

Healthy Efficient Homes Research & Standards

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Project Summary

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Timeline:

Start date: FY14

Planned end date: FY19

Key Milestones

1. Technical Report on Occupancy Controlled Smart Ventilation, 9/15/2016
2. Completed ASTM Range Hood Capture Efficiency Standard, 9/15/2016
3. Report on Preliminary Development of an IAQ Valuation Score, 12/15/2016

Budget:

Total Project \$ to Date:

- DOE: \$3.9 m
- Cost Share: \$3.4m

Total Project \$:

- DOE: \$7.8m
- Cost Share: \$6m

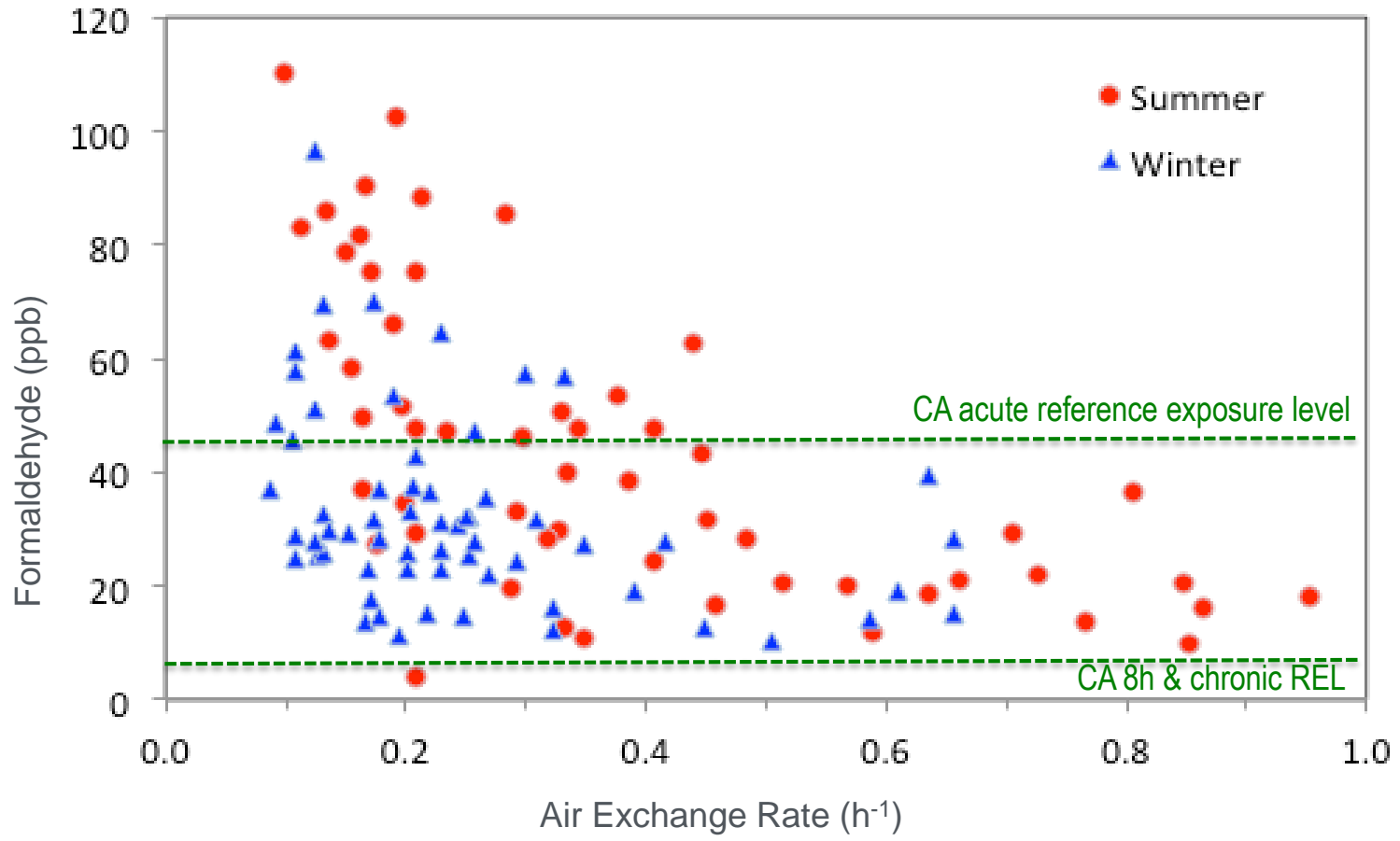
Key Partners:

ASHRAE	CARB
ASTM	AIVC
RESNET	EPA
CEC	HUD
BPA	HVI

Project Outcome:

This project will produce innovative technologies, industry guidance and codes and standards that ensure good indoor air quality (IAQ) in homes. This will remove barriers concerning IAQ while reducing the energy cost of IAQ, and allow the building industry to achieve the 40% energy savings in existing homes and 60% reductions in new homes targeted in the MYPP.

Problem: Pollutants elevated in tight homes w/o ventilation



Results from California New Home Study*

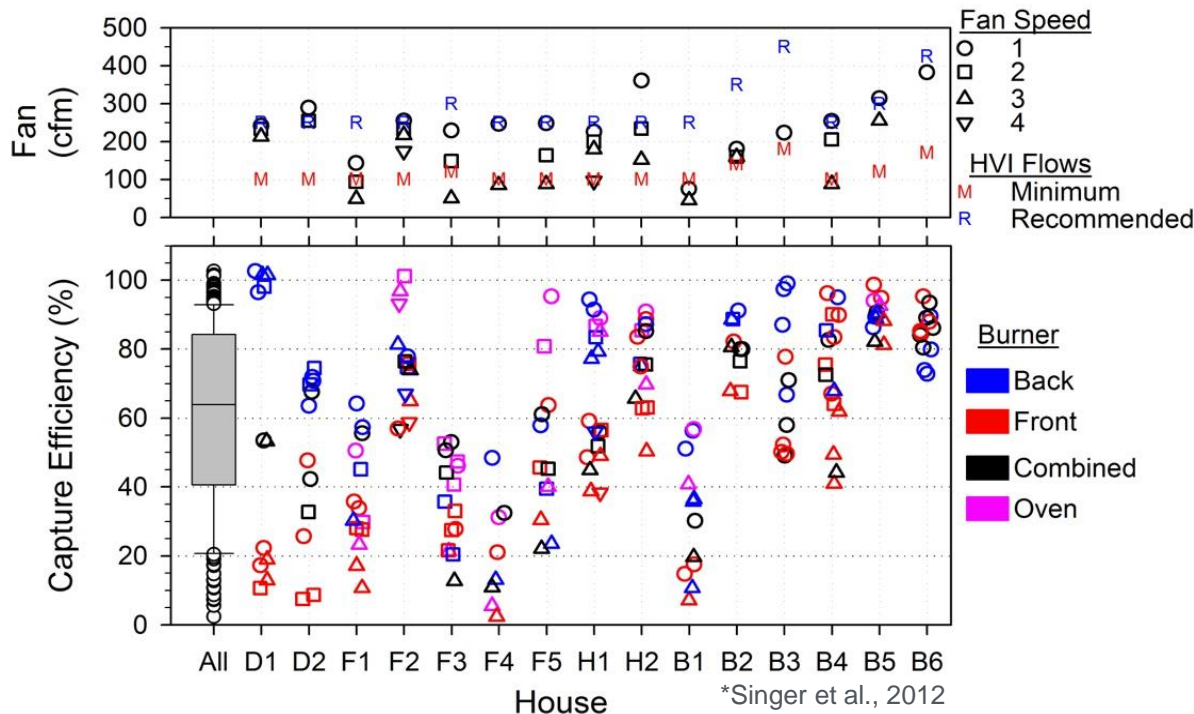
Built in 2002-5
Msd in 2006-7
N=108

*Offermann, CEC-500-2009-085

Problem: Kitchen ventilation standards insufficient

Standard	Fraction of people exposed above std.	Estimated # impacted in California	Estimated # impacted across U.S.
CO, 1-h CAAQS	9%	1.7M	10M
NO ₂ , 1-h NAAQS	62%	12M	66M

Based on simulations of 6634 SoCal homes. Typical Week in Winter. (Logue et al., 2014)



- Kitchen ventilation not required by many states
- ASHRAE 62.2 standard requires 100 cfm & 3 sone
- Many hoods ineffective; no way to know
- Lack of awareness about need.

Purpose and Objectives

Problem Statement: Concerns about indoor air quality (IAQ) and moisture problems are a market barrier for airtight efficient homes. Interest in improving health through IAQ is a motivator for retrofits that reduce energy. Industry needs guidance supported by research & demonstrations.

Target Market: New homes and homes undergoing renovation/retrofit.

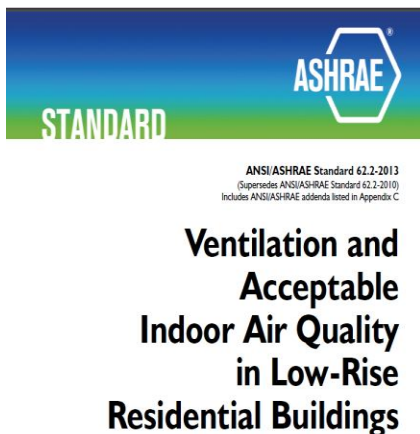
Audiences: Designers, builders, contractors, utility programs, code authorities, public health & housing agencies, ventilation and IAQ equipment manufacturers.

Goal is to enable air sealing to reduce heating and cooling energy of residential stock by 15-30% (0.7–1.4 quads).

Purpose and Objectives

Impact of Project:

1. Products are peer-reviewed technical reports and scientific papers guiding practice, standards, codes, and product development.
2. Progress measured by published codes and standards, expanded use of best practices, and improved technologies.
3. Success is zero-energy ready new homes and deeply retrofitted existing homes without adverse IAQ and health impacts.



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- Case Studies
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- Optimized Climate Solutions
- References and Resources
- Code Briefs

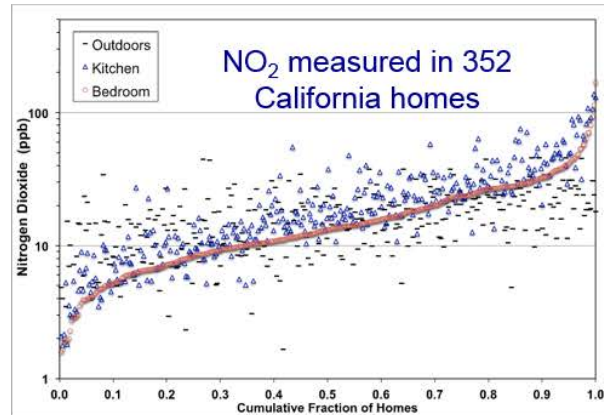
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<h3>Program Checklists</h3> <p>Access guides directly from checklists for Zero Energy Ready Home, ENERGY STAR Certified Home, and Indoor airPLUS</p> 	<h3>Building Components</h3> <p>Access guides for new and existing homes based on building components of interest.</p> 
<h3>Sales Tool</h3> <p>Translate building science technical terms into a new language of value.</p> 	<h3>Climate Packages</h3> <p>Review new home energy efficiency specifications and case studies that exceed 2009 IECC by 30%.</p> 

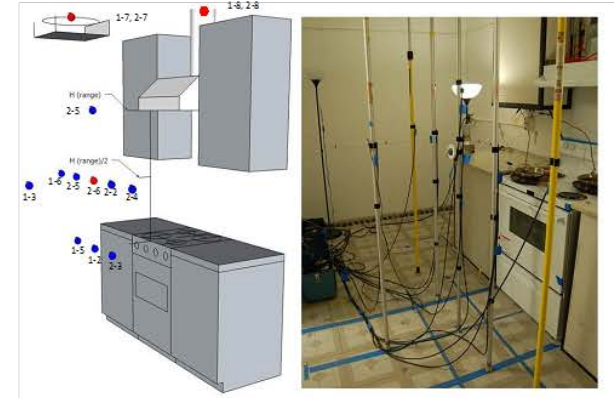
Approach – R&D Methods



Laboratory experiments



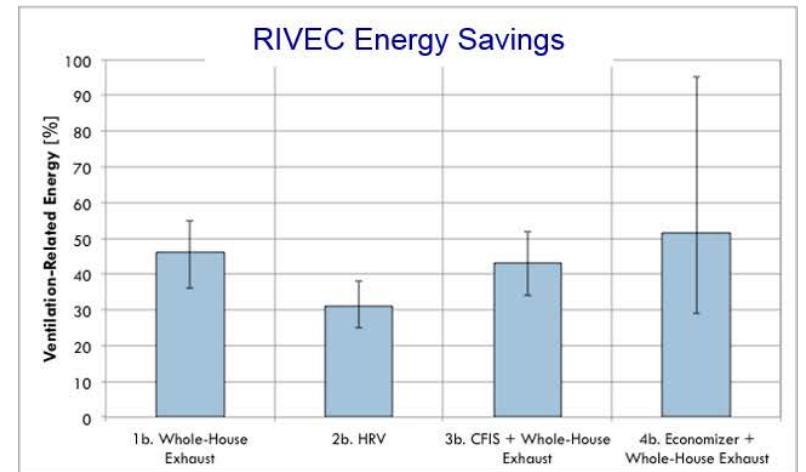
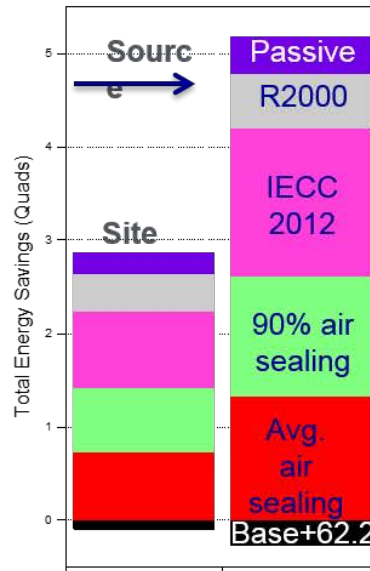
Surveys and data collection



Test method development & demos



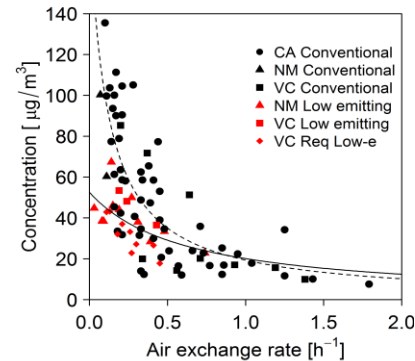
Controlled experiments in homes



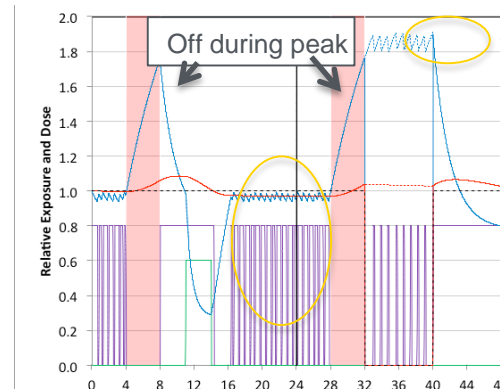
Analysis & Simulations

Approach – Key Issues from Tech to Market Roadmap

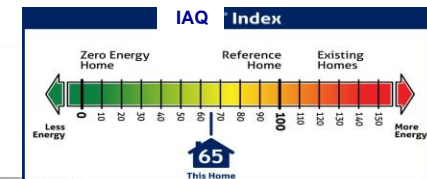
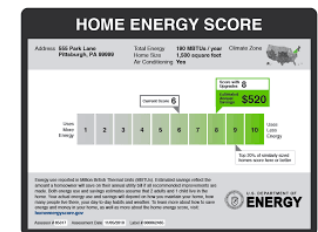
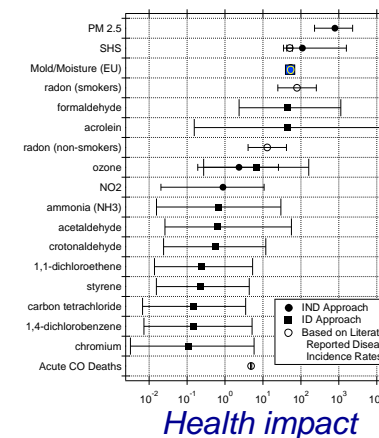
- **Targeted pollutant solutions:** source reduction & task ventilation to reduce general dilution ventilation.
- **Smart ventilation technologies** that reduce energy and peak loads. Sensors and controls to integrate all ventilation equipment for optimal energy and IAQ.
- **IAQ valuation** based on health benefits to standardize assessment, prioritize measures and create market demand for high performance homes.



Formaldehyde 42% lower in homes built with low emitting materials (Hult et al. 2014)



Smart ventilation savings (Turner & Walker, 2013)



Approach: Distinctive Characteristics

1. *Strong industry connections.*
2. *Building science principles and rigorous research methods.*
3. *Appropriate methodologies to achieve technical innovations.*
4. *Deep and broad experience in residential energy, ventilation, and IAQ science and methodologies.*



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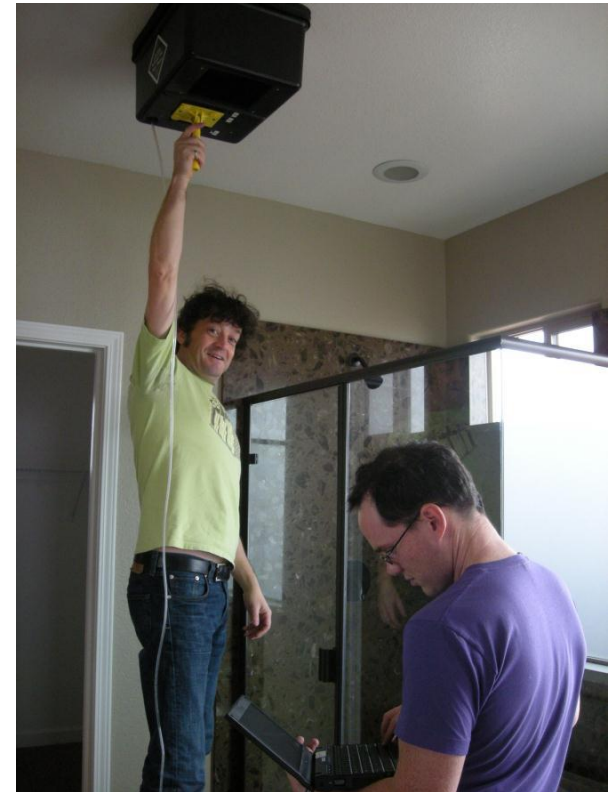
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Progress and Accomplishments

- RESNET Standard 380 on diagnostics for home energy ratings
- ASHRAE 62.2 allowance for smart ventilation controls
- Developed smart ventilation controls to reduce moisture risks in humid climates
- Draft ASTM standards for kitchen range hood and HVAC air flow diagnostics



ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 62.2-2013
(Supersedes ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 62.2-2010)
Includes ANSI/ASHRAE addenda listed in Appendix C

**Ventilation and
Acceptable
Indoor Air Quality
in Low-Rise
Residential Buildings**



BSR/RESNET/ICC 380-2015

**Standard for Testing Airtightness of
Building Enclosures, Airtightness of
Heating and Cooling Air Distribution
Systems, and Airflow of Mechanical
Ventilation Systems**



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Progress and Accomplishments

Market Impact:

- RESNET standards affect about 40% of all new homes.
- ASHRAE 62.2 affects hundreds of thousands of new homes and all homes from the DOE weatherization program.
- Smart ventilation equipment just starting to emerge.
- Expanded recognition of need for kitchen exhaust ventilation. Industry engaged in developing standard test.

Lessons Learned:

- Tortuous path from concept to approved standard, even when starting with consensus on goal and approach.
- Long lead times develop new products and change practices.

Partners, Subcontractors, and Collaborators

Industry



Codes and Standards



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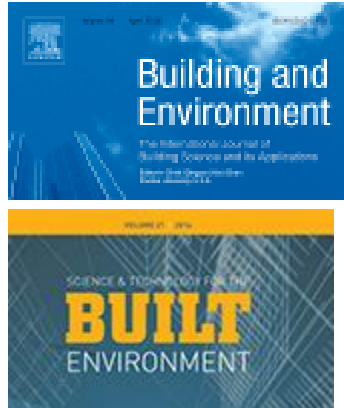


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Next Steps and Future Plans

Next Steps:

- Finalize test for wall-mount range hoods; add island and downdraft.
- Draft IAQ scoring tool
- Pollutant removal (filtration) credit in ASHRAE 62.2.
- Continue to develop smart ventilation algorithms. Support industry to incorporate into homes. Investigate occupancy and pollutant sensors.

Future Plans:

- Metrics & test for automatic range hoods.
- Revise kitchen ventilation standards for improved capture and sound.
- Pilot and finalize IAQ scoring tool and related resources.
- Tech support to credit smart ventilation in codes and standards

REFERENCE SLIDES

Project Budget

Project Budget: Level funding at \$1.3m/year

Variations: There are no variations from planned budget. Some tasks have been expanded – key example is the IAQ Score/valuation task has been expanded to investigate emerging sensor technologies

Cost to Date: \$500k

Additional Funding: Bonneville Power Administration: \$300k, CEC HENGH project: \$1.25m, CEC Attics: \$1m, EPA/HUD \$275k, NEW CEC Project SVACH \$1.5 m

Budget History

FY 2014 – FY 2015 (past)		FY 2016 (current)		FY 2017 – FY2020 (planned)	
DOE	Cost-share	DOE	Cost-share	DOE	Cost-share
\$2.6m	\$2.4m	\$1.3m	\$1m	\$3.9m	\$2.6m

