

LABORATORY REPORT

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SUBJECT: Particle Identification
SPECIMEN: Five Sets of Tapelifts
REFERENCE: JFK

INTRODUCTION

Five sets of three tapelifts each was received for analysis.

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Analysis/Date Collected</i>
M17	Windowsill	PI 7/30/19
Ref 1	Reference Desk Mont Station R Side Wood	
Ref 2	Reference Desk Mont Station L Side Wood	
M08A	Front of Landscape Wall Mont	PI 7/30/19
M18-3	Tracey Rice Keyboard	
M18-2	Windowsill	
M04	Front of Table Next t. Phone	PI 7/31/19
M04B	Top of File Cab	PI 7/30/19
M04 E	Top of Brown Table	
M 23-1	Top of Bookshelf Window Side	PI 7/30/19
M23-2	Paul Rodman Cube Wall	
M23-3	Tabletop Near Sink	
M23A	Top of File Cab	PI 7/30/19
M23C	Top of Desk Shelf	
M23 D-1	Top of Desk Shelf	
M23 D-2	Bookshelf 3 Shelf Down	

The tapelifts were placed on clean microscope slides and immersed in acetone for about two hours and then removed. The slides with the tapelifts were rinsed with clean acetone as they were removed from the immersion tank. The tapelifts were allowed to dry for twenty minutes in a laminar flow Clean Work Station and then mounted using a synthetic resin (Shurmount). The completed mounts were analyzed using analytical light microscopy. The materials identified are listed in decreasing order of frequency, the most common materials first. The significance of a material's location in the

list is not necessarily related to its health impact because some materials have a greater health impact at low levels than other materials do at high levels.

RESULTS

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Glass Fibers</i>	<i>Particle Summary</i>
M17	Windowsill	3	Skin Flakes, Clothing Fibers, Plant Debris, Phytoliths, Natural Minerals, Starch, Cosmetics, Pollen,
Ref 1	Reference Desk Mont Station R Side Wood	2	Skin Flakes, Clothing Fibers, Plant Debris, Phytoliths, Starch
Ref 2	Reference Desk Mont Station L Side Wood	0	Skin Flakes, Clothing Fibers, Plant Debris, Phytoliths, Paper Fibers, Natural Minerals
M08A	Front of Landscape Wall Mont	0	Skin Flakes, Clothing Fibers, Bird Feather Barbules, Plant Debris, Starch
M18-3	Tracey Rice Keyboard	0	Clothing Fibers, Skin Flakes, Paper Fibers, Natural Minerals, Cosmetics, Natural Minerals
M18-2	Windowsill	2	Clothing Fibers, Skin Flakes, Paper Fibers, Natural Minerals, Paint
M04	Front of Table Next t. Phone	0	Natural Minerals, Skin Flakes
M04B	Top of File Cab	1	Skin Flakes, Natural Minerals, Metal Wear
M04 E	Top of Brown Table	0	Skin Flakes, Ink, Clothing Fibers, Natural Minerals
M 23-1	Top of Bookshelf Window Side	0	Paper Fibers, Cotton Fibers, Plant Debris
M23-2	Paul Rodman Cube Wall	1	Paper Fibers, Cotton Fibers
M23-3	Tabletop Near Sink	1	Cotton Fibers, Natural Minerals
M23A	Top of File Cab	0	Skin Flakes, Resin, Metal Wear
M23C	Top of Desk Shelf	19	Clothing Fibers, Natural Minerals, Insect Debris
M23 D-1	Top of Desk Shelf	14	Skin Flakes, Paper Fibers, Natural Minerals
M23 D-2	Bookshelf 3 Shelf Down	2	Skin Flakes, Clothing Debris, Plant Debris, Natural Minerals

Particles typically seen on these tapelifts included skin flakes, paper fiber, clothing fiber, natural minerals, plant parts, tire wear, starch, pollen, plant material, fungal spores, cosmetics, feather barbules, wear metals, ink, silica phytoliths, and glass fiber.

Nine out of the twelve samples contained a total 45 short glass fibers (less than 50microns in length). Sample M23 D-1, M23C and M17 did not meet the 2 glass fibers per square inch clearance requirement. 13 short glass fibers and 4 long glass fibers per square inch is associated with health complaint. All the samples contained normal to low particle loading.

CONCLUSION

Nine out of the twelve samples contained a total 45 short glass fibers (less than 50microns in length). Sample M23 D-1, M23C and M17 did not meet the 2 glass fibers per square inch clearance requirement. The glass fiber in these samples are consistent with fibers found in acoustic ceiling tile. All the samples contained normal to low particle loading.

Thank you for this opportunity to be of service. If I can provide any further assistance, please contact me.

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SUBJECT: Particle Identification
SPECIMEN: Two Sets of Tapelifts
REFERENCE: JFK

INTRODUCTION

Two sets of three tapelifts each was received for analysis.

<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Analysis/Date Collected</i>
M 55	Women's Bathroom Sink Countertop	PI 7/30/19
M 52/34	Women's Bathroom Sink Countertop	
Cir-1	In Front of Comp Mont by Hand Station	PI 7/30/19
Cir-2	On Top of Survey Box Front Counters	
M02A	On Top of Glass Display	

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<i>Sample ID</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Glass Fibers</i>	<i>Particle Summary</i>
M 55	Women's Bathroom Sink Countertop	0	Paper Fibers
M 52/34	Women's Bathroom Sink Countertop	0	Clothing Fibers, Minerals
Cir-1	In Front of Comp Mont by Hand Station	0	Paper Fibers, Clothing Debris, Skin Flakes
Cir-2	On Top of Survey Box Front Counters	0	Clothing Fibers, Tire Wear, Natural Minerals, Paper Fibers, Plant Debris, Skin Flakes, Fungal Spores, Pollen
M02A	On Top of Glass Display	0	Skin Flakes, Clothing Fibers, Starch, Tire Wear, Natural Minerals, Phytoliths, Ink

Particles typically seen on these tapelifts included skin flakes, paper fiber, clothing fiber, natural minerals, plant parts, tire wear, starch, pollen, plant material, fungal spores, cosmetics, feather barbules, wear metals, silica phytoliths, and glass fiber.

None of the samples we analyzed contained glass fiber. All the samples contained normal to low particle loading.

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