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Malkan, Sanjiv Gerson Co., Middleboro, MA, USA	An Overview of Particulate Respirators	The particulate respirators are mainly used as a safety device to filter solid and/or liquid aerosol type contaminates from the air. In the past 15 years, there has been a phenomenal growth in particulate respirator industry mainly due to advancement in meltblowing and other nonwoven technologies. There are many types of particulate respirators available in the market today. This paper gives a thorough overview of the particulate respirator industry. This paper covers a variety of topics, such as: markets, manufacturing methods, types and designation, testing and approval standards, and new trends in this industry.