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<u>OBJECTIVE</u>

To determine the fungus resistance of test panels coated with a lime plaster coating material.

PRODUCT TESTED

The test panels were coated with a pre-mixed lime plaster material identified as:

Shikkui Sora (Shikkui Plaster)

PROCEDURES

The fungus resistance of the lime plaster coated test panels was determined in accordance with procedures outlined in:

ASTM D 3273 Standard Test Method for Resistance to Growth of Mold on the Surface of Interior Coatings in an Environmental Chamber

ASTM D 3274 Standard Test Method for Evaluating Degree of Surface Disfigurement of Paint Films by Microbial (Fungal or Algal) Growth or Soil and Dirt Accumulation

The *Shikkui Sora (Shikkui Plaster)* coated test panels were exposed in the ASTM D 3273 environmental chamber to a mixed fungal spore environment consisting of Aspergillus niger, Aureobasidium pullulans and Penicillium. The coated test panels were exposed for 28 days in the chamber at 88-92°F (31-33°C) and 95% R.H. The front and the back of the exposed test specimens were evaluated on a weekly basis in accordance with ASTM D 3274. The fungus resistance ratings range from 10 for no fungal growth to 0 for complete coverage of the surface area by fungi.

TEST RESULTS

The **Shikkui Sora** (**Shikkui Plaster**) coated test panels did not exhibit any fungal growth on the face or back of the test panels after 28-days of exposure (ASTM Rating 10) while an uncoated pine wood control panel exhibited considerable fungal growth (ASTM Rating 2).

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