

Report for:

Brad Roberts
Berks Fire Water Restoration
1145 Commons Blvd
Reading, PA 19605

Regarding: Eurofins EPK Built Environment Testing, LLC
Project: Schuylkill VSD - 7; IAQ Test RM 121
EML ID: 3527519

Approved by:

Dates of Analysis:
Spore trap analysis: 02-06-2024



Technical Manager
Ariunaa Jalsrai

Service SOPs: Spore trap analysis (EB-MY-S-1038)
AIHA-LAP, LLC accredited service, Lab ID #103005

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SPORE TRAP REPORT: NON-VIABLE METHODOLOGY

Location:	3725 7713: IAQ 121			3725 7558: hallway		
Comments (see below)	None			None		
Lab ID-Version‡:	17230759-1			17230760-1		
Analysis Date:	02/06/2024			02/06/2024		
	raw ct.	% read	spores/m3	raw ct.	% read	spores/m3
Ascospores						
Basidiospores	2	25	110	4	25	210
Bipolaris/Drechslera group						
Botrytis						
Chaetomium				1	100	13
Cladosporium	4	25	210	7	25	370
Curvularia						
Epicoccum						
Fusarium						
Myrothecium						
Nigrospora						
Other colorless						
Penicillium/Aspergillus types†	2	25	110			
Pithomyces	1	100	13			
Rusts						
Smuts, Periconia, Myxomycetes						
Stachybotrys						
Stemphylium						
Torula						
Ulocladium						
Zygomycetes						
Background debris (1-4+)	1+			1+		
Hyphal fragments/m3	< 13			< 13		
Pollen/m3	< 13			< 13		
Skin cells (1-4+)	1+			1+		
Sample volume (liters)	75			75		
§ TOTAL SPORES/m3			440			600

Comments:

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The analytical sensitivity is the spores/m³ divided by the raw count, expressed in spores/m³, per spore and per sample.

For more information regarding analytical sensitivity, please contact QA by calling the laboratory.

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Location:	3725 7530: outside		
Comments (see below)	None		
Lab ID-Version‡:	17230761-1		
Analysis Date:	02/06/2024		
	raw ct.	% read	spores/m3
Ascospores			
Basidiospores	20	25	1,100
Bipolaris/Drechslera group			
Botrytis			
Chaetomium			
Cladosporium	7	25	370
Curvularia			
Epicoccum			
Fusarium			
Myrothecium			
Nigrospora			
Other colorless			
Penicillium/Aspergillus types†			
Pithomyces			
Rusts			
Smuts, Periconia, Myxomycetes			
Stachybotrys			
Stemphylium			
Torula			
Ulocladium			
Zygomycetes			
Background debris (1-4+)	1+		
Hyphal fragments/m3	< 13		
Pollen/m3	< 13		
Skin cells (1-4+)	< 1+		
Sample volume (liters)	75		
§ TOTAL SPORES/m3			1,400

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Ascospores						
Aureobasidium						
Basidiospores	2	110	4	210	20	1,100
Bipolaris/Drechslera group						
Botrytis						
Chaetomium			1	13		
Cladosporium	4	210	7	370	7	370
Curvularia						
Epicoccum						
Fusarium						
Myrothecium						
Nigrospora						
Other colorless						
Penicillium/Aspergillus types†	2	110				
Pithomyces	1	13				
Rusts						
Smuts, Periconia, Myxomycetes						
Stachybotrys						
Stemphylium						
Torula						
Ulocladium						
Zygomycetes						
Background debris (1-4+)	1+		1+		1+	
Hyphal fragments/m3	< 13		< 13		< 13	
Pollen/m3	< 13		< 13		< 13	
Skin cells (1-4+)	1+		1+		< 1+	
Sample volume (liters)	75		75		75	
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MoldRANGE™: Extended Outdoor Comparison
Outdoor Location: 3725 7530, outside

Fungi Identified	Outdoor data	Typical Outdoor Data for: February in Pennsylvania† (n‡=2009)						Typical Outdoor Data for: The entire year in Pennsylvania† (n‡=30674)					
		very low	low	med	high	very high	freq %	very low	low	med	high	very high	freq %
Generally able to grow indoors*													
Alternaria	-	7	7	13	27	40	9	10	13	40	93	160	44
Bipolaris/Drechslera group	-	7	7	13	21	27	2	7	7	13	33	53	10
Chaetomium	-	7	7	13	27	33	4	7	7	13	27	40	3
Cladosporium	370	27	53	110	270	520	59	53	130	590	2,000	3,600	84
Curvularia	-	7	7	13	27	40	2	7	8	17	53	82	16
Nigrospora	-	7	7	13	27	33	5	7	7	13	40	67	16
Penicillium/Aspergillus types	-	27	53	110	270	430	43	53	53	210	590	1,000	48
Pithomyces	-	7	7	13	23	38	3	7	13	27	80	160	26
Stachybotrys	-	-	-	-	-	-	< 1	7	7	13	53	200	< 1
Torula	-	7	10	13	27	34	2	7	11	13	47	67	7
Seldom found growing indoors**													
Ascospores	-	27	40	80	270	590	44	53	130	600	2,000	3,400	81
Basidiospores	1,100	33	53	160	530	1,300	87	110	270	1,900	7,800	15,000	96
Rusts	-	7	7	13	27	28	2	7	13	27	53	110	21
Smuts, Periconia, Myxomycetes	-	7	7	13	33	53	30	13	13	40	110	190	61
§ TOTAL SPORES/m3	1,400												

†The 'Typical Outdoor Data' represents the typical outdoor spore levels for the location and time frame indicated. The last column represents the frequency of occurrence. The very low, low, med, high, and very high values represent the 10, 20, 50, 80, and 90 percentile values of the spore type when it is detected. For example, if the frequency of occurrence is 63% and the low value is 53, it would mean that the given spore type is detected 63% of the time and, when detected, 20% of the time it is present in levels above the detection limit and below 53 spores/m3. These values are updated periodically, and if enough data is not available to make a statistically meaningful assessment, it is indicated with a dash.

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* The spores in this category are generally capable of growing on wet building materials in addition to growing outdoors. Building related growth is dependent upon the fungal type, moisture level, type of material, and other factors. *Cladosporium* is one of the predominant spore types worldwide and is frequently present in high numbers. *Penicillium/Aspergillus* species colonize both outdoor and indoor wet surfaces rapidly and are very easily dispersed. Other genera are usually present in lesser numbers.

** These fungi are generally not found growing on wet building materials. For example, the rusts and smuts are obligate plant pathogens. However, in each group there are notable exceptions. For example, agents of wood decay are members of the basidiomycetes and high counts of a single morphological type of basidiospore on an inside sample should be considered significant.

‡n = number of samples used to calculate data.

Interpretation of the data contained in this report is left to the client or the persons who conducted the field work. This report is provided for informational and comparative purposes only and should not be relied upon for any other purpose. "Typical outdoor data" are based on the results of the analysis of samples delivered to and analyzed by Eurofins EMLab P&K and assumptions regarding the origins of those samples. Sampling techniques, contaminants infecting samples, unrepresentative samples and other similar or dissimilar factors may affect these results. In addition, Eurofins EMLab P&K may not have received and tested a representative number of samples for every region or time period. Eurofins EMLab P&K hereby disclaims any liability for any and all direct, indirect, punitive, incidental, special or consequential damages arising out of the use or interpretation of the data contained in, or any actions taken or omitted in reliance upon, this report.

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MoldSCORE™: Spore Trap Report

Outdoor Sample: 3725 7530 outside

Fungi Identified	Outdoor sample spores/m3				Raw count	Spores/m3
	<100	1K	10K	>100K		
Generally able to grow indoors*						
Alternaria					ND	< 13
Bipolaris/Drechslera group					ND	< 13
Chaetomium					ND	< 13
Cladosporium	█	█			7	370
Curvularia					ND	< 13
Nigrospora					ND	< 13
Penicillium/Aspergillus types†					ND	< 13
Stachybotrys					ND	< 13
Torula					ND	< 13
Seldom found growing indoors**						
Ascospores					ND	< 13
Basidiospores	█	█	█		20	1,100
Rusts					ND	< 13
Smuts, Periconia, Myxomycetes					ND	< 13
Total						1,440

Location: 3725 7713 IAQ 121

Fungi Identified	Indoor sample spores/m3				Raw count	Spores/m3
	<100	1K	10K	>100K		
Generally able to grow indoors*						
Alternaria					ND	< 13
Bipolaris/Drechslera group					ND	< 13
Chaetomium					ND	< 13
Cladosporium	█				4	210
Curvularia					ND	< 13
Nigrospora					ND	< 13
Penicillium/Aspergillus types†	█				2	110
Pithomyces	█				1	13
Stachybotrys					ND	< 13
Torula					ND	< 13
Seldom found growing indoors**						
Ascospores					ND	< 13
Basidiospores	█				2	110
Rusts					ND	< 13
Smuts, Periconia, Myxomycetes					ND	< 13
Total						440

MoldSCORE‡			Score
100	200	300	
█			100
█			100
█			100
█			108
█			100
█			100
█			118
█			105
█			100
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Final MoldSCORE			118

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MoldSCORE™: Spore Trap Report

Location: 3725 7558 hallway

Fungi Identified	Indoor sample spores/m ³				Raw count	Spores/m ³	MoldSCORE‡			
	<100	1K	10K	>100K			100	200	300	Score
Generally able to grow indoors*										
Alternaria					ND	< 13	█			100
Bipolaris/Drechslera group					ND	< 13	█			100
Chaetomium	█				1	13	█			121
Cladosporium	█	█			7	370	█			117
Curvularia					ND	< 13	█			100
Nigrospora					ND	< 13	█			100
Penicillium/Aspergillus types†					ND	< 13	█			100
Stachybotrys					ND	< 13	█			100
Torula					ND	< 13	█			100
Seldom found growing indoors**										
Ascospores					ND	< 13	█			100
Basidiospores	█				4	210	█			100
Rusts					ND	< 13	█			100
Smuts, Periconia, Myxomycetes					ND	< 13	█			100
Total						600				Final MoldSCORE 121

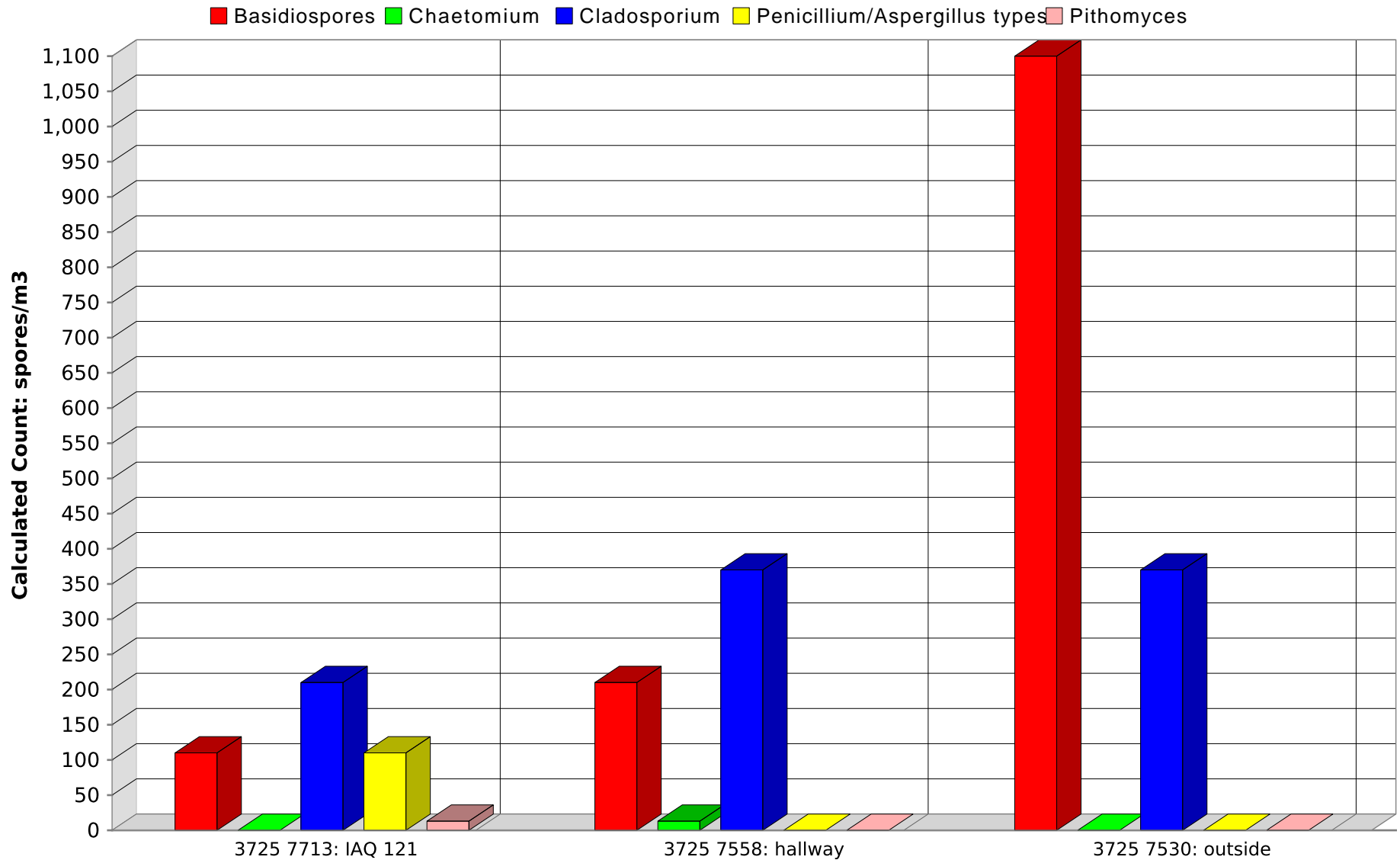
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‡Rated on a scale from 100 to 300. A rating less than 150 is low and indicates a low probability of spores originating inside. A rating greater than 250 is high and indicates a high probability that the spores originated from inside, presumably from indoor mold growth. A rating between 150 and 250 indicates a moderate likelihood of indoor fungal growth. MoldSCORE is NOT intended for wall cavity samples. It is intended for ambient air samples in residences. Using the analysis on other samples (like wall cavity samples) will lead to misleading results.

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Comments:

Note: Graphical output may understate the importance of certain "marker" genera.
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