



# CSIRO ACOUSTIC MEASUREMENT REPORT

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**AC283-01A-1**

**Client:** Woven Image Pty. Ltd.  
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## Measurement Type: Sound Absorption

AS ISO 354-2006 [R2016]: *Acoustics—Measurement of sound absorption in a reverberation room*

### Test Specimen

**Description:** Woven Image 'Array - 12 mm Beam' Acoustic Baffle System – baffles installed at 300 mm centres using mounting elements from supplied mounting kit; Absorption area calculated per baffle-metre, per 1200 mm baffle and per 2400 mm baffle – see diagram below right.

#### Test Specimen Details:<sup>1</sup>

- Baffles: EchoPanel® - non-woven polymer fibre panel 100% PET (60% recycled), 12 mm thick  $\pm$  7%, area density: 2400 gsm; individual baffle height: 300 mm (rectangular in shape); 2 lengths: 1200 and 2400 mm; each baffle was made with cuts matching the cross-section of the Aluminium mounting extrusions included in the standard kit.
- Supplied for testing unassembled in standard kits with the installation components comprising:
  - Mounting Rails: 2.5 m long aluminium extrusions of a proprietary profile designed to be directly fixed or suspended from the ceiling above and engage with matching cut-outs in the baffles for mounting.
  - Ancillary Components: plastic joiners for longitudinal joining of mounting rails (or cut-down lengths), and end caps to cover the mounting rail ends, and aluminium snap covers to be cut to size and snapped into the open mouth of the mounting extrusion between adjacent baffles.

#### Installation:

- The reverberation chamber was swept and vacuumed prior to testing to remove dust and debris.
- The test specimen was supplied as two standard kits, one in each of the two sizes (1200 and 2400 mm) plus some additional components as required to extend the mounting rails to accommodate eleven baffles at 300 mm centres.
- An array of each size (1200 and 2400 mm) was assembled, and then the two arrays were placed directly against each other to form a single array of 3600 mm baffles (x 11 rows at 300 mm centres).
- To replicate an in-situ direct-fix suspended ceiling installation within the constraints of the Laboratory, the test specimen was placed directly on the concrete floor of the test chamber not parallel with the walls of the chamber (11° angle), with no enclosure surrounding the test specimen.
- Apart from the upside down orientation<sup>3</sup>, installation was carried out as per manufacturer's instructions (Ref: ARRAY DIRECT FIX INSTALL GUIDE\_MAR20.pdf).
- Specimen assembly and installation was carried out by laboratory staff.



Specimen as tested (image inverted to depict ceiling installation)

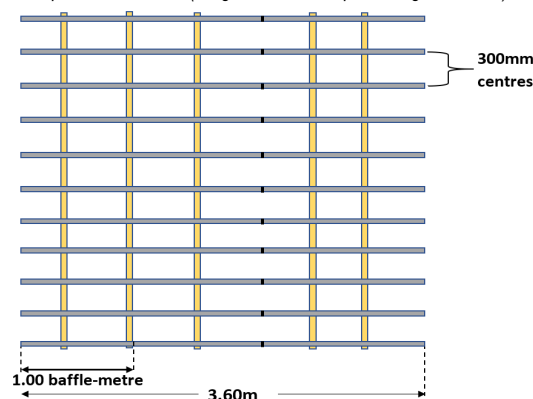
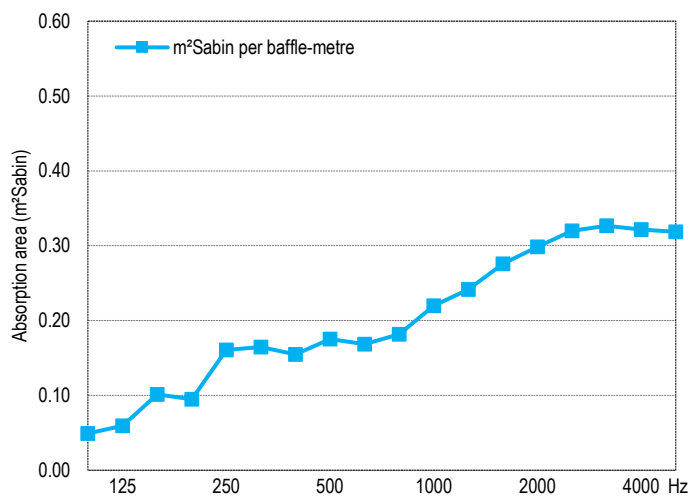


Diagram of Woven Image 'Array' ceiling absorbers depicting the test configuration and 1 baffle-metre

### Measurement Details & Results

| Freq<br>Hz | Absorption Area per baffle-metre <sup>2</sup> |              | Reverberation times, $T_{60}$ (sec) |               |
|------------|---|--------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
|            | (m <sup>2</sup> Sabin) <sup>4</sup>           | 95% Conf (δ) | Empty room                          | with Specimen |
| 100        | 0.05  | 0.01         | 5.30                                | 4.02          |
| 125        | 0.06  | 0.02         | 6.09                                | 4.23          |
| 160        | 0.10  | 0.02         | 6.49                                | 3.60          |
| 200        | 0.09  | 0.02         | 5.73                                | 3.45          |
| 250        | 0.16  | 0.02         | 4.99                                | 2.53          |
| 315        | 0.16  | 0.02         | 6.05                                | 2.74          |
| 400        | 0.15  | 0.02         | 5.95                                | 2.81          |
| 500        | 0.18  | 0.01         | 5.75                                | 2.58          |
| 630        | 0.17  | 0.02         | 5.36                                | 2.55          |
| 800        | 0.18  | 0.02         | 5.07                                | 2.39          |
| 1000       | 0.22  | 0.02         | 5.04                                | 2.15          |
| 1250       | 0.24  | 0.02         | 4.55                                | 1.94          |
| 1600       | 0.28  | 0.02         | 4.13                                | 1.73          |
| 2000       | 0.30  | 0.02         | 3.70                                | 1.58          |
| 2500       | 0.32  | 0.01         | 3.33                                | 1.45          |
| 3150       | 0.33  | 0.02         | 2.98                                | 1.37          |
| 4000       | 0.32  | 0.02         | 2.46                                | 1.26          |
| 5000       | 0.32  | 0.01         | 2.00                                | 1.14          |



The required 12 spatially independent decay curves came from ensemble averaging 10 successive decays with each of 3 different source loudspeaker positions, all sampled by 4 fixed microphones, using linear averaging.

#### Measurement Conditions

|                         | Empty room       | with Test Specimen |
|-------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Date of measurement:    | 21 Dec 2020      | 21 Dec 2020        |
| Temperature & humidity: | 19 °C, 59 % R.H. | 19 °C, 61 % R.H.   |
| Atmospheric pressure:   | 996 mBar         | 992 mBar           |

### Notes, Deviations etc

- Physical characteristics of materials may be as per client or supplier's advice; not necessarily verified by CSIRO.
- The total length of baffles in the test specimen was 39.6 m; the total absorption area of the test specimen was calculated and then divided by the total length of baffles in the test specimen to calculate the absorption area per lineal metre of baffle (baffle-metre) installed at 300 mm centres – see diagram above.
- The product would usually be suspended from the ceiling of a room. The test specimen was installed upside-down on the floor due to laboratory constraints but done so as to be acoustically equivalent to normal ceiling installation.
- AS ISO 354 requires absorption areas to be reported to 0.1m<sup>2</sup>, an additional decimal place has been included due to the small magnitude of the absorption areas reported.

### Issuing Authority

Signed:   
John Watson  
Date: 3 March 2021

### Instrumentation

Real time analyser: • Brüel & Kjær PULSE LAN-XI type 3160-A-4/2  
Microphones/preamps: • 4 microphones (1 x B&K 4134, 1 x B&K 4166, and 2 x GRAS 40AR) on B&K and GRAS preamps, in fixed positions as per AS ISO 354  
Noise source: • Room populated with three dodecahedron loudspeakers; (2 x Norsonic NOR276 and 1 x B&K 4296), driven in turn by a Norsonic NOR280 power amplifier.  
Calibration: • Analyser: July 2018 (NATA cal)

### Laboratory Construction

Reverb room: • 300 mm thick concrete (closed off from the adjoining room by a composite wall with plasterboard face)  
• parallelepiped with dimensional proportions 1:1.3:1.6 for distribution of room modes • approx. 202 m<sup>3</sup> total room volume • approx. 225 m<sup>2</sup> surface area excluding diffusers  
Diffusers: • 20 stationary diffusers, approx. 40 m<sup>2</sup> total surface area  
Absorption area: • in accordance with AS ISO 354, unless noted otherwise

## Additional calculations

At the request of the client, additional calculations were performed to provide data pertaining to the standard Woven Image 'Array - 12 mm Beam' Acoustic Baffle System product lengths (installed with 300 mm baffle separation) and tested resting directly against the room surface:

- 1200 mm
- 2400 mm

| 1/3 <sup>rd</sup> -octave centre frequency (Hz) | Array - 12 mm Beam (300 mm baffle separation; no gap between the specimen and room surface) |          |                      |          |
|---|---|----------|----------------------|----------|
|   | 1200 mm baffle  |          | 2400 mm baffle       |          |
|   | m <sup>2</sup> Sabin  | 95% conf | m <sup>2</sup> Sabin | 95% conf |
| 100   | 0.06  | 0.01     | 0.12                 | 0.02     |
| 125   | 0.07  | 0.02     | 0.14                 | 0.05     |
| 160   | 0.12  | 0.02     | 0.24                 | 0.05     |
| 200   | 0.11  | 0.02     | 0.23                 | 0.05     |
| 250   | 0.19  | 0.02     | 0.39                 | 0.05     |
| 315   | 0.20  | 0.02     | 0.39                 | 0.05     |
| 400   | 0.19  | 0.02     | 0.37                 | 0.05     |
| 500   | 0.21  | 0.01     | 0.42                 | 0.02     |
| 630   | 0.20  | 0.02     | 0.40                 | 0.05     |
| 800   | 0.22  | 0.02     | 0.44                 | 0.05     |
| 1000  | 0.26  | 0.02     | 0.53                 | 0.05     |
| 1250  | 0.29  | 0.02     | 0.58                 | 0.05     |
| 1600  | 0.33  | 0.02     | 0.66                 | 0.05     |
| 2000  | 0.36  | 0.02     | 0.72                 | 0.05     |
| 2500  | 0.38  | 0.01     | 0.77                 | 0.02     |
| 3150  | 0.39  | 0.02     | 0.78                 | 0.05     |
| 4000  | 0.39  | 0.02     | 0.77                 | 0.05     |
| 5000  | 0.38  | 0.01     | 0.76                 | 0.02     |

