## Dear Ms. Grizzuti:

I am writing to submit our manuscript entitled, A technique for constrained optimization of symmetric laminates using a new variant of the genetic algorithm, for consideration as a Journal of Polymer Engineering research article. We found a new variant of genetic algorithm for constrained laminate design under various loading cases.

Given the increasing use of composite material, we believe the work presented in this work will appeal to readers who interest in polymer-based material and their applications.

Each of the authors confirms that this manuscript has not been previously published and is not currently under consideration by any other journal. Additionally, all of the authors have approved the contents of this paper and have agreed to the Journal of Polymer Engineering submission policies.

We would like to suggest the following potential reviewers because they would have the requisite background to evaluate our findings and interpretation objectively.

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