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## Emission measurements after 28 days

(3 appendices)

### Object

One sample of a countertop was delivered to RISE by the customer.

Product name: **Bänkskiva**  
Production date: 2019-04-25  
Size of sample: 0.40 x 0.40 m, thickness 29 mm  
two pieces, wrapped in plastic foil  
Date of sampling: 2019-04-26  
Date of arrival to RISE: 2019-04-29  
Date of analysis: week 18 – 24, 2019

### Assignment

Emission measurement according to ISO 16000-9:2006 (Indoor air – Part 9: Determination of the emission of volatile organic compounds from building products and furnishing – Emission test chamber method), after 28 days regarding volatile organic compounds (VOC and VVOC/SVOC), carcinogenic substances (VOC-substances, EU Regulation No 1272/2008 Annex VI, cat 1A and 1B), formaldehyde and acetaldehyde (ISO 16000-3:2011). Evaluation according to EN 16516:2017 (EU-LCI values).

### Method

The test was started 2019-04-30 by unwrapping the test pieces. The two specimens were used for the test, one cut edge per specimen was sealed with aluminium tape. The specimens were placed in a separate conditioning container (with air velocity of ca 0.2 m/s) in a room with controlled climate conditions of  $23 \pm 2$  °C and  $50 \pm 5$  % RH. The test specimens were placed into the chamber four days prior to air samplings. Air samplings after 28 days of conditioning were carried out on 2019-05-28.

Test conditions in the chamber:

Chamber volume: 1.0 m<sup>3</sup>  
Temperature:  $23 \pm 0.5$  °C  
Relative humidity:  $50 \pm 5$  % RH  
Surface area of test specimen: 0.32 m<sup>2</sup>  
Air exchange rate: 0.5 h<sup>-1</sup>  
Area specific air flow rate: 1.6 m<sup>3</sup>/m<sup>2</sup> h.  
Air velocity at specimen surface: 0.1 – 0.3 m/s

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Tenax TA was used as adsorption medium for VOC. The tubes were thermally desorbed and analysed in accordance to RISE method 0601, similar to ISO 16000-6:2011 (Determination of volatile organic compounds in indoor and test chamber air by active sampling on Tenax TA sorbent, thermal desorption and gas chromatography using MS/FID). This means an analysis in a gas chromatograph and detection with a flame ionisation detector (FID) and mass selective detector (MS). The capillary column used is coated with 5% phenyl/ 95 % methylpolysiloxane. The FID signals are used for compound quantification. The total volatile organic compounds (TVOC) means compounds eluting between and including n-hexane to hexadecane, having boiling points in the range of about 70-260 °C. Minimum duplicate air samples were taken and the results are mean values. Sampled volumes are 3 to 6 L.

Tenax TA was also used as adsorption medium for testing of volatile carcinogenic compounds according to EU Regulation No 1272/2008 Annex VI, cat 1A and 1B), (exclusive formaldehyde), 1 µg/m<sup>3</sup> and above.

The samplings of aldehydes were carried out with DNPH samplers. The samplers were analysed according to RISE method 2302, similar to ISO 16000-3:2011 (Indoor air - Part 3: Determination of formaldehyde and other carbonyl compounds – Active sampling method). This means analysis on a liquid chromatograph with absorbance detector. Duplicate air samples were taken and the results are mean values. Sampled volumes were 60 L.

## Results

The results relate only to the items tested.

The results in Table 1 are expressed as area specific emission rates and as concentrations in a reference room (according to EN 16516:2017). The reference room has a base area of 3 m x 4 m and a height of 2.5 m, with an air exchange rate of 0.5 h<sup>-1</sup>. The wall area is 31.4 m<sup>2</sup>, floor area is 12 m<sup>2</sup>, small area, like a door, is 1.6 – 2.0 m<sup>2</sup> and very small area, like sealant, is 0.2 m<sup>2</sup>. **Small area** (1.8 m<sup>2</sup> according to M1 test protocol) is used for the calculation of the concentrations.

Calculation of the concentration from the emission rate:

$$C = \frac{E_a \times A}{n \times V}$$

C = concentration of VOC in the reference room, in µg/m<sup>3</sup>  
E<sub>a</sub> = area specific emission rate, in µg/m<sup>2</sup>h  
A = surface area of product in reference room, in m<sup>2</sup>  
n = air exchange rate, in changes per hour, here 0.5 h<sup>-1</sup>  
V = volume of the reference room, in m<sup>3</sup>, here 30 m<sup>3</sup>

**Table 1.**  
Emission results of **Bänkskiva** after 28 days

Volatile organic compounds	CAS number	Retention time (min)	ID <sup>1</sup>	Emission rate ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2\text{h}$ )	Concentration in reference room ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	LCI <sub>i</sub> ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	R <sub>i</sub> ( $c_i/\text{LCI}_i$ )
TVOC (C <sub>6</sub> – C <sub>16</sub> )	--	6.9 – 39	B	< 10	< 10	--	--
<b>Volatile Carcinogens</b> <sup>2</sup>		6.9 – 39					
No substances detected	--	--	B	< 1	< 1	--	--
<b>VOC with LCI</b> <sup>3</sup>		6.9 – 39					
$\alpha$ -Pinene	80-56-8	18.2	A	3	< 5	2500	--
$\Sigma$ VOC with LCI	--	--	A	3	< 5	--	--
<b>VOC without LCI</b> <sup>4</sup>		6.9 – 39					
No substances detected	--	--	B	< 2	< 5	--	--
$\Sigma$ VOC without LCI	--	--	B	< 2	< 5	--	--
<b>SVOC (C<sub>16</sub> – C<sub>22</sub>)</b> <sup>5</sup>		39 - 52					
No substances detected	--	--	B	< 2	< 5	--	--
$\Sigma$ SVOC	--	--	B	< 2	< 5	--	--
<b>VVOC (&lt; C<sub>6</sub>)</b> <sup>6</sup>		5.4 – 6.9					
Formaldehyde <sup>7</sup>	50-00-0	--	A	13	< 5	100	--
Acetaldehyde <sup>7</sup>	75-07-0	--	A	< 2	< 5	1 200	--
$\Sigma$ VVOC	--	--	A	13	< 5	--	--
<b>R = <math>\Sigma C_i / \text{LCI}_i</math></b> <sup>8</sup>	--	--	--	--	--	--	< 0.01

<sup>1</sup>) ID: A = quantified compound specific, B = quantified as toluene-equivalent

<sup>2</sup>) Volatile carcinogens = VOCs according to EU Regulation No 1272/2008 Annex VI, cat 1A and 1B

<sup>3</sup>) VOC with LCI = identified VOC-compound with LCI-value according to EU-LCI, July 2018

<sup>4</sup>) VOC without LCI = VOC-compound without LCI-value or not identified.

<sup>5</sup>) SVOC = semi-volatile organic compounds, as defined in ISO 16000-6 (not part of accreditation)

<sup>6</sup>) VVOC = very volatile organic compounds, as defined in ISO 16000-6 (not part of accreditation)

<sup>7</sup>) VVOC-aldehydes measured with DNPH samplers (ISO 16000-3)

<sup>8</sup>) All VVOC, VOC, SVOC and carcinogens with LCI

Only VOC-compounds with an emission rate higher than  $2 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2\text{h}$  are listed in Table 1, carcinogenic compounds  $\geq 1 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2\text{h}$ . Only the compounds with a concentration in the reference room  $> 5 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  are evaluated based on LCI (= lowest concentration of interest). TVOC expressed in  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  is the sum of all individual substances with concentrations  $\geq 5 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  (in toluene equivalents).

Quantification limit for TVOC is  $10 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2\text{h}$ . Measurement uncertainty for VOC is 15 % (rel) and for formaldehyde 30 % (rel). Background of TVOC in the empty chamber was below  $20 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  and is subtracted.

See Appendix 1 for a gas chromatogram (FID spectra) and Appendix 2 for a photo of the test specimens. Appendix 3 is the sampling report received from the customer.

## Summary of the test results

The test results are summarized in Table 2.

**Table 2.**  
Summary of the emission results after 28 days of **Bänkskiva**

Compounds	Emission rate ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^2\text{h}$ )	Concentration in reference room (small area scenario) ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )
TVOC	< 10	< 10
$\Sigma$ Carcinogenic VOCs	< 1	< 1
$\Sigma$ VOC with LCI	< 2	< 5
$\Sigma$ VOC without LCI	< 2	< 5
$\Sigma$ VVOC	13	< 5
Formaldehyde	13	< 5
$\Sigma$ SVOC	< 2	< 5
$R = \Sigma C_i / LCI_i$	< 0.01	

## Evaluation of the test results

Byggvarubedömningen has criteria regarding Emissions to indoor environment. The emissions are to be measured according to a standard method such as ISO 16000-9 after 28 days regarding VOC and formaldehyde. The requirements for the *Recommended class* is that the requirements to one of the following systems are being met: Emicode EC1, Emicode EC1<sup>PLUS</sup>, Blue Angel, M1 (RTS) or GUT. The results of the tested sample are compared to M1.

Decision rule: When comparing the measured results and requirement level, the average value of the measured results has been compared with the requirement level. No account is taken to the measurement uncertainty.

**Table 3.**  
The test results of **Bänkskiva** compared to the relevant requirements in M1

Compounds	Requirement M1 ( $\text{mg}/\text{m}^2\text{h}$ )	Test Results ( $\text{mg}/\text{m}^2\text{h}$ )	Pass / Fail
TVOC	< 0.2	< <b>0.010</b>	<b>PASS</b>
Formaldehyde	< 0.05	<b>0.013</b>	<b>PASS</b>
CMR 1A+1B	< 0.001	< <b>0.001</b>	<b>PASS</b>
Single VOC ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	$\leq$ EU-LCI	$\leq$ EU-LCI	<b>PASS</b>
Ammonia	< 0.03	not measured	--
Odour	$\geq$ 0.0	not measured	--

The test results are in compliance with the tested requirements of M1 and meet the requirements for the *Recommended class*.

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**Appendices**

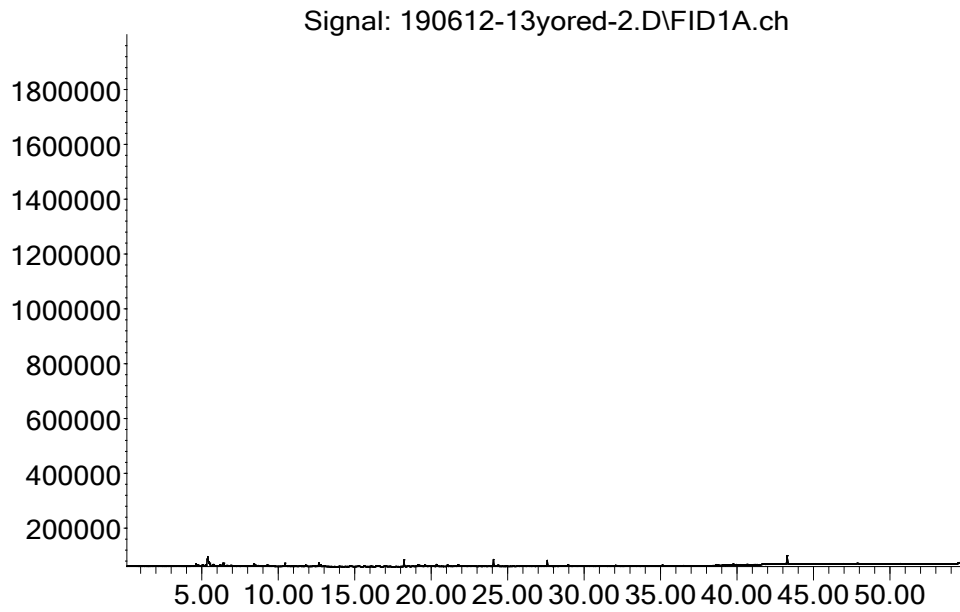
1. Gas Chromatogram
2. Photo of the test specimens
3. Sampling report

## Appendix 1

## Gas chromatogram

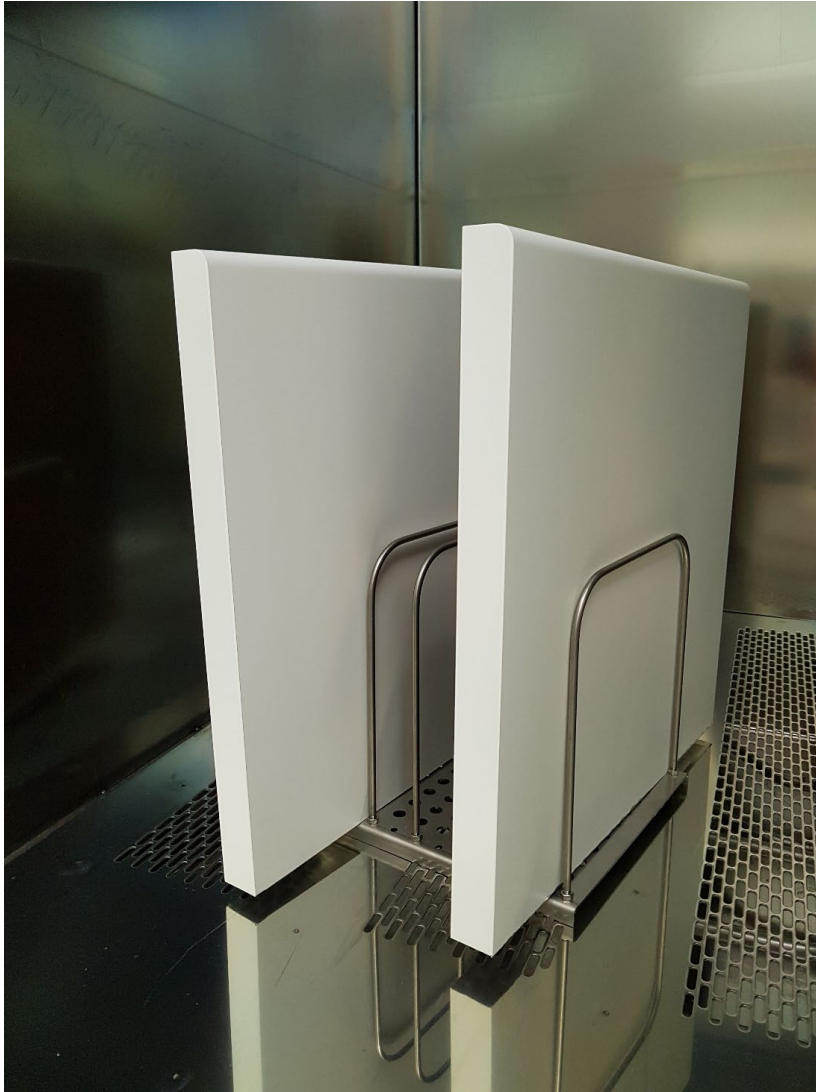
**Bännskiva**, after 28 days:

Abundance



TVOC between C<sub>6</sub> and C<sub>16</sub>, means compounds eluting between 6.9 and 39 minutes.

## Appendix 2

**Photo of the test specimen**

Appendix 3

Sampling Report

<b>Sampler</b> (Name, Company, contact info): Joreds Postformning AB Daniel Kristiansson 0525-19650 daniel@joreds.se	<b>Manufacturer of the product</b> (Company, address): Joreds AB Jored 5 45742 Fjällbacka
<b>Name of product:</b> Bänkskiva	<b>Type of product:</b> Spånskiva. Laminerad på båda sidor. Kantlistad med ABS kantlist
<b>Manufacturing Date:</b> 25/4-19	<b>Batch No:</b>
<b>Date of sampling:</b> 26/4-19	<b>Amount/size of material sampled:</b> 2st. 400x400mm  <b>Packing material:</b> Plast och wellpapp
<b>Sample is taken from:</b> Production line <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Stock / Storage <input type="checkbox"/> □ Miscellaneous <input type="checkbox"/> □ -where, specify:	<b>How was the product stored before sampling?</b> Kap material från produktions order
If a sub-sample was collected from a larger material amount, describe how the sub-sample was taken: Kap från en skiva som var 3050x603mm	
<b>Observations and remarks:</b>	
<b>Confirmation</b> I hereby confirm that the sample was selected, taken and packed in accordance with the instructions.	
<b>Date:</b> <del>30/5-19</del> 30/4-19	<b>Signature:</b> 