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Test Report

Report No.: 809785T1-AB

Assignor: GRID System Aps

Smedevangen 2 3540 Lynge

Material: Article name: Basic Module, PA6, 30 % glass. Article number: G.NX

Sampling: The test material was sampled by the assignor and received in cardboard at the Danish

Technological Institute 2018-06-07.

Method: ANSI/BIFMA M7.1-2011 (R2016) – Standard test method for determining VOC emissions

from office furniture systems, components and seating.

Period: The chamber testing was carried out from 2018-06-11 to 2018-06-18.

The analysis of air samples was carried out from 2018-06-19 to 2018-07-02.

Result: The VOC emissions for the tested sample after 168 hours (7 days) in the chamber were:

	Emission factor (E)	<u>Maximum E</u>	Evaluation	
		Furniture Components*		
TVOC _(toluene) :	$\leq 0.001 \text{ mg/m}^2\text{h}$	0.345 mg/m ² h	Pass	
Formaldehyde:	0.8 μg/m ² h	≤ 42.3 µg/m²h	Pass	
Total aldehydes:	0.14 µmol/m²h	$\leq 2.8 \ \mu mol/m^2h$	Pass	
4-Phenylcyclohexene:	< 1 µg/m²h	≤ 4.5 μg/m²h	Pass	

Results in detail are shown in Appendices 2 and 3.

*ANSI/BIFMA ANSI/BIFMA X7.1-2011 – Standard for formaldehyde and TVOC emissions of low-emitting office furniture and seating. Table A1.2: Individual furniture Components Maximum Emission Factors at 168 hours.

Storage: The test material will be destroyed after the issue of this test report.

Terms: The testing is only valid for the tested specimen. The test report may only be extracted,

if the laboratory has approved the extract.

Date/place: 2018-07-13, Danish Technological Institute, Wood and Biomaterials, Taastrup

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Material identification

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Sample information given by assignor:

Product: PA6, 30 % glass

Product name: Basic Module

Article number: G.NX

Production date: 25/5 (2018-05-25)

Sampling date: 29/5 (2018-05-29) - GRID Warehouse, Smedevangen 2, 3540 Lynge

Sampled by: Søren Ahlfors

Sample handling:

Prior to testing the wrapped samples were stored at the test laboratory at 20-25 °C.



Emission testing

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The test material was unwrapped and placed in the chamber.

Photo of test material in the chamber:



Climate chamber
Temperature
Relative humidity
Air velocity at the surface of the specimen
Air change rate (n)
Material load (L)
Area specific air flow rate (q)

113 L Polished stainless steel 23°C \pm 1°C 50% RH \pm 5% RH 0.1 – 0.3 m/s 0.9 h^{-1} \pm 0.05 h^{-1} 0.9 m²/m³ 1.0 m³/m²h

The test material was tested in the emission chamber without prior conditioning.

Sampling and analytical methods of air samples:

	Method	Absorbent	Sampling volume	Quantification/Analysis method	Detection limit	
VOC and Carcinogens	ISO 16000-6	Tenax TA	4 L	TDS-GC/MS Calibrated with pure reference standards	1 μg/m³	
Formaldehyde and carbonyls	ISO 16000-3	DNPH coated silica gel	60 L	HPLC-DAD Calibrated with pure reference standards	1 μg/m³	



Emission of volatile organic compounds

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The applied test conditions result in an area specific air flow rate of $q = 1.0 \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2\text{h}$.

Thus, the measured concentrations (C) in $\mu g/m^3$ of volatile compounds are equal to the surface area specific emission rate i.e. emission factor (E) in $\mu g/m^2h$. The emission factor approach is applied for measurement and evaluation of individual furniture components.

Results from the VOC analysis appears from Table 1.

Method: ISO 16000-6: 2011. Indoor air – Part 6: Determination of volatile organic compounds in indoor and test chamber air by active sampling on Tenax TA sorbent, thermal desorption and gas chromatography using MS/FID.

Analysis of the air sampled on Tenax was performed at the Wilhelm Klauditz Institut (WKI) under DAkkS accreditation number D-PL-11140-05-02. Report no. MAIC-2018-2752.

Table 1: Concentrations of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) between n-C6 and n-C16 measured by GC-MS $(\mu g/m^2h)^*$

		72 hrs (3 days)			168 hrs (7 days)			
Chemical class/compound name	#1	#2	Mean	% diff	#1	#2	Mean	% diff
Aromatic hydrocarbons	< 1	< 1	< 1	0	< 1	< 1	< 1	0
Aliphatic hydrocarbons								
2-Methylpentane (3-Methylpentane)	3	3	3	0	1	1	1	0
Cycloalkanes	< 1	< 1	< 1	0	< 1	< 1	< 1	0
Terpenes								
alpha-Pinene	2	1	2	67	2	2	2	0
Alcohols	< 1	< 1	< 1	0	< 1	< 1	< 1	0
Glycols/Glycol ethers	< 1	< 1	< 1	0	< 1	< 1	< 1	0
Aldehydes	< 1	< 1	< 1	0	< 1	< 1	< 1	0
Ketones	< 1	< 1	< 1	0	< 1	< 1	< 1	0
Halocarbons	< 1	< 1	< 1	0	< 1	< 1	< 1	0
Acids	< 1	< 1	< 1	0	< 1	< 1	< 1	0
Esters								
Benzoic acid ester (Toluene)	10	10	10	0	< 1	< 1	<1	0
Other								
Caprolactam	5	6	6	18	10	8	9	22
TVOC (sum)	20	20	20	0	13	11	12	17
TVOC (toluene)	< 1	< 1	< 1	0	< 1	< 1	< 1	0

^{*} Single substances/volatile compounds were quantified with pure reference standards, and in some cases the substances shown in subscript were used for the quantification.

< 1 Not detected (< 1 μ g/m³) Measured concentrations just above limit of quantification (LOQ) of 1 μ g/ m²h will result in higher standard deviation from mean value.

Definitions according to ISO 16000-6:

VOC (C6-C16): Volatile organic compounds, between hexane (C6) and hexadecane (C16) VVOC (<C6): Very volatile organic compounds, eluting before hexane, not included in TVOC Semi-volatile organic compounds, eluting after hexadecane, not included in TVOC Total volatile organic compounds is the sum of all VOCs eluting between C6 and C16,

quantified as toluene equivalents.



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Results from aldehyde analysis are shown in Table 2.

Method: ISO 16000-3: 2011. Indoor Air – Part 3: Determination of formaldehyde and other carbonyl compounds – Active sampling method.

Analysis of the air sampled on DNPH was performed at the Danish Technological Institute under DANAK accreditation number 90. Report no. 818967.

Table 2: ISO 16000-3 Lower aldehydes by HPLC analysis (µg/m²h)*

		72 hrs (3 days)				168 hrs (7 days)			
Compound name	#1	#2	Mean	% diff	#1	#2	Mean	% diff	
Formaldehyde	0.88	0.92	0.90	4	0.83	0.83	0.83	0	
Acetaldehyde	4.0	4.1	4.1	2	4.0	3.8	3.9	5	
Propanal	1.1	1.1	1.1	0	1	1	1.0	0	
Butanal	0.50	0	0.25	200	0.74	0.75	0.75	1	
Acrolein	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

^{*}Limit of detection (LOD) is 0.5 μ g/m3 (formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, butanal), 0.8 μ g/m3 (propanal) and 3.3 μ g/m3 (acrolein).

Measured concentrations just above limit of quantification (LOQ) will result in higher standard deviation from mean value.