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Test Report

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ON: Blade (7 objects in a single row, spaced 10" on center)

Sound Absorption
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TEST METHODOLOGY

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INFORMATION PROVIDED BY SPONSOR

The test specimen was designated by the sponsor as Blade (7 objects in a single row, spaced 10" on center). 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: Blade
Manufacturer: ASI

SPECIMEN MEASUREMENTS & TEST CONDITIONS

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

Test Specimen

Materials: PET felt baffles
Dimensions: 7 objects @ 12.84 mm (0.5055 in.) wide by 2438 mm (96 in.) long, each
Depth: 305 mm (12 in.)
Overall Weight: 18.37 kg (40.5 lbs)

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SPECIMEN MEASUREMENTS & TEST CONDITIONS (continued)

Physical Measurements (per object)

Dimensions: 0.3 m (12.0 in) wide by 2.44 m (96.0 in) long

Thickness: 0.01 m (0.5055 in)

Weight: 2.62 kg (5.78 lbs)

Test Environment

Room Volume: 291.98 m³

Temperature: 21.4 °C ± 0.2 °C (Requirement: ≥ 10 °C and ≤ 5 °C change)

Relative Humidity: 61.8 % ± 5.0 % (Requirement: ≥ 40 % and ≤ 5 % change)

Barometric Pressure: 99.4 kPa (Requirement not defined)

Each sound absorbing object had an exposed surface area of 1.56 m² (16.8 ft²). The total exposed surface area of all sound-absorbing objects was 10.9 m² (117 ft²).

MOUNTING METHOD

Type JV-MOD Mounting: The specimen is an array of 7 spaced sound absorbing objects suspended from cables with metal clips such that the closest face is located approximately 1067 mm (42 in.) from the horizontal test surface. This approximates the mounting method of a typical ceiling baffle installation. The objects were evenly distributed in a single row, spaced 254 mm (10 in.) on center. The width of the installed object array was 1549 mm (61 in.) and the length of the installed object array was 2438 mm (96 in.). The area of extended continuous surface attributed to the object array was 4.90 m² (52.8 ft²).

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Figure 1 – Specimen mounted in test chamber



Figure 2 – Individual specimen object

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Figure 3 – Detail of specimen materials

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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:

$S_{\text{array}} = (w + w_1) \times (l + 0.3)$ If the set of objects consists of a single row of equal sized objects with equal space between each. (ASTM E423-23 X.2.3.2)

Where:

S_{array} = area of extended continuous surface attributed to the object array, m^2

w = the measured width of the installed object array, in meters

w_1 = the distance between objects in the array along the width, in meters

l = the measured length of the object array, in meters

Note: A standard distance of 0.3 meters is added to the array length to account for the assumed area between this set of objects and an adjacent array of objects.

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

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

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

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TEST RESULTS (continued)

1/3 Octave Center Frequency (Hz)	Total Absorption		Absorption per Object		α_{array} (Sabins/ft ²) (SA/m ²)
	(m ²)	(Sabins)	(m ² / Object)	(Sabins / Object)	
100	0.07	0.74	0.01	0.11	0.01
** 125	0.43	4.66	0.06	0.67	0.09
160	0.92	9.88	0.13	1.41	0.19
200	1.38	14.85	0.20	2.12	0.28
** 250	1.93	20.74	0.28	2.96	0.39
315	2.82	30.32	0.40	4.33	0.57
400	2.90	31.17	0.41	4.45	0.59
** 500	3.29	35.41	0.47	5.06	0.67
630	3.50	37.71	0.50	5.39	0.71
800	3.75	40.37	0.54	5.77	0.76
** 1000	4.16	44.75	0.59	6.39	0.85
1250	4.97	53.46	0.71	7.64	1.01
1600	5.43	58.41	0.78	8.34	1.11
** 2000	6.13	65.95	0.88	9.42	1.25
2500	6.53	70.25	0.93	10.04	1.33
3150	6.72	72.36	0.96	10.34	1.37
** 4000	6.67	71.84	0.95	10.26	1.36
5000	6.92	74.50	0.99	10.64	1.41

Array-NRC 0.80 over 4.90 m² of extended continuous surface area

Array-SAA 0.79 over 4.90 m² of extended continuous surface area

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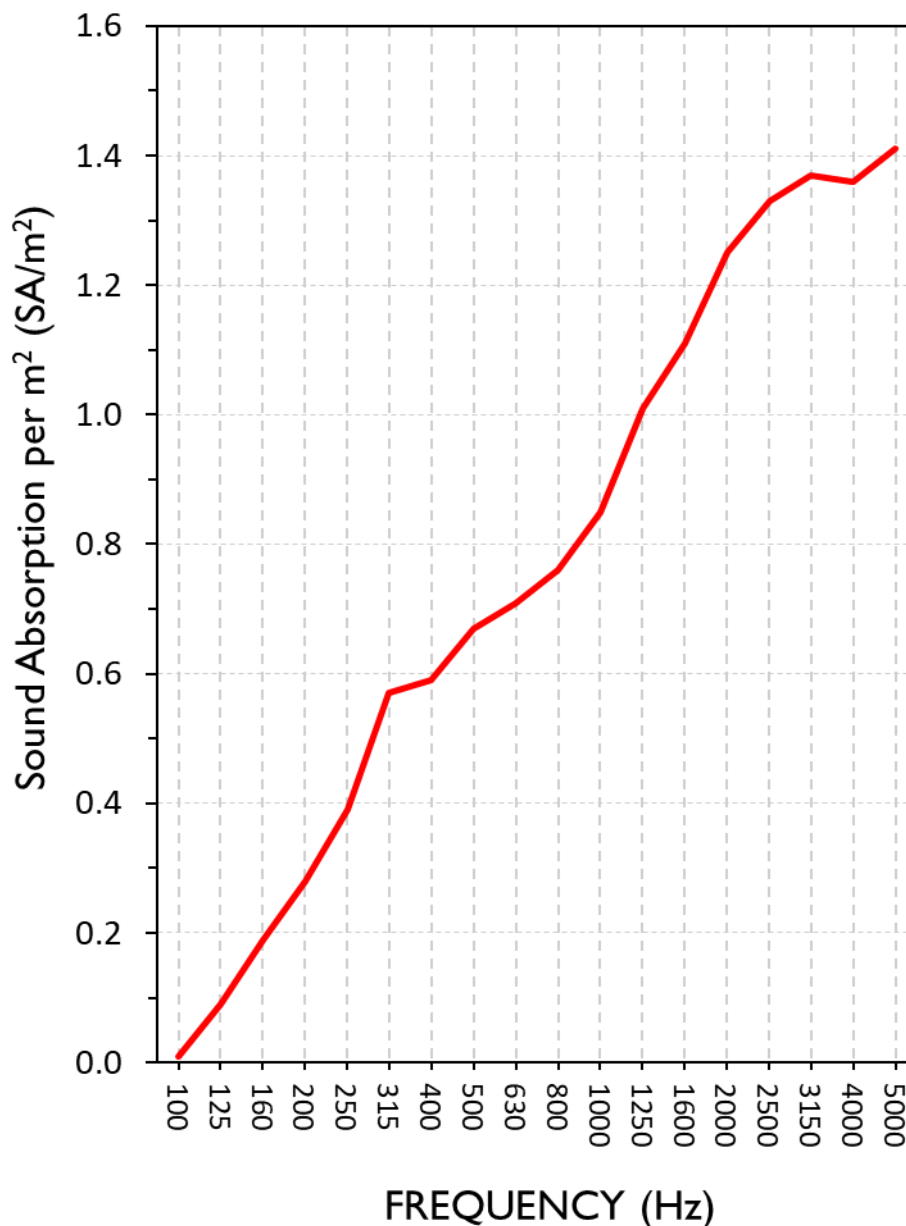
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Note: Sound absorption per m² (SA/m²), and therefore the reported Single Number Ratings, are highly dependent on the exact sample shape, size, spacing, and extended continuous surface area present in the test and subsequent calculations. Changes to 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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APPENDIX A: Extended Frequency Range Data

Specimen: Blade (7 objects in a single row, spaced 10" on center) (See Full Report)

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	0.37	3.96	0.05	0.57	0.08
40	-0.07	-0.74	-0.01	-0.11	-0.01
50	-1.51	-16.25	-0.22	-2.32	-0.31
63	-0.22	-2.39	-0.03	-0.34	-0.05
80	1.01	10.84	0.14	1.55	0.21
100	0.07	0.74	0.01	0.11	0.01
125	0.43	4.66	0.06	0.67	0.09
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6300	6.88	74.06	0.98	10.58	1.40
8000	7.23	77.79	1.03	11.11	1.47
10000	7.43	80.01	1.06	11.43	1.52
12500	8.09	87.08	1.16	12.44	1.65

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APPENDIX B: Instruments of Traceability

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<u>Description</u>	<u>Model</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>Date of Certification</u>	<u>Calibration Due</u>
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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<u>Date</u>	<u>Revision</u>
2025-02-14	Original report issued

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