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Test Report

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SPONSOR: **Focal Point**
Chicago, IL

Sound Absorption
RAL™-A24-361

CONDUCTED: 2024-09-18

ON: Polina (suspended mounting) 6 units, 2 rows of 3 units each, rows spaced 6” apart, units in rows spaced 6” apart

TEST METHODOLOGY

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INFORMATION PROVIDED BY SPONSOR

The test specimen was designated by the sponsor as Polina (suspended mounting) 6 units, 2 rows of 3 units each, rows spaced 6” apart, units in rows spaced 6” apart. The following nominal product information was provided by the sponsor prior to testing. The accuracy of such sponsor-provided information can affect the validity of the test results.

Product Under Test

Product Name:	Polina (suspended mounting)
Cross Section Thickness:	Variable, 5mm – 20mm
Manufacturer:	Focal Point

SPECIMEN MEASUREMENTS & TEST CONDITIONS

Through a full external visual inspection performed on the test specimen, Riverbank personnel verified the following information:

Test Specimen

Geometry:	Hexagonal baffles with rounded corners
Corner to Corner Distance:	1067 mm (42 in.)
Depth:	76 mm (3 in.)
Overall Weight:	22 kg (48.5 lbs)

SPECIMEN MEASUREMENTS & TEST CONDITIONS (continued)

Physical Measurements (per object)

Dimensions:	1.07 m (42.0 in) wide by 1.07 m (42.0 in) long
Depth:	0.08 m (3.0 in)
Weight:	3.67 kg (8.08 lbs)

Test Environment

Room Volume:	291.98 m^3
Temperature:	22.1 °C ± 0.0 °C (Requirement: ≥ 10 °C and ≤ 5 °C change)
Relative Humidity:	56.4 % ± 0.6 % (Requirement: ≥ 40 % and ≤ 5 % change)
Barometric Pressure:	98.7 kPa (Requirement not defined)

Each sound absorbing object had an exposed surface area of 1.72 m^2 (18.5 ft^2). The total exposed surface area of all sound-absorbing objects was 10.3 m^2 (111 ft^2). These values are based on a simplification of the specimen object geometry to that of the smallest regular hexagonal prism that fully encloses one object.

MOUNTING METHOD

Type JH-MOD Mounting: The specimen is an array of 6 spaced sound absorbing objects suspended from cables such that the closest face is located approximately 1441 mm (56.75 in.) from the horizontal test surface. This approximates the mounting method of a typical ceiling baffle installation. The objects were distributed in two rows of three objects each, with rows spaced 152 mm (6 in.) apart, and the objects in each row spaced 152 mm (6 in.) apart. The width of the installed object array was 3505 mm (138 in.) and the length of the installed object array was 2153 mm (84.75 in.). The area of extended continuous surface attributed to the object array was 8.43 m^2 (90.8 ft^2).

Figure 1 – Specimen mounted in test chamber

Figure 2 – Specimen mounted in test chamber

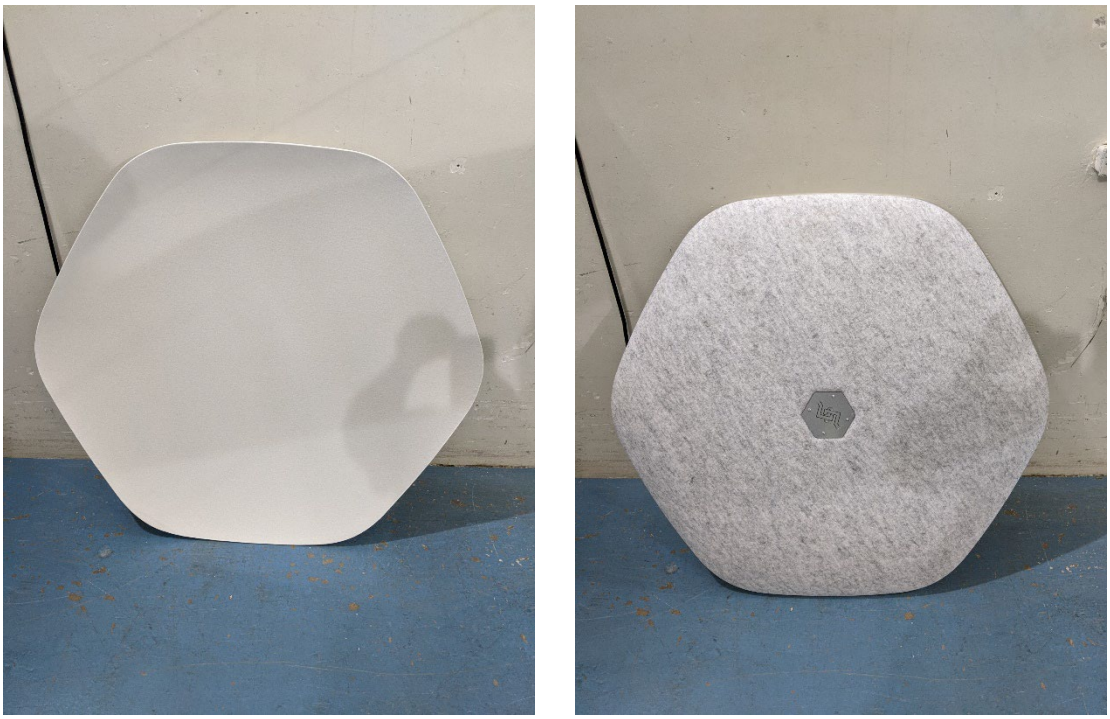

Figure 3 – Individual specimen objects

Figure 4 – Detail of specimen materials

TEST RESULTS

The preferred presentation of sound absorption test results for arrays of spaced objects is sound absorption (m^2) per object and total sound absorption (m^2) at each one-third-octave band

ASTM C423-23 Appendix X2 allows calculation of sound absorption per m^2 (SA/m^2) based on the projected horizontal surface area attributable to an array of objects. The extended continuous surface area used in this calculation is to be determined using the following procedure:

> $S_{array} = (w + w_1) \times (l + l_1)$ If the set of objects consists of a rectangular array of equal sized objects with equal space between each object in a row and equal space between rows. (ASTM E423-23 X.2.3.1)

Where:
S_{array} = area of extended continuous surface attributed to the test specimen, m^2
w = the measured width of the installed object array, in meters
w_1 = the space between objects in the array along the width, in meters
l = the measured length of the installed object array, in meters
l_1 = the space between objects in the array along the length, in meters

The sound absorption per m^2 (SA/m^2) is calculated based on the following formula:

$$\alpha_{array} = (A_2 - A_1)/S_{array}$$

Where:

α_{array} = sound absorption per m^2 (SA/m^2) of extended continuous surface, no units,
A_1 = absorption of the empty reverberation room, m^2 and
A_2 = absorption of the room after the specimen has been installed, m^2.
S_{array} = area of extended continuous surface attributed to the test specimen, m^2

TEST RESULTS (continued)

1/3 Octave Center Frequency	Total Absorption		Absorption per Object		α_{array}
(Hz)	(m^2)	(Sabins)	(m^2 / Object)	(Sabins / Object)	(Sabins/ft^2) (SA/m^2)
100	0.61	6.53	0.10	1.09	0.07
** 125	1.11	11.94	0.18	1.99	0.13
160	1.48	15.95	0.25	2.66	0.18
200	2.66	28.68	0.44	4.78	0.32
** 250	3.05	32.84	0.51	5.47	0.36
315	3.92	42.21	0.65	7.03	0.47
400	4.16	44.74	0.69	7.46	0.49
** 500	4.92	52.94	0.82	8.82	0.58
630	5.57	59.92	0.93	9.99	0.66
800	6.08	65.49	1.01	10.91	0.72
** 1000	6.89	74.12	1.15	12.35	0.82
1250	7.55	81.30	1.26	13.55	0.90
1600	8.02	86.29	1.34	14.38	0.95
** 2000	8.62	92.73	1.44	15.46	1.02
2500	8.91	95.89	1.48	15.98	1.06
3150	9.04	97.36	1.51	16.23	1.07
** 4000	9.19	98.88	1.53	16.48	1.09
5000	9.47	101.94	1.58	16.99	1.12

Array-NRC 0.70 over 8.43 m² of extended continuous surface area
Array-SAA 0.70 over 8.43 m² of extended continuous surface area

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Note: Sound absorption per m^2 (SA/m^2), and therefore the reported Single Number Ratings, are highly dependent on the exact sample shape, size, spacing, and extended continuous surface area present in the test and subsequent calculations. Changes to any of these parameters will change the resulting values. These presented results are valid only for the specific configuration present in this test.

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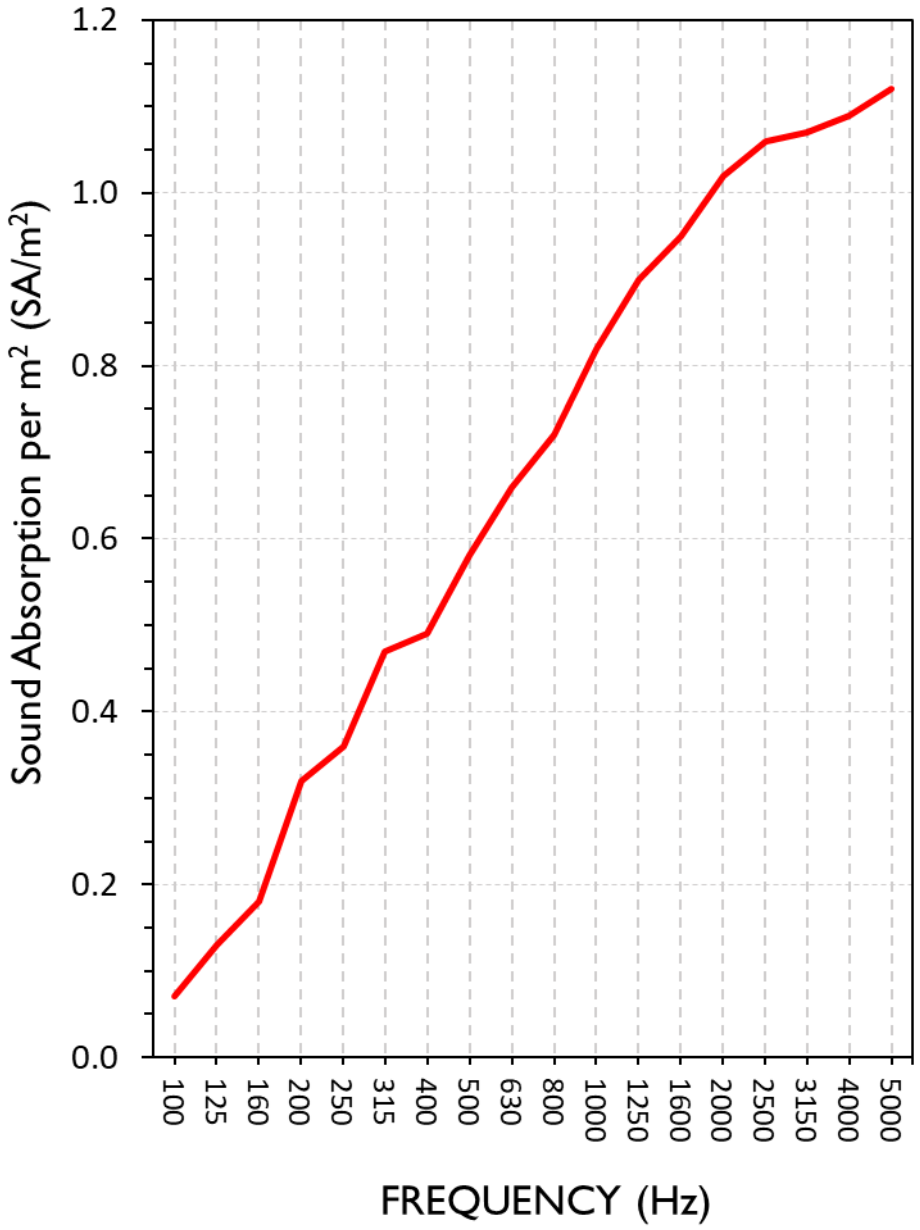

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APPENDIX A: Extended Frequency Range Data

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The following non-accredited data were obtained in accordance with ASTM C423-23, but extend beyond the defined frequency range of 100Hz to 5,000Hz. These unofficial results are representative of the RAL test environment only and intended for research & comparison purposes.

1/3 Octave Band Center Frequency	Total Absorption		Absorption per Object		α_{array} (Sabins/ft^2)
(Hz)	(m^2)	(Sabins)	(m^2 / Object)	(Sabins / Object)	(SA/m^2)
31.5	0.06	0.67	0.01	0.11	0.01
40	1.03	11.11	0.17	1.85	0.12
50	-0.70	-7.56	-0.12	-1.26	-0.08
63	-0.24	-2.55	-0.04	-0.43	-0.03
80	1.79	19.22	0.30	3.20	0.21
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6300	9.87	106.24	1.65	17.71	1.17
8000	9.68	104.15	1.61	17.36	1.15
10000	9.94	106.97	1.66	17.83	1.18
12500	9.55	102.80	1.59	17.13	1.13

APPENDIX B: Instruments of Traceability

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Description	Model	Serial Number	Date of Certification	Calibration Due
System 1	Type 3160-A-042	3160-106974	2024-08-15	2025-08-15
Bruel & Kjaer Mic And Preamp G	Type 4943-B-001	2525858	2024-05-07	2025-05-07
Bruel & Kjaer Pistonphone	Type 4228	2781248	2024-07-19	2025-07-19
EXTECH Hygro 959	SD700	A099959	2024-03-29	2025-03-29

APPENDIX C: Revisions to Original Test Report

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Date	Revision
2024-10-03	Original report issued

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