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Test on a Pleated Combi Filter Element
based on DIN 71460-1

Client	Stadler Form AG Chamerstr. 174 6300 Zug Switzerland
Testing object	Pleated Combi Filter Element "Roger Dual Filter H12" Serial-No.: ---
Order	PO 4082
Date of order	30.09.2020
Arrival of the testing objects	06.10.2020
Content of order	Determination of the initial fractional efficiency according to Section 8.2 of DIN 71460-1
Standard of test	DIN 71460-1:2006
Test period	November 2020

The test report consists of 6 pages.

The test results refer exclusively to the test objects.

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1 Introduction

The Pleated Combi Filter Element "Roger Dual Filter H12" of Stadler Form is tested according to DIN 71460-1:2006, Section 8.2 and the standards cited therein. The examined value is the initial fractional efficiency. Chapter 2 provides a general overview of the test object and test conditions.

The tests are carried out in the Business Segment Refrigeration & Air Quality, DMT GmbH & Co. KG, in Essen. The results of the tests are listed in Chapter 3.

2 Testing object and test conditions

2.1 Description of the test object

Figure 1 and Figure 2 show photographs of the tested Pleated Combi Filter Element.



Figure 1: Upstream side of the Pleated Combi Filter Element – "Roger Dual Filter H12"

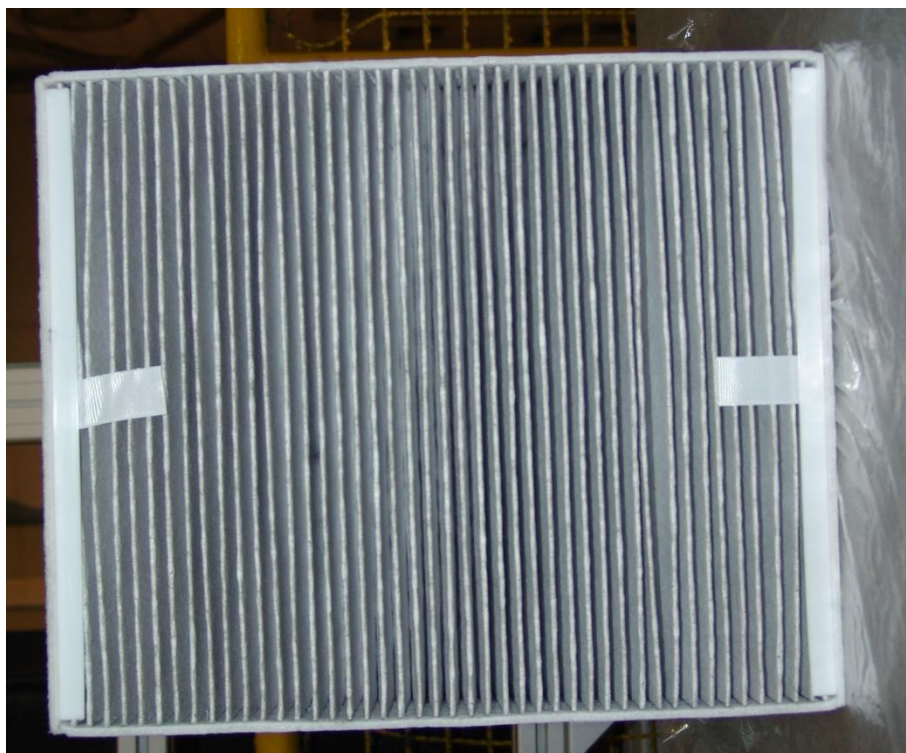


Figure 2: Downstream side of the
Pleated Combi Filter Element – "Roger Dual Filter H12"

Table 1: Description of the testing object

Characteristic	Value
Designation	"Roger Dual Filter H12"
Type	Combi filter (HEPA and activated carbon filter)
Length	322 mm
Width	268 mm
Depth	45 mm
Filter area	Not indicated Lab-measurement: approx. 0.09 m ²
No. of pleats	42
Filter material	Not indicated
Serial-No.	Not indicated
Drawing-No.	Not indicated

Note: All technical data and general information according to client's information.

2.2 Test conditions and procedure

Boundary condition of the test:

- Test volume flow: 290 m³/h
- Dust concentration: 75 ± 5 % mg/m³
- Test dust: A2 fine (ISO 12103-1)
- Air temperature: 23 ± 2 °C
- Air humidity: 50 ± 3 %
- Drying for 24 h in a climate cabinet at 60 °C.
- Equilibration inside the test channel at rated volume flow for 15 min

The determination of the differential pressure loss curve and the dust holding capacity were not part of the order.

2.3 Measurement equipment

Measurement equipment installed for the test:

- Particle counter: "Welas 300" of Palas
- Particle disperser: "RBG 2000" of Palas
- Differential pressure: "ManoAir 500" of Schildknecht
- Rel. humidity/Temperature: "SD700" of Extech Instruments
- Dilution device: "VKL-10" of Palas
- Volume flow: "Inlet Nozzle" of Westenberg

3 Test results

Test conditions:

- Air temperature: 21 °C
- Relative air humidity: 48 %
- Air pressure (ambient): 1028 hPa
- Air volume flow: 290 m³/h
- Dust concentration: 75 ± 3,75 mg/m³
- Repeat measurements: 3
- Duration of measurement: 1 min each measurement
- Initial differential pressure: 79 Pa

Table 2: Fractional efficiency of the clean filter

X_m	Fractional efficiency	X_m	Fractional efficiency
µm	%	µm	%
0,255	100,00	2,212	100,00
0,295	99,07	2,555	100,00
0,341	99,53	2,950	100,00
0,393	100,00	3,407	100,00
0,454	100,00	3,934	100,00
0,525	100,00	4,543	100,00
0,606	100,00	5,247	100,00
0,700	100,00	6,059	100,00
0,808	100,00	6,996	100,00
0,933	100,00	8,079	100,00
1,077	100,00	9,330	100,00
1,244	99,05	10,774	100,00
1,437	100,00	12,442	100,00
1,659	100,00	14,367	100,00
1,916	100,00	16,591	100,00

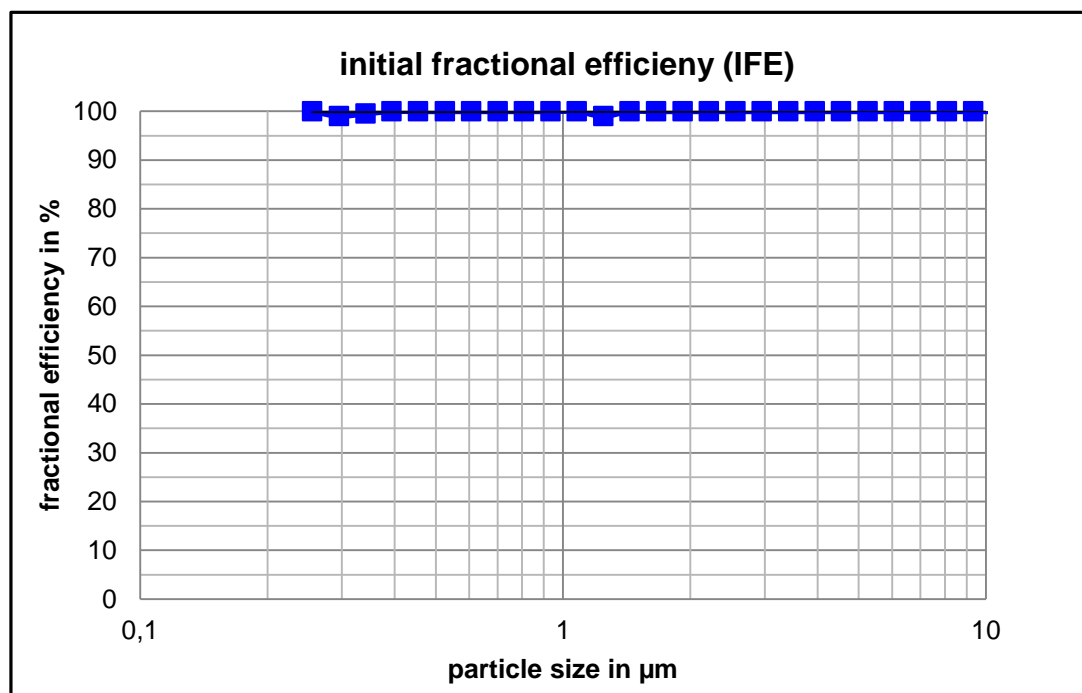


Figure 3: Fractional efficiency of the clean filter

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Burgdorf, 25.06.2020

Test order No. 2020-0883

Date of order: 15.06.2020
Responsible:
Pages: 3

Method:

JIS L 1902 Quantitative analysis for determination of the
bacteriostatic activity:

SANITIZED AG

A blue ink signature of Erich Rohrbach, consisting of stylized, overlapping loops and lines.

Erich Rohrbach
Head Microbiology

The findings are valid for the tested object(s) only. Filing record of report and documentation is 10 years.

Results

Description of sample

Sample number: **2020-0883-01**
Business: TEXTILE

Identification: Sample 1
Main Component: 100% CO
Field of Application: Clean air device

Sanitized Products: Sanitized® T 11-15
Declared quantity: 2%

Received: 15.06.2020
Type: QC

Pretreatment: 20x washings according to EN ISO 6330 (4M) 40°C

Test results of the SANITIZED-laboratory

Quantitative analysis for determination of the bacteriostatic activity:				
Method	Test point	Activity	Reduction in %	Evaluation
JIS L 1902	Staphylococcus aureus ATCC 6538	>5.30	>99.99	Good effect

Results

Description of sample

Sample number: **2020-0883-02**
Business: TEXTILE

Received: 15.06.2020
Type: QC

Identification: Sample 2
Main Component: 100% CO
Field of Application: Clean air device

Sanitized Products: Sanitized® T 11-15
Declared quantity: 3%

Pretreatment: 20x washings according to EN ISO 6330 (4M) 40°C

Test results of the SANITIZED-laboratory

Quantitative analysis for determination of the bacteriostatic activity:				
Method	Test point	Activity	Reduction in %	Evaluation
JIS L 1902	Staphylococcus aureus ATCC 6538	>5.30	>99.99	Good effect

Customer Name Stadler Form Aktiengesellschaft

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Contact Thomas Becker

Test Requested To assess the impact of the
Influenza A (H1N1) virus in a

Sample Descripti Roge Big

Number of Sample 1

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1. Purpose

This report outlines the results following a stability test of a Stadelerm Røge Big air purifier in removing airborne Influenza A (H1N1) from an aa285tm chamber.

2. Test Item Description

The Røge Big air purifier was sent to Syadlerm Rø for airmid health group as received 10th September (Figure 2.1).

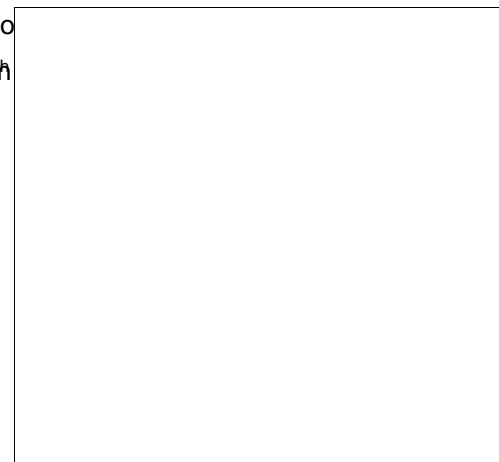


Figure 2.1: Stadelerm Røge Big air purifier tested at airmid health group

3. Materials and Methods

3.1. Materials

- Influenza A (H1N1) 34
- Influenza A Virus ELISA
- Influenza A Virus Transport Medium

3.2. Influenza A

Influenza virus infection is one of the most common infectious diseases and can occur in people of any age. Influenza A viruses are transmitted by direct contact, large respiratory droplets and aerosols (droplets). Influenza viruses belong to the Orthomyxoviridae family and are divided into three types: A, B, and C. Influenza types A and B are responsible for epidemics of respiratory illness associated with increased rates of hospitalization and death. During the 1960s, only influenza A subtypes that circulated extensively in humans were identified: (H1N1) 1968 Hong Kong Flu; (H2N2) Asian Flu; and (H3N2) Hong Kong Flu. A new strain emerged in 2009 called Swine Flu as it originated in swine and

recently in 2013, a new strain of Avian Influenza A, H7N9 has infected humans. It is believed to be from exposure to infected poultry.

All known types of influenza type A viruses have been isolated from a range of mammalian species. As with humans, the number of influenza viruses isolated from other mammalian species is limited. Influenza viruses are known to exclusively infect humans.

In this assay, influenza type A virus has been used for the testing

4. Protocol

4.1. Test Conditions

Testing of Standard Room air purifiers was conducted in an environmental test chamber. The chamber was pre-cooled to 20°C and 50-65% relative humidity before the commencement of the tests. The chamber was sterilized by operating a UV germicidal lamp, ceiling of chamber, for at least 60 minutes. Air was extracted from the test chamber through HEPA filter. Filtered air was re-supplied to the chamber via a high flow 5% Virkon purpose disinfectant solution.

4.2. Air Purification Control and Test Runs

Six decay tests were performed in the environmental chamber consisting of:

- Three inactive control runs with air purifier
- Three active test runs with air purifier operating at maximum airflow

For the active test runs the purifier was placed on the floor in the centre of the chamber. For the inactive control runs the procedure was performed in the absence of the purifier. Three replicates per sample timepoint were collected during each test run.

In both the active and inactive runs, the virus was aerosolized in the chamber for 20 minutes. The amount of virus aerosolized was dependent on the virus stock used, however 200 µg of virus antigen was introduced to the test chamber for each run. The viral aerosol was mixed in the chamber by a mechanical agitator, at low speed for the duration of the test.

4.3. Sampling Time Points

Three SK BioSampler collected air samples at 1 m height for 1108 minutes at 1 l/min at the following time points

- -10 to 0 min (A S1)
- 0.5 to 51 min (A S2)
- 2.0 to 30 min (A S3)
- 50 to 60 min (A S4)



For the active test runs, the purifier was operated remotely and remained operating for the duration of the test (Figure 4). At the end of the test, the samples were removed from the BioSamplers and transferred to sterile 40 ml tubes that were placed on ice and then stored at -20°C until analysis.

4.4. Sample Analysis

Influenza A quantification was performed using ELISA (Enzygnost Influenza A, bioMérieux). ELISA is an immunosorbent assay based on a colorimetric technique that uses antibodies specificity to detect and quantify substances, such as antigens and antibodies. The NCEP ELISA validated for health care workers and quantifies Influenza A nucleoprotein (NP). The NP is a protein used to refer to the virus. The concentration of each sample reported in this report is per 1 m³ of sampled air. Virus reduction percentage was calculated according to the formula:

5. Results and Discussion

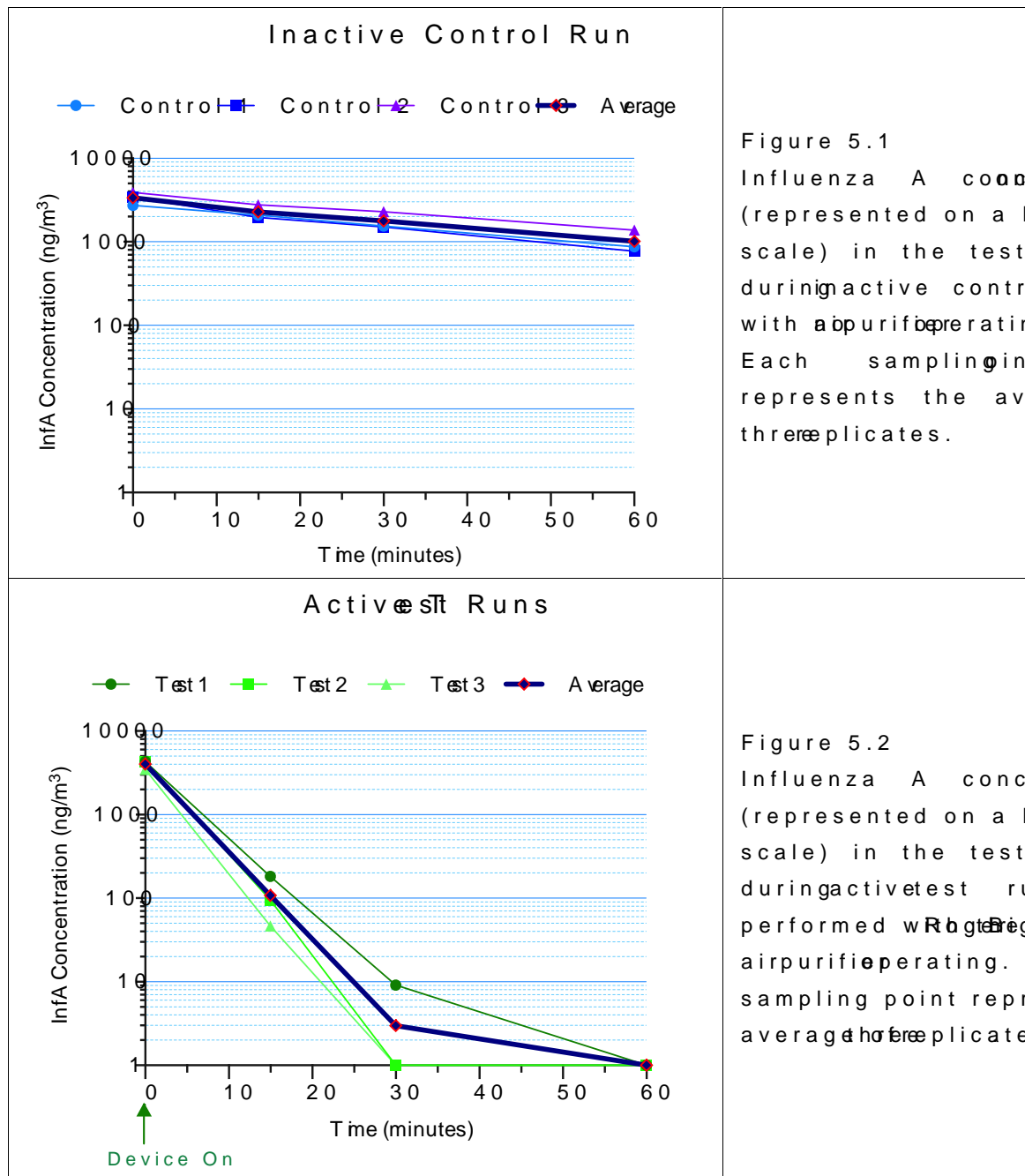
The recovery concentrations of Inf A in active control runs and inactive test runs are reported in Table 5. Each result is the average of three samples taken at the indicated time. The Inf A concentration was determined by ELISA and converted into ng/manogram of air sampled by the BioSamplers.

Table 5 Average Influenza A concentration measured in active control runs (ng/h)				
Timepoint	Control 1	Control 2	Control 3	Average = 3
-10 0	2729.1	3447.4	3900.1	3358.9
5 15	2099.3	1973.9	2770.5	2281.2
20 30	1546.7	1511.5	2294.5	1784.2
50 60	874.9	773.3	1386.7	1011.6

Table 25 Average Influenza A concentration measured in inactive test runs (ng/h)				
Timepoint	Test 1	Test 2	Test 3	Average = 3
-10 0	4314.9	4288.8	3483.1	4028.9
5 15	181.6	95.3	46.5	107.8
20 30	9.1	<LOD	<LOD	3.0
50 60	<LOD	<LOD	<LOD	<LOD

<LOD: Less than the limit of detection

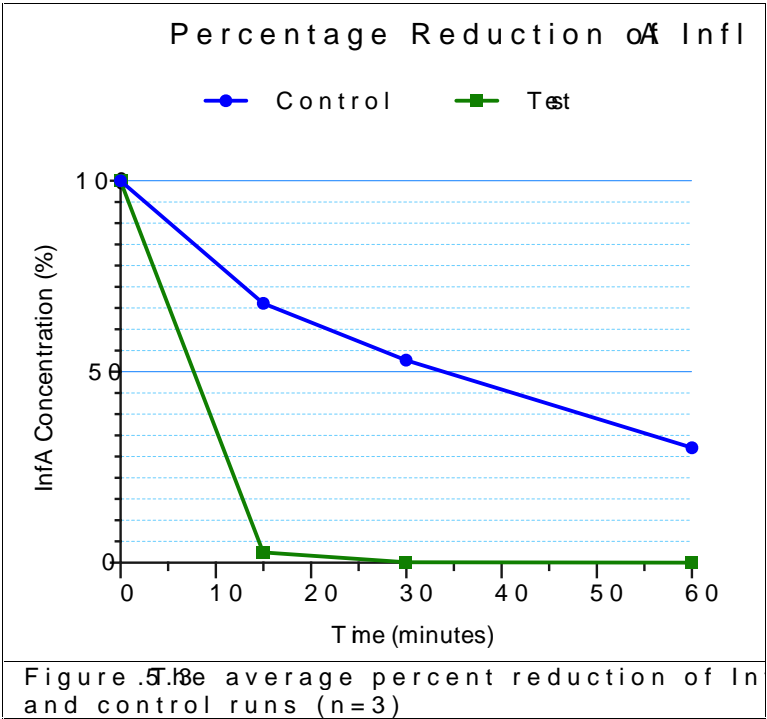
Figures 5.1 and 5.2 show the trend of Inf A levels over time in the test runs respectively. The rapid reduction in Inf A concentration observed in the test runs cannot be attributed to natural decay due to forces exerted on the virus particles. In the three test runs, at 50 and 60 minutes of the air sample, the Influenza A concentration had dropped below the detection limit. It is likely that the virus concentration difference among the sampling time points can be ascribed to the virus stock used to perform the bioassay sampling process itself. As reported by Fabian et al. (2013), the BioSamplers present the most efficient airborne virus particle collection tool in terms of virus infectivity and collection efficiency. Despite this, the recovery efficiency is about 79% for particles sized > 0.3 μm , which may explain the low collected concentrations of Inf A particles sized ~ 0.1 μm .



The data presented show that at 60 minutes the Stadler Form BR purifier operating at the highest fan speed reduced the Influenza A concentration in the test chamber to less than 1.56 ng/m³, the detection limit of the assay performed.

Figure 5.3 shows the percentage reduction in the airborne concentration of Influenza A virus calculated in Section 4.1 during the control and test runs. Filtration efficiency was determined

during control runs. Statistical fluctuations are unavoidable, especially as described in the several factors affect the result of the sampling process and the assay bring their own variability, and one must not forget that the survival environment of the aerosolized virus in indoor space with certain physical characteristics, where forces such as inertia and diffusion are applied throughout the test duration (Hind 1999, U.S. EPA 2010, Liorset al. 2010). may also add to the chamber surfaces after contact into the chamber with a lower or null concentration of virus, with a consequent partial reactivation collected by the SKC Biosampler. A 19.9% decrease in Inf A levels is observed in 60 minutes after the purification is turned on.



6. Conclusion

The Stadler FRODO Big air purifier was demonstrated to be effective in reducing Influenza A aerosols in the test chamber. The results indicate that in the presence of a unit the Influenza A concentration in the test chamber was reduced to the detectable limit of the assay performed to quantify the collected airborne virus.

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