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Current Progress in Fabrication of a 14 Tesla Nb₃Sn Dipole ED-DIE HOLIK III, CHRISTOPHER BENSON, KYLE DAMBORSKY, NICK DI-ACZENKO, TIM ELLIOTT, RAY GARRISON, ANDREW JAISLE, ALFRED MCINTURFF, PETER MCINTYRE, DIOR SATTAROV, Texas A&M University — The Accelerator Technology Laboratory at Texas A&M is fabricating a model dipole magnet, TAMU3, designed to operate at a 14 Tesla bore field. The dipole employs an advanced internal-tin Nb₃Sn/Cu composite strand with enhanced current density. The coils must be processed through a heat treatment after winding, during which the Sn within the heterogeneous strands diffuse into the Cu/Nb matrix to form high-performance superconducting layers. Heat treatment of the first coil assembly revealed tin leakage from the Sn cores that was caused by omission of a pre-anneal step in the heat treatment. We are evaluating the electrical properties of the coil, the microstructure and short-sample superconducting performance of cutoff samples of current leads to determine the extent of damage to the performance of the windings. Results of those tests and plans for construction of TAMU3 will be presented.

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