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Bonding of a silver sheath on textured-powder ribbons of greenstate Bi-2212 superconductor KLAUS SMIT, PETER MCINTYRE, KYLE DAMBORSKY, FENG LU, NATHANIEL POGUE — A novel method is being developed for fabrication of textured-powder jelly-roll (TPJR) Bi-2212/Ag superconducting wire for applications in high-field magnets. In this process two silver foils must be fused together to enclose a ribbon of compacted, textured Bi-2212 fine powder. Fusing the silver foils must be accomplished with minimum heating of the superconducting powder filling. We are investigating methods using coldwelding, ultrasonic welding, and laser welding. Results of those investigations will be reported.

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