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Airborne Infection Reduction through Building Operation and Design for SARS-CoV-2 (AIRBODS)

AIRBODS: A brief overview

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Project Aim

Our aim is to deliver <u>guidance</u> on the ventilation <u>operation</u> and future <u>design</u> of non-domestic buildings and to quantify the risk of, and reduce the transmission of SARS-CoV-2 in buildings,

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Methods

- Experimental •
- Computer Simulation
- Fieldwork •















Work Packages

Work Package 1: Experiments

(Hathway and Ciric):
Use class 2 environmentally
controlled chambers to
provide experimental data
on the transport and
distribution of aerosols.



Courtesy: L. Ciric, UCL



Work Packages

Work Package 2: Modelling

Task 2.1 (Fitzgerald, Stoesser):

Use <u>analytical</u> methods to develop an <u>understanding</u> of the physical processes involved in aerosol transport; in particular we will consider the correlation between temperature, relative humidity and the behaviour and evaporation of aerosols.

Work Package 2: Modelling

Task 2.2: Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) Modelling (Cook and Malki-Epshtein):

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The work here will compare different CFD modelling techniques, e.g. <u>URANS with LES</u>, and <u>inform</u> a Relative Exposure Index. The work will also underpin design and operation <u>guidance</u> for practicing engineers wishing to use CFD for other scenarios and geometries.



Work Package 2: Modelling

Task 2.3 (Jones and Iddon):

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Augment an existing Indoor Environment <u>Relative</u> <u>Exposure Index</u> model using the mathematical models generated in Task 2.1 and the outputs from the CFD simulations in Task 2.2.

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Work Package 3: Field Studies

(Malki-Epshtein, Ciric):

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Undertake <u>field studies</u> in a wide range of large and small <u>space types</u>. This will include measuring temperature, relative humidity, CO2 and air flow to be used as inputs to the RRI.

And back to the aim ...

Work Package 4: Design Guidance and Dissemination

(Adamu, Woolf and Cook)

Use the lessons learnt from Work Packages 1, 2 and 3 to inform <u>practical guidance</u> on responses to SARS-CoV-2 for at least the building typologies investigated, and provide prediction tools and modelling advice.

