

NAU FUME HOOD CAPSTONE TEAM

BACKGROUND-CN'S-ER'S

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GOAL STATEMENT

- WE ASPIRE TO DESIGN AND BUILD A FUME HOOD, WHICH WORKS WITH A PRE-PURCHASED EXHAUSTER PROVIDED BY THE BIOMECHATRONICS LAB, WHILE INCREASING SAFETY WHEN WORKING WITH CARBON FIBER AND IT'S PARTICULATES.

PROJECT BACKGROUND-CLIENT

- OUR CLIENT, DR. ZACHARY LERNER WORKS IN THE BIOMECHATRONICS LAB AT NAU.
- IN THE BIOMECHATRONICS LAB, EXOSKELETONS MADE FROM CARBON FIBER ARE BUILT FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH MOVEMENT IMPAIRING DISABILITIES.
- THE TEAM IS TASKED WITH DESIGNING AND BUILDING A FUME HOOD TO INCREASE SAFETY WHEN CARBON FIBER IS BEING WORKED WITH.



Dr. Zach Lerner

PROJECT BACKGROUND- CARBON FIBER

- CARBON FIBER IS A COMPOUND FIBER THAT IS USED IN MANY PROJECTS DUE TO ITS HIGH STRENGTH AND ITS LOW WEIGHT
- CARBON FIBER IS MADE WITH THIN CARBON FIBERS AND EPOXY RESIN.
- EPOXY RESIN IS USED TO FINISH OFF A MACHINED PIECE OF CARBON FIBER

PROJECT BACKGROUND – CARBON FIBER

- EPOXY RESINS ARE DANGEROUS WHEN SPRAYED OR HEATED TO A HIGH TEMPERATURE. IN THESE TWO SITUATIONS THE EPOXY CREATES A RESPIRATORY HAZARD.
- WHEN MACHINING CARBON FIBER, MANY ABRASIVE DUST PARTICULATES ARE CREATED WHICH CREATES A HAZARD FOR EXPOSED SKIN AND RESPIRATORY SYSTEMS.

CUSTOMER NEEDS

- TABLE TOP FUME HOOD
- COMPATIBLE WITH EXISTING EXHAUSTER
- HEPA FILTER
- PARTICULATE EXPORT
- OSHA
- RELIABILITY
- MINIMUM INLET PRESSURE DROP
- FILTER LIGHT INDICATOR
- EXTENDED HOSE
- DURABILITY

ENGINEERING REQUIREMENTS

- VOLUMETRIC FLOW RATE
- DEVICE MANEUVERABILITY
- DIMENSIONALITY
- COMBINED PRODUCT WEIGHT
- VENTILATION VELOCITY
- PARTICULATE FUME CAPTURE
- USABILITY
- FILTER CHANGE ASSESSMENT TIME
- MINIMIZE PRESSURE DROP
- DURABILITY

HOUSE OF QUALITY

Table 1: House of Quality

FUME HOOD (HoQ)	Weight	Volumetric Flow Rate (lb/ft³)	Device maneuverability/portability	Dimensional area (ft²)	Weight (Lbs.)	Ventilation velocity (ft/min)	Particulate Fume Capture (lb/ft³)	Useability	Filter change assessment time (seconds)	Pressure Drops across device (SPWG)	Durability/Fracture toughness (ft-lb/in²)
Customer Needs											
1. Table Top Fume Hood	5	1	3	5	5	3	5		3	3	3
2. Compatible with Exhauster	5	3				5	5	5	3	3	
3. Hepa Filter	4					1	5	5	3	3	1
4. Particulate Export	4	5	1	1	1	5	3	3		3	3
5. OSHA	5						5		3		
6. Reliability	4						5				
7. Minimize Inlet Pressure Drop	2	1				3	5			5	
8. Filter Light Indicator	1								5		
9. Extended Hose	2	1	1		1	1		1		3	
10. Durability	3										5
Absolute Technical Importance (ATI)		44	21	29	31	72	137	59	62	70	46
Relative Technical Importance (RTI)		7	10	9	8	2	1	5	4	3	6
Target ER values		0.75	N/A	25	100	4524	0.75	N/A	N/A	5.3"	N/A

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

Table 2: Exhauster Fan Manual parameters

Model No.	Motor		Max. CFM ①	Max. S.P. ②	Air Velocity (F.P.M.)	dBA @5 Ft.	Material Type		Wheel Size	Inlet & Outlet Size	Hose Size	Nozzle Opening Size	Full Load APMs ^③		Approx. Ship Wt.
	HP	RPM					Housing	Wheel					115 Volt 1 Phase	230 Volt 3 Phase	
EBR-50	1/2	3450	395	5.3"	4524	72	14 Gauge Steel	Cast Alum. Radial	9 x 2 ^{7/8}	4"	4"x120"	4"x 8"	6.8	1.9	62
EBR-75	3/4	3450	660	4.5"	3360	80			9 x 2 ^{7/8}	6"	6"x120"	8"x 8"	8.8	2.4	73
EBR-100	1	3450	785	7.3"	3996	82			11 x 3 BC	6"	6"x120"	8"x 8"	11.2	3.2	77
EBR-150	1 1/2	3450	885	7.9"	4506	83			11 x 2 ^{3/4}	6"	6"x120"	8"x 8"	16.0	4.4	84
EBR-200	2	3450	985	9.8"	5015	85			12 x 2 ^{7/8}	6"	6"x120"	8"x 8"	20.0	5.6	98
EBM-25	1/4	1750	340	1.0"	1731	69	Cast Alum.	Steel Multi-Vane	6.3 x 3.5	6"	6"x120"	8"x 8"	5.4	1.3	53
EBM-75	3/4	1750	910	2.3"	2606	74			8.3 x 4.1	8"	8"x120"	8"x 8"	11.0	3.0	75
EBM-100	1	3450	670	3.7"	3411	69			6.3 x 3.5	6"	6"x120"	8"x 8"	11.2	3.2	64

- ① Maximum CFM with 10 feet of hose and nozzle on the inlet *or* discharge. **Removing the hose and nozzle will overload the motor.** Airflow will be reduced 5-15 CFM for each **additional** foot of hose or duct and about 15-20 CFM for each 90° elbow.
- ② Maximum additional static pressure at which point there will be no airflow. SP (static pressure) is measured in inches of water gauge (SPWG).
- ③ Starting amps are approximately 6-7 times the full load amps. Full load amps shown are for TEFC motors and subject to change with motor types of brands.

[1] Cincinnati Fan, "Fume Exhausters Models EBR and EBM Manual," [Online]. Available: <https://www.cincinnatiifan.com/manuals/PMEB1207manual.pdf>. [Accessed 2 Feb. 2020].

CONCLUSION

- TO SUMMARIZE, WE PLAN TO WORK CLOSELY WITH DR. LERNER IN THE BIOMECHATRONICS LAB WITH THE GOAL TO DESIGN AND MANUFACTURE A WORKING FUME HOOD WHICH COMPLIES WITH THE ALREADY PRE-PURCHASED EXHAUSTER FAN.
- THIS DEVICE WILL BE CAPABLE OF MAINTAINING QUALITY CONTROL STANDARDS GIVEN BY OSHA ALONGSIDE HEPA AIR STANDARDS.

