

# TEST APPARATUS FOR THE DYNAMIC MEASUREMENT OF MOISTURE TRANSPORT AND STORAGE PROPERTIES OF POROUS MATERIALS

## Innovative System for Evaluating Moisture Behavior in Building Materials

### TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT

Test systems for porous materials.

### DESCRIPTION

The invention describes a test apparatus with a housing that forms a watertight main measuring chamber for housing a bar framework structure. It includes a sample holder, an air-conditioning system for regulating humidity and temperature, a humidifying system, a thermal regulation system, and a humidified air recirculation system.

The sample holder has two lower support elements for supporting the first and second end parts of the sample bar. A suspension arm and a second suspension are hinged at their lower ends to one of the lower support elements, connected to a 20 force gauge in the main chamber. The lower support elements maintain the sample bar axially suspended in a horizontal plane without causing axial stresses.

### INDICATION

The invention focuses on test systems for porous materials to determine moisture transport and storage properties, specifically for monolithic porous building materials, to prevent aesthetic and functional deterioration.

### NOVELTY/ADVANTAGES

Test apparatus for the dynamic measurement of moisture transport and storage properties of porous materials, comprising a housing, a framework structure, a sample holder, and an air-conditioning system.

- Water transport in porous building materials can be described using a macroscopic diffusion equation.
- The moisture diffusivity that will be used in modelling mass transfer in buildings and building materials is highly dependent on the initial conditions.

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