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**Progress of the TREK/E36 Experiment at J-PARC<sup>1</sup>** MICHAEL KOHL, Hampton University, TREK/E36 COLLABORATION — The TREK/E36 experiment is being carried out at J-PARC to provide a precision test of lepton universality in the  $K_{e2}/K_{\mu2}$  ratio to search for new physics beyond the Standard Model. Simultaneously it will be sensitive to light U(1) gauge bosons and sterile neutrinos below  $300 \text{ MeV}/c^2$ , which could be associated with dark matter or explain established muon-related anomalies such as the muon  $g - 2$  and the proton radius puzzle. The experiment has been set up at the J-PARC K1.1BR kaon beamline since fall 2014, it has been fully commissioned in spring 2015, and is now ready to accumulate production data anticipated in fall 2015. It uses a scintillating fiber target to stop a beam of up to 1.2 Million  $K^+$  per spill. The kaon decay products are detected with a large-acceptance toroidal spectrometer capable of tracking charged particles with high resolution, combined with a photon calorimeter with large solid angle and particle identification systems. The status and recent progress of the experiment will be presented.

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