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# OUTDOOR VS. INDOOR

Indoor transmission of SARS-CoV-2 Hua QIAN, Te MIAO2, Li LIU , Xiaohong ZHENG , Danting LUO , and Yuguo Li,

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# SOLAR IMPACT SARS-COV2 :

**TOP:** AIR 90% reduction from 200 minutes to 4.5 minutes

# **BOTTOM:** STAINLESS STEEL 90% reduction in 7 minutes





## AIR QUALITY

# "...increase of only 1 g/m<sup>3</sup> in PM2.5 is associated with a 15% increase in the COVID-19 death rate.."

Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Heath

https://projects.iq.harvard.edu/files/covid-pm/files/pm\_and\_covid\_mortality.pdf

Relative Humidity: • 40-60%



AT 73F/74F





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# RESUSPEND - FLOOR







# CARPET VS. HARD FLOOR

Surface dust loading values (mg m <sup>-2</sup> )				
	D <sub>p</sub> <500 μm	D <sub>p</sub> <45 μm	D <sub>p</sub> <10 μm	D <sub>p</sub> <2.5 μm
Carpet				
Geometric mean	7800	310	41	16
95th Percentile	38000	1500	200	76
Hard floor				
Geometric mean	420	17	2.2	0.8
95th Percentile	2400	96	12	4.8

Almost 20 Times More Material



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# BASE BUILDING CONSIDERATIONS

#### Epidemic plan from base building

*"Employees should wear <u>a cloth face covering</u> to cover their nose and mouth in all areas of the business."* COVID-19 Employer Information for Office Buildings



# LOBBY

- 1. Pressurized
- 2. Sanitized
- 3. Time touchless





# **RESUSPEND - TOILET**







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# TOILET

- 1. Continuous exhaust
- 2. Door hold open
- 3. Consider occupants indicator



Occupancy Indicator



# WILL OUTBREAKS IMPACT OTHER FLOORS?

- Korean Call Center:
  - o 97 of the 811 employees tested positive
  - 94 sat on the same floor



# ATRIUM





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#### DOAS - RADIANT



### DOAS – CHILLED BEAM



# DOAS - NIST

Integrated Exposure: 1.5E4 (#s/M<sup>3</sup>)

Exposure Concentration: 2.3E0 (#s/M<sup>3</sup>)



#### DOAS – FAN COIL OR VRF





VAV



#### VAV SYSTEM MINIMUM OUTSIDE AIR



#### BETTER FILTER MERV 8 - MERV 13



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### MERV 8 VS MERV 13



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— Occupant

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#### VAV SYSTEM 100% OUTSIDE AIR



## MERV 8 VS 100% OUTSIDE AIR











#### https://pages.nist.gov/CONTAM-apps/webapps/FaTIMA/



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#### UVC LIGHTS



#### **EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES**

- Emerging light spectrum technologies:
  - o 315-400 nm UVa fixtures
  - 220 nm Far UVc lamps
  - 405 nm visible spectrum lamps
- Pulsed Xenon (Pulsed UV)
- Bipolar Ionization/Corona Discharge
- Photocatalytic Oxidation (PCO)





#### HEALTH THREATS (UN WHO) 3. Pandemic

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# HEALTH THREATS (UN WHO)Chronic Diseases

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# HEALTH THREATS (UN WHO) 1. Climate Change

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## ELEVATORS

1. Prolong exposure – 15 minutes



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# ELEVATORS

- 1. Prolong exposure 15 minutes
- 2. Turn on elevator lift ventilation fan
  - 6'x6'x8'
  - 95% Elimination of material in the air:
  - 200 CFM (  $340 \text{ M}^3/\text{Hr}$ ) = 4.3 minutes



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- 3. Consider portable cleaner with HEPA filter
- 4. Open every door



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