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## 1 Introduction

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## 2 Standards and guidelines

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ISO 354:2003 1Acoustics Measurement of sound absorption in a reverberation roomNOTE:this international standard has been accepted within all EU-countries<br/>as European standard EN ISO 354:2003

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## **3 Tested construction**

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### Airpanel 1

dimensions w x h built-up filling	1200 x 1200 mm steel frame with acoustic non-woven fleece, covered with fabric at the view side polyester wool	
-	polyester wool	• •
total thickness	50 mm	

### Airpanel 2

dimensions w x h built-up filling total thickness	1200 x 1200 mm steel frame with acoustic non-woven fleece, covered with fabric at both sides polyester wool 50 mm	
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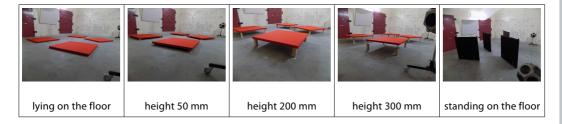


### 4 Measurements

The products are installed for the laboratory test in the same manner as they are typically installed in practice;

- lying on the floor of the reverberation room (Airpanel 1)
- lying on a support structure, height 50, 200 and 300 mm, above the floor of the reverberation room (Airpanel 1)
- free-standing on the floor of the reverberation room (Airpanel 2)

For discrete absorbers like this particular case, the results are expressed as the equivalent sound absorption area A (m<sup>2</sup>) per object.



#### 4.1 Method

The tests were conducted in accordance with the provisions of the test method ISO 354 in the reverberation room of "Peutz bv" in Mook (the Netherlands) (see figure 1). The relevant data regarding the reverberation room are given in figure 3 of this report.

By means of reverberation measurements the reverberation time of the room is measured under two conditions:

- when the reverberation room is empty
- when the construction under test is inside the reverberation room

In general, once material is placed into the reverberation room a lower reverberation time will result.

The difference in reverberation times is a measure of the amount of absorption brought into the room.

Measurements and calculations were carried out in 1/3-octave bandwidth from 100 to 5000 Hz, according to the norms. Where applicable the octave values have been calculated from these 1/3-octave values.

From the reverberation measurements in the empty reverberation room the equivalent sound absorption  $A_1$  is calculated (per frequency band) according to formula 1 and expressed in  $m^2$ 



$$A_1 = \frac{55,3V}{cT_1} - 4V m_1 \tag{1}$$

in which:

V = the volume of the reverberation room	[m³]
$T_1 =$ the reverberation time in the empty reverberation room	[sec.]
m <sub>1</sub> = "power attenuation coefficient" in the empty room,	
calculated according to formula	[m <sup>-1</sup> ]
c = the speed of sound in the air, in m/s, calculated according to	[m/s]

$$c = 331 + 0.6t$$
 (2)

in which:

t = the temperature; this formula is valid for temperatures between 15 and 30  $^{\circ}$ C [ $^{\circ}$ C]

$$m = \frac{\alpha}{10\log(e)} \tag{3}$$

in which:

 $\alpha$  = "attenuation coefficient" according to ISO 9613-1

In the same manner the equivalent sound absorption A2 for the room with the test specimen is calculated according to formula 4, also expressed in  $m^2$ 

$$A_2 = \frac{55,3 V}{c T_2} - 4 V m_2 \tag{4}$$

in which:

c and V have the same definition as in formula 1 and

- $T_2$  = the reverberation time of the reverberation room with the test specimen placed inside [sec]  $m_2$  = "power attenuation coefficient" in the room with the test specimen
- placed inside, calculated according to formula 3 [m<sup>-1</sup>]

The equivalent sound absorption A of the test specimen has been calculated according to formula 5 and is expressed in m<sup>2</sup>

$$A = A_2 - A_1 \tag{5}$$

### 4.2 Accuracy

The accuracy of the sound absorption as calculated can be expressed in terms of repeatability (tests within one laboratory) and reproducibility (between various laboratories).

When:

- two tests are performed on identical test material
- within a short period of time



- by the same person or team
- using the same instrumentation
- under unchanged environmental conditions

the probability will be 95% that the difference between the two test results will be less than or equal to r.

In order to evaluate the repeatability r for the sound absorption measurements performed in the reverberation room of "Peutz bv" in Mook (the Netherlands) eight series of measurements have been carried out according to ISO 354:1985 annex C. From the results of those measurements the repeatability r has been calculated. It was found that for the frequency range from 100 to 200 Hz and at 5000 Hz the repeatability r is 0,21 as a maximum. For the frequency range 250 to 4000 Hz the repeatability r is 0,09 as a maximum.

### 4.3 Environmental conditions during the measurements

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reverberation room	temperature	barometric pressure	relative humidity	
	[°C]	[kPa]	[%]	
empty	18	101,3	53	
with speciments	18	101,3	55 - 56	

#### 4.4 Results

The results of the measurements are given in table 4.2 and in the figures 3 up till and including 7. The measurements were made in 1/3-octave bands. The results presented in octave-bands are the arithmetic average of the results of the three 1/3-octave bands belonging to that octaveband.



	sound absorption [m²] per element (1,2 x 1,2 m)									
type height Cavity + panel	0 + 5	nnel 1 0 mm	50 + 5	anel 1 50 mm	200 +	nnel 1 50 mm	300 +	nnel 1 50 mm		anel 2 
record nr. figure nr.	#335		#372 4		#409 5		#446 6		#485 7	
frequency [Hz]		1/1 oct.		1/1 oct.		1/1 oct.		1/1 oct.	1/3 oct.	1/1 oct.
100	0,2		0,1		0,2		0,2		0,6	
125	0,4	0,3	0,4	0,4	0,4	0,5	0,4	0,5	0,5	0,7
160	0,5		0,6		0,8		0,9		0,9	
200	0,8		0,8		1,2		1,2		1,1	
250	1,2	1,2	1,3	1,2	1,5	1,5	1,5	1,5	1,5	1,4
315	1,6		1,6		1,9		1,8		1,6	
400	1,7		1,9		2,0		1,9		1,9	
500	1,8	1,8	2,1	2,0	2,0	2,0	1,9	1,9	2,2	2,1
630	1,9		2,1		2,0		2,0		2,2	
800	1,8		2,1		2,0		2,2		2,3	
1000	1,6	1,7	2,0	2,0	2,2	2,1	2,2	2,2	2,4	2,4
1250	1,6		1,9		2,1		2,2		2,4	
1600	1,5		1,8		2,0		2,2		2,3	
2000	1,5	1,5	1,8	1,8	2,0	2,0	2,3	2,2	2,4	2,3
2500	1,5		1,7		2,0		2,2		2,4	
3150	1,6		1,7		2,0		2,3		2,3	
4000	1,6	1,6	1,6	1,7	2,1	2,1	2,2	2,3	2,4	2,4
5000	1,6		1,7		2,1		2,3		2,5	

# t4.2 Measurements results



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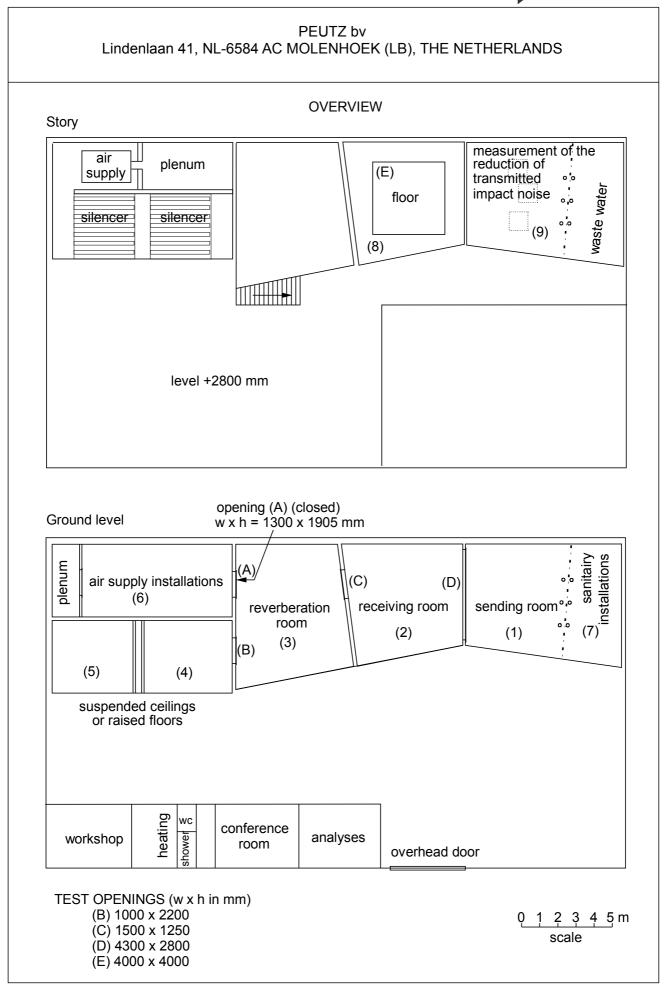
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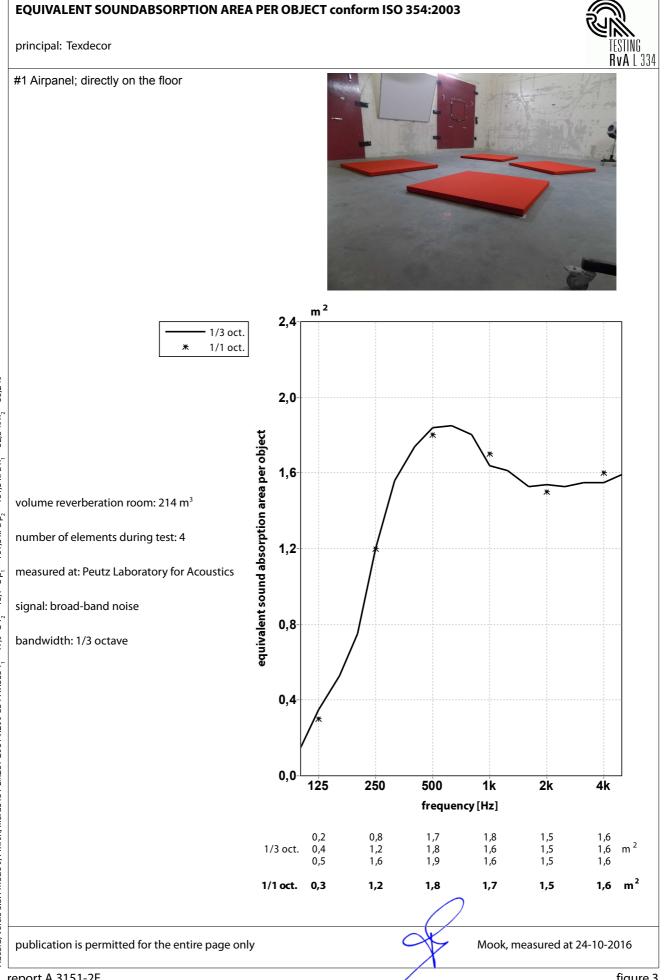


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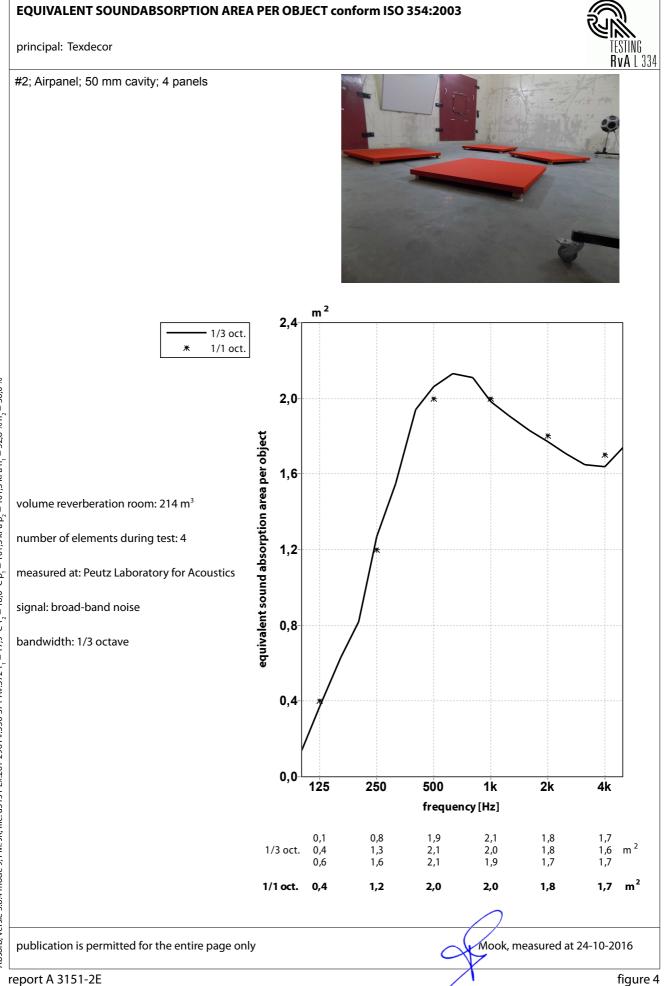
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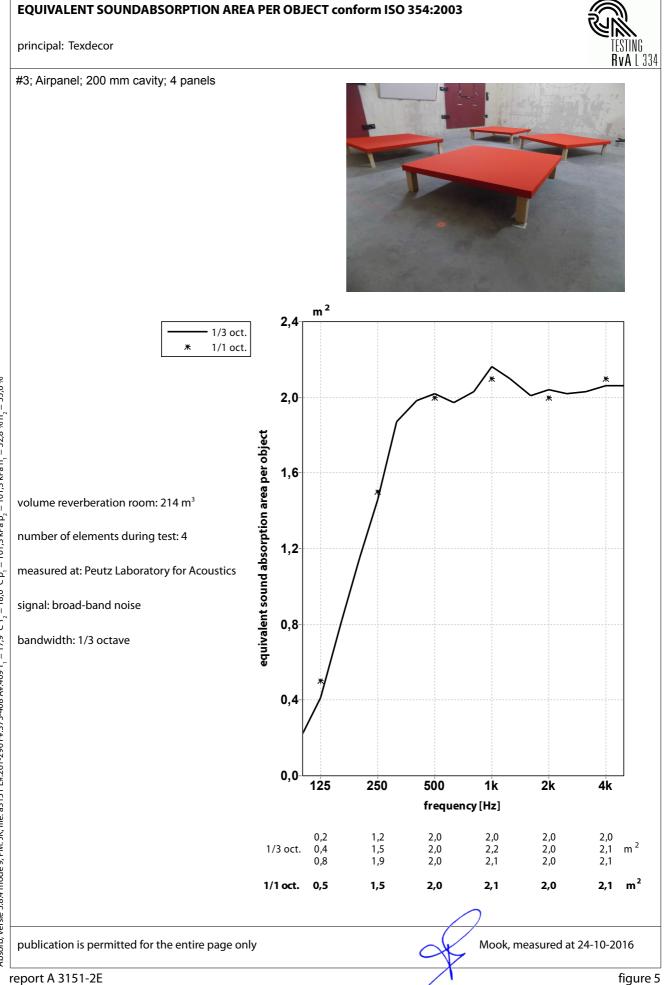
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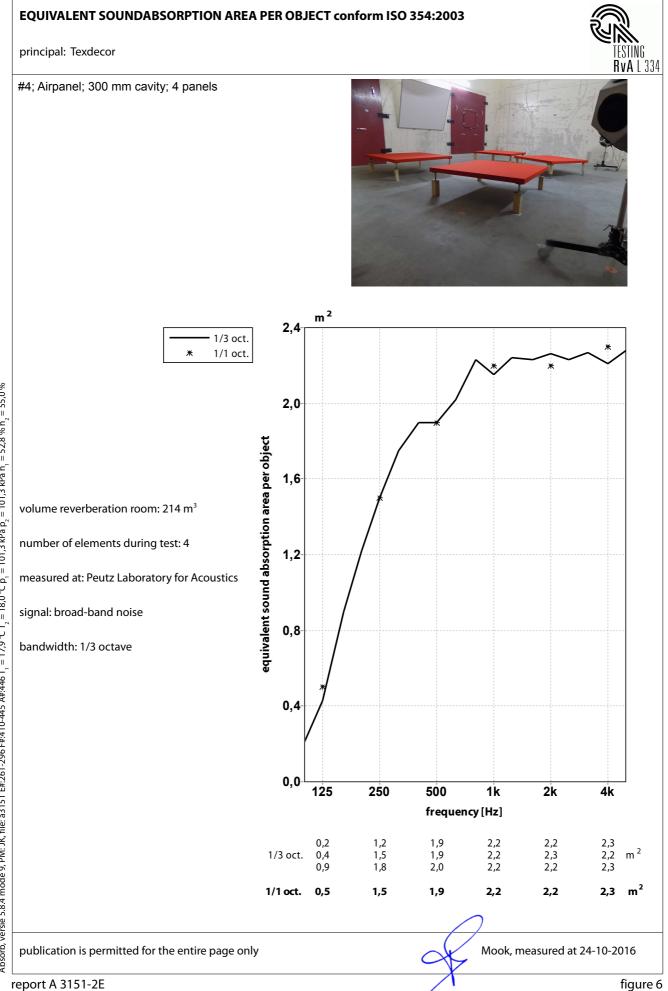
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### Airpanel

dimensions w x h built-up	1200 x 1200 mm steel frame with acoustic non-woven fleece, covered with fabric at both sides	
filling total thickness	polyester wool 50 mm	

### Dalle

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dimensions w x h built-up view side	600 x 600 mm aluminum frame with acoustic non-woven fleece, covered at the view side with fabric	
filling	polyester wool	
total thickness	70 mm	the second

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### 4 Measurements

The products are installed for the laboratory test in the same manner as they are typically installed in practice;

- mounted directly on the floor of the reverberation room (Airpanel)
- mounted on a support structure, height 200 mm, above the floor of the reverberation room (Airpanel)
- mounted as a discrete object (Dalle space absorber)

The results for discrete absorbers are expressed as the equivalent sound absorption area A  $(m^2)$  per object.

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V =	the volume of the reverberation room	[m³]
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m –	"nower attenuation coefficient" in the empty room	

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[m<sup>-1</sup>]



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In the same manner the equivalent sound absorption A2 for the room with the test specimen is calculated according to formula 4, also expressed in  $m^2$ 

$$A_2 = \frac{55,3 V}{c T_2} - 4 V m_2 \tag{4}$$

in which:

c and V have the same definition as in formula 1 and

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specimen placed inside	[sec]
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placed inside, calculated according to formula 3	[m <sup>-1</sup> ]

The equivalent sound absorption A of the test specimen has been calculated according to formula 5 and is expressed in  $m^2$ 

$$A = A_2 - A_1 \tag{5}$$

When the test specimen consists of one plane with an area between 10 and 12 m<sup>2</sup> the sound absorption coefficient  $\alpha_s$  has to be calculated according to formula 6:

$$\alpha = \frac{A}{S} \tag{6}$$

in which:

S = the area of the test specimen

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When:

- two tests are performed on identical test material
- within a short period of time

[m<sup>2</sup>]



- by the same person or team
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the probability will be 95% that the difference between the two test results will be less than or equal to r.

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#### 4.3 Environmental conditions

t4.1 Environmental conditions during the measurements at December 9th, 2016

reverberation room	temperature	barometric pressure	relative humidity	
	[°C]	[kPa]	[%]	
empty	17,1	102,8	52	
with specimen	17,1-17,5	102,8-102,9	56-57	

#### 4.4 Results

The results of the measurements are given in table 4.2 in table 4.3 and in figure 3 to 5. The measurements were made in 1/3-octave bands. The results presented in octave-bands are the arithmetic average of the results of the three 1/3-octave bands belonging to that octaveband.

From the sound absorption coefficient values the following one-figure ratings have been calculated and stated :

- the "weighted sound absorption coefficient  $\alpha_w$ " according to ISO 11654;
- the "Noise Reduction Coefficient NRC" according to ASTM-C423, being the average of the absorption coefficients (1/3 octave values) at the frequencies of 250, 500, 1000 and 2000 Hz, rounded to the nearest 0,05;
- the "Sound Absorption Average SAA" according to ASTM-C423, being the average of the absorption coefficients (1/3 octave values) at the frequencies of 200 Hz up to 2500 Hz, rounded to the nearest 0,01.



	sound absorption coefficient $lpha_s$					
mounting method	direct on	the floor	mounted on a support structure, height 200 mn			
construction height	50	mm	200	200 mm		
record nr.	#5	96	#6	534		
see figure		3		4		
frequency [Hz]	1/3 oct.	1/1 oct.	1/3 oct.	1/1 oct.		
100	0,12		0,20			
125	0,21	0,24	0,47	0,46		
160	0,38		0,70			
200	0,52		0,84			
250	0,77	0,73	1,10	0,96		
315	0,91		0,95			
400	1,00		1,03			
500	1,08	1,05	1,02	1,02		
630	1,08		1,00			
800	1,08		0,94			
1000	1,10	1,08	0,98	0,99		
1250	1,05		1,04			
1600	1,00		1,02			
2000	1,00	1,00	1,01	1,02		
2500	0,99		1,03			
3150	0,99		1,07			
4000	1,04	1,03	1,06	1,07		
5000	1,07		1,07			
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SAA	0,	97	1,	,00		

#### t4.2 Measurements results Texdecor Airpanel

The surface of the tested sample is less than the in the ISO 354 prescribed surface area (between 10 and 12,6 m<sup>2</sup>). In this case the accuracy of the sound absorption coefficient is less than the in paragraph 4.2 given values (which are based on a surface area between 10 and 12,6 m<sup>2</sup>.



	sound absorption A [m <sup>2</sup> ] per element (0,6 x 0,6 m				
panel thickness		mm			
mounting height		mm			
record nr.	#673				
figure	5				
frequency [Hz]	1/3 oct.	1/1 oct.			
100	0,04				
125	0,12	0,12			
160	0,21				
200	0,33				
250	0,53	0,49			
315	0,61				
400	0,72				
500	0,77	0,74			
630	0,73				
800	0,70				
1000	0,72	0,70			
1250	0,68				
1600	0,66				
2000	0,67	0,66			
2500	0,65				
3150	0,72				
4000	0,75	0,75			
5000	0,77				

#### t4.3 Measurements results Dalle panels



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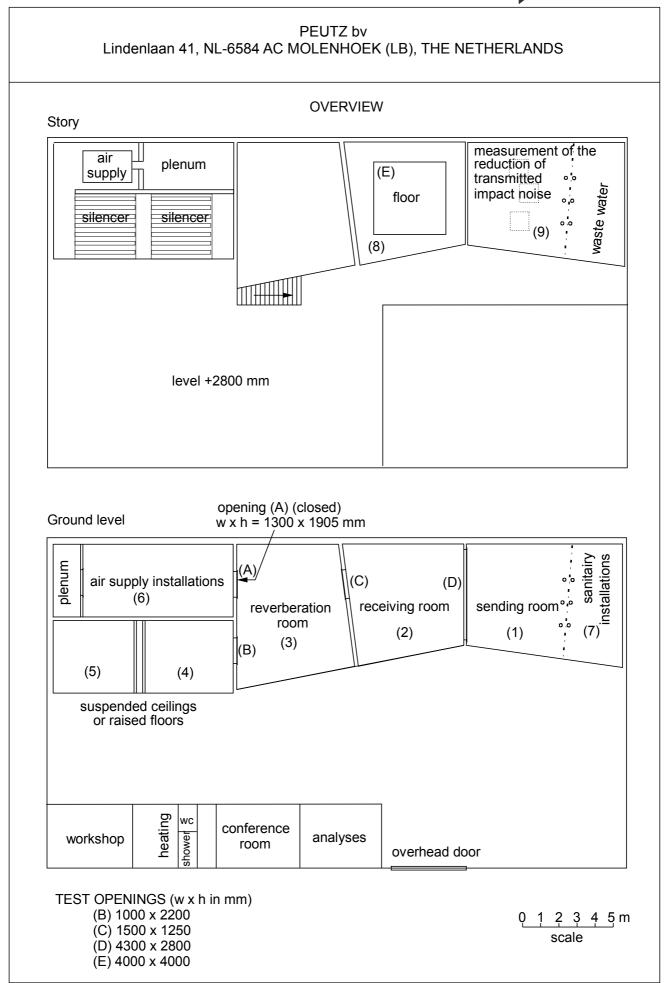
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### **REVERBERATION ROOM**

The reverberation room meets the requirements of ISO 354:2003.

additional data:

volume : 214 m<sup>3</sup>

total area  $S_{+}$  (walls, floor and ceiling) : 219 m<sup>2</sup>

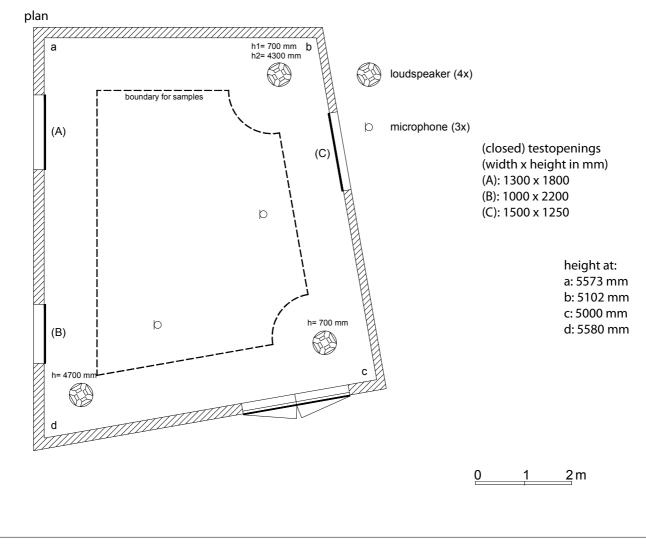
diffusion: by the shape of the room and by adding 6 curved and 2 flat reflecting elements with a total area of approx. 13 m<sup>2</sup> a sufficient diffusion has been gained.

reverberation time of the empty reverberation room during measurements of 09-12-2016

frequency (1/1 oct.)	125	250	500	1000	2000	4000	Hz
reverberationtime	7,87	6,29	6,09	5,43	4,15	2,71	sec.

### repeatibility r (1/1 oct.) c.f. ISO 354:1985 annex C (see chapter 4.2 of this report).

r bij hoge α	0,13	0,04	0,04	0,02	0,02	0,08	-
r bij lage α	0,09	0,02	0,01	0,02	0,02	0,04	-



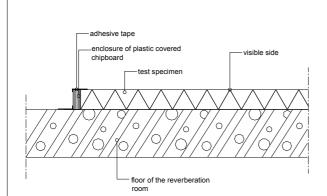




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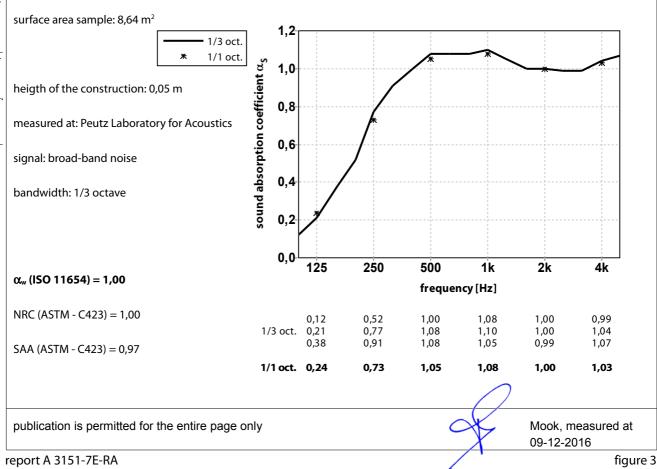
Texdecor Air panel mounted directly at the concrete floor



volume reverberation room: 214 m<sup>3</sup>



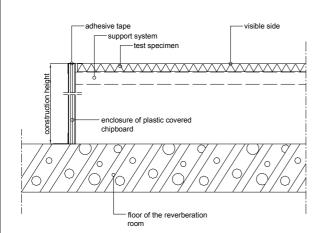
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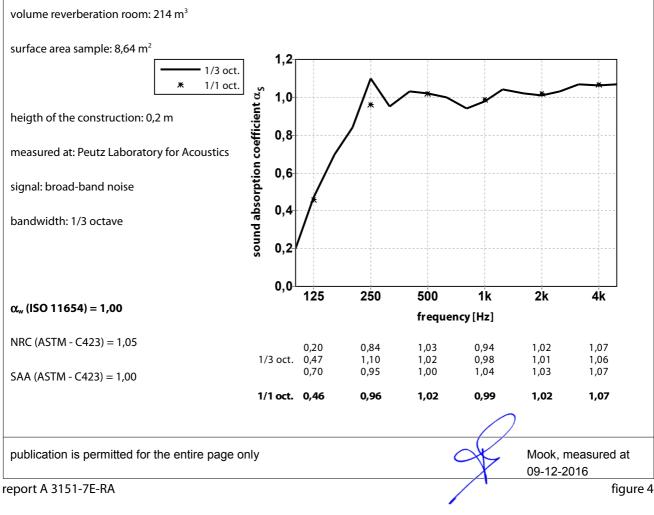
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Texdecor Air panel mounted at a construction height of 200 mm









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