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**SAWYER WATER FILTERS HAVE PROVEN SUPERIORITY**

*Study released by Calvin College measures filter fiber differentiation*

**GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., – July 20, 2018,** Personal water filters produced by Sawyer Products, a leading manufacturer in personal water filtration systems, have been proven more effective compared to competitor brand filtration systems. A preliminary study by the Clean Water Institute at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Mich., confirmed physical differences in the Florida-based company’s filter fibers that cause them to not only be more effective but to last longer.

Sawyer Products has been at the forefront of water filtration technology for more than 20 years. Always looking for ways to solidify the quality of their product, the study, led by Dr. David Wunder, was commissioned by Sawyer to find how the radical geometry of Sawyer’s hollow-fiber membranes compared to that of other commercially available units. In other words- the study was conducted to see just how Sawyer filters measure up to the competition.

“The Clean Water Institute of Calvin College is grateful to be part of work in partnership with Sawyer Products that improves and advances the access to safe drinking water around the world,” Wunder said.

Thicker walls and smaller core size compound together to make a huge difference in fiber strength. This is why fibers in Sawyer water filters can be back flushed and cleaned at a much higher water pressure than others and why it is harder, if not impossible, to stretch or deform the holes in a Sawyer fiber. Studies like the one recently published by Calvin College continue to back these claims. According to results, the hollow fiber membranes developed and used by Sawyer are 75% stronger than other filters tested.

With over several million Sawyer Squeeze, Sawyer Mini and Sawyer Microsqueeze filters sold to outdoor enthusiasts, the hollow fiber membrane filters continue to bring clean water to all walks of life. Sawyer’s International Division is currently working towards providing clean drinking water to all of Liberia by 2020 and eliminating water-born sicknesses from developing countries. To reach their goals, Sawyer has already distributed more than 100,000 filters throughout Liberia.

“Our filters are quality control (QC) tested 3 times to make sure they meet claims,” said John T. Smith, VP of Operations at Sawyer. “Many filter brands that are often compared to ours state right in their warranties that they do not QC test every filter.”

The extra cost to make these higher integrity filters and to QC every filter three times is what allows Sawyer to provide the best filters, giving users confidence that they will work and last.

Welcome to the Sawyer way.

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### **About Sawyer**

Founded in 1984, Sawyer has been at the forefront of innovation in water filtration, insect repellent, sunscreen, and first aid. Not only are the Sawyer's filters one of the most popular on the trail, they are being used in over 80 developing countries to provide people with clean drinking water. The majority of Sawyer's products are proudly made in the USA in Safety Harbor, Florida. For more information, visit <http://international.sawyer.com/>

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