



# Without softness, there is no comfort

### The purchasing behavior of fashion-conscious consumers has changed.

The look itself is no longer the only priority. The comfort the clothing has to offer now rules

the day. Softness is a key parameter for comfortable clothing. So today's

textiles have to be soft and supple to be perceived as comfortable.

#### Measurable softness

Softness is the key to comfortable textiles. And this is something the wearer has to be able to experience, both when deciding to buy a garment and when wearing it. Judging softness is an individual, dynamic process that results from the interplay between textiles and the skin. To depict this complex sensory interaction in an objective way, scientists are working on physical methods to measure softness.



Softness is an individual feeling. The goal is to make softness measurable.



## Pure softness

#### Lenzing is the expert when it comes to softness. With Lenzing Modal®,

MicroModal®, and MicroModal® AIR, degrees of softness can be obtained in textiles in a completely natural way. The higher the amount of MicroModal® or MicroModal® AIR in the textile, the softer and cozier it becomes.

#### Lenzing is redefining softness

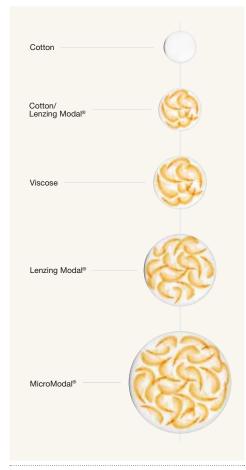
Using different test methods, Lenzing has established a new standard which redefines softness and shows how textiles with Lenzing Modal® fibers can change their softness degree. The test method combines the well-known ring method with a new technology specially developed by Lenzing for textiles – the TSA method\*:

#### MicroModal® is the winner

Textiles of MicroModal® attain the highest level of softness. Thanks to the low fiber rigidity and fiber cross-section, Lenzing Modal® fibers are natural softeners. In 100% of cases, the fibers develop pure softness and create wonderful textiles with outstanding comfort. They also last longer since textiles made with Lenzing Modal® remain as soft as they were when they were new and do not harden after several washes.\*\*

#### Tactile softness

Physical measuring methods are one way to determine softness. However, the human hand should serve as the primary method to test softness. And here again, in touch tests MicroModal® was convincing. A panel of 17 textile experts felt MicroModal® and declared it to be the softest fiber among cotton, viscose, and Lenzing Modal® fibers.\*\*\*



MicroModal® demonstrates the highest softness level and remains wonderfully soft even after several washes.

<sup>\*</sup> Tissue Softness Analyzer

<sup>\*\*</sup> Tested Fabric: Single jersey Nm/50/1, 120 g/m², test method: combination between Ring and TSA

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Lenzing hand-feel test, November 2015, Single Jersey Nm/50/1, 120g/m²

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