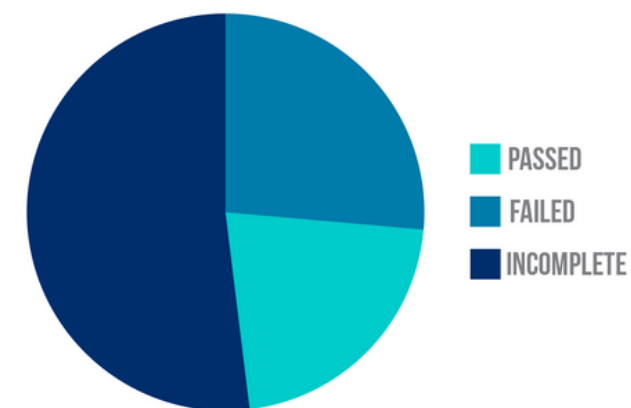
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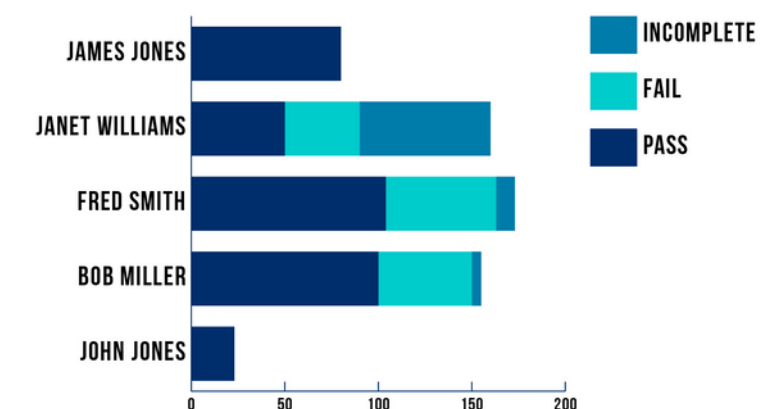
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| Certifications  | Vendor     | Vendor Item             | Contents            |
|---|------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| GOTS App. 08/27/2018 by Teresa West Exp. 08/27/2020   | Almeida    | Winter Woods OC Percale | 100% Cotton Organic |
| Certified Organic Cotton - COC5680 App. 07/02/2015 by European Fabric Manager Exp. 07/02/2017 | Burlington | DF18272019              | 100% Nylon          |
| Certified Organic Cotton - COC9806 App. 07/03/2017 by Catrina Lofgren Exp. 07/03/2019         |            |                         |                     |
| Certified Organic Cotton - COC10853 App. 07/10/2019 by Matt N Exp. 02/10/2022                 |            |                         |                     |
| Ensure Certified - ENS1456 App. 08/01/2006 by Catrina Lofgren Exp. 08/01/2016                 | DemoTex    | 09-19-18                | 50% Acrylic         |
| Ensure Certified - ENS6870 App. 08/02/2016 by Catrina Lofgren Exp. 08/02/2026                 |            |                         | 50% Angora          |

## LAB TEST PERFORMANCE



## LAB TEST IN-PROGRESS



# Texbase Advanced Find

## Problem:

Users can't easily extract, or cross-reference data buried in spreadsheets across emails or documents, leading to delays in decision-making.

## Solution:

Advanced Find is a dynamic search tool that allows users to pull specific datasets across modules, use it to provide data for exports, dashboards, and reporting with precision.

The screenshot shows the 'Search Criteria' tab in the Texbase Advanced Find tool. At the top, there are buttons for 'New', 'Save', 'Clone', 'Results', 'Export', and 'Saved Searches'. Below these is a 'Name' field containing 'Certified Only'. The 'Search Criteria' tab is active, showing two criteria: 'Company Name' with the operator 'Equals' and value 'Texbase', and 'Has Certifications' with the operator 'All' and value 'all'. Each criterion has a 'Delete' button. At the bottom, there is an 'Add New Row' button.

The screenshot shows the 'Search Results' tab in the Texbase Advanced Find tool. It displays a table of search results for 'RSL - Incomplete Lab Tests'. The table has columns for Season, Color, Module Type, Vendor, Vendor Item, Inventory Control #, Reference ID, Assigned To, and Due Date. The results are sorted by 'Due Date' in descending order. The first row shows a Seasonless item with Color 1, Fabric module type, AADMIX vendor, and a due date of 12334. The second row shows a Seasonless item with Color red, Fabric module type, ABC Textiles vendor, and a due date of 5229. The third row shows a Seasonless item with Color red, Fabric module type, DemoTex vendor, and a due date of 5108. The fourth row shows a Seasonless item with Color red, Fabric module type, DemoTex vendor, and a due date of 7285. The fifth row shows a Seasonless item with Color red, Fabric module type, DemoTex vendor, and a due date of 5248. The sixth row shows a Seasonless item with Color gray, Fabric module type, DemoTex vendor, and a due date of 1302. The seventh row shows a Seasonless item with Color gray, Fabric module type, Marley and Me T-Shirt Company vendor, and a due date of 2196. The eighth row shows a Seasonless item with Color Red, Fabric module type, Marley and Me T-Shirt Company vendor, and a due date of 2209.

| Season     | Color | Module Type | Vendor                        | Vendor Item         | Inventory Control # | Reference ID | Assigned To | Due Date |
|------------|-------|-------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------|----------|
| Seasonless | 1     | Fabric      | AADMIX                        | 12334               | IC - 5112           | LT - 5103    |             |          |
| Seasonless |       | Fabric      | ABC Textiles                  | WOR1                | IC - 5229           | LT - 5217    |             |          |
| Seasonless | red   | Fabric      | DemoTex                       | #2                  | IC - 5108           | LT - 5101    | DemoTex     |          |
| Seasonless |       | Fabric      | DemoTex                       | 0604                | 7285                | Nicole       |             |          |
| Seasonless |       | Fabric      | DemoTex                       | Esquel Poplin 80x80 | IC - 5248           | LT - 5236    |             |          |
| Seasonless |       | Fabric      | DemoTex                       | VVG-1975-32         | IC - 1302           | LT - 1257    |             |          |
| Seasonless | gray  | Fabric      | Marley and Me T-Shirt Company | 2244GDR             | IC - 2196           | LT - 1990    |             |          |
| Seasonless | Red   | Fabric      | Marley and Me T-Shirt Company | 2244GDR             | IC - 2209           | LT - 2003    |             |          |

# Texbase Systems Integration

## Problem:

Disconnected systems create silos and slow data flow between product development, compliance, sourcing, and supply chain operations.

## Solution:

Texbase offers flexible integration options to connect with your PLM, ERP, and supplier systems:

- Eliminate duplicate manual entry
- Increase data integrity
- Automate processes



## System Integration Options

- **Bulk Load:** Use Excel to upload material data into Texbase.
- **API:** Real-time data integration with other internal systems (PLM/ERP) or external data providers (labs).
- **Material Connect:** Suppliers send new and updated material data directly through their Connect portal
- **MaterialFirst:** Integrated material marketplace to shop, find and import fabrics & trims from existing or new suppliers.
- **Dynamic Data Link (DDL)** provides live data feeds used for scripted/batch integrations.



# Thank you!

