

# CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2003 PROJECT SUMMARY

Name(s)

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**Project Number** 

J1112

**Project Title** 

**Gold Medal Finish** 

#### Abstract

### Objectives/Goals

My project was to determine which of the swimsuit material types would be the fastest in competition. I believe that a material sample that is light, clingy, and stretchy will create the least drag in water and be the fastest.

#### Methods/Materials

Ten different swimsuit material types were sewn into 5 1/2" by 1" pockets. Each material pocket was tested ten times by placing a penny in it, dropping the pocket down the tube filled with chlorinated, tap, or salt water, timing each test, and recording the results.

## Results

Swimsuit material sample 4 was the fastest in all three water types.

#### **Conclusions/Discussion**

My conclusion is that the finest, sleekest and the lightest swimsuit material will create the least drag in water and, therefore, be the fastest.

### **Summary Statement**

My project is about finding out which swimsuit material is the fastest for competition in tap, salt and chlorinated water.

## **Help Received**

Mom and dad helped me with pouring water, photos, and making the water tube.