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Rajan, BobAsbestos andDirectorate of Science and Technology (DSTPerformance of RespiratorsE3) Magdalen House Bootle, Merseyside L20 3QZ UKAsbestos and Performance of Respirators	Breathing in asbestos fibers can lead to asbestos related diseases and they kill more people than any other single work-related cause. The law states that employers must not use respirators as the only control measure and it should not be used as a first-line of protection. However, there are occasions where respirators are chosen as a first line of protection. Some employers do not pay sufficient attention to the selection of right respirators; fit testing and methodologies for making sure that the chosen respirators continue to provide adequate protection.