

July 1, 2004

SUBJECT: Building 103 Mold Air Sampling

### **Executive Summary**

Following the comprehensive safety and air quality inspection on this building by GSA in July 2003, airborne mold was resampled in September of that same year followed by another round of sampling in May 2004. Sampling on September 3, 2003 showed the presence of stachybotris spores in one location; not present outdoors. This was confirmed also in May 2004. Moisture infiltration was determined to be the cause of these readings which although not excessive are considered atypical of most buildings. Recommendations to correct the moisture problems should eliminate the presence of stachybotris.

### **September 2003 Sampling**

Sampling was performed by David Hartshorn, GSA Industrial Hygienist. Results (see Appendix 1) indicated the presence of stachybotris mold spores in the air in selected locations. This finding is consistent with the moisture problems noted at the building and its related effect on drywall materials. Recommendations were made and completed to replace wet ceiling panels and patch the roof and drains to eliminate future growth.

### **May 2004 Sampling**

Sampling for airborne mold spores was conducted again by Gary Adams, GSA Industrial Hygiene consultant on May 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> in buildings 103 and 107. The building 103 sampling was considered follow-on to previous sampling to gauge any difference in the airborne levels and to assess other areas of concern.

As in all other sampling, the results were compared to outdoor ambient levels that day, in accordance with current industrial hygiene protocol. The total mold counts within the building were comparable to outdoor levels. However, stachybotris was found in very low levels in the training room only (see Appendix 2). This tends to support the concern that roof and/or drain leaks had led to growth in this area. Further investigation behind the walls has indicated the source to be primarily from roof drains. Steps have been subsequently taken to further seal the building roof and to repair the drain leaks.

# Appendix 1 – Sept 2003 Mold Spore Sampling Summary

General Services Administration  
 1500 E. Bannister Road  
 Kansas City, MO 64131

IAQ Bldg 103, 4300 Goodfellow.xls // Mold Sampling of 3 Sep 03

**FACILITY ID:**  
 Building 103, 4300 Goodfellow Blvd., St. Louis, MO

LOCATION SURVEYED	SAMPLE ID	CONTAMINANT	PUMP ID	SAMPLE DATE	ELAP. TIME (Min.)	FLOW RATE (LPM)	VOL. (L)
Floor 2, Bridge crossing over from Bldg. 103 to Bldg. 103D	5429040	Mold	23021	03-Sep-2003	15	14.55	218.3
Bldg. 103D, Floor 2, Column L-32 (carpeting wet from recent rains)	5429033	Mold	23021	03-Sep-2003	15	14.55	218.3
Floor 1, Column F-34	5429038	Mold	23021	03-Sep-2003	15	14.55	218.3
Outside, near south door	5429044	Mold	23021	03-Sep-2003	15	14.55	218.3

NOTE: Calibrations completed using Bios Corp. Dry Cal DC-Lite DCL-MH, Ser. No. 6181		PUMP CALIBRATION RECORD Flow Rates in Liters per minute (LPM)				Average Flow
Pump Mfr. & Model	Pump S/N	Pre-Cal Date	Pre-Cal Flow	Post-Cal Date	Post-Cal Flow	
Zephon Hi-Vol	23021	03-Sep-2003	14.76	03-Sep-2003	14.33	14.55

AIRBORNE MOLD ANALYSIS RESULTS	SAMPLE LOCATIONS AND RESULTS (Counts/m <sup>3</sup> )			
	F2, Crossover	Bldg 103D, L-32	F1, F-34	Outside
	5429040	5429033	5429038	5429044
Total Mold Spores	4,417	2,067	283	30,946
Alternaria	18	51	9	208
Aspergillus/Penicillium-types	278	413		57
Ascospores	945	113	57	3,527
Basidiospores	510	208	113	3,779
Cladosporium	1,680	907	57	19,178
Curvularia	5	5		5
Drechslera/Bipolaris		5		5
Epicoccum		5	5	246
Nigrospora		5	5	265
Pithomyces	23	18		5
Rusts	19			14
Smuts/Myxomycetes		94	19	
Stachybotrys	14	36		
Cercospora-like	38			170
Other Hyaline	850	113	19	3,433
Other Brown Fungi	38	57		57
Small Brown Round		38		

## Appendix 2 – May 2004 Mold Sampling Laboratory Results

Environmental Analysis Associates, Inc. \* 5290 Soledad Road \* San Diego, CA 92109 \* (858) 272-7747

### ENVIRONMENTAL AIRBORNE AEROSOL ANALYSIS

Client Name: General Services Administration

Client Project #: Building 103

Project Desc: Building 103

EAA Project #: O4-O464

Date Collected: 5/24/2004

Client Sample #	Sample Description / Location	Analysis Comments
5982129	H17 Hallway	Low dust, skin cell fragments, opaque particles & mold
5984055	Conference Room	Moderate dust, low skin cell fragments, opaque particles & mold
5984057	Training Room	Low-moderate dust, low opaque, dander & mold. Stachybotrys present
7085896	Ambient	Low dust & skin cell fragments, high opaque particles & mold
7085889	Ambient	Low dust & dander, moderate opaque particles, high mold

AIRBORNE MOLD SPORE CONCENTRATIONS (Cts./m <sup>3</sup> ) - Spore Trap Sample Analysis						
Category	Sample #-->	5982129	5984055	5984057	7085896	7085889
<b>Total Mold Spores (Cts/m<sup>3</sup>)</b>		411	199	205	32772	27922
Alternaria						132
Aspergillus/Penicillium-types						
Aureobasidium/Hormonema						
Asco/Basidiospores **	302		137	165	26606	24686
Other Basidiospores	27		27		1646	549
Botrytis						
Chaetomium						
Cladosporium						
Curvularia						
Drechslera/Bipolaris						
Epicoccum			7	7	66	132
Fusarium						
Nigrospora						
Oidium/Peronospora						99
Pithomyces						
Rusts						
Smuts/Myxomycetes						
Stachybotrys				7	274	137
Stemphylium						
Cercospora-like						132
Polythrincium trifolii						
Other Hyaline (majority tiny, hyaline)	82		27	27	66	1783
Other Brown Fungi					3291	274
Small Brown Round					823	
Hyphae fragments						
Algal spores						
Fern spores						
<b>POLLEN (Total Cts/m<sup>3</sup>)</b>		20	Not detected	13	67	67
not specified		20		13	67	67
<b>OTHER AEROSOLS (Cts/m<sup>3</sup>)</b>						
Skin cell fragments	266i		7131	5870	549	1097
Fiberglass / Mineral wool				7		
Cellulosic fibers	375		987	1080	132	263
Opaque particles	2167		4937	2688	13989	8503
Insect parts			7			
<b>Statistical Parameters</b>						
Vol. analyzed (m <sup>3</sup> )—mold/aerosols:	0.036	0.036	0.036	0.004	0.007	
Detect limit (Cts/m <sup>3</sup> )—molds/aerosols:	27	27	27	274	137	
% Sample analyzed—mold/aerosols:	24%	24%	24%	24%	24%	
Volume analyzed (m <sup>3</sup> )—pollen:	0.150	0.150	0.150	0.015	0.030	
Detection limit (Cts/m <sup>3</sup> )—pollen:	7	7	7	67	33	
Sample flow rate (lpm):	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	
Sample trace length (mm):	14.40	14.40	14.40	14.40	14.40	
Microscope field diameter (mm):	0.350	0.350	0.350	0.350	0.350	

Outdoor mold ranges are based on So. California data. Other areas may vary.

\*Some detection limits for particle categories may be higher than reported when EAA stopping rules are applied.

\*\*Consist of a mix of tiny, hyaline Asco & Basidiospores

Analyst:

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Date: 05/27/2004

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May 24, 2004

Building 103

Collected by: Gary Adams

Zefon #	Location	Liters
5982129	H17 Hallway	150
5984055	Conference Room	150
5984057	Training Room	150
7085896	Ambient	15
7085889	Ambient	30

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ENVIRONMENTAL AIRBORNE AEROSOL ANALYSIS

Client Name: General Services Administration

Project Desc: Buildings 103, 104E & 107

Client Project #: Buildings 103, 104E & 107

Date Collected: 5/25/2004

EAA Project #: O4-O468

Client Sample #	Sample Description / Location	Analysis Comments
7085886	Bldg 107 basement file room	Low debris & skin cell fragments, moderate opaque particles & mold
7085899	Bldg 107 GSA front office	Low dust, skin cell fragments & opaque particles, Low-moderate mold
7085892	Ambient Bldg 107	Low debris & dander, moderate opaque, high mold
7085895	Bldg 103 1st floor F32.5	Low dust, skin cell fragments & opaque particles; low-moderate mold
7085897	Bldg 103 2nd floor G38	Low dust, skin cell fragments & opaque particles; moderate mold

AIRBORNE MOLD SPORE CONCENTRATIONS (Cts./m <sup>3</sup> ) - Spore Trap Sample Analysis						
Category	Sample #-->	7085886	7085899	7085892	7085895	7085897
<b>Total Mold Spores (Cts/m<sup>3</sup>)</b>		2057	1591	84480	1426	4005
Alternaria						
Aspergillus/Penicillium-types		549			55	439
Aureobasidium/Hormonema						
Asco/Basidiospores **		1371	1371	80229	1152	3566
Other Basidiospores			110	1371		
Botrytis						
Chaetomium						
Cladosporium			55	686	55	
Curvularia						
Drechslera/Bipolaris						
Epicoccum						
Fusarium						
Nigrospora						
Oidium/Peronospora						
Pithomyces						
Rusts						
Smuts/Myxomycetes						
Stachybotrys						
Stemphylium						
Torula						
Ulocladium						
Other Hyaline (majority tiny, hyaline)		137	55	2057	165	
Other Brown Fungi				137		
Small Brown Round						
Hyphae fragments						
Algal spores				274		
Feather fibrils				33		
<b>POLLEN (Total Cts/m<sup>3</sup>)</b>		Not detected	27	67	13	Not detected
not specified			27	67	13	
<b>OTHER AEROSOLS (Cts/m<sup>3</sup>)</b>						
Skin cell fragments		3703	7241	1234	2907	1810
Fiberglass / Mineral wool					13	
Cellulosic fibers		856	869	1020	645	395
Opaque particles		9189	4224	8914	4937	2798
Insect parts		99				
<b>Statistical Parameters</b>						
Vol. analyzed (m <sup>3</sup> )--mold/aerosols:		0.007	0.018	0.007	0.018	0.018
Detect limit(Cts/m <sup>3</sup> )--molds/aerosols:		137	55	137	55	55
% Sample analyzed--mold/aerosols:		24%	24%	24%	24%	24%
Volume analyzed(m <sup>3</sup> )--pollen:		0.030	0.075	0.030	0.075	0.075
Detection limit (Cts/m <sup>3</sup> )--pollen:		33	13	33	13	13
Sample flow rate (lpm):		15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Sample trace length (mm):		14.40	14.40	14.40	14.40	14.40
Microscope field diameter (mm):		0.350	0.350	0.350	0.350	0.350

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**ENVIRONMENTAL AIRBORNE AEROSOL ANALYSIS**

**Client Name:** General Services Administration  
**Client Project #:** Buildings 103, 104E & 107  
**EAA Project #:** O4-O468

**Project Desc:** Buildings 103, 104E & 107  
**Date Collected:** 5/25/2004

Client Sample #	Sample Description / Location	Analysis Comments
7085888	Bldg 104E 2nd floor North entrance to FSA	Low debris & dander, moderate opaque, low-moderate mold

AIRBORNE MOLD SPORE CONCENTRATIONS (Cts./m <sup>3</sup> ) - Spore Trap Sample Analysis	
Category	Sample #--> 7085888
<b>Total Mold Spores (Cts/m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	1152
Alternaria	
Aspergillus/Penicillium-types	55
Aureobasidium/Hormonema	
Asco/Basidiospores **	933
Other Basidiospores	
Botrytis	
Chaetomium	
Cladosporium	
Curvularia	
Drechslera/Bipolaris	
Epicoccum	
Fusarium	
Nigrospora	
Oidium/Peronospora	
Pithomyces	
Rusts	
Smuts/Myxomycetes	
Stachybotrys	
Stemphylium	
Torula	
Ulocladium	
Other Hyaline (majority tiny, hyaline)	165
Other Brown Fungi	
Small Brown Round	
Hyphae fragments	
Algal spores	
Feather fibrils	
<b>POLLEN (Total Cts/m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	Not detected
not specified	
<b>OTHER AEROSOLS (Cts/m<sup>3</sup>)</b>	
Skin cell fragments	1975
Fiberglass / Mineral wool	
Cellulosic fibers	227
Opaque particles	5541
Insect parts	
<b>Statistical Parameters</b>	
Vol. analyzed (m <sup>3</sup> )--mold/aerosols:	0.018
Detect limit(Cts/m <sup>3</sup> )--molds/aerosols:	55
% Sample analyzed--mold/aerosols:	24%
Volume analyzed(m <sup>3</sup> )--pollen:	0.075
Detection limit (Cts/m <sup>3</sup> )--pollen:	13
Sample flow rate (lpm):	15.00
Sample trace length (mm):	14.40
Microscope field diameter (mm):	0.350

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Date: 05/27/2004

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May 25, 2004

GSA

Collected by: Gary Adams MS CIH

Zefon#	Location	Liters
7085886	Bldg 107 @ basement file room	30
7085899	Bldg 107 GSA front office	75
7085892	Ambient Bldg 107	30
7085895	Bldg 103 1st floor F32.5	75
7085897	Bldg 103 2nd floor G38	75
7085888	Bldg 104E 2nd floor North entrance to FSA	75

Full analysis

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#107 - Bsmt. File Room 04-0468  
Front office - GSA space

#103 - New FSA space 1<sup>st</sup> + 2<sup>nd</sup> floors  
South end New furniture, but vacant

#104E - 2<sup>nd</sup> fl., North end  
Ceiling leak area between  
restrooms + office space