

# Indoor Environmental Quality Sampling and Analysis Report

Site:

Wiley Elementary School  
1602 S. Anderson Street  
Urbana, Illinois 61801

Client:

Urbana S.D. 116  
205 N. Race Street  
Urbana, Illinois 61801

Sample Collection Date:

March 23, 2017

Ideal Number:

20810A



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## **INTRODUCTION**

Ideal Environmental Engineering (IDEAL) performed limited Indoor Environmental Quality (IEQ) sampling for Urbana S.D. 116 at Wiley Elementary School, 1602 S. Anderson Street in Urbana, Illinois. Samples were collected by Ann M. Skeate on March 23, 2017, in various locations as noted below. The microbiological analysis was performed by EMLAB P&K, a TestAmerica Company.

## **PURPOSE**

Airborne sampling was performed to determine the presence of any indoor mold spores, to identify and provide brief characteristics of such molds, and to compare levels of any indoor mold spores with the levels found in the naturally-occurring outdoor environment.

## **SAMPLING LOCATION**

Sample locations were selected in a collaborative effort between Ann M. Skeate, IEQ Professional and Mr. Ota Dossett, Director of Facilities.

Two (2) air samples were collected. One (1) air sample was collected from the outside to represent the naturally-occurring environment. One (1) air sample was collected from the following area inside the building:

- Sample 01: Room 28

## **SITE CONDITIONS**

A walk-through of the sampling locations was performed to identify the current conditions. A systematic assessment of each sampling environment included notations of the temperature, humidity, presence of HVAC system (or lack thereof), and a description of the ceilings, walls, and flooring materials are typically recorded. When noted below, a moisture testing device was used to denote the moisture content of materials, which in normal conditions is expected to be at levels less than 25%, except for concrete and hard flooring materials with underlying concrete. The presence of visible suspect mold (or lack thereof) was recorded. In addition, other site conditions may be noted, such as unusual odors or past water intrusion situations.

Room 28 had a temperature of 73.4°F with a relative humidity of 42%. A heating and air conditioning system was present but not in use. The interior walls were block with no visible signs of suspect mold or water damage. The moisture reading was 5.9%. The ceiling was ceiling tiles with no visible signs of suspect mold or water damage. The moisture showed no moisture. The flooring was floor tile with no visible signs of suspect mold or water damage. The moisture reading was 17.6%. Doors and windows were closed.

The outside temperature was 43°F with relative humidity of 49%.

## **SAMPLING METHODOLOGY**

At the onset of the sampling, the reasons and objectives for the sampling are discussed with the client. Surface, bulk, or airborne samples may be collected. The type of samples collected and testing methods chosen are based on the purpose of the sampling event.

Airborne sample locations are selected at random to provide baseline for future comparison purposes and/or at specific locations of concern. Air sample(s) are collected using a high-volume air pump and spore trap air cassettes. The pump is calibrated by the technician to draw air into the cassette at the manufacturer's recommended rate, typically 15 liters per minute. The pump runs for up to 10 minutes per air sample cassette.



The amount of time is based on the specific sampling environment. Each cassette is identified with a sample number. A chain of custody is prepared to document the handling of the sample(s). Samples are shipped to a laboratory and analyzed. Industry-standard microbiological sampling techniques and analysis methods are used.

Surface sample locations are selected where mold is readily visible or where the surface of a material is suspected to contain mold. Appropriate sampling media is used. Surface area samples are collected with the sampling media. The size of a surface area is based on the quantity of visible or suspected mold present. Sample is identified with a sample number. A chain of custody is prepared to document the handling of the sample(s). Samples are shipped to a laboratory and analyzed. Industry-standard microbiological sampling techniques and analysis methods are used.

Bulk sample locations are selected where mold is readily visible or is suspected to be present in/on a specific material, such as insulation, ceiling tile or carpet. Appropriate sampling tools are used. A small portion of each material to test is collected and placed into its own sample bag. Sample is identified with a sample number. A chain of custody is prepared to document the handling of the sample(s). Samples are shipped to a laboratory and analyzed. Industry-standard microbiological sampling techniques and analysis methods are used.

## **SAMPLE ANALYSIS DATA**

### Airborne samples

The air collected in the spore trap media is analyzed by non-cultured techniques. Non-cultured testing identifies the presence of mold. The methodology is quantitative. Quantitative spore trap analysis includes identification to genus or group of all fungi present, quantification to spores/m<sup>3</sup>, and a general assessment of background debris.

The airborne samples were submitted for non-cultured quantitative analysis.

### Surface and/or Bulk Samples

The surface substance and/or bulk material collected is analyzed by non-cultured techniques. Non-cultured testing identifies the presence of mold. The methodology is qualitative direct analysis. Qualitative direct includes a determination of whether spores present are indicative of mold growth or simply a mix of spores coming in from the outside (normal fallout). If mold growth is present, analysis includes identification to genus or group and a qualitative assessment of the amounts present. A general assessment of non-biological debris and other relevant commentary are also included.

No surface or bulk samples were collected.

## **SAMPLE ANALYSIS INTERPRETATION GUIDELINES**

Several distinguished IEQ associations and health departments have established guidelines for sampling and interpreting sample analysis results.

### Air Samples

The commonly recognized interpretation is that one can expect to find airborne mold spores in a naturally ventilated indoor environment. Generally, the individual mold genera/species are expected to be similar to those found outside and to be present at levels generally equal to or less than the levels found outside.

### Surface and/or Bulk Samples

The commonly recognized interpretation is that one would not expect to find any mold on surface or bulk samples. If mold is found on a surface or bulk sample, the mold genera/species are not expected to differ from the mold genera/species found in an outside air sample.



## **SUMMARY OF SAMPLING RESULTS**

### Air samples

The indoor sample contained mold genera/species, as identified, which slightly exceeded the levels found in the outside sample:

- Pithomyces

Pithomyces are found mainly growing on decaying plants, especially grasses.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Pro-active recommendations are noted below and should be implemented as standard maintenance and custodial procedures to help keep mold levels within the suggested guidelines:

- Maintain a regular cleaning schedule, including all ventilation systems, dehumidifiers, humidifiers, air ionizing machines and all cleaning equipment, such as vacuums.
- Ensure air filters are working properly on all HVAC system equipment.
- Dry and thoroughly clean any carpets, rugs, fabrics, etc. that get wet within 24 to 48 hours to prevent the growth of fungi.
- Maintain humidity and moisture levels in the building between 35% and 60%.
- Keep indoor temperatures consistent to help prevent mold from growing and spores from spreading.
- Prohibit displays, maintaining, or promoting the use of live plants in this indoor environment. Live plants are allergens to some individuals. The soil in live plants harbor microbial growth and can cause sensitivities, allergic reactions, and respiratory ailments in some individuals.
- Perform follow-up sampling in approximately six (6) months to re-evaluate conditions.

## **GENERAL COMMENTS**

No state or federal laws are in effect which regulate indoor environmental quality sampling, testing and remediation. Agencies have acknowledged the serious health effects of a poor indoor air environment. IEQ associations and government agencies have published sampling, testing and remediation guidelines. Details and characteristics of a specific mold may differ from one organization, laboratory or environmental group to the other.

Recommendations provided by IDEAL are recommendations only. Employees of IDEAL are not healthcare providers licensed or trained to provide medical diagnosis, care, or advice. No opinions or recommendations are stated about possible health effects of mold genera/species. The client should consult a medical doctor/toxicologist for effects of mold on humans.

Assessments and testing are performed by personnel trained in indoor environmental quality issues and sampling techniques. The sampling performed during this sampling event is limited. Many types of sampling media, sample collection and analysis methods are available to determine indoor constituents. A variety of sampling methods may be necessary to offset the limitations of each individual sampling method. In order to help provide valid data, building owners need to report atypical occurrences which could contribute to abnormal building activity (i.e. upcoming or recent demolition or renovations, roof leaks, plumbing or sewage problems, water invasion, acts of God, etc.).



The recording of site conditions is limited. Readily identifiable sources of moisture are noted to help to identify moisture sources which may contribute to mold growth. In-depth moisture investigation was not included in the scope of this work.

Sample results reflect the conditions of the area(s) at the time of the sampling event. The sensitivity of microbial growth to environmental changes can cause particle, spore, and other reportable counts to fluctuate quickly (i.e. opening or closing windows or doors, changes in humidity levels, usage of the room, occupancy level, HVAC usage, indoor and outdoor temperature, etc.). Sample results indicate if mold is present or not and shall be used as a guideline and not a permanent quantification.

The sampling was non-destructive in nature and was limited to accessible areas only.

The scope of work presented in this report was based on an understanding between IDEAL and client, whether the understanding was from verbal conversation or written document(s). The scope of work and report shall be deemed accepted by client unless client advises to the contrary in writing to IDEAL within 10 days of the report shipping package postmark.

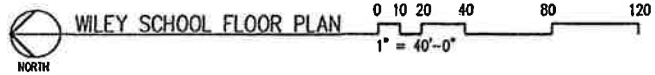
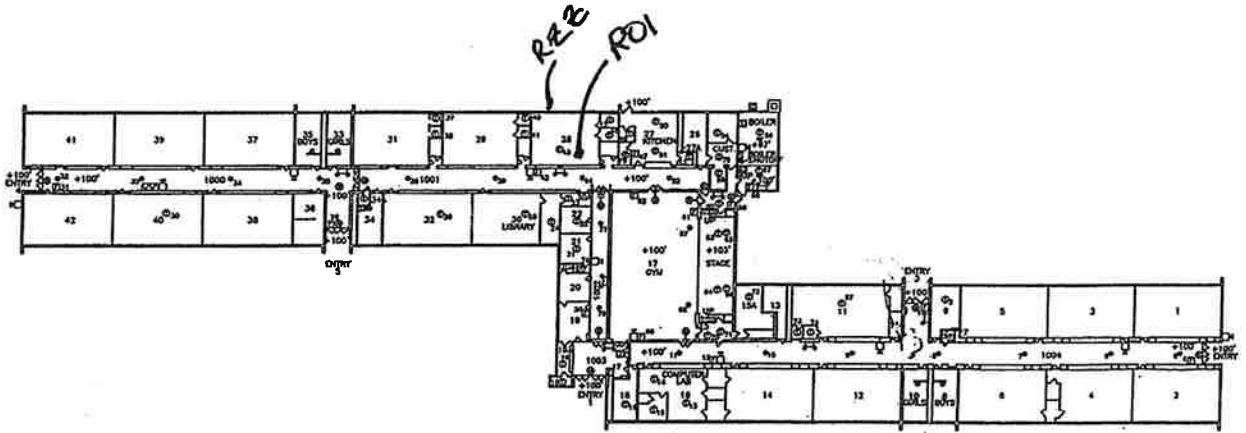
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Completion Date(s):	March 23, 2017		

Indoor Environmental Quality - Sample Locations

Description: \_\_\_\_\_





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Regarding: Project: 20810A-Urbana SD 116- Wiley Elem; Urbana SD 116- Wiley Elem School  
EML ID: 1699009

Approved by:

Dates of Analysis:  
Spore trap analysis: 03-24-2017

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Lab Manager  
Francina Thadigiri

Service SOPs: Spore trap analysis (EM-MY-S-1038)  
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All samples were received in acceptable condition unless noted in the Report Comments portion in the body of the report. Due to the nature of the analyses performed, field blank correction of results is not applied. The results relate only to the items tested.

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**SPORE TRAP REPORT: NON-VIABLE METHODOLOGY**

Location:	R01: Rm 28		RZZ: Outside Rm 28	
Comments (see below)	None		None	
Lab ID-Version‡:	7918620-1		7918621-1	
Analysis Date:	03/24/2017		03/24/2017	
	raw ct.	spores/m3	raw ct.	spores/m3
Alternaria			1	7
Ascospores			7	190
Basidiospores	1	27	11	290
Chaetomium				
Cladosporium	1	27	4	110
Epicoccum			2	13
Myrothecium				
Nigrospora				
Other brown			1	7
Other colorless				
Penicillium/Aspergillus types†	2	53	5	130
Pithomyces	2	13		
Pyricularia			2	13
Rusts				
Smuts, Periconia, Myxomycetes			2	13
Stachybotrys				
Stemphylium				
Torula				
Ulocladium				
Zygomycetes				
Background debris (1-4+)††	2+		3+	
Hyphal fragments/m3	< 7		7	
Pollen/m3	< 7		20	
Skin cells (1-4+)	1+		< 1+	
Sample volume (liters)	150		150	
<b>§ TOTAL SPORES/m3</b>		<b>120</b>		<b>770</b>

**Comments:**

Spore types listed without a count or data entry were not detected during the course of the analysis for the respective sample, indicating a raw count of <1 spore.

† The spores of *Aspergillus* and *Penicillium* (and others such as *Acremonium*, *Paecilomyces*) are small and round with very few distinguishing characteristics. They cannot be differentiated by non-viable sampling methods. Also, some species with very small spores are easily missed, and may be undercounted.

††Background debris indicates the amount of non-biological particulate matter present on the trace (dust in the air) and the resulting visibility for the analyst. It is rated from 1+ (low) to 4+ (high). Counts from areas with 4+ background debris should be regarded as minimal counts and may be higher than reported. It is important to account for samples volumes when evaluating dust levels.

The analytical sensitivity is the spores/m<sup>3</sup> divided by the raw count, expressed in spores/m<sup>3</sup>. The limit of detection is the analytical sensitivity (in spores/m<sup>3</sup>) multiplied by the sample volume (in liters) divided by 1000 liters.

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

‡ A "Version" indicated by "-x" after the Lab ID# with a value greater than 1 indicates a sample with amended data. The revision number is reflected by the value of "x".

§ Total Spores/m3 has been rounded to two significant figures to reflect analytical precision.



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**MoldRANGE™, Local Climate; Extended Outdoor Comparison**

**Outdoor Location: RZZ, Outside Rm 28**

Fungi Identified	Outdoor data	Typical Outdoor Data for: March in Illinois† EMLab Local Climate code¹ B Annual Temp, B Elev., A Rain, B Temp. Range (n‡=20)						Typical Outdoor Data for: The entire year in Illinois† EMLab Local Climate code¹ B Annual Temp, B Elev., A Rain, B Temp. Range (n‡=185)					
		very low	low	med	high	very high	freq %	very low	low	med	high	very high	freq %
Project zip code 61801	spores/m3												
<b>Generally able to grow indoors*</b>													
Alternaria	7	-	-	-	-	-	30	9	13	67	230	480	69
Bipolaris/Drechslera group	-	-	-	-	-	-	< 5	-	-	-	-	-	9
Chaetomium	-	-	-	-	-	-	< 5	-	-	-	-	-	4
Cladosporium	110	-	-	-	-	-	55	110	310	900	4,300	11,000	90
Curvularia	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	7	7	13	20	48	15
Epicoccum	13	-	-	-	-	-	30	7	13	27	180	290	56
Nigrospora	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	7	13	27	170	300	30
Other brown	7	-	-	-	-	-	15	7	7	13	27	33	17
Penicillium/Aspergillus types	130	-	-	-	-	-	40	27	53	100	320	680	46
Pithomyces	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	7	13	27	67	150	30
Stachybotrys	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	< 1
Torula	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	10
<b>Seldom found growing indoors**</b>													
Ascospores	190	-	-	-	-	-	45	53	110	360	1,600	2,900	79
Basidiospores	290	-	-	-	-	-	65	53	110	770	3,400	5,300	89
Pyricularia	13	-	-	-	-	-	< 5	-	-	-	-	-	2
Rusts	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	7	7	13	53	73	29
Smuts, Periconia, Myxomycetes	13	-	-	-	-	-	20	7	13	40	100	170	59
<b>§ TOTAL SPORES/m3</b>	<b>770</b>												

¹EMLab Local Climate codes are a climate classification scheme for statewide geographic areas. The MoldRANGE™ Local Climate report uses the sampling location zip code to identify the EMLab Local Climate code in that area. Using information available from the NOAA weather database, the EMLab Local Climate code sharpens the precision of the MoldRANGE™ reporting system, providing more reliable estimates of the range and average concentrations of the different airborne fungal spore types for each region. Additional information on the EMLab Local Climate code system can be found on the last page of this report.

†The Typical Outdoor Data represents the typical outdoor spore levels across the state for the time period and EMLab Local Climate code 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 not enough data is available to make a statistically meaningful assessment, it is indicated with a dash.

‡ n is the sample size used to calculate the MoldRANGE™ Local Climate data summarized in the table.

\* 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.

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### Understanding EMLab Local Climate Codes

Outdoor airborne spore concentrations are strongly influenced by climate and weather patterns, often resulting in pronounced seasonal and diurnal cycles (Burge 1995). The seasonal climatic changes directly affect the growth cycle of plants, thereby influencing fungal growth, spore maturation, and release cycles. By evaluating outdoor spore concentrations across similar climatic zones rather than for the state as a whole, it is possible to provide a more representative estimate of typical outdoor spore levels and frequency of occurrence for different airborne fungal spore types in a given area.

The EMLab Local Climate code system is a novel and patent pending classification system that uses data from the NOAA - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration database to define unique climate regions by state. The following local climate variables, for each statewide zip code, are obtained from NOAA and assigned a letter code of A (above the statewide average for that variable) or B (below the statewide average for that variable):

1. Annual High Temperature
2. Elevation
3. Rainfall/Precipitation
4. Monthly Temperature Range

The result is a 4-character code assigned to each statewide zip code, referred to as the Local Climate Code. Below are some examples of decoded Local Climate Codes:

**AAAA** = Above avg. Annual High Temperature, Above avg. Elevation, Above avg. Rainfall/Precipitation, Above avg. Monthly Temperature Range

**AABB** = Above avg. Annual High Temperature, Above avg. Elevation, Below avg. Rainfall/Precipitation, Below avg. Monthly Temperature Range

**BBAA** = Below avg. Annual High Temperature, Below avg. Elevation, Above avg. Rainfall/Precipitation, Above avg. Monthly Temperature Range

The actual outdoor air sample data from matching local climate codes in each state are then compiled in a manner relating typical spore concentrations and frequency of occurrence.

The NOAA local climate variables were selected by mapping data points from a subset of approximately 145,000 weather and geographic database entries to over 80,000 outdoor spore trap samples with known zip codes and assessing them using orthogonal array experimental design techniques. The results were then compared to the typical ranges of spore types found when grouping zip codes using the Koppen-Geiger climatic classification system; a commonly used climatic system that provides an objective numerical definition in terms of climatic elements such as temperature, rainfall, and other seasonal characteristics. The EMLab Local Climate codes showed improved granularity and refinement of the zip code groupings, implying a better representation of the expected range of spore types to be found within an individual zip code.

The values on this report were calculated by obtaining the four variables listed above from the over 585 million data points of weather and geographic information available in the NOAA database, and determining the frequencies and percentile values of spore types by utilizing over 180,000 EMLab P&K outdoor spore trap samples with known zip codes.

This report groups statewide zip codes in relation to these EMLab Local Climate codes and summarizes MoldRANGE™ data by month and year within each EMLab Local Climate code.

#### References:

Burge, Harriet, A. Bioaerosols: Boca Raton: Lewis Publishers, pp. 163-171, 1995.

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**MoldSTAT™: Supplementary Statistical Spore Trap Report**

**Outdoor Summary: RZZ: Outside Rm 28**

Species detected	Outdoor sample spores/m3				Typical outdoor ranges (North America)	Freq. %
	<100	1K	10K	>100K		
Alternaria	[Bar chart showing 7 spores/m3]				7 - 35 - 530	44
Ascospores	[Bar chart showing 190 spores/m3]				13 - 210 - 6,400	77
Basidiospores	[Bar chart showing 290 spores/m3]				13 - 440 - 24,000	91
Cladosporium	[Bar chart showing 110 spores/m3]				27 - 480 - 9,800	90
Epicoccum	[Bar chart showing 13 spores/m3]				7 - 27 - 360	24
Other brown	[Bar chart showing 7 spores/m3]				7 - 20 - 130	25
Penicillium/Aspergillus types	[Bar chart showing 130 spores/m3]				13 - 170 - 2,600	67
Pyricularia	[Bar chart showing 13 spores/m3]				7 - 13 - 300	4
Smuts, Periconia, Myxomycetes	[Bar chart showing 13 spores/m3]				7 - 53 - 910	64
<b>Total</b>	[Bar chart showing 770 spores/m3]					

The "Typical outdoor ranges" and "Freq. %" columns show the typical low, medium, and high spore counts per cubic meter and the frequency of occurrence for the given spore type. The low, medium, and high values represent the 2.5, 50, and 97.5 percentile values when the spore type is detected. For example, if the low value is 53 and the frequency of occurrence is 63%, it would mean that we typically detect the given spore type on 63 percent of all outdoor samples and, when detected, 2.5% of the time it is present in levels below 53 spores/m3.

**Indoor Samples**

**Location: R01: Rm 28**

% of outdoor total spores/m3	Friedman chi-square* (indoor variation)	Agreement ratio** (indoor/outdoor)	Spearman rank correlation*** (indoor/outdoor)	MoldSCORE**** (indoor/outdoor)	
Result: 15%	dF: N/A Result: N/A Critical value: N/A Inside Similar: N/A	Result: 0.4615	dF: 10 Result: 0.4939 Critical value: 0.5515 Outside Similar: No	Score: 107 Result: Low	
Species Detected		Spores/m3			
		<100	1K	10K	>100K
	Basidiospores	[Bar chart showing 27 spores/m3]			
	Cladosporium	[Bar chart showing 27 spores/m3]			
	Penicillium/Aspergillus types	[Bar chart showing 53 spores/m3]			
	Pithomyces	[Bar chart showing 13 spores/m3]			
	<b>Total</b>	[Bar chart showing 120 spores/m3]			

\* The Friedman chi-square statistic is a non-parametric test that examines variation in a set of data (in this case, all indoor spore counts). The null hypothesis (H0) being tested is that there is no meaningful difference in the data for all indoor locations. The alternative hypothesis (used if the test disproves the null hypothesis) is that there is a difference between the indoor locations. The null hypothesis is rejected when the result of the test is greater than the critical value. The critical value that is displayed is based on the degrees of freedom (dF) of the test and a significance level of 0.05.

\*\* An agreement ratio is a simple method for assessing the similarity of two samples (in this case the indoor sample and the outdoor summary) based on the spore types present. A score of one indicates that the types detected in one location are the same as that in the other. A score of zero indicates that none of the types detected indoors are present outdoors. Typically, an agreement of 0.8 or higher is considered high.

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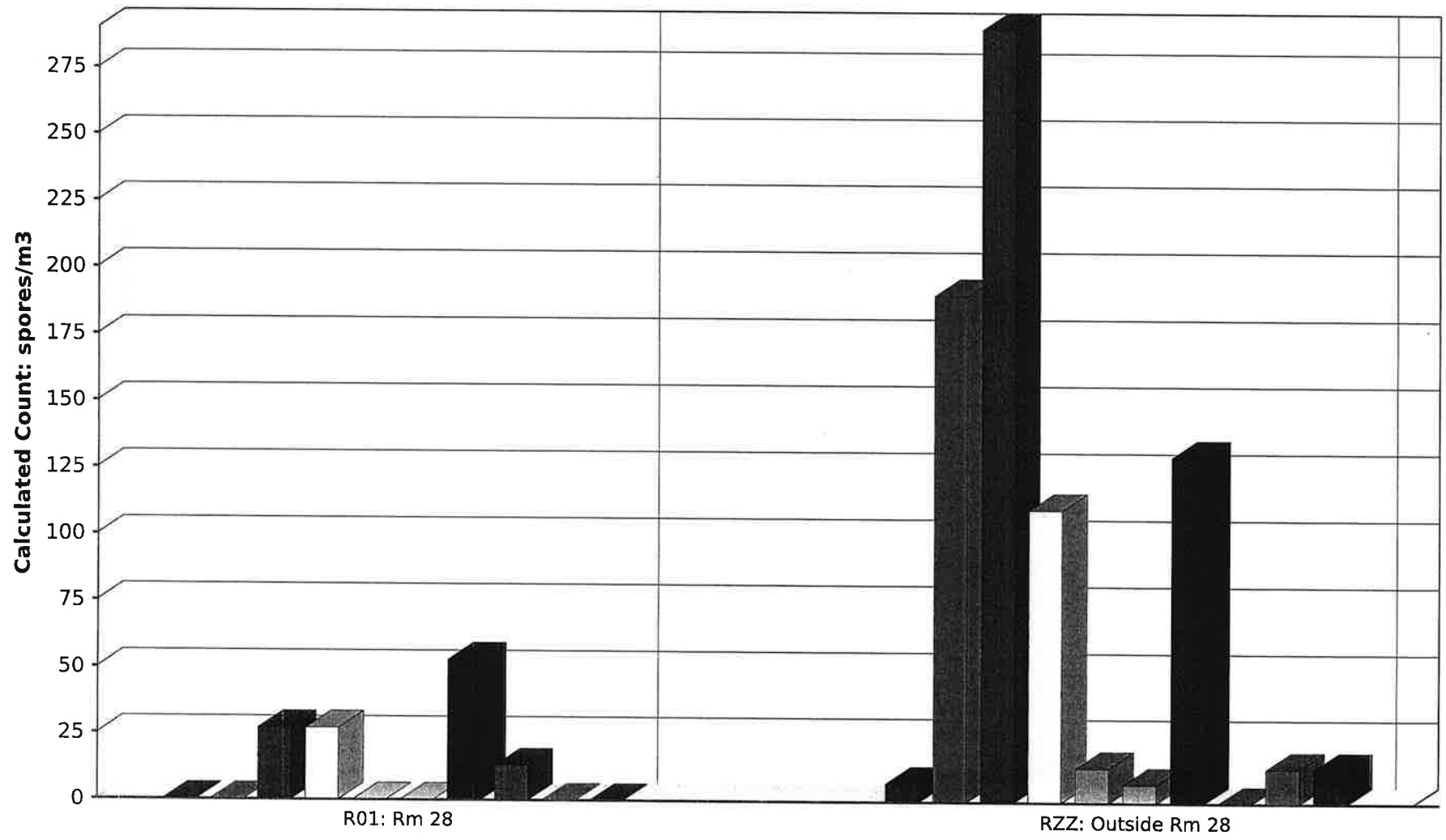
\*\*\* The Spearman rank correlation is a non-parametric test that examines correlation between two sets of data (in this case the indoor location and the outdoor summary). The null hypothesis (H0) being tested is that the indoor and outdoor samples are unrelated. The alternative hypothesis (used if the test disproves the null hypothesis) is that the samples are similar. The null hypothesis is rejected when the result of the test is greater than the critical value. The critical value that is displayed is based on the degrees of freedom (dF) of the test and a significance level of 0.05.

\*\*\*\* MoldSCORE™ is a specialized method for examining air sampling data. It is a score between 100 and 300, with 100 indicating a greater likelihood that the airborne indoor spores originated from the outside, and 300 indicating a greater likelihood that they originated from an inside source. The Result displayed is based on the numeric score given and will be either Low, Medium, or High, indicating a low, medium, or high likelihood that the spores detected originated from an indoor source. EMLab P&K reserves the right to, and may at anytime, modify or change the MoldScore algorithm without notice.

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### SPORE TRAP REPORT: NON-VIABLE METHODOLOGY

- Alternaria ■ Ascospores ■ Basidiospores □ Cladosporium ■ Epicoccum ■ Other brown ■ Penicillium/Aspergillus types
- Pithomyces ■ Pyricularia ■ Smuts, Periconia, Myxomycetes



Comments:

Note: Graphical output may understate the importance of certain "marker" genera.  
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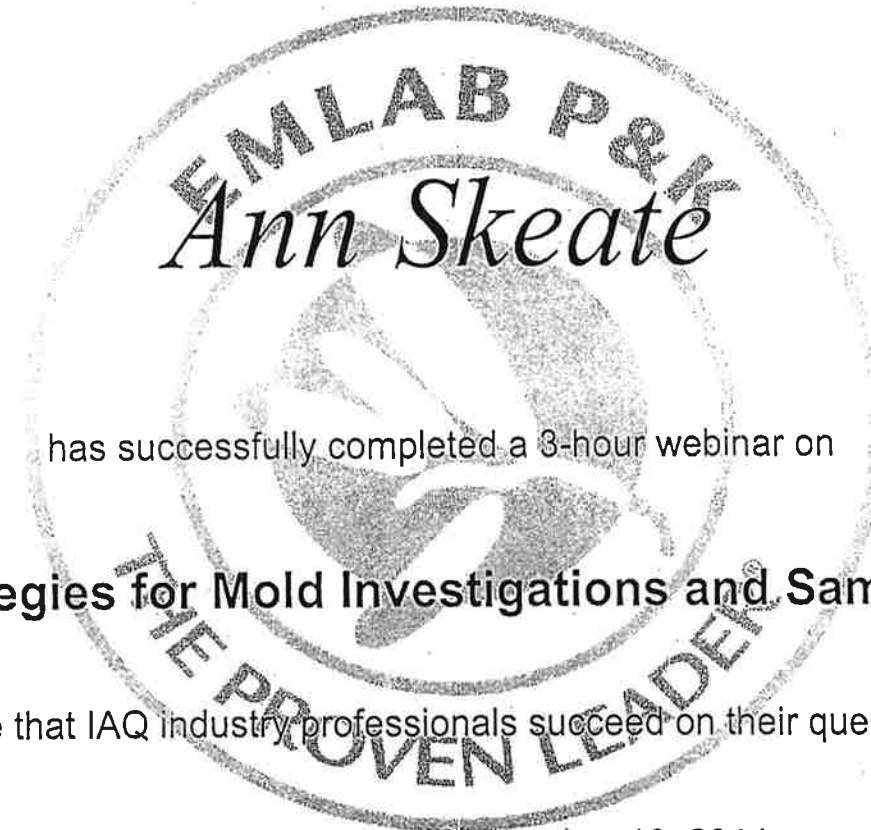
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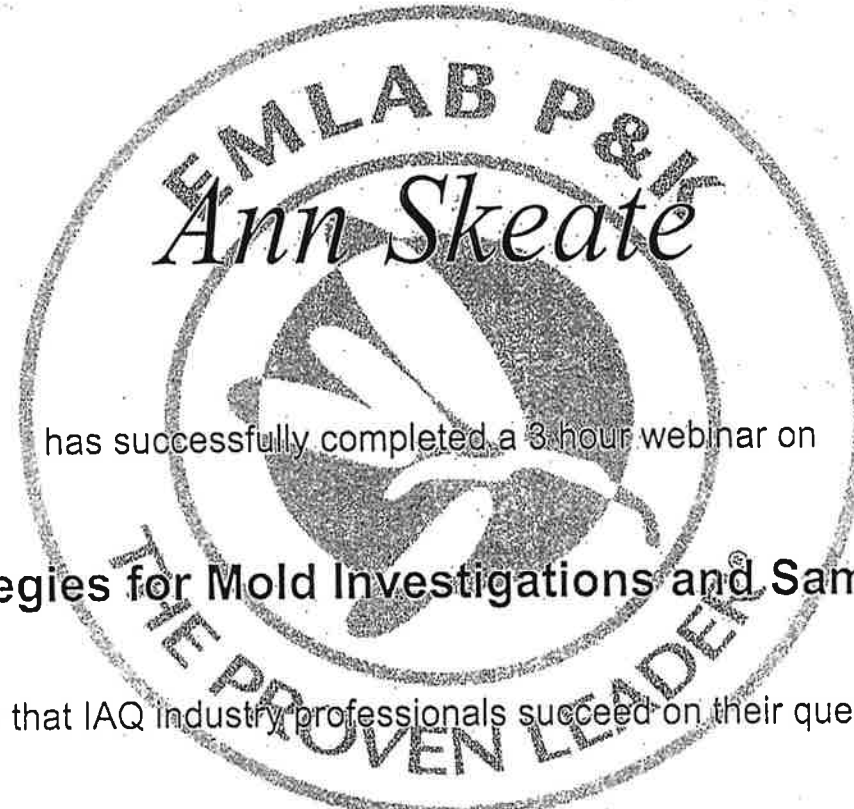
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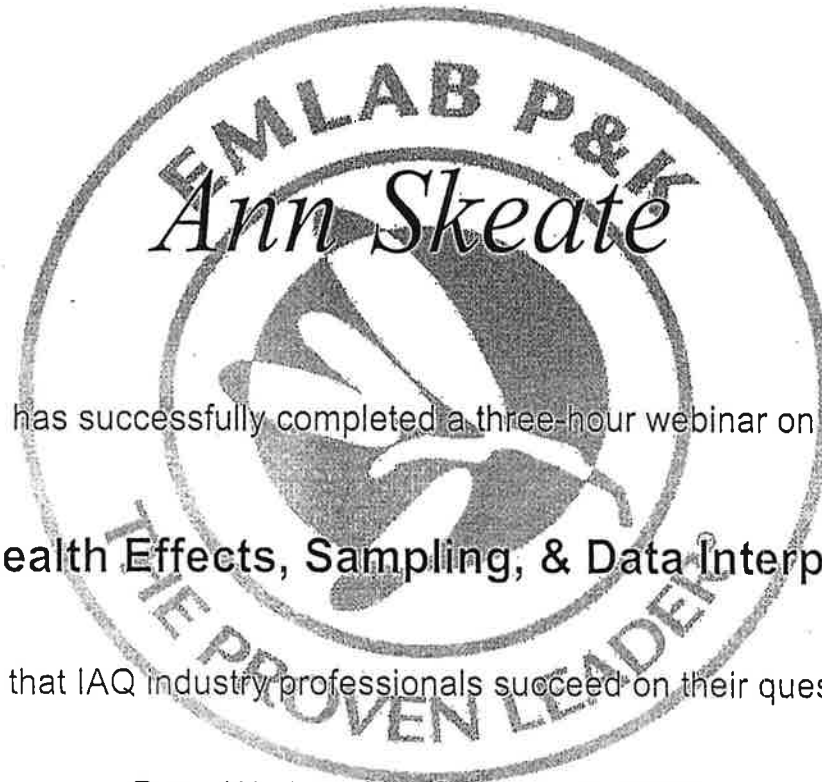
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Date: Wednesday, October 17, 2012

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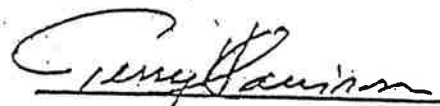
*Ann Skeate*

*Successfully completed QuanTEM Laboratories' three day  
Mold Investigator Training Course in Springfield, Illinois*

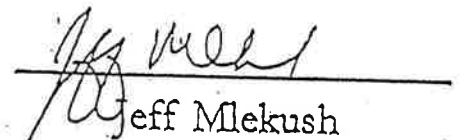
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This course has been awarded 3CM Points by the American Board of Industrial Hygiene.*



John E. Barnett  
President



Terry Harrison  
Director of Microbiology



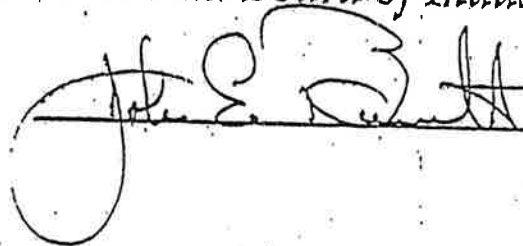
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Laboratory Director

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National Director of Microbiology



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Belinda U. Vega, President  
Emlab P&K  
Mold University Dem

Dr. Harriet Burge, Director of Aerobiology  
Emlab P&K

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8 Hour Class

Eligible for Continuing Education Units for:

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along with all premises from which key activities are performed, as listed above, has fulfilled the requirements of the AIHA Laboratory Accreditation Programs (AIHA-LAP), LLC accreditation to the ISO/IEC 17025:2005 international standard, *General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories* in the following:

#### **LABORATORY ACCREDITATION PROGRAMS**

- INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE
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- ENVIRONMENTAL MICROBIOLOGY
- FOOD
- UNIQUE SCOPES

Accreditation Expires:

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Specific Field(s) of Testing (FoT)/Method(s) within each Accreditation Program for which the above named laboratory maintains accreditation is outlined on the attached **Scope of Accreditation**. Continued accreditation is contingent upon successful on-going compliance with ISO/IEC 17025:2005 and AIHA-LAP, LLC requirements. This certificate is not valid without the attached **Scope of Accreditation**. Please review the AIHA-LAP, LLC website ([www.aihaaccreditedlabs.org](http://www.aihaaccreditedlabs.org)) for the most current Scope.

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#### Environmental Microbiology Laboratory Accreditation Program (EMLAP)

**Initial Accreditation Date: 09/01/2005**

EMLAP Category	Field of Testing (FoT)	Method	Method Description <i>(for internal methods only)</i>
<b>Fungal</b>	Air - Direct Examination	EM-MY-S-1038	Preparation and Analysis of Spore Trap (Air) Samples for Fungal Spores, Other Biological and Non-Biological Particles
	Bulk - Direct Examination	EM-MY-S-1039	Preparation and Analysis of Tape, Swab, Wipe, Bulk and Dust-Soil Samples for Qualitative Direct Microscopic Examination
		EM-MY-S-1041	Preparation and Analysis of Tape, Swab, Wipe, Bulk and Dust-Soil Samples for Quantitative Direct Microscopic Examination
	Surface - Direct Examination	EM-MY-S-1039	Preparation and Analysis of Tape, Swab, Wipe, Bulk and Dust-Soil Samples for Qualitative Direct Microscopic Examination
		EM-MY-S-1041	Preparation and Analysis of Tape, Swab, Wipe, Bulk and Dust-Soil Samples for Quantitative Direct Microscopic Examination
	<b>Bacterial</b>	Legionella	EM-BT-S-1045

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