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March 13, 2021

Prince Georges County Environmental Safety Office 13306 Old Marlboro Pike Upper Marlboro, MD 20772

Attention: Mr. Alex Baylor

RE: Indoor Air Quality Screening Report

Global Project Number: 20-064 School: Benjamin Foulois School

Dear Mr. Baylor,

On February 16, 2021, Global, Inc.'s (GLOBAL) team of Industrial Hygienists under the supervision of Certified Industrial Hygienist, Dr. Channa Bambaradeniya, conducted an Indoor Air Quality Screening at Benjamin Foulois School located at 4601 Beauford Rd, Morningside, MD 20746.

Methodology

The IAQ evaluation included a visual assessment, sampling for non-viable mold spores in air, and measurement of comfort parameters (temperature, humidity, carbon dioxide, and carbon monoxide) in randomly selected representative locations within the building. GLOBAL's inspector conducted a walkthrough with Prince Georges County Public School (PGCPS) personnel present. Rooms were selected in a random manner throughout the building so as to prevent sampling bias.

During the visual assessment of representative locations, and when noted, GLOBAL documented those areas with suspected mold growth, water intrusions, and wet conditions that have the potential to lead to mold growth. GLOBAL also noted any unusual odors. At least one microbial air sample was collected for every 10,000 Square Feet (SF) of space in the building and the analytical results for the interior spaces were compared to an outdoor (ambient) sample collected on the same day.

Microbial samples (including a field blank for quality control) were delivered under strict chain-of-custody procedures were to Hayes Microbial Consulting - an AIHA EMPAT-certified laboratory in Midlothian, Virginia for analysis by microscopy. The sample chain-of-custody and laboratory report is attached.



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Observations

The general observations in the five indoor locations inspected are summarized in Table 1 below:

Table 1: Observations

Location	Observations					
Multipurpose Room	No Issue					
Health Suite	Water Damage Ceiling Tiles					
Music Room	No Issue					
Gymnasium	No Issue					
Room 173	Water Damage Ceiling Tiles					
Room 107	Dirty vents					
Music Media Center	3 Damage Ceiling Tiles					
Media Center	No Issue					
Room 222	No Issue					
Room 208	No Issue					
Room 204	Black Patches on the wall					

Comfort Parameter Measurements and Mold-in-Air Sample Results

The comfort parameter measurements and status of fungal ecology is summarized in Table 2 and Table 3.

Temperature

The American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) have published recommendations for year-round acceptable temperatures in Standard 55-2016 (*Thermal Environmental Conditions for Human Occupancy*). The winter comfort range is 68 to 75°F and the summer comfort range is 73 to 79°F. It is important to note that ASHRAE standards are intended as a suggested guideline as opposed to a regulation. The indoor temperature readings in lower level classrooms were below the ASHRAE Standard for winter.

Relative Humidity (RH)

Relative humidity is a key factor for mold growth. Mold has the potential of growing on suitable surfaces with humidity levels above 60%. ASHRAE standard 62.1-2013 (*Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality*) recommends a maximum indoor relative humidity of 65% to preclude the likelihood of condensation on cool surfaces encouraging mold growth. All the indoor relative humidity readings were below the ASHRAE recommended level of 65%.



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Carbon Monoxide

Carbon monoxide (CO) is a colorless and odorless gas that is produced by the incomplete combustion of carbon-containing fuels. Oil, gasoline, diesel fuels, wood, coke, and coal are the major sources of CO. All registered CO concentrations were below the EPA National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) of 9 ppm.

Carbon Dioxide

Under conditions of maximum occupancy, ASHRAE Standard 62.1-2013, Appendix C, infers that the acceptable carbon dioxide upper limit is the prevailing outdoor carbon dioxide concentration plus 700 parts per million (ppm). On February 15, 2021, the outdoor (ambient) carbon dioxide concentration was approximately 428 ppm so indoor concentrations should not exceed approximately 1128ppm (700 + 428). All indoor carbon dioxide measurements were within the ASHRAE standards.

Mold-in-Air Samples

There are no definitive regulations or standardized guidelines for addressing airborne mold in an indoor setting. If building systems (ventilation, envelope) are functioning properly, the indoor fungal ecology profile should be consistent with what is encountered outdoors and the spore concentrations should be below the ambient levels.

The analytical results of indoor air samples collected from Classrooms 204 on February 16, 2021 indicated elevated presence of *Aspergillus/Penicillium*. The horizontal surfaces of the above location were thoroughly recleaned, and air scrubbers with HEPA filters were operated for 24-36 hours. Subsequently, om 204 was reinspected on February 24th, 2021, and the analytical results of air samples collected indicated normal fungal ecology.

Table 2: Air Quality Results (Inspected on 2/16/2021)

Sample Location Standards	Temp ⁰ F ASHRAE	RH% ASHRAE	CO Ppm NAAQS	CO2 ppm ASHRAE	Normal Fungal Ecology?
	68 to 75°F	<65%	<9	1128	zeorogy.
Ambient	53	59	0	428	-
Multipurpose Room	55	54	0	440	Yes
Health Suite	66	41	0	459	Yes
Music Room	70	36	0	438	Yes



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Sample Location	Temp ⁰ F	RH%	CO Ppm	CO2 ppm	Normal Fungal	
Standards	ASHRAE 68 to 75°F	ASHRAE <65%	NAAQS <9	ASHRAE 1128	Ecology?	
Gymnasium	72	335	0	435	Yes	
Room 173	68	38	0	451	Yes	
Room 107	70	31	0	448	Yes	
Music Media Center	70	33	0	442	Yes	
Media Center	73	30	0	451	Yes	
Room 222	70	33	0	657	Yes	
Room 208	74	28	0	434	Yes	
Room 204	77	29	0	450	No	

Table 3: Air Quality Results (Inspected on 2/24/2021)

Sample Location	Temp ⁰ F	RH%	CO Ppm	CO2 ppm	Normal	
Standards	ASHRAE 68 to 75°F	ASHRAE <65%	NAAQS <9	ASHRAE 1106	Fungal Ecology?	
Ambient	71	22	0	406	-	
Room 204	68	24	0	440	Yes	

Conclusions and Recommendations

Among the comfort parameters, the indoor temperature in the lower level classrooms were lower than the ASHRAE standard for winter. The indoor temperature should be maintained at the ASHRAE standards for general comfort.

The indoor mold samples collected from Room 204 indicated elevated presence of *Aspergillus/Penicillium* during the screening performed on February 16, 2021. This location was thoroughly recleaned and reinspected, and the analytical results indicated normal fungal ecology.



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It has been our pleasure to conduct these IAQ Screening services for the Prince Georges County Public School system. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Regards,

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ATTACHMENT I

Air Sample Analytical Results and Chain-Of-Custody Form





Analysis Report prepared for

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BB203 Indoor Air Quality Benjamin Foulois Middle School

Collected: February 16, 2021 Received: February 22, 2021 Reported: February 22, 2021 We would like to thank you for trusting Hayes Microbial for your analytical needs!
We received 13 samples by FedEx in good condition for this project on February 22nd, 2021.

The results in this analysis pertain only to this job, collected on the stated date, and should not be used in the interpretation of any other job. This report may not be duplicated, except in full, without the written consent of Hayes Microbial Consulting, LLC..

This laboratory bears no responsibility for sample collection activities, analytical method limitations, or your use of the test results. Interpretation and use of test results are your responsibility. Any reference to health effects or interpretation of mold levels is strictly the opinion of Hayes Microbial. In no event, shall Hayes Microbial or any of its employees be liable for lost profits or any special, incidental or consequential damages arising out of the use of these test results.

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Indoor Air Quality Benjamin Foulois Middle School #21005411

Spore Trap, Spore Trap Blank

SOP - HMC#101

Sample Number	1	BFMS-02	1621-01	2	BFMS-02	1621-02	3	BFMS-02	1621-03	4	BFMS-02	1621-04
Sample Name	Ambient			Multi	Purpose Ro	oom	Health Suite			Music Room		
Sample Volume		75.00 liter		75.00 liter			75.00 liter			75.00 liter		
Reporting Limit		13 spores/m ³			13 spores/m ³			13 spores/m ³			13 spores/m ³	j
Background		2			1			2			2	
Fragments		ND			ND			ND			13/m ³	
Organism	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total
Alternaria												
Ascospores	4	53	57.1%									
Aspergillus Penicillium												
Basidiospores	1	13	14.3%	1	13	100.0%						
Bipolaris Drechslera												
Chaetomium												
Cladosporium	2	27	28.6%				2	27	100.0%	3	40	75.0%
Curvularia												
Epicoccum												
Fusarium												
Memnoniella												
Myxomycetes										1	13	25.0%
Pithomyces												
Stachybotrys												
Stemphylium												
Torula												
Ulocladium												
Total	7	93	100%	1	13	100%	2	27	100%	4	53	100%

Water Damage Indicator

Common Allergen

Slightly Higher than Baseline

Significantly Higher than Baseline

Ratio Abnormality



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Sample Number	5	BFMS-021621-05 6 BFMS-021621-06		1621-06	7	BFMS-02	1621-07	8 BFMS-021621-08				
Sample Name	Gym				Room 173		room 107			Music Media Center		
Sample Volume		75.00 liter			75.00 liter		75.00 liter			75.00 liter		
Reporting Limit		13 spores/m ³	1		13 spores/m ³			13 spores/m ³			13 spores/m ³	1
Background		2			2			2			2	
Fragments		ND			ND			ND			ND	
Organism	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total
Alternaria												
Ascospores	2	27	100.0%	1	13	50.0%						
Aspergillus Penicillium												
Basidiospores												
Bipolaris Drechslera												
Chaetomium												
Cladosporium				1	13	50.0%	2	27	66.7%			
Curvularia												
Epicoccum							1	13	33.3%			
Fusarium												
Memnoniella												
Myxomycetes										2	27	100.0%
Pithomyces												
Stachybotrys												
Stemphylium												
Torula												
Ulocladium												
Total	2	27	100%	2	26	100%	3	40	100%	2	27	100%

Water Damage Indicator

Common Allergen

Slightly Higher than Baseline

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Ratio Abnormality



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Spore Trap Blank SOP - HMC#101

Sample Number	9	BFMS-02	1621-09	10	BFMS-02	1621-10	11 BFMS-021621-11		12	12 BFMS-021621-12			
Sample Name	Media Center				Room 222 Ro		Room 208			Room 204			
Sample Volume	75.00 liter			75.00 liter				75.00 liter			75.00 liter		
Reporting Limit		13 spores/m ³	3		13 spores/m ³	1		13 spores/m ³			13 spores/m ³	}	
Background		2			1			2			2		
Fragments		ND			ND			13/m ³			ND		
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Organism	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total	
Alternaria													
Ascospores	1	13	100.0%				1	13	33.3%	4	53	12.1%	
Aspergillus Penicillium										11	147	33.3%	
Basidiospores							2	27	66.7%				
Bipolaris Drechslera													
Chaetomium													
Cladosporium				1	13	100.0%				18	240	54.5%	
Curvularia													
Epicoccum													
Fusarium													
Memnoniella													
Myxomycetes													
Pithomyces													
Stachybotrys													
Stemphylium													
Torula													
Ulocladium													
Total	1	13	100%	1	13	100%	3	40	100%	33	440	100%	
Total	<u>'</u>	13	100%	•	13	100%		10	100%		170	100%	

Water Damage Indicator

Common Allergen

Slightly Higher than Baseline

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Spore Trap, Spore Trap Blank SOP - HMC#101

BFMS-021621-13 Sample Number 13 Sample Name Field Blank Sample Volume 0.00 liter Reporting Limit 1 spore/m³ NBD Background ND Fragments Count / m3 **Raw Count** % of Total Organism Alternaria Ascospores Aspergillus|Penicillium Basidiospores Bipolaris|Drechslera Chaetomium Cladosporium Curvularia **Epicoccum** Fusarium Memnoniella Myxomycetes Pithomyces Stachybotrys Stemphylium Torula Ulocladium Total ND ND

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Spore Trap Information

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Reporting Limit	The Reporting Limit is the lowest number of spores that can be detected based on the total volume of the sample collected and the percentage of the slide that is counted. At Hayes Microbial, 100% of the slide is read so the LOD is based solely on the total volume. Raw spore counts that exceed 500 spores will be estimated.					
Blanks	Results have not been corrected for field or laboratory blanks.					
Background	The Background is the amount of debris that is present in the sample. This debris consists of skin cells, dirt, dust, pollen, drywall dust and other organic and non-organic matter. As the background density increases, the likelihood of spores, especially small spores such as those of Aspergillus and Penicillium may be obscured. The background is rated on a scale of 1 to 5 and each level is determined as follows:					
	 NBD: No background detected due to possible pump or cassette malfunction. Recollect sample. (Field Blanks will display NBD) 1: <5% of field occluded. No spores will be uncountable. 2: 5-25% of field occluded. 3: 25-75% of field occluded. 4: 75-90% of field occluded. 5: >90% of field occluded. Suggested recollection of sample. 					
Fragments	Fragments are small pieces of fungal mycelium or spores. They are not identifiable as to type and when present in very large numbers, may indicate the presence of mold amplification.					
Control Comparisons	There are no national standards for the numbers of fungal spores that may be present in the indoor environment. As a general rule and guideline that is widely accepted in the indoor air quality field, the numbers and types of spores that are present in the indoor environment should not exceed those that are present outdoors at any given time. There will always be some mold spores present in "normal" indoor environments. The purpose of sampling and counting spores is to help determine whether an abnormal condition exists within the indoor environment and if it does, to help pinpoint the area of contamination. Spore counts should not be used as the sole determining factor of mold contamination. There are many factors that can cause anomalies in the comparison of indoor and outdoor samples due to the dynamic nature of both of those environments.					
Water Damage Indicator	Blue: These molds are commonly seen in conditions of prolonged water intrusion and usually indicate a problem.					
Common Allergen	Green: Although all molds are potential allergens, these are the most common allergens that may be found indoors.					
Slightly Higher than Baseline	Orange: The spore count is slightly higher than the outside count and may or may not indicate a source of contamination. Red: The spore count is significantly higher than the baseline count and probably indicates a source of contamination.					
Significantly Higher than Baseline						
Ratio Abnormality	Violet : The types of spores found indoors should be similar to the ones that were identified in the baseline sample. Significant increases (more than 25%) in the ratio of a particular spore type may indicate the presence of abnormal levels of mold, even if the total number of spores of that type is lower in the indoor environment than it was outdoors.					
Color Coding	Fungi that are present in indoor samples at levels lower than 200 per cubic meter are not color coded on the report, unless they are one of the water damage indicators.					



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Organism Descriptions

Ascospores	Habitat:	A large group consisting of more than 3000 species of fungi. Common plant pathogens and outdoor numbers become very high following rain. Most of the genera are indistinguishable by spore trap analysis and are combined on the report.							
	Effects:	Health affects are poorly studied, but many are likely to be allergenic.							
Aspergillus Penicillium	Habitat:	most common fungi isolated from the environment. Very common in soil and on decaying plant material. Are able to grow well indoors on le variety of substrates.							
	Effects:	This group contains common allergens and many can cause hypersensitivity pneumonitis. They may cause extrinsic asthma, and many are opportunistic pathogens. Many species produce mycotoxins which may be associated with disease in humans and other animals. Toxin production is dependent on the species, the food source, competition with other organisms, and other environmental conditions.							
Basidiospores	Habitat:	A common group of Fungi that includes the mushrooms and bracket fungi. They are saprophytes and plant pathogens. In wet conditions they can cause structural damage to buildings.							
	Effects:	Common allergens and are also associated with hypersensitivity pneumonitis.							
Cladosporium	Habitat:	One of the most common genera worldwide. Found in soil and plant debris and on the leaf surfaces of living plants. The outdoor numbers are lower in the winter and often relatively high in the summer, especially in high humidity. The outdoor numbers often spike in the late afternoon and evening. Indoors, it can be found growing on textiles, wood, sheetrock, moist window sills and in HVAC supply ducts.							
	Effects:	A common allergen, producing more than 10 allergenic antigens and a common cause of hypersensitivity pneumonitis.							
Epicoccum	Habitat:	It is found in soil and plant litter and is a plant pathogen. It can grow indoors on a variety of substrates, including paper and textiles and is commonly found on wet drywall.							
	Effects:	It is a common allergen. No cases of infection have been reported in humans.							
Myxomycetes	Habitat:	Found on decaying plant material and as a plant pathogen.							
	Effects:	Some allergenic properties reported, but generally pose no health concerns to humans.							





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Note:

Analysis	s Type	Analysis Description	Turnaround	Accepted Media Types	
Spore Trap	S	Identification & Enumeration of Fungal Spores	24 Hour	Air Cassettes, Impact Slides	
	S+	Spore Trap Analysis with Dander, Fiber, and Pollen counts	24 Hour	Air Cassettes, Impact Slides	
Direct ID	D	ID & Semi-Quantative Enumeration of spores and mycelium	24 Hour	Bio-Tape, Tape, Swab, Bulk, Agar Plate	
	D+	Direct Analysis with Fully Quantitative spore count	24 Hour	Bio-Tape, Tape, Swab, Bulk, Agar Plate	
Culture	C1	Identification & Enumeration of Mold only	7 Day	Air Plate, Agar Plate, Swab, Bulk	
	C2	Identification & Enumeration of Bacteria only	4 Day	Air Plate, Agar Plate, Swab, Bulk	
	C3	Identification & Enumeration of Mold and Bacteria	7 Day	Air Plate, Agar Plate, Swab, Bulk	
	C5	Coliform Screen for Sewage Bacteria	2 Day	Agar Plate, Swab, Bulk	
Particle	TPA	Total Particulate Analysis, ID & Count (Does Not Include Mold)	24 Hour	Air Cassettes, Impact Slides, Bio-Tape	
				Notes	

#	Number	Sample	Analysis	Volume	Notes
1	BFMS-021621-01	Ambient	S	75L	
2	BFMS-021621-02	Multi purpose Room	S	75L	i - 2
3	BFMS-021621-03	Health Suite	S	75L	
4	BFMS-021621-04	Music Room	S	75L	
5	BFMS-021621-05	gym	S	75L	
6	BFMS-021621-06	Room 173	S	75L	
7	BFMS-021621-07	Room 107	S	75L	
8	BFMS-021621-08	Music Media Center	S	75L	
9	BFMS-021621-09	Media Center	S	75L	
10	BFMS-021621-10	Room 222	S	75L	
11	BFMS-021621-11	Room 208	S	75L	
12	BFMS-021621-12	Room 204	S	75L	3-
13	BFMS-021621-13	Field Blank	S	75L	
14					
15					
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IAQ Reinspection Benjamin Foulois ES #21006306

Spore Trap SOP - HMC#101

Sample Number	1	0	1	2	0	2				
Sample Name	Ambient			Room #204						
Sample Volume	75.00 liter			75.00 liter						
Reporting Limit		13 spores/m ³		13 spores/m³						
Background		2		2						
Fragments		ND		ND						
Organism	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total	Raw Count	Count / m ³	% of Total				
Alternaria										
Ascospores	2	27	25.0%							
Aspergillus Penicillium				2	27	50.0%				
Basidiospores	2	27	25.0%							
Bipolaris Drechslera										
Chaetomium										
Cladosporium	1	13	12.5%	2	27	50.0%				
Curvularia										
Epicoccum										
Fusarium										
Memnoniella										
Myxomycetes	3	40	37.5%							
Pithomyces										
Stachybotrys										
Stemphylium										
Torula										
Ulocladium										
Total	8	107	100%	4	54	100%				
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Water Damage Indicator

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Ratio Abnormality

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Fragments	Fragments are small pieces of fungal mycelium or spores. They are not identifiable as to type and when present in very large numbers, may indicate the presence of mold amplification.
Control Comparisons	There are no national standards for the numbers of fungal spores that may be present in the indoor environment. As a general rule and guideline that is widely accepted in the indoor air quality field, the numbers and types of spores that are present in the indoor environment should not exceed those that are present outdoors at any given time. There will always be some mold spores present in "normal" indoor environments. The purpose of sampling and counting spores is to help determine whether an abnormal condition exists within the indoor environment and if it does, to help pinpoint the area of contamination. Spore counts should not be used as the sole determining factor of mold contamination. There are many factors that can cause anomalies in the comparison of indoor and outdoor samples due to the dynamic nature of both of those environments.
Water Damage Indicator	Blue: These molds are commonly seen in conditions of prolonged water intrusion and usually indicate a problem.
Common Allergen	Green: Although all molds are potential allergens, these are the most common allergens that may be found indoors.
Slightly Higher than Baseline	Orange: The spore count is slightly higher than the outside count and may or may not indicate a source of contamination.
Significantly Higher than Baseline	Red: The spore count is significantly higher than the baseline count and probably indicates a source of contamination.
Ratio Abnormality	Violet: The types of spores found indoors should be similar to the ones that were identified in the baseline sample. Significant increases (more than 25%) in the ratio of a particular spore type may indicate the presence of abnormal levels of mold, even if the total number of spores of that type is lower in the indoor environment than it was outdoors.
Color Coding	Fungi that are present in indoor samples at levels lower than 200 per cubic meter are not color coded on the report, unless they are one of the water damage indicators.



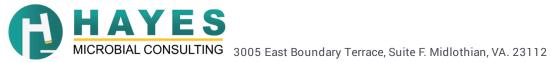
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Organism Descriptions

Ascospores	Habitat:	A large group consisting of more than 3000 species of fungi. Common plant pathogens and outdoor numbers become very high following rain. Most of the genera are indistinguishable by spore trap analysis and are combined on the report.								
	Effects:	Health affects are poorly studied, but many are likely to be allergenic.								
Aspergillus Penicillium	Habitat:	The most common fungi isolated from the environment. Very common in soil and on decaying plant material. Are able to grow well indoors on a wide variety of substrates.								
	Effects:	This group contains common allergens and many can cause hypersensitivity pneumonitis. They may cause extrinsic asthma, and many are opportunistic pathogens. Many species produce mycotoxins which may be associated with disease in humans and other animals. Toxin production is dependent on the species, the food source, competition with other organisms, and other environmental conditions.								
Basidiospores	Habitat:	A common group of Fungi that includes the mushrooms and bracket fungi. They are saprophytes and plant pathogens. In wet conditions they can cause structural damage to buildings.								
	Effects:	Common allergens and are also associated with hypersensitivity pneumonitis.								
Cladosporium	Habitat:	One of the most common genera worldwide. Found in soil and plant debris and on the leaf surfaces of living plants. The outdoor numbers are lower in the winter and often relatively high in the summer, especially in high humidity. The outdoor numbers often spike in the late afternoon and evening. Indoors, it can be found growing on textiles, wood, sheetrock, moist window sills and in HVAC supply ducts.								
	Effects:	A common allergen, producing more than 10 allergenic antigens and a common cause of hypersensitivity pneumonitis.								
Myxomycetes	Habitat:	Found on decaying plant material and as a plant pathogen.								
•	Effects:	Some allergenic properties reported, but generally pose no health concerns to humans.								





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		S+	Spore Trap	e Trap Analysis with Dander, Fiber, and Pollen counts							Air Cassettes, Impact Slides			
Direct ID D			ID & Semi-C	ID & Semi-Quantative Enumeration of spores and mycelium								Tape, Swab, Bulk, Agar Plate		
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