

Wear the Right Mask

If you are going to wear a mask...WEAR THE RIGHT MASK!

We've been to this movie before and we don't like the ending! Covid is back in the headlines with reports of the new Delta variant and with people, including lawmakers, who have been vaccinated still getting the deadly virus.

The one proven way to reduce your chance of catching the virus is to wear a mask. And if you do wear a mask, be certain to wear the right mask. As Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former Commissioner of the FDA, stated on Face the Nation, July 18, 2021: "quality of mask does matter."

You see, not all masks are created equal. Cloth masks filter a very small percent of Covid microbes, which can be smaller than 0.1 micron. The filtering ability of surgical style masks that you can find on store shelves may not be much better. We know, we've tested them.

This is because imported masks—and even domestic-made masks using imported materials—are not made to the standards required for effective filtering of the coronavirus microbe. Look on the box...do you see any statement that says "meets ASTM F2100-19, Levels 1, 2, or 3"? Or "meets ASTM F3502, Level 2"? Or "NIOSH Approved"? These are the standards that the FDA and ASTM have in place to provide reliable protection to the citizens of the United States and the world.

When Covid hit in 2020, US Meltblown rose to the challenge to protect our citizens from the Covid-19 virus. We strongly believe that products meant to protect people's health should be manufactured under tight controls that we manage, not someone far away. We are US Meltblown; we manufacture the critical filtering layer for masks, and we do it under exacting standards right here in the USA.

This critical filtering layer we make is known as meltblown. It is a layer of nonwoven meltblown polypropylene that we manufacture into a nanofiber fabric which catches 99% of the 0.1 micron coronavirus microbes that are 1/500th the diameter of the average human hair. In our tests, imported meltblown filtering material routinely fails to meet this standard. Our high quality meltblown is now readily available to all U.S. mask-makers.

So, if you do wear a mask, wear the right mask. Wear one which is ASTM or NIOSH approved; this will give you the peace of mind that your mask has truly been proven effective in protecting you from this deadly virus. And for added reassurance, wear masks that are "Made in USA."

We've been to this movie before. Be part of the cast, and this time, let's make this outcome better for all!