

Client: EMLab P&K (QA)
 C/O: Mr. Quality Control
 Re: Sample Report

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Mold/Fungal Growth Rating Details

Growth Rating	Quantities of molds indicating growth are listed in the MOLD/FUNGAL GROWTH section. Judgement is used in determining the amount of growth present in the sample. For example, if only one portion of the sample has evidence of heavy growth, then it will receive a rating of heavy growth even though, strictly speaking, on a percentage basis of the entire sample, the amount of growth is low.	
	Swab/Tape/Dust/Wipe sample	Bulk Sample
< 1+ (Very Light Growth)	Evidence of very light growth observed on the sample as indicated by spores of one type seen with underlying mycelial and/or with their sporulating structures found in less than 10% of the microscopic fields examined.	Areas of very light growth detected by the presence of spores of one type seen with underlying mycelial and/or with their sporulating structures in the bulk sample.
1+ (Light Growth)	Evidence of light growth observed on the sample as indicated by spores of one type seen with underlying mycelial and/or with their sporulating structures found in 10 to 25% of the microscopic fields examined.	Areas of light growth detected by the presence of spores of one type seen with underlying mycelial and/or with their sporulating structures in the bulk sample.
2+ (Moderate Growth)	Evidence of moderate growth observed on the sample as indicated by spores of one type seen with underlying mycelial and/or with their sporulating structures found in 26 to 50% of the microscopic fields examined.	Areas of moderate growth detected by the presence of spores of one type seen with underlying mycelial and/or with their sporulating structures in the bulk sample.
3+ (Heavy Growth)	Evidence of heavy growth observed on the sample as indicated by spores of one type seen with underlying mycelial and/or with their sporulating structures found in 51 to 75% of the microscopic fields examined.	Areas of heavy growth detected by the presence of spores of one type seen with underlying mycelial and/or with their sporulating structures in the bulk sample.
4+ (Very Heavy Growth)	Evidence of very heavy growth observed on the sample as indicated by spores of one type seen with underlying mycelial and/or with their sporulating structures found to be nearly confluent in the majority of the microscopic fields examined.	Areas of very heavy growth detected by the presence of spores of one type seen with underlying mycelial and/or with their sporulating structures in the bulk sample.

Miscellaneous Spores

Slides/specimens are examined for the presence of mold spores and pollen, noting the quantities and distribution of spore types found. A designation of 'normal trapping' is made when a mix of spore types is present with the same general distribution as is usually found outdoors. In other words, the biological component of the sample surface is like that found everywhere. Types of spores present would include basidiospores (mushroom spores), myxomycetes (slime molds), plant pathogens such as ascospores, rusts and smuts, and a mix of saprophytic genera with no particular spore type predominating. Many of these spore types would not be found growing indoors on building materials since many plant pathogens require living plants for growth, and mushrooms require compost, leaf duff of various types, or associations with roots of certain trees, etc. Due to these factors, when a mix of spores seen include these types as well as pollen, the rational source is the outside air, rather than indoor mold growth. The numbers of miscellaneous spores seen are graded and described as shown below as none, very few, few, variety, and wide variety.

None	Very Few	Few	Variety	Wide Variety
No spores detected	Very few spores detected	A few spores detected	Many spores containing a variety of different genera detected	Many spores containing a wide variety of different genera detected