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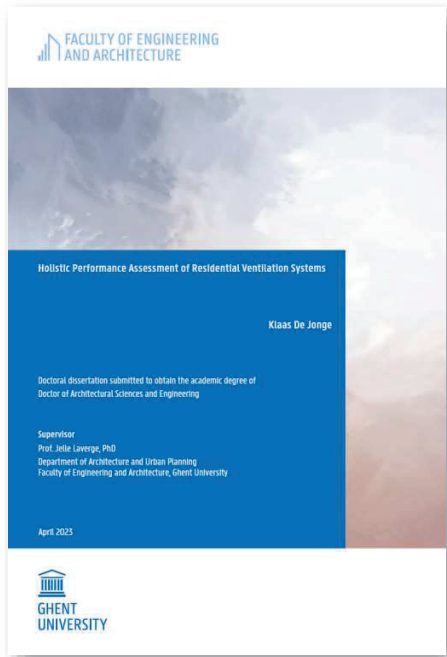
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# A Set of Health, Comfort and Energy Performance Indicators for (Smart) Ventilation Systems

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# Holistic Performance Assessment of Residential Ventilation Systems

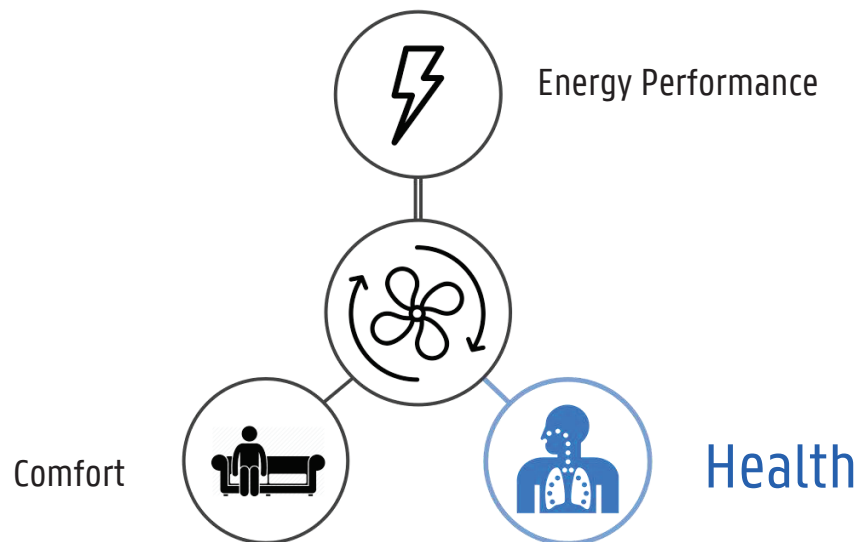
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## Chapter 6 - Assessment metrics

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How to assess the (health aspect of) indoor air quality?  
How to assess a smart ventilation system with regards to health?



## Desired Indoor Air Quality

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≠ “minimum” or “maximum” indoor air quality

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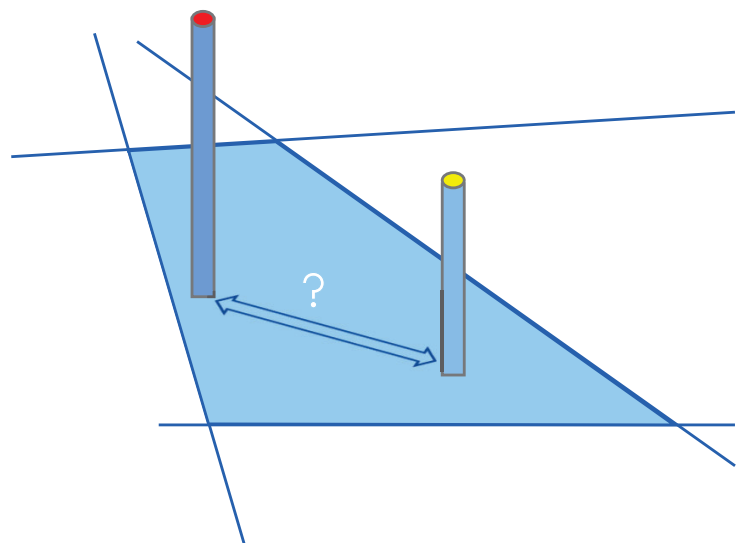
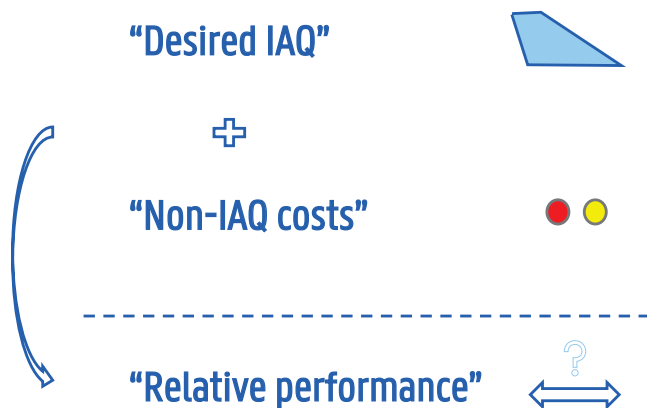


The goal of any ventilation system is:

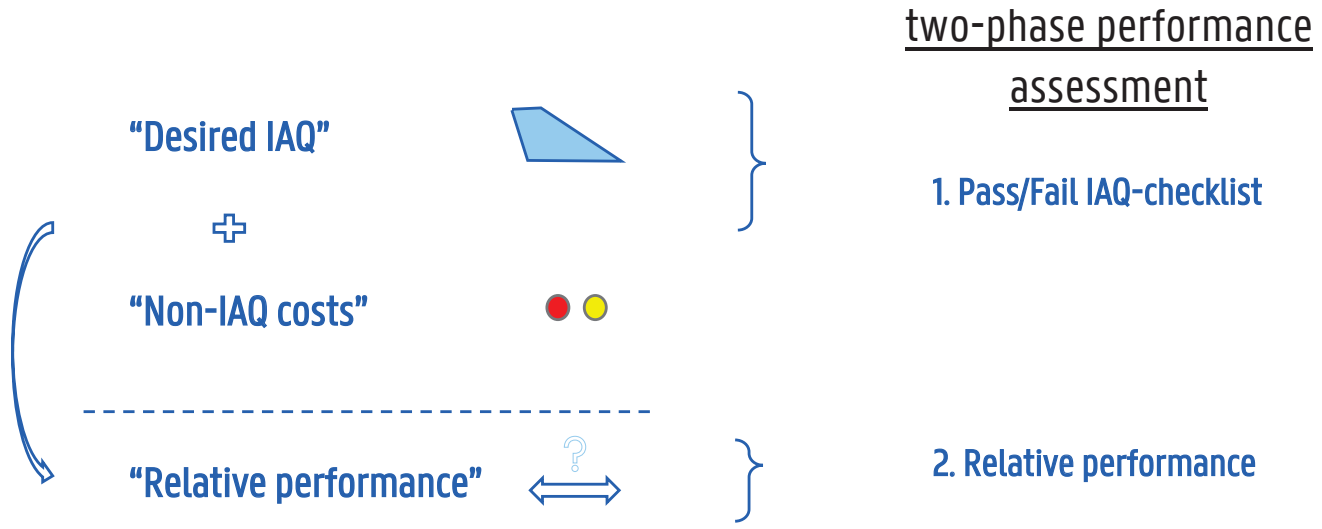
- Provide and maintain the desired indoor air quality to the occupants.
- If a system succeeds in providing this level of performance (assuming correct boundary conditions), it is consequently a ‘good ventilation system’ with regards to IAQ.



# Base Principle



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# Set of indicators

## IAQ - Checklist

- Health: Acute Limit Values
- Health: LCRI
- Health: Dynamic DALYs MAX
- Health: Mold growth indicator
- Comfort: RH
- Comfort: Perceived IAQ

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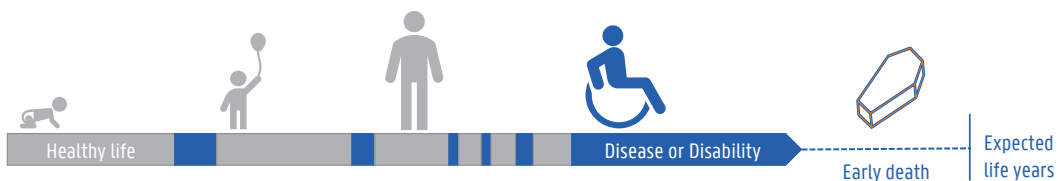
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# Health

## Long-term health effects

Disability-Adjusted Life Years (lost) = Metric of harm



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Pollutant exposure  
concentration



EXAMPLE

PM2.5 exposure



Incidence of a  
health outcome



Chronic Bronchitis



DALY



Not able to do  
active sports  
&  
Early death

More on this:

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**Time-resolved dynamic disability adjusted life-years estimation**

Klaas De Jonge ✉ Jelle Laverge

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**Abstract**

The quantification of how healthy the indoor air is, is a complex issue comprising of a large number of contaminants of various sources. The health implication of exposure to each of the contaminant deemed of importance can be expressed using Disability Adjusted Life Years (DALYs). The sum of all DALYs indicates how harmful the indoor air

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# Comfort

## RH

CR1752:1998: 'Normally few problems occur when the relative humidity is between 30 % and 70 %'

### Requirement

Exposure to indoor air with an RH which is too low or too high, can cause discomfort. A ventilation system should be able to keep this aspect in range most of the time.

### The desired RH comfort, for typical occupancy:

- "most of the time" is 90% of the exposure time at home.
- 5% can be below the range
- 5% can be above the range.

**OR**

The desired RH comfort indicators are:

- 95%-percentile RH exposure < 70% RH
- 5%-percentile RH exposure > 30% RH

## Bio-effluents

Bio-effluent emission of people can cause dissatisfaction with regards to perceived indoor air quality.

### Requirement

For the assessment of a residential ventilation system, providing an indoor air quality which is perceived as comfortable most of the time is a minimum requirement of the system.

### The desired perceived comfort, for typical occupancy:

- On average more than 80% of people should feel comfortable.
- Only 5% of the time, more than 50% of people may experience discomfort.

**OR**

The perceived comfort indicator is thus (PMV-PPD approach):

- 50 percentile of PD (Median) <20%
- 95 percentile of PD <50%

## Comfort

RH

Pass/Fail IAQ-checklist



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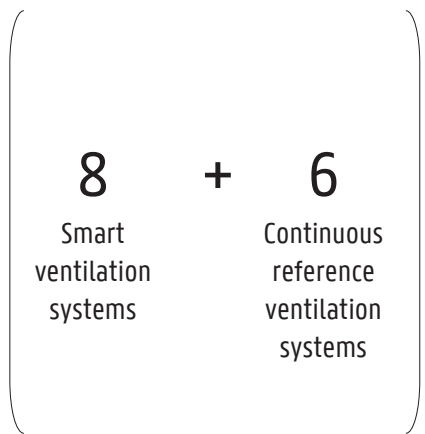
### Relative performance

Health Indicator: Dynamic DALYs

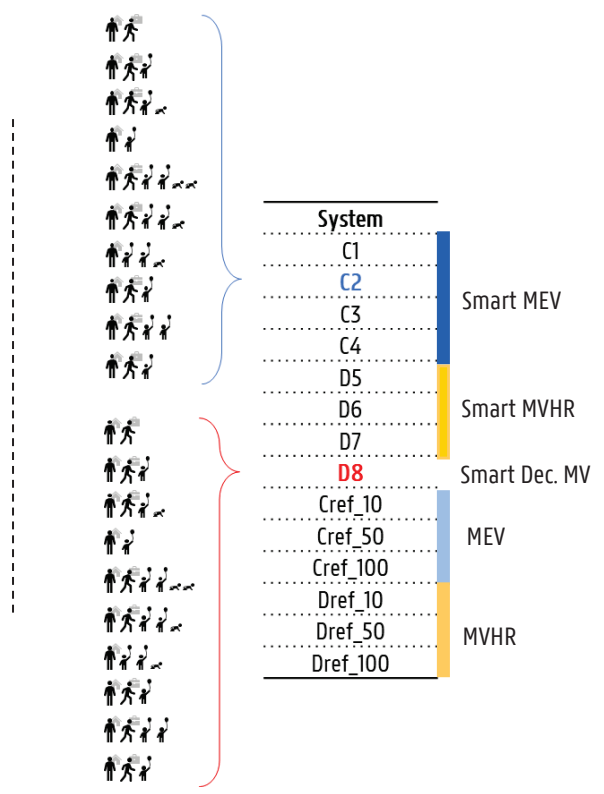
Energy use indicator

**Health-equivalent energy efficiency**

# Simulation results



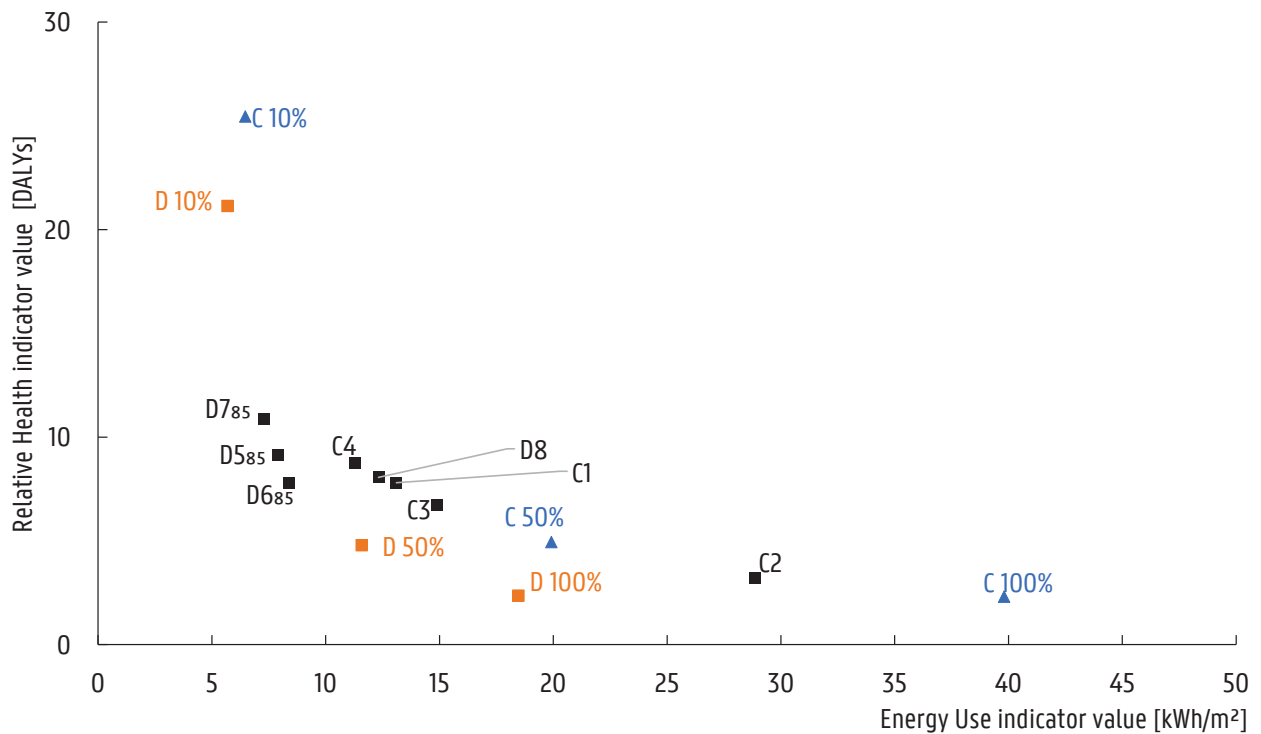
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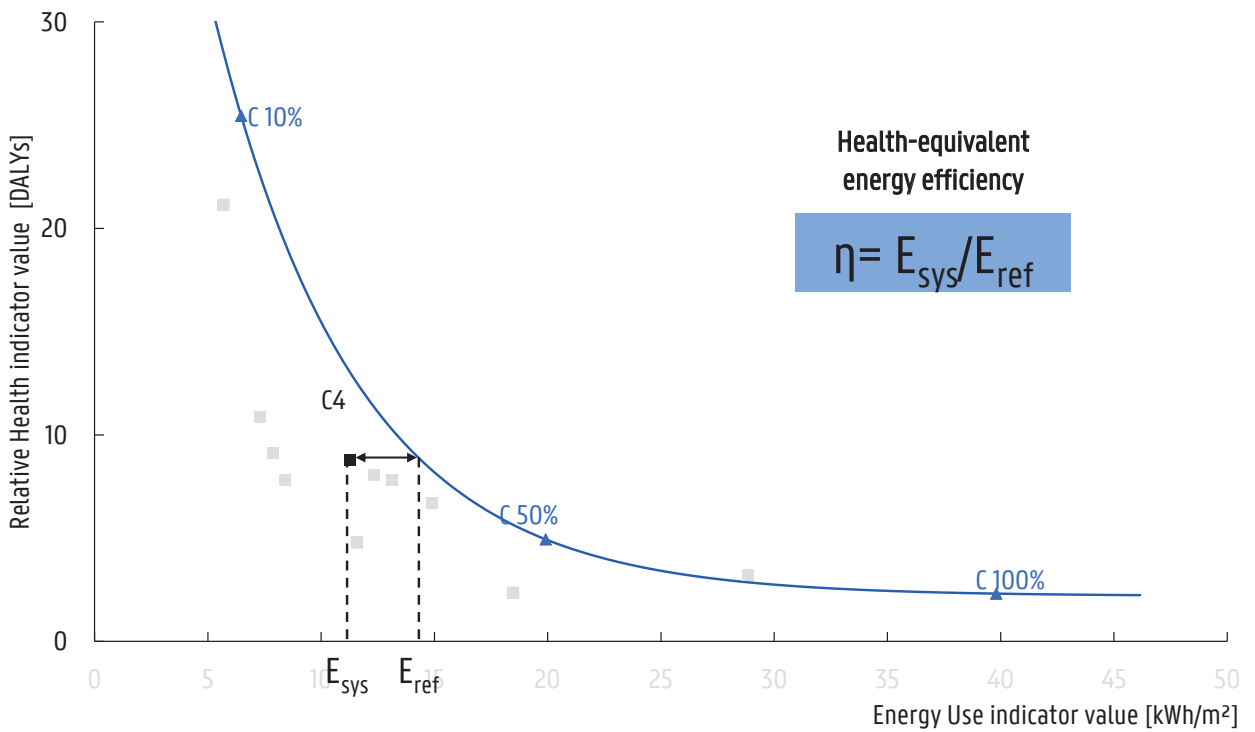
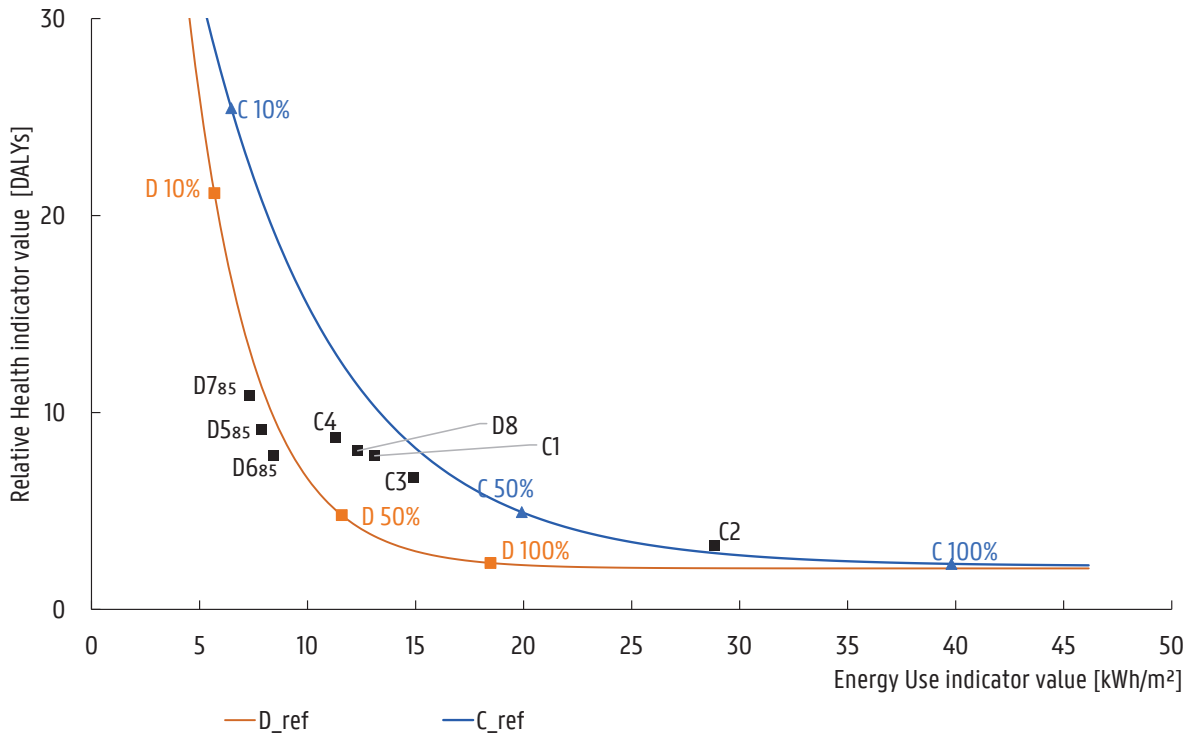


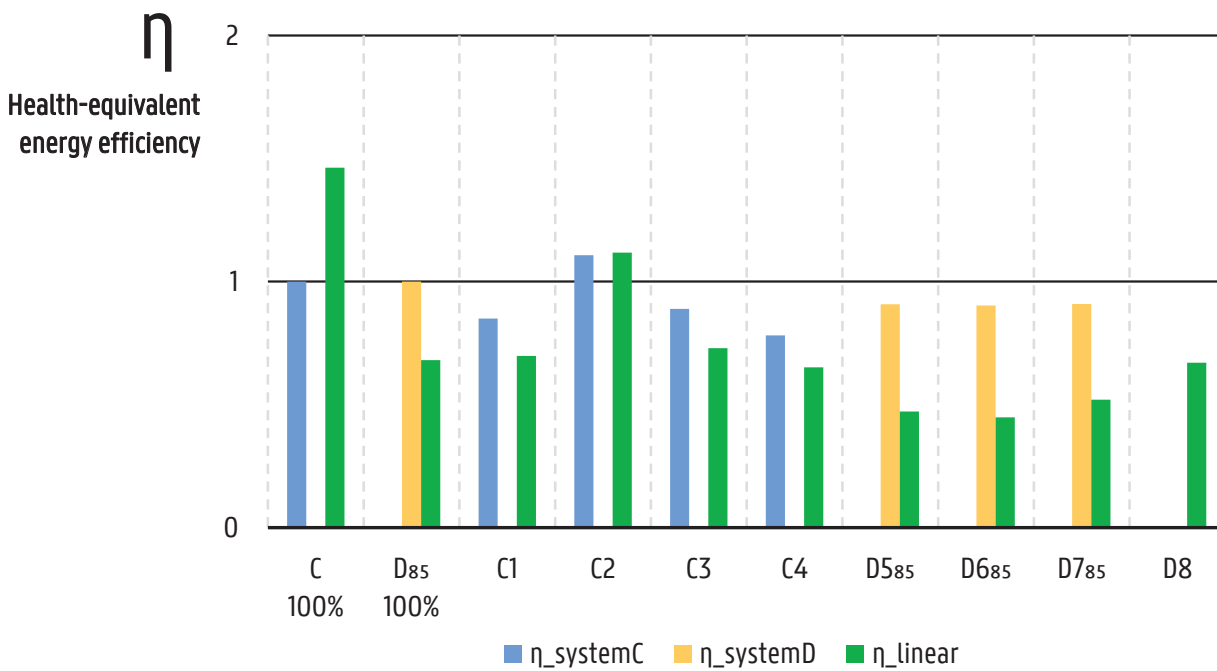
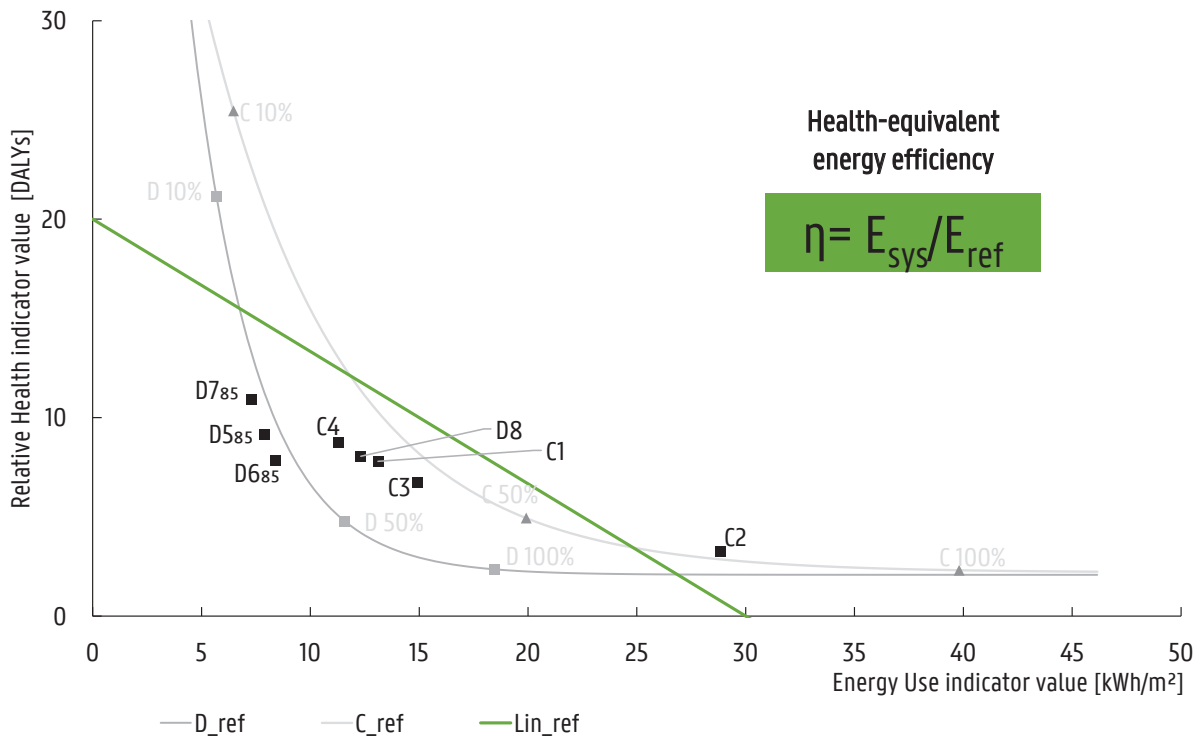
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PRIORITY SUBSTANCES	WHO	CALE	IAQ Decree	IARC	EU-index	CONY	LOGUE
Acetaldehyde		X	X		X		X
Acrolein						X	X
<b>Benzene</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
1,3 Butadiene							X
1,4 Dichlorobenzene							X
<b>Formaldehyde</b>	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Carbon monoxide	X		X		X		
<b>Limonene</b>		X			X		
<b>Naphthalene</b>	X			X	X		X
Ozone			X				
PM2.5			X			X	X
Radon	X			X		X	
Molds						X	
<b>Nitrogen dioxide</b>	X		X		X	X	X
Styrene		X	X	X	X		
Tetrachloroethylene	X	X	X	X		X	
<b>Toluene</b>		X	X		X		
Trichloroethylene	X	X	X	X		X	
Xylene		X					

System		
C1		
C2		
C3	Short-term health effects	✓
C4		
D5		
D6		
D7		
D8	Perceived comfort	✓
Cref_10		
Cref_50	RH discomfort	✗
Cref_100		
Dref_10		
Dref_50		
Dref_100		







## Conclusions

- A curated and linked set of indicators in performance based assessment of IAQ management strategies
- Limitation of 1 metric can be overcome with another
- Harm-based health metric & Limit values
- Optimisation for Health and Energy within Comfort boundary

Room for improvement:

- Smells/odour from certain activities (e.g. unintended backflow of toilet air)
- Structural safety constraints for RH (wooden building)
- Acoustical constraints >> method now relies on best-practice installation
- Thermal comfort >> modelling approach keeps temperature within comfort for now



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# TOWARDS PERFORMANCE-BASED APPROACHES FOR SMART RESIDENTIAL VENTILATION

## A ROBUST METHODOLOGY FOR RANKING THE SYSTEMS AND DECISION-MAKING

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### INTRODUCTION

## ENERGY, INDOOR AIR QUALITY AND VENTILATION

28% OF THE TOTAL FINAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION IN THE EUROPEAN UNION  
(Directorate-General for Energy (European Commission), 2022)

60% TO 90% TIME SPEND INSIDE A BUILDING  
For an average European

How to aggregate performance indicators and balance IAQ and energy performance assessment to provide a robust ranking of the ventilation systems?

30 000 DEATHS & 19 BILLION € COST/YEAR  
(European Commission, 2021)

IMPROVEMENTS OF THE AIRTIGHTNESS AND INSULATION OF THE BUILDINGS to reduce heat losses

VENTILATION

RENEWAL OF INDOOR AIR source of heat losses and of energy consumption

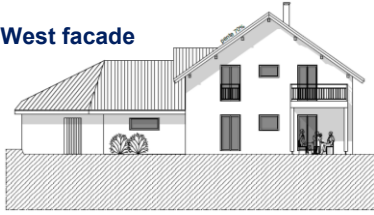
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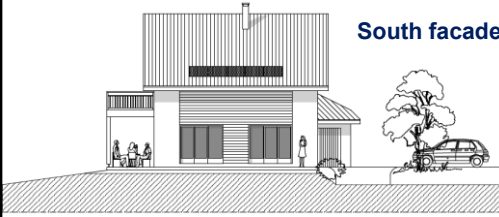
# A FRENCH LOW ENERGY HOUSE CASE STUDY

West facade



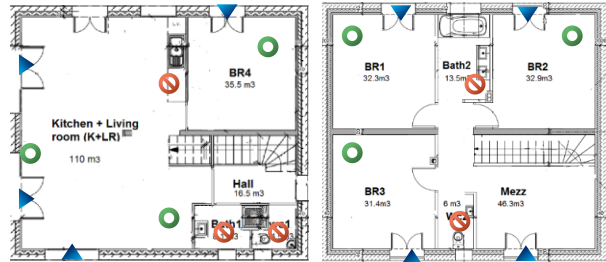
Five occupants

South facade



1st floor

2nd floor



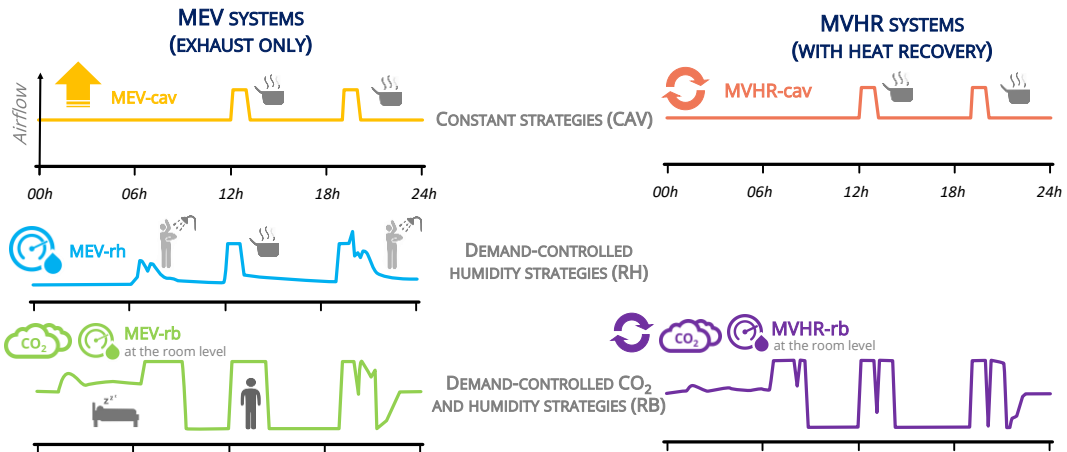
⊘ Exhaust   
 ● Supply   
 ▲ Air-inlets  
If Exhaust only ventilation



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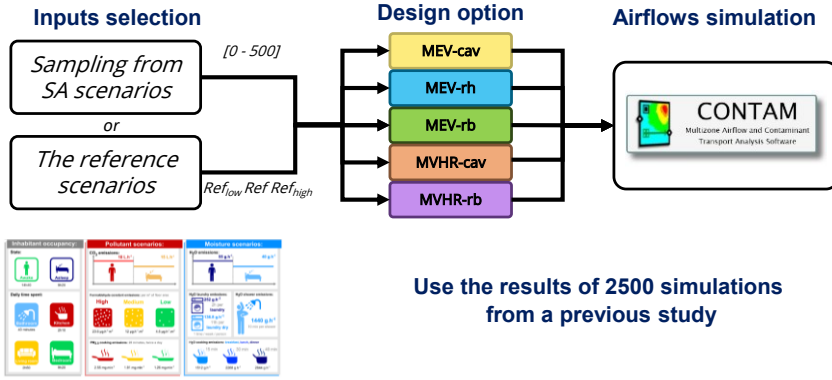
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# INTRODUCTION

## DESIGN OPTION PERFORMANCE CALCULATION



- $I_{nCO_2}$
- $I_{nHCHO}$  Formaldehyde
- $I_{nPM2.5}$
- $I_{nRH70}$
- $I_{nRH30_70}$  Humidity  $H_2O$
- $I_{nEwh}$

(Poirier et al., 2021b; Poirier, 2023)

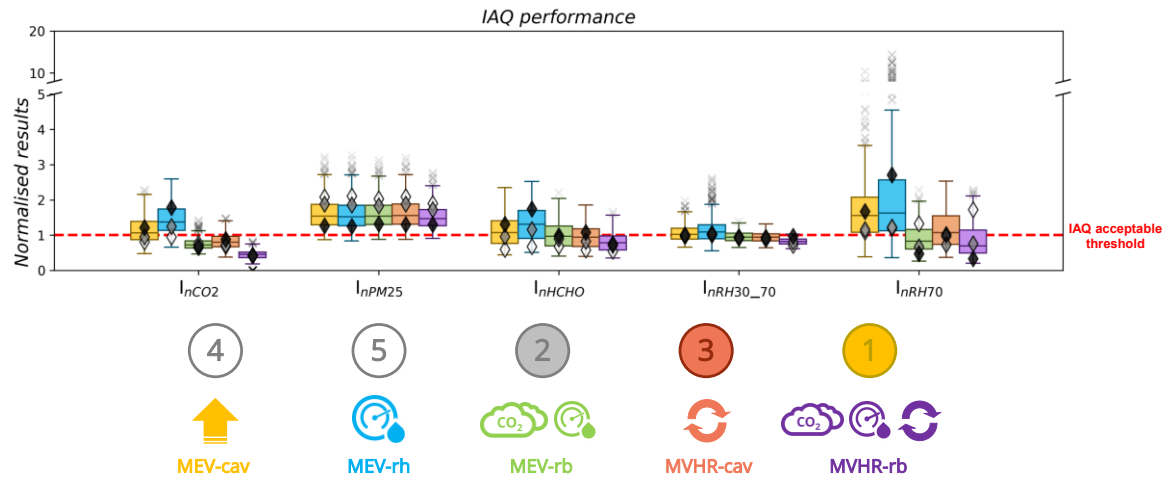


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# PERFORMANCE RAKING

## BASED ON IAQ PERFORMANCE ?



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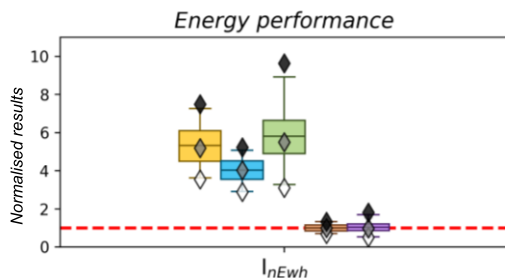
## PERFORMANCE RAKING

### BASED ON ENERGY PERFORMANCE ?



Heat losses from exhausted airflows

$$H_{th} = \frac{C_{p,m}}{3600} \cdot (1 - \epsilon_{heat_{ex}}) \int q_m(t) \cdot [T_{in}(t) - T_{ex}(t)] \cdot dt$$



MVHR\_cav median performance proposed as reference threshold

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MEV-cav

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MEV-rh

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MEV-rb

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MVHR-cav

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MVHR-rb

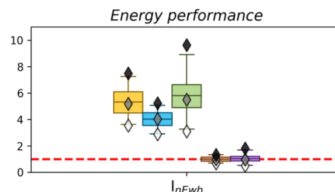
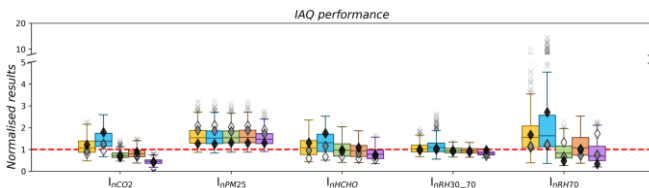


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## PERFORMANCE RAKING

### BASED ON IAQ AND ENERGY PERFORMANCE ?

How to choose the most relevant one from global performance point-of-view ?



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MEV-cav

?



MEV-rh

?



MEV-rb

?



MVHR-cav

?



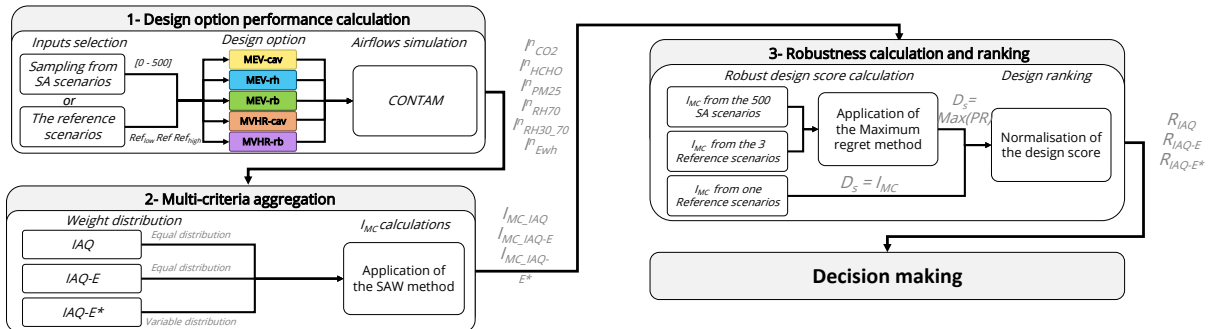
MVHR-rb



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## A ROBUST METHOD FOR PERFORMANCE RANKING

### A SIMPLIFIED APPROACH IN 3 KEYS STEPS



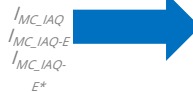
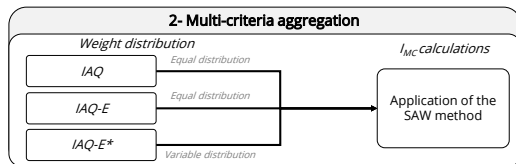
BASED ON EXISTING ROBUST ASSESSMENT METHODS ADAPTED TO BUILDING SECTOR

(Kotireddy et al., 2018; Velasquez and Hester, 2013; Hoes et al., 2009; Sharma and Bhattacharya, n.d.)

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## A ROBUST METHOD FOR PERFORMANCE RANKING

### MULTI-CRITERIA AGGREGATION



From the six indicators to one aggregated value for each simulation

Simple Additive Weighting (SAW) method

Distribution	Weight $\omega_i$					
	$I_{n_{CO2}}$	$I_{n_{RH70}}$	$I_{n_{RH30_70}}$	$I_{n_{PM25}}$	$I_{n_{HCHO}}$	$I_{n_{Ewh}}$
$I_{MC\_IAQ}$	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0
$I_{MC\_IAQ-E}$	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16
$I_{MC\_IAQ-E^*}$	0.071	0.071	0.071	0.143	0.143	0.5

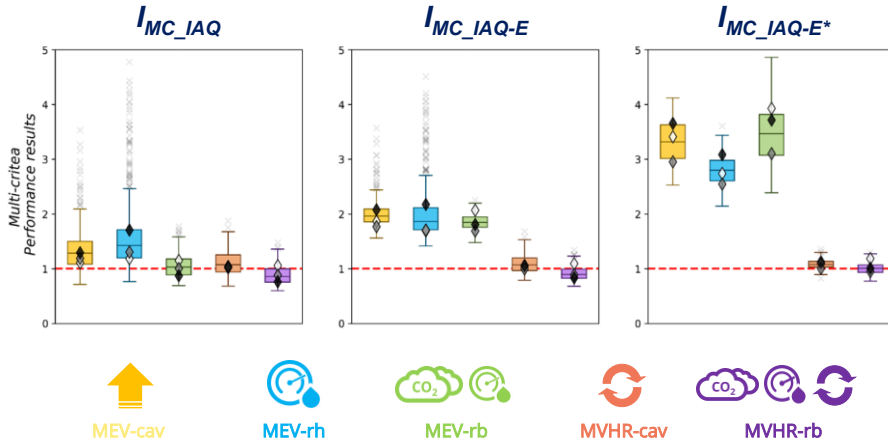
$$I_{MC} = \sum_i \omega_i \cdot I_i$$

(Podvezko, 2011)

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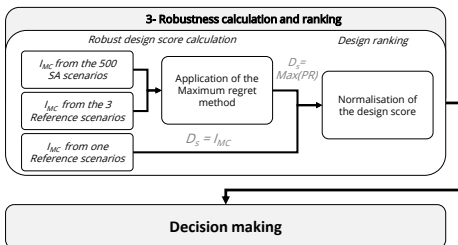
### MULTI-CRITERIA AGGREGATION



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## A ROBUST METHOD FOR PERFORMANCE RANKING

### ROBUST DESIGN SCORE CALCULATION AND RANKING



Integrating into one design score ( $D_s$ ) all the individual performance indicators  $I_{MC}$  across the tested scenarios.

The minimax regret method

(Kotireddy et al., 2019)

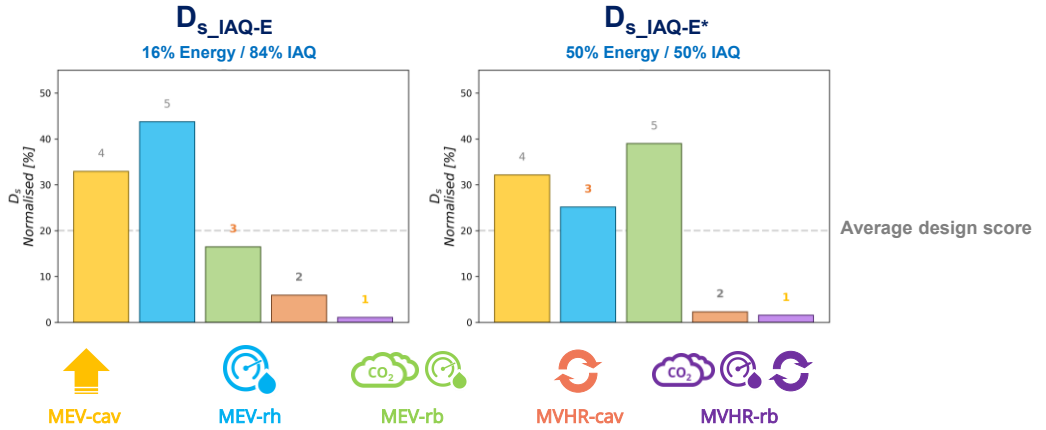
$$PR = I_{MC, D_{opt}, s} - C_s ; \text{ with } C_s = \text{Min}_s (I_{MC}(\text{all}_{D_{opt}}, s))$$

$$MPR = \text{Max}_{D_{opt}} (PR)$$

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## A ROBUST METHOD FOR PERFORMANCE RANKING

### DESIGN SCORE RESULTS



Design score calculation with the minmax regret method

design scores were normalized in [%] by  $\sum(D_s)_{Design}$ , the sum of all the design scores

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## CONCLUSION

### LEARNINGS REGARDING ROBUSTNESS



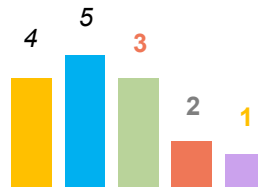
16% ENERGY / 84% IAQ

*IAQ-E distribution: a conservative approach with IAQ priority for the decision maker*



50% ENERGY / 50% IAQ

*The IAQ-E\* for a decision maker with equal proportion between IAQ and energy.*



*The design score highlights the difference between the ventilation systems, in order to rank them, including the uncertainty from several simulations.*

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**THANK YOU**  
**FOR YOUR ATTENTION**



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# Innovative ventilation systems easier to install for retrofitting dwellings



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## The playground of the research: a social housing district in Brussels

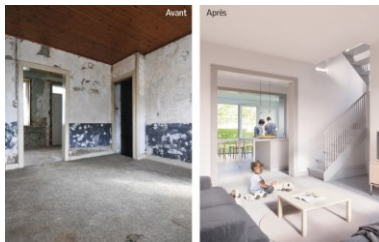


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# The houses have a long history and are being progressively renovated

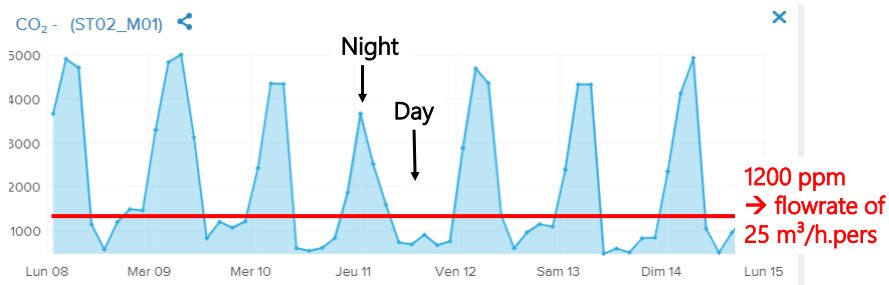


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# IAQ in existing houses is very poor

## Example of CO<sub>2</sub> monitoring in a bedroom

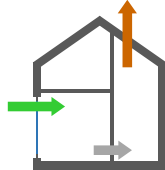


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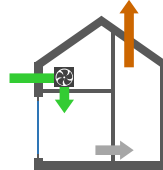
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# Classical ventilation systems are difficult to install in existing dwellings

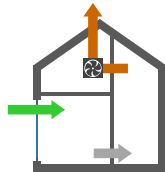
A: natural stack ventilation



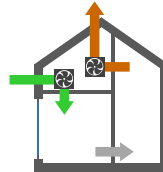
B: fan assisted supply ventilation



C: fan assisted exhaust ventilation



D: fan assisted balanced ventilation



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# The main challenges of installing ventilation

Needed space for

- Ductwork
- Ventilation unit



Invasive works

- Natural supply requires windows modifications
- Extensive finishing works inside are necessary



Simplified or incomplete systems: are they efficient ?

Cost !



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## Innovative ventilation systems easier to install

“D cascade”

→ D (balanced system) in (double) cascade mode

“C hallways”

→ C (exhaust system) with supply in hallways

## D (balanced system) in (double) cascade mode



“D cascade”

## “D cascade”: how does it work?

Mechanical supply

- In bedrooms

Air transfer

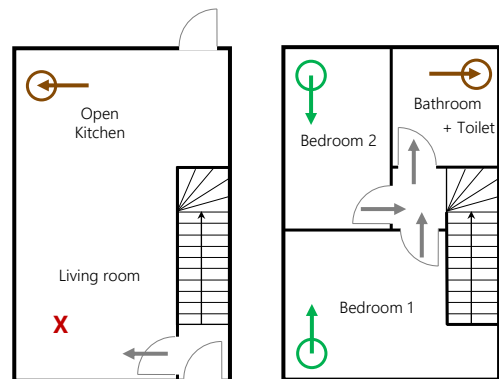
- To hallways
- To living room
- To service rooms

Mechanical extractions

- In service rooms

**No direct supply in the living room!**

(Reduced total flowrate)

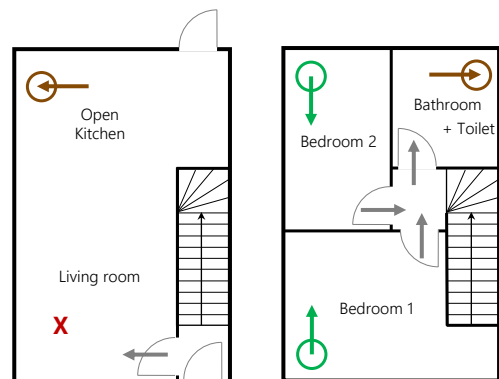


2 story house

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## “D cascade”: same components as classic D



2 story house

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## Control options of the “D cascade”

The total flowrate is already reduced!

*Option 1: central control – CO<sub>2</sub> living room*

- *Minimum flowrate = total flowrate for bedrooms*
- *CO<sub>2</sub> living room → increases the total flowrate when needed*

*Option 2: same as option 1 + time control for the bedrooms*

## Main advantages of the “D cascade”

Easier to install

- No ductwork toward the living room

Reduced costs

- Smaller ventilation unit (reduced flowrate)
- Less ductwork

Efficient system

- IAQ as good as classic D system
- Heat recovery possible
- Reduced flowrate: demand control less necessary
- No influence of the airtightness of the building envelope

Applicable in many dwelling configurations

## C (exhaust system) with supply in hallways



“C hallways”

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## “C hallways”: how does it work?

Natural supply

- In the hallways

Air transfer

- To bedrooms
- To living room
- To service rooms

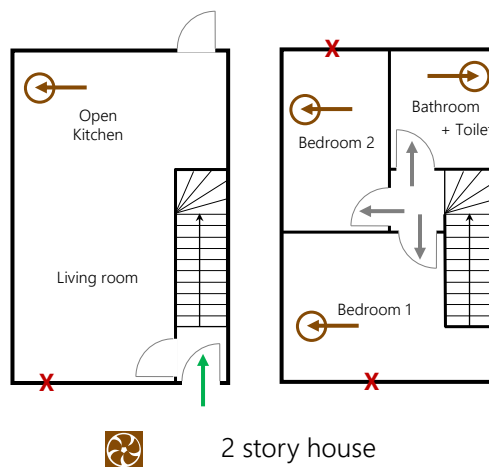
Mechanical extractions

- In service rooms

- **In bedrooms**

**No direct supply in the bedrooms!**

(Higher total design flowrate, but with DCV)

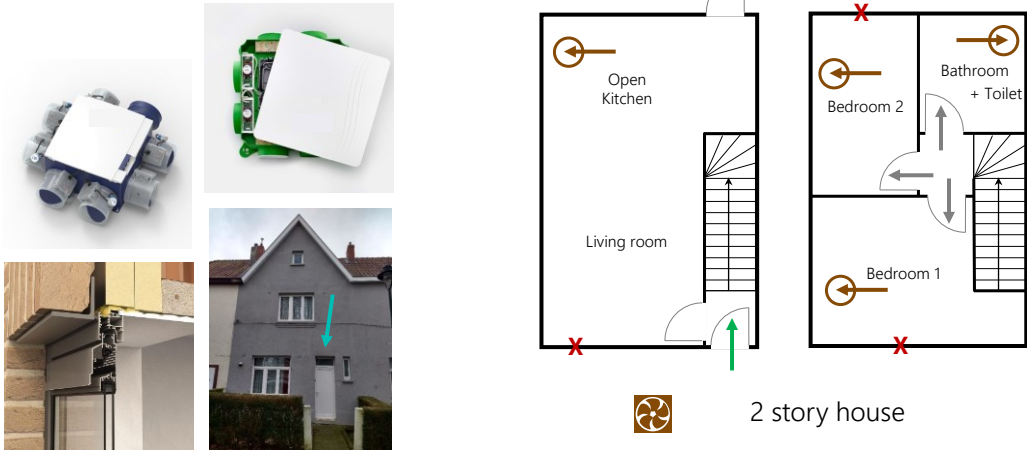


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## “C hallways”: same components as classic C



## Control options of the “C hallways”

Higher total design flowrate!

- Demand Control Ventilation (DCV) is necessary
- Higher impact and potential for control

### Local Control

- Bedrooms  $\text{CO}_2$
- Bathroom Relative humidity (RH)
- Toilets Presence detection or equivalent
- Kitchen  $\text{CO}_2$  (+RH)

## Main advantages of the “C hallways”

Easier to install

- No natural supply needed in bedrooms

Much more efficient system

- IAQ as good as classic D (balanced) system
- No influence of the airtightness of the building envelope
- Effective demand control ventilation
- Improved comfort: less draught and noise from outside

Applicable in many dwelling configurations

## Additional innovative system for apartments

“C cascade”

→ C (exhaust system) in (double) cascade mode



## C (exhaust) in (double) cascade mode

Natural supply

- In bedrooms

Air transfer

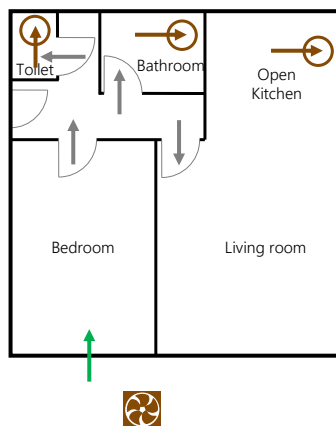
- To hallways
- To living room

- To service rooms

Mechanical extractions

- In service rooms
- In living room (if open kitchen)

**No direct supply in the living room!**

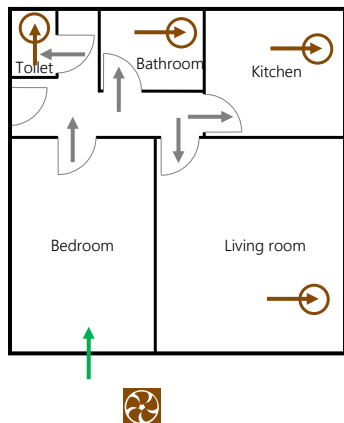


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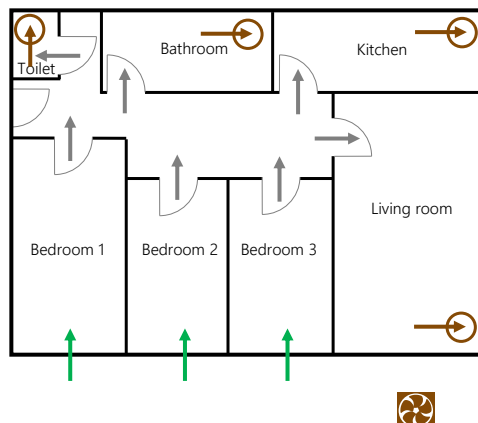
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## “C cascade”: for open kitchen

1 bedroom apartment



3 bedrooms apartment



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Additional extraction in the living room: control on CO<sub>2</sub>

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## Main advantages of the “C cascade”

Easier to install in apartments

- Or central exhaust system using existing duct
- Or smaller individual ventilation unit with C system

Efficient system

- Reduced flowrate
- Demand control is easy

**But pay attention: very good airtightness of the building is required**

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# Ventilation Performance Assessment Tool



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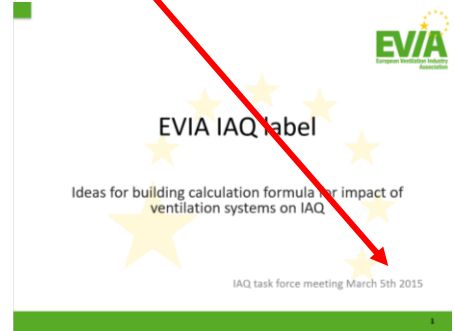
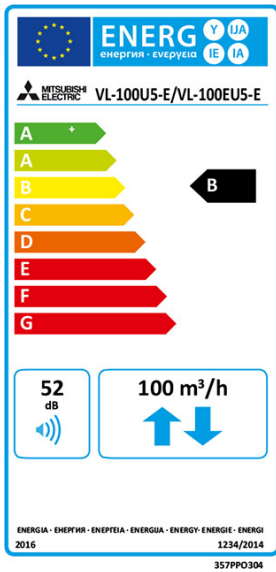
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# 1. Goal: promotion of high performance ventilation systems



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## 2. Methodology

The methodology assesses the actual occurring air exchange rates on room type level during presence and absence.

The Air Exchange Performance (AEP) determines to which extent the ventilation system is able to remove and/or dilute pollutant concentrations in the various rooms, especially during presence when exposure occurs.

Compared to current practice, where only the air exchange rate over the building is assessed, this represents a major step towards more relevant ventilation performance assessment. Current practice after all does not differentiate between the places in which the air exchanges occur nor between periods of presence or absence.



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## 2. Methodology



### VENTILATION PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT TOOL

Calculation method for assessing the air exchange performance of residential mechanical ventilation units

Documentation related to the Excel Calculation Models  
Version December 2022

Client: European Ventilation Industry Association (EVIA)

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### Ventilation Performance Assessment Tool Indoor Air Performance Label calculation

User manual

VPA-tool was developed by VHK and UGhent  
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## 2. Methodology



### Assessment Method

*Defining room types and ventilation strategy (1)*

**Habitable spaces:** **HS** (living rooms, bedrooms, study, etc.)

Pollutants : Bio-effluents, building material emissions, emissions from interior products, pollutants from human activities

Exposure : Inhabitants during presence

Occupancy time: Long / very long

### Reference ventilation strategy

Air-exchange : During presence, supply of sufficient fresh outdoor air is key  
During absence, basic ventilation rates are required to prevent accumulation of building- and interior products emissions

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## 2. Methodology

### Assessment Method

*Defining room types and ventilation strategy (2)*

**Wet or Extract spaces:** ES (kitchen, bathroom, toilet, laundry room)

Pollutants : Moisture, odour, building material emissions, emissions from human activities

Exposure : Inhabitants during presence / building to high humidity levels

Occupancy time: Short

#### Reference ventilation strategy

Air-exchange : During presence, extraction of sufficient air (incl. moisture/odour) is key (supply is adjusted accordingly)

During absence, extraction of air until humidity levels are below threshold values; basic ventilation rates after that.

## 2. Methodology

### Assessment Method

*Defining technical system parameters*

1. Ventilation System Type (VST) and associated air-exchange provisions in ES and HS
2. Type of MDE/MDS fan and type of NDS (natural direct supply)-grids used in the VST
3. Installed maximum and minimum airflow capacity (limiting factor for achievable air exchange rates)
4. Type of operation / controls (affects system's ability to achieve requested air-exchanges at the right time in the right place)
5. Type of dwelling: number and type of ES and HS, surface of HS, airtightness

## 2. Methodology

### Ventilation System Type

UVU

BVU

VST	roomtype	air exchange provision		abbrev.
1	habitable spaces	supply	natural direct supply	NDS
		extract	natural indirect extract	NIE
	exhaust spaces	supply	natural indirect supply	NIS
		exhaust	natural direct exhaust	NDE
2	habitable spaces	supply	mechanical indirect supply	MIS
		exhaust	natural direct exhaust	NDE
	exhaust spaces	supply	mechanical indirect supply	MIS
		exhaust	natural direct exhaust	NDE
3	habitable spaces	supply	natural direct supply	NDS
		extract	mechanical indirect extract	MIE
	exhaust spaces	supply	mechanical indirect supply	MIS
		exhaust	mechanical direct exhaust	MDE
4	habitable spaces	supply	natural direct supply	NDS
		exhaust	mechanical direct exhaust	MDE
	exhaust spaces	supply	mechanical indirect supply	MIS
		exhaust	mechanical exhaust	MDE
5	habitable spaces	supply	mechanical direct supply	MDS
		extract	mechanical indirect extract	MIE
	exhaust spaces	supply	mechanical indirect supply	MIS
		exhaust	mechanical direct exhaust	MDE
6	habitable spaces	supply	mechanical indirect supply	MIS
		exhaust	mechanical direct exhaust	MDE
	exhaust spaces	supply	mechanical indirect supply	MIS
		exhaust	mechanical direct exhaust	MDE
7	habitable spaces	supply	mechanical direct supply	MDS
		exhaust	mechanical direct exhaust	MDE
	exhaust spaces	supply	mechanical indirect supply	MIS
		exhaust	mechanical direct exhaust	MDE



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### Assessment Method

Principle for calculating occurring AER :  $AER = q_{v;inst} * P_{q;inst} * f_{ctrl}$  (1)

$q_{v;inst}$  = Installed min. and max. ventilation capacity in ES and HS

$P_{q;inst}$  = The probability that installed ventilation capacity in ES & HS is actually achieved.

This is calculated, taking into account the following parameters:

- Driving force (natural versus mechanical)
- Number and position of internal doors (i.e. open or closed, applicable to certain VSTs)
- Airtightness of the dwelling and location of leakages (applicable to certain VSTs)
- Duct leakages RVU (reducing intended mech. supply/exhaust airflows)
- Filter compensation BVU (reducing supply airflow due to clogging filters, acc EN13142)
- Internal leakage BVU (reducing share of air that is supplied or extracted, acc. EN13142)
- Airflow sensitivity 'v' (sensitivity RVU for pressure variations over façade, acc. EN13141-8)
- Indoor/outdoor airtightness 'qvio' of (local) RVU (acc. EN13141-8)



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## 2. Methodology

### Assessment Method

Principle for calculating occurring **AER**:  $AER = qv;inst * Pqv;inst * fctrl$  (2)

$fctrl$  = The probability that the controls of the ventilation provisions are in the right position to achieve the required airflow rate.

$fctrl$  is calculated, taking into account the **PCO**-values of the related controls. For a list of *Ctrl*-types **PCO** values have been determined for **ES** and **HS** for both periods of presence and absence.

For **all ES** and combined **HS** the occurring **AER** is calculated for periods of presence and absence.

## 2. Methodology

### Assessment Method

Principle for calculating Air Exchange Performance **AEP**:  $AEP = AER / AERref$  (1)

$AERref$  = The reference air exchange rate; a value is determined for **ES** and **HS** and for periods of presence and absence based on EN 16798-1, Annex B, Category II

$AERref$	$AERref$ for HS	$AERref$ for ES		
		bathroom	kitchen	toilet
During presence	0,47 l/s/m <sup>2</sup>	20 l/s	10 l/s	10 l/s
During absence	0,13 l/s/m <sup>2</sup>	4 l/s	2 l/s	2 l/s

For **all ES** and combined **HS** the **AEP** is calculated for periods of presence and absence.



# 3. Input/output sheet



VST 5	EXHAUST SPACES (ES)	HABITABLE SPACES (HS)
SUPPLY PROVISIONS	MIS	MDS
EXHAUST PROVISIONS	MDE	MIE

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1. Dwelling airtightness 

airtightness parameter	n50	value:	2,00	air changes per hour
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2. Specify number of Exhaust (ES) and Habitable Spaces (HS) 

open_kitchen	bathroom	toilet	utility	other	total ES
number	number	number	number	number	number
1	1	1	0	0	3

habitable spaces	
number	total surface area in m <sup>2</sup>
3	66,00

3. Select BVU-type 

BVU-type	1	CENTR.BIDIR.VENT.UNIT  VARIABLE FLOWRATE   FIXED FLOWRATE RATIO ES & HS
BVU F/c	20%	Measured filter compensation factor according to Annex D EN 13142; if not known a default of 20% is used
BVU F/f	6%	Measured fraction of exhaust air recirculating in supply air, measured acc. to chamber tracer gas method EN 13142; if not known a default of 6% is used

4. Specify maximum MDE (= MDS) capacity to be installed 

MDE capacity per ES type					
open_kitchen	bathroom	toilet	utility	other	total MDE
l/s	l/s	l/s	l/s	l/s	l/s
30,00	15,00	10,00			55,00

installed MDS capacity HS (with clean filter and not corrected for F/c)	
l/s	l/s/m <sup>2</sup>
55,00	0,83

5. Specify minimum MDE (= MDS) capacity 

6,00	3,00	2,00		11,00
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Ratio minimum capacity must be identical when MDE-type 1 is selected

6. MIS- and MIE capacity as % of MDE and MDS acc. Good Practice 

MIS capacity				
100%	100%	100%		100%

MIE capacity	
100%	

7. Specify type of control from Exhaust and Habitable Spaces 

Controls ES				
MDE kitch.	MDE bathr.	MDE toilet	MDE utility	MDE other
ctrlr type	ctrlr type	ctrlr type	ctrlr type	ctrlr type
RH-local	RH-local	PIR		

Controls HS	
MDS habitable spaces	ctrlr type
100%	no control

## RESULTS

Probability that requested air exch. rate occurs in indiv. spaces 

AEP ES					
open_kitchen	bathroom	toilet	utility	other	average ES
presence	95%	95%	95%		95%
absence	133%	133%	95%		130%
overall AEP	98%	98%	94%		98%

AEP HS	
average HS	presence
32%	absence
119%	overall AEP
32%	

Average air exchange rate (AER) over total dwelling @ default occupation 

average AER DWELLING			
dm <sup>3</sup> /s	m <sup>3</sup> /h	ach	dm <sup>3</sup> /s/m <sup>2</sup> A <sub>0</sub>
21	75	0,31	0,23

# 4. Calculation sheet



**INSTALLED CAPACITY q<sub>inst</sub> [l/s] @ 10Pa**

space	type	capacity	total
open_kitchen	ES	30,00	30,00
bathroom	ES	15,00	45,00
toilet	ES	10,00	55,00
utility	ES	0,00	55,00
other	ES	0,00	55,00
total	ES	55,00	55,00

**MIN. CAPACITY q<sub>min</sub> [l/s] @ 10Pa**

space	type	capacity	total
open_kitchen	ES	6,00	6,00
bathroom	ES	3,00	9,00
toilet	ES	2,00	11,00
utility	ES	0,00	11,00
other	ES	0,00	11,00
total	ES	11,00	11,00

**CAPACITY OVERFLOW COMPONENTS (MIS and MIE) @ 10Pa**

space	type	capacity	total
open_kitchen	MIS	100%	100%
bathroom	MIS	100%	200%
toilet	MIS	100%	300%
utility	MIS	0%	300%
other	MIS	0%	300%
total	MIS	300%	300%

**TYPE OF CONTROL/OPERATION AND RELATED PCC-VALUES**

space	type	control	operation	PCC
open_kitchen	ES	RH-local	local	0,5
bathroom	ES	RH-local	local	0,5
toilet	ES	PIR	PIR	0,5
utility	ES			0,5
other	ES			0,5
total	ES			0,5

**CONTROL FACTOR k<sub>c</sub> [unitless]**

space	type	control	operation	k <sub>c</sub>
open_kitchen	ES	RH-local	local	0,5
bathroom	ES	RH-local	local	0,5
toilet	ES	PIR	PIR	0,5
utility	ES			0,5
other	ES			0,5
total	ES			0,5

**PROBABILITY p<sub>req</sub> [unitless]**

space	type	control	operation	p <sub>req</sub>
open_kitchen	ES	RH-local	local	0,95
bathroom	ES	RH-local	local	0,95
toilet	ES	PIR	PIR	0,95
utility	ES			0,95
other	ES			0,95
total	ES			0,95

**PROBABLE q<sub>req</sub> [l/s] @ 10Pa EXHAUST & HABITABLE SPACES**

space	type	capacity	total
open_kitchen	ES	14,25	14,25
bathroom	ES	7,125	21,375
toilet	ES	4,75	26,125
utility	ES	0,00	26,125
other	ES	0,00	26,125
total	ES	26,125	26,125

**PROBABILITY THAT REFERENCE AER IS ACHIEVED IN HABITABLE ROOMS: AEP**

space	type	control	operation	AEP
open_kitchen	HS			0,32
bathroom	HS			0,32
toilet	HS			0,32
utility	HS			0,32
other	HS			0,32
total	HS			0,32

**ESTIMATE TOTAL AIR EXCHANGE DWELLING**

space	type	capacity	total
open_kitchen	ES	14,25	14,25
bathroom	ES	7,125	21,375
toilet	ES	4,75	26,125
utility	ES	0,00	26,125
other	ES	0,00	26,125
total	ES	26,125	26,125

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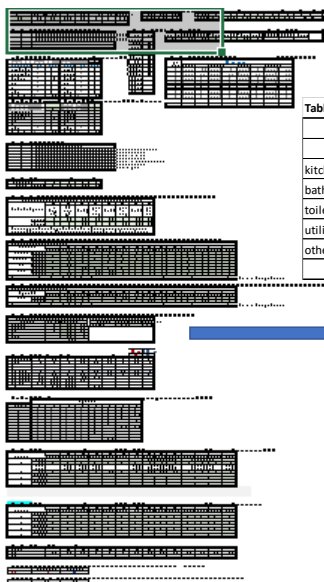
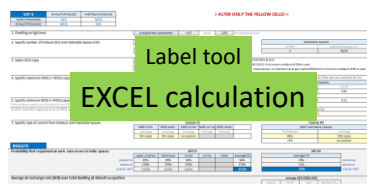
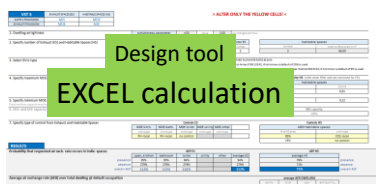


Table 13 : REFERENCE VALUES FOR OCCUPANCY IN ES AND HS

Average occupation Exhaust Spaces				Average occupation Habitable Spaces			
Type ES	Number	% of the day		Type HS	%Occ:inhab	% of the day	% Occ:Anab
kitchen	1	9%	9%	all HS	60%	63%	50%
bathroom	1	4%	4%				
toilet	1	1%	1%				
utility	0	1%	0%				
other	0	1%	0%				
			Occupation ES	14%			



Any size of dwelling

Reference dwelling  
(source : EU28 Buildings Database)

National Air Exchange Rates  
(source: national ventilation standard)

EU Air Exchange Rates  
(source: prEN 16798-1)

VU product data  
(source: company)

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(source: company)

**Table 8. Parameters of reference dwelling**

Total dwellings surface (heated space)	92,40 m <sup>2</sup>
Total internal volume	240 m <sup>3</sup>
Total surface of habitable spaces	66 m <sup>2</sup>
Number of Exhaust Spaces	3 : kitchen, bathroom toilet
Type of kitchen	Open kitchen (combined with dining room)
Number of habitable spaces	3
Airtightness dwelling	N50 = 2.00

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VST 5	EXHAUST SPACES (ES)	HABITABLE SPACES (HS)
SUPPLY PROVISIONS	MIS	MDS
EXHAUST PROVISIONS	MDE	MIE

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- Dwelling airtightness
 

airtightness parameter	n50	value:	2,00	air changes per hour
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- Specify number of Exhaust (ES) and Habitable Spaces (HS)
 

open_kitchen						bathroom		toilet		utility		other		total ES	
number	number	number	number	number	number	number	number	number	number	number	number	number	number	number	number
1	1	1	0	0	0	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3

habitable spaces	
number	total surface area in m <sup>2</sup>
3	66,00
- Select BVU-type
 

BVU-type	1	CENTR. BIDIR. VENT. UNIT   VARIABLE FLOWRATE   FIXED FLOWRATE RATIO ES & HS
BVU Ffc	5%	↕ measured filter compensation factor according to Annex D EN 13142; if not known a default value of 20% is used
BVU Fil	1%	↕ Measured fraction of exhaust air recirculating in supply air, measured acc. to chamber tracer gas method EN13142; if not known a default of 6% is used
- Specify maximum MDE (= MDS) capacity to be installed
 

MDE capacity per ES type						installed MDS capacity HS (with clean filter and not corrected for Fil)	
open_kitchen	bathroom	toilet	utility	other	total MDE	habitable spaces	
l/s	l/s	l/s	l/s	l/s	l/s	l/s	l/s/m <sup>2</sup>
20,00	10,00	10,00	0	0	40,00	40,00	0,61
- Specify minimum MDE (= MDS) capacity
 

4,00	2,00	2,00	0	0	8,00
20.0%	20.0%	20.0%	0%	0%	100%

Ratio min/max capacity must be identical when MDE-type 1 is selected
- MIS- and MIE capacity as % of MDE and MDS acc. Good Practice
 

MIS capacity						MIE capacity	
100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
- Specify type of control from Exhaust and Habitable Spaces
 

Controls ES						Controls HS	
MDE_kitch.	MDE_bathr.	MDE_toilet	MDE_utility	MDE-other		MDS habitable spaces	
cntrl type	cntrl type	cntrl type	cntrl type	cntrl type		% of HS area	cntrl type
RH-centr.	RH-centr.	RH-centr.	RH-centr.	RH-centr.	RH-centr.	85%	CO2-local
						15%	no control

RESULTS

Probability that requested air exch. rate occurs in indiv. spaces							AEP HS	
							average HS	
presence	84%	84%	84%	84%	84%	84%		96%
absence	279%	279%	279%	279%	279%	279%		68%
overall AEP	102%	102%	102%	102%	102%	102%		94%

Average air exchange performance (AEP) and air exchange rate (AER) over total dwelling @ default occupation

combined AEP DWELLING			
95%			
average AER DWELLING			
dm <sup>3</sup> /s	m <sup>3</sup> /h	ach	dm <sup>3</sup> /s/m <sup>2</sup> A
25	90	0,38	0,27

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When selecting the controls for HS, there is a possibility to choose the location and the type of sensor.

Controls HS				
% of HS area	cntrl type	% of HS area	cntrl type	% MDE
100%	manual	60%	CO2-local	100%
		40%	no control	

The % of HS area it affects is determined by this table :

**Sensor in**

*Living room*

*Master Bedroom*

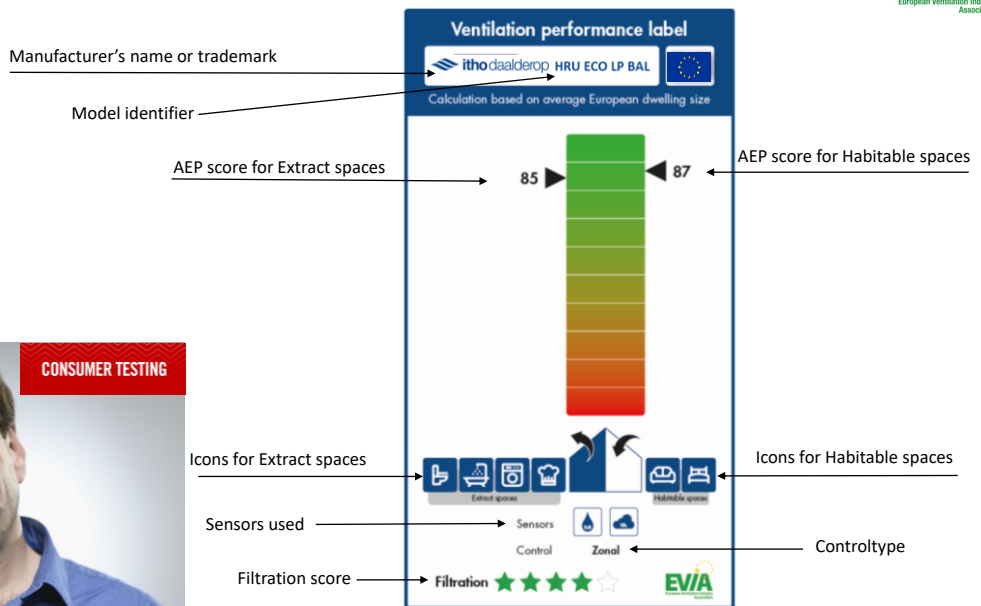
*Children's bedroom*

**% of HS**

X	X	X			
X	X		X	X	
X			X		X
100%	85%	60%	40%	25%	15%

## 6. Label design

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## 7. Merged Air Exchange Performance

### RESULTS

Probability that requested air exch. rate occurs in indiv. spaces

	AEP ES					average ES	AEP HS		overall AEP
	open_kitchen	bathroom	toilet	utility	other		average HS	presence	
presence	72%	31%	31%			57%	33%	presence	
absence	171%	95%	95%			119%	89%	absence	
overall AEP	79%	30%	30%			59%	32%	overall AEP	



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### Merged AEP %



Exposure occurs only during presence, so it is valid approach to use occupancy as the dominant weighting factor. According to the occupancy schedule, total occupancy in ES = 14% and in the HS = 63% of the day. This gives the following formula and subsequent classes:

$$\text{AEP}_{\text{dwelling}} = ((\text{AEP-ES}) * 14\% + (\text{AEP-HS}) * 63\%) / 77\%$$

55%	70%	C
70%	85%	B
85%	>100%	A

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# 8. Indoor Air Performance label generator

Name or logo (upload)

Supplier's name or trade mark \*

Supplier's model identifier \*

VPAT score

Sensor(s)	Yes	No
Relative Humidity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
CO <sub>2</sub>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Odour (TVOC)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Presence (PIR)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
People counting sensor (Bidirectional laser)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Airflow Control

Filtration

**Indoor air performance label**

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Calculation based on average European dwelling size

**Sensors**

- Relative humidity
- CO<sub>2</sub>
- Odour
- Presence PIR
- People counting sensor

**Airflow Control**

- Central
- Zonal
- Local

**Filtration**

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# 9a. Example: VST5 manual control



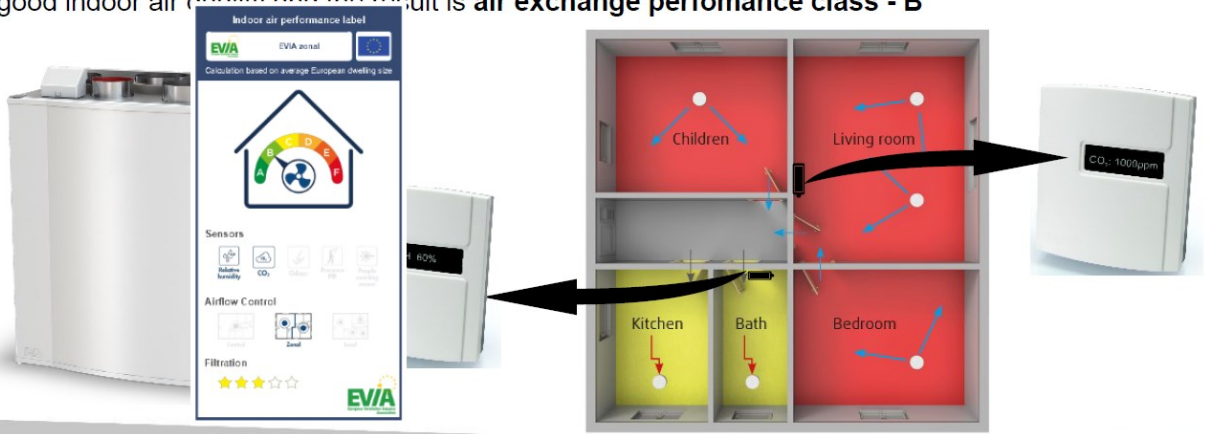
## Manual control

Adaption of the Ventilation effect depends on actions of the user and the air volume change effects all rooms. In most cases, the result is an under or over ventilation which leads to a rather bad **air exchange performance class - D**

## 9b. Example VST5 zonal demand control

### Zonal demand control with 2 sensors

Adaption of the Ventilation effect depends on changes of the measured parameters and the air volume change effects all rooms. This is a quite good approach to get a good indoor air quality and the result is **air exchange performance class - B**



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## 10. Example: VST3 without/with demand control

**Indoor Air Quality**

Aereco Demand Controlled Ventilation

**Energy Efficiency**

**No-Demand Controlled Ventilation**

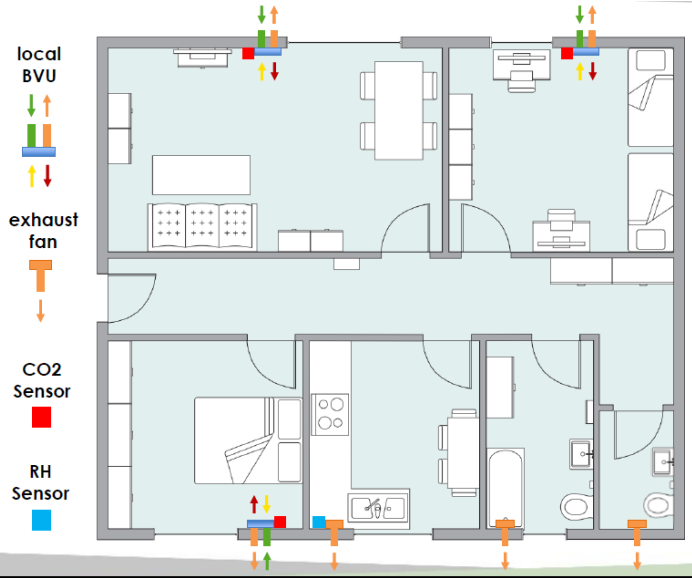
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# 11. Example: VST7 Single room unit with heat recovery



**manually controlled**

**demand-driven local controls**



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