Determining Contaminants of Concern When Implementing ASHRAE Standard 62.1 Indoor Air Quality Procedure

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Why Use the IAQP?

• IAQ Procedure = Contaminant Based Design

Source Control		Contaminant Removal		Performance Measures	
Low Emitting Materials	Building Operating Procedures	Filtration	Efficient Ventilation	Cont. Simulation	Cont. Monitoring

• Controlling Contaminants = $\mathbf{\Psi}$ OA = $\mathbf{\Psi}$ Energy



(Fisk, 2007)

Contaminants of Concern (CoC)

- Existing Resources for Choosing
 - ASHRAE 62.1 Appendix B: Summary of Selected Air Quality Guidelines
 - Research Building Studies
 - Perform Chemical Air Sampling
- Which Contaminants are still UNCLEAR
- Broad use of the IAQP Needs lists of Typical CoC
 - building type \rightarrow typical contaminants
- This Work Compares
 - CoC from Published IAQP Applications
 - A Building Data Review Ranking Indoor VOCs

IAQP Publications

Pub #Building TypeSuccess Basis

- 1 Office Building Contaminant Simulation
- 2 School Auditorium Air Sampling & Complaint Log
- 3 High School Classrooms

Air Sampling & Complaint Log

- 1 (Stanley, 2002)
- 2 (Johnson, 2006)
- 3 (Lamping, 2008)

Building Data Review

Building TypeStudiesRanking• Offices• 1990 - 2003• Hazard Quotient
Methodology• Residences• Multiple VOC
studies• Odor• EPA BASE• Sensory Irritation
• Noncancer

Chronic Toxicity

(Hodgson, 2003)

Building Data Review CoC

Office Building (OB) HQ > 0.1

1,4 dichlorobenzene benzene hexanal naphthalene nonanal tetrachloroethene

Residence HQ > 0.1, not monitored in OB 3-methylbutanal acetaldehyde acetic acid formaldehyde heptanal naphthalene nonanal Tetrachloroethene

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OB - All Combined

1,4 dichlorobenzene 3-methylbutanal acetaldehyde acetic acid benzene formaldehyde heptanal hexanal hexanoic acid naphthalene nonanal octanal propionaldehyde tetrachloroethene

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Contaminant Comparison

	IAQ P	Building Data		
	Publication 1	Publication 2	Publication 3	Review
	Office	School	High School	Office Building
	Building	Auditorium	Classrooms	
	VOCs	VOCs	VOCs	VOCs
	acetone	none	acetone	1,4 dichlorobenzene
	formaldehyde		formaldehyde	3-methylbutanal
	methyl alcohol		methyl alcohol	acetaldehyde
	TVOC		phenol	acetic acid
			TVOC	benzene
				formaldehyde
	Other	Other	Other	heptanal
US FPA	none	CO ₂	CO	hexanal
Criteria				hexanoic acid
Cont	Inorganics	Inorganics	Inorganics	naphthalene
	NO_2	NH ₃	NH ₃	nonanal
	O ₃		H_2S	octanal
	SO_2		NO_2	propionaldehyde
			O ₃	tetrachloroethene
			(SO_2)	

Typical CoC Proposal

- Office Building Gases
- Indoor VOCs
 - VOCs ranked significant by hazard quotient method
 - VOCs present in >1 published IAQP applications
- Inorganic Compounds (mainly outdoor)
 - US EPA Criteria Contaminants
 - Inorganics present in > 1 published IAQP applications

Typical CoC List

• Office Building - Gases

VO	Inorganics	
1,4	hexanal	ammonia
dichlorobenzene	hexanoic acid	carbon
3-methylbutanal	naphthalene	monoxide
acetaldehyde	nonanal	nitrogen dioxide
acetic acid	octanal	ozone
benzene	propionaldehyde	sulfur dioxide
formaldehyde	tetrachloroethene	
heptanal		

Conclusions

- The IAQP can impact energy consumption positively
- Broad use of the IAQP requires a CoC typical list for typical building types
- This presentation proposes a typical list for office buildings
- Further collaboration on such typical CoC lists is needed

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