

Furniture Fire Safety Seminar

How to make sure that
your sofa is fire safe?



Introductory remarks



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FURNITURE FIRE SAFETY

9:30 – 10:00	REGISTRATION
10:00 – 10:10	INTRODUCTORY REMARKS FROM MODERATOR Guillermo Rein , Professor of Fire Science, Imperial College London
10:10 – 10:25	FIRE SAFETY OF UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE: THE VISION OF THE EUROPEAN FIRE SERVICES Rene Hagen , Professor of Fire Safety, Institute for Safety (IFV)
10:25 – 10:40	COMPARISON OF COUNTRY FURNITURE STANDARDS USING CORNER BURNS, FIRE SPREAD & SMOKE TOXICITY Matthew Blais , Director of Fire Technology, Southwest Research Institute (SWRI)
10:40 – 10:55	UNITING FIRE SAFETY, HEALTH AND CIRCULAR AGENDAS Pär Stenmark , Chief Regulatory Affairs Officer, IKEA Range & Supply
10:55 – 11:25	COFFEE BREAK
11:25 – 12:20	PANEL DISCUSSION AND Q&A WITH AUDIENCE
12:20 – 12:30	CONCLUDING REMARKS FROM MODERATOR
12:30 – 13:30	NETWORKING LUNCH



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René R. Hagen

Professor of Fire Safety,
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Lectures and write about fire safety.

Forensic studies of accidental fires.

30 years in the fire service.

Advises the Dutch Government on fire regulations.



Matthew Blais

Director of Fire
Technology, Southwest
Research Institute (SWRI)

Material research, fire testing, certification, and
product development.

Served for many years in the USA military.

Also expert in counter-terrorism and chemical
weapons.



Pär Stenmark

Chief Regulatory
Affairs Officer, IKEA
Range & Supply

Regulatory affairs of products, materials, innovation,
production and distribution.

Quality, Technology and Forestry.

Development of the FSC forest certification scheme.

Focus is on sofas because together with mattresses, they are among the largest fuel load in residential fires worldwide.



"The Titanic complied with all codes. Lawyers can make any device legal, only engineers can make them safe"

Prof Brannigan, University of Maryland



Cartoon by Floris Oudshoorn @MySwampThing (Comic House, 2018).

Fire Engineering

Fire Engineers make the world safer from fire: protecting people, their property, and the environment.

Layers of Protection* (after Prof Drysdale):

1. Prevention**

2. Detection

3. Evacuation

4. Compartmentation

5. Suppression

6. Structural Resilience



*Not all layers must be present in a building, but all must be considered as least.

Not all layers contribute equally or cost equal amounts, but **the single most important layer of protection is prevention (avoid the fire from taking place, disrupt the fire triangle)

Fire Safety of upholstered furniture: The vision of the European fire services



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Fire safety of upholstered furniture

The vision of the European Fire Services

European Fire Safety Week
René Hagen, Professor of Fire Safety
Brussels, 21th November 2019

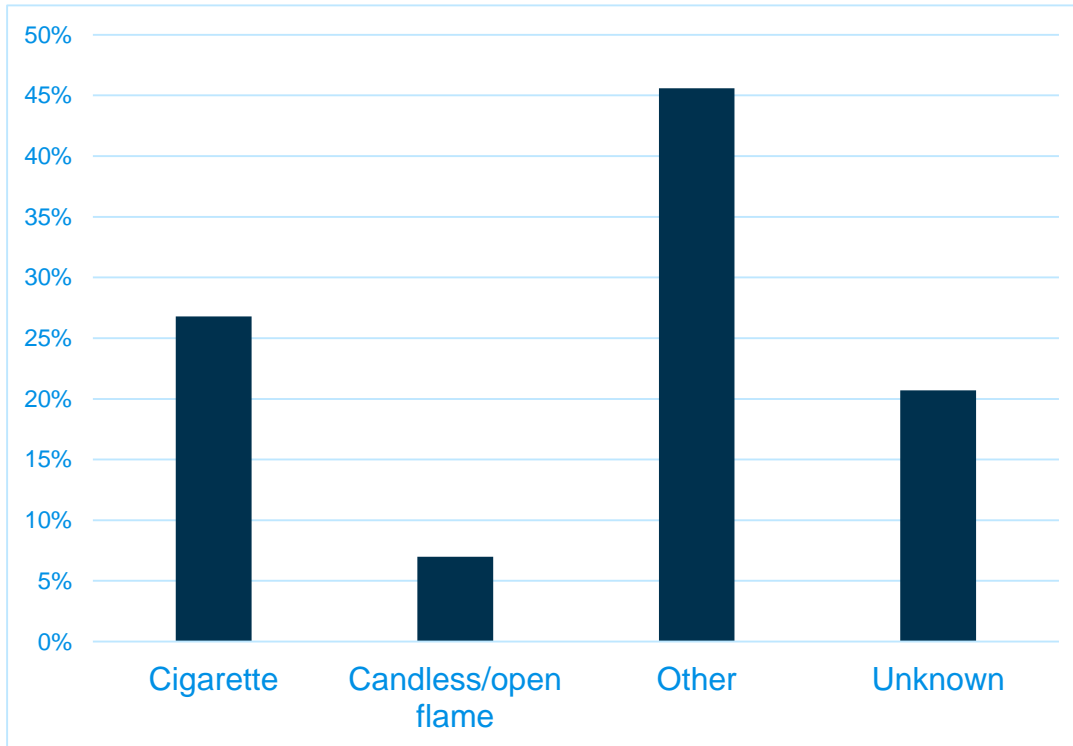
The vision of the European Fire Services

Don't focus on the behavior of the components but look at the performance of the end-use-product and prevent the foam fillings to catch fire.

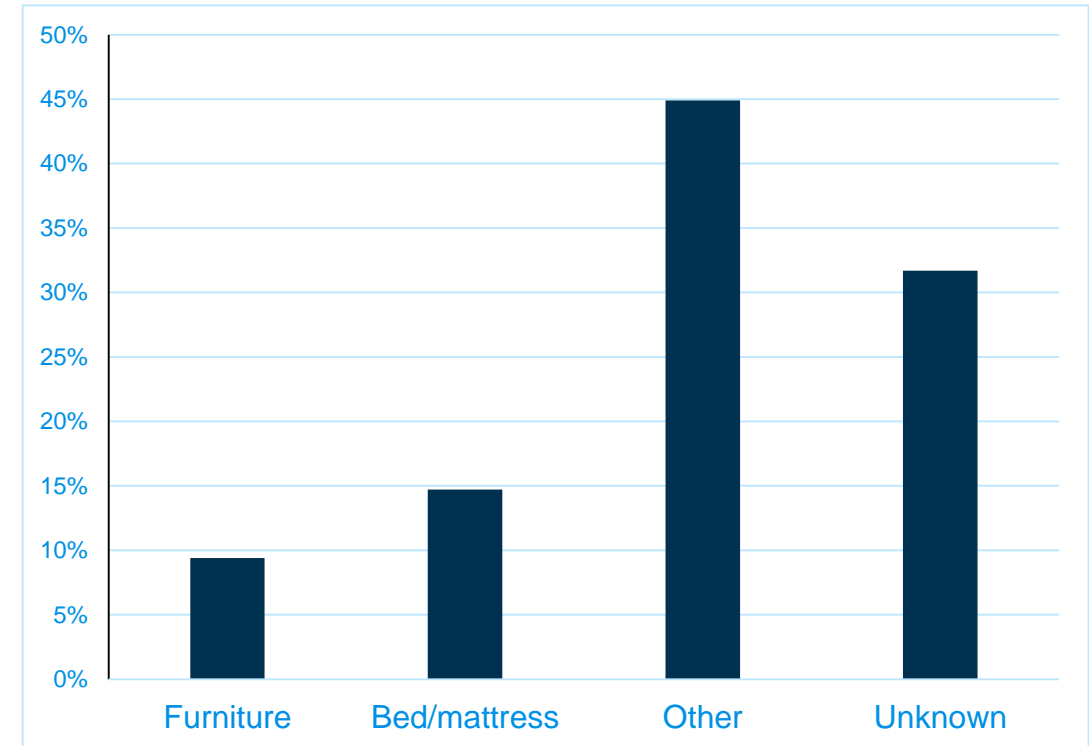
Fatal fires in the European Union

- ▶ Yearly about 6.000 fatalities due to fires
- ▶ 80 – 90% of the fatalities in the domestic area
- ▶ At least 25% of these fatal domestic fatalities are caused by the flammability of upholstered furniture and mattresses

Ignition source and origin of fire



Ignition source (N=2293)

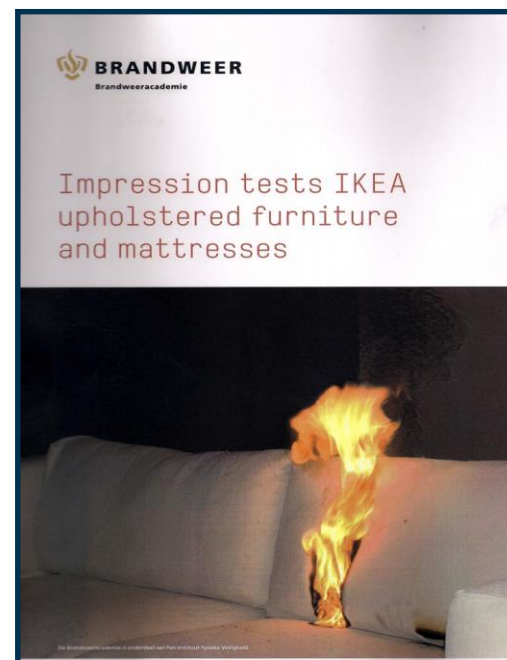
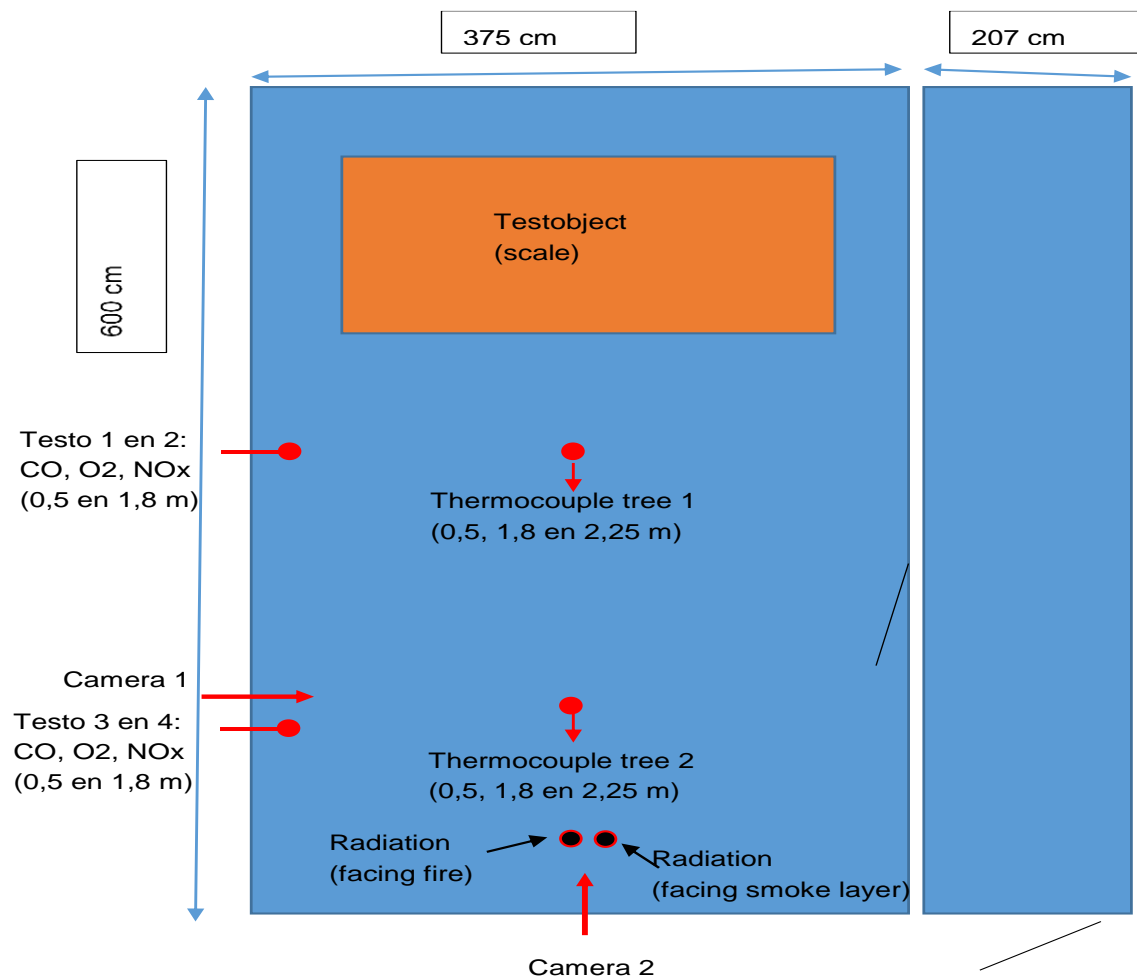


Origin of fire (N=1566)

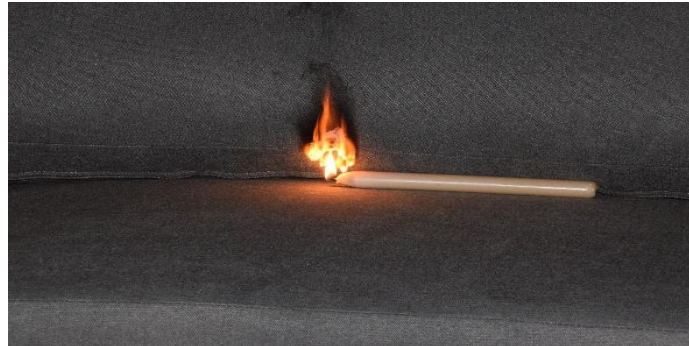
Assignment given by the Federation of the European Union Fire Officer Associations (FEU)

- ▶ *Define and determine a set of (existing or modified) testing methods, which fire departments throughout Europe deem necessary in order to increase survivability and escape capabilities during domestic fires. The test methods have to be widely applicable to upholstered furniture, regardless of the material, and should serve as input towards manufacturers, suppliers and (legal) regulations and standards.*

Impression tests



Impression tests



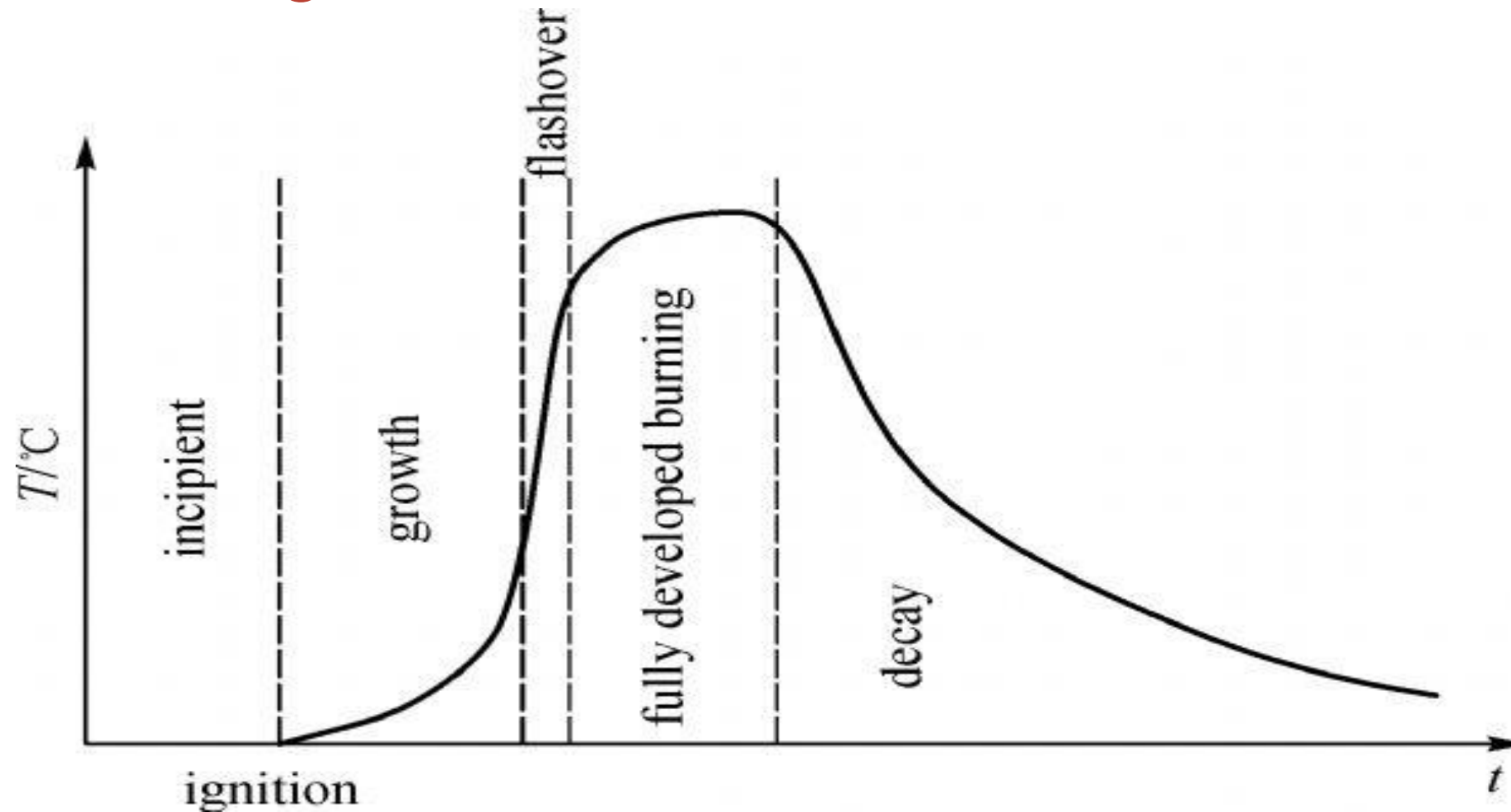
Results impression tests

- ▶ Products can resist a smouldering cigarette
- ▶ Products ignite when a small open flame or crib 5 is used as ignition source
- ▶ Temperature is high enough to, in case of enough oxygen, cause a flashover
- ▶ As soon as the objects ignite, temperature is the defining parameter for the possibility of escape as well as the chance of survival

Relevante brandscenario's (NFPA)

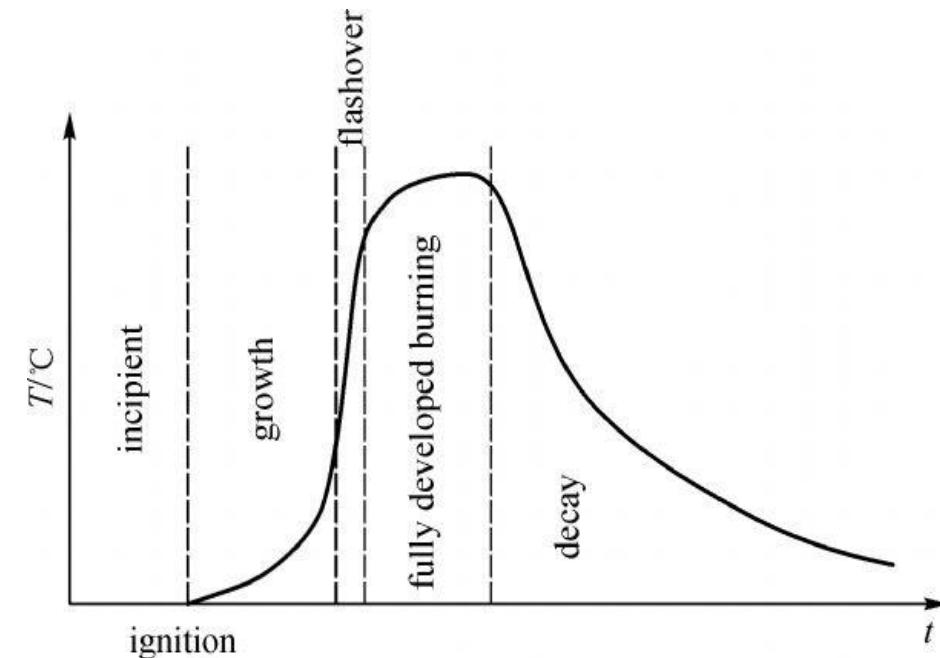
1. **Cigaret ignition scenario:** smoldering ignition by burning tobacco product
2. **Open flame ignition scenario:** ignition by an open flame from another fire, where the furniture or mattress makes the largest contribution to the fire spread, but is not the first object that burns
3. **Ignition scenario due to arson or heat-generating equipment**
4. **Small open flame ignition scenario:** ignition by candle, match or lighter
5. **Smoldering ignition scenario:** ignition by smoldering object

Fire stages

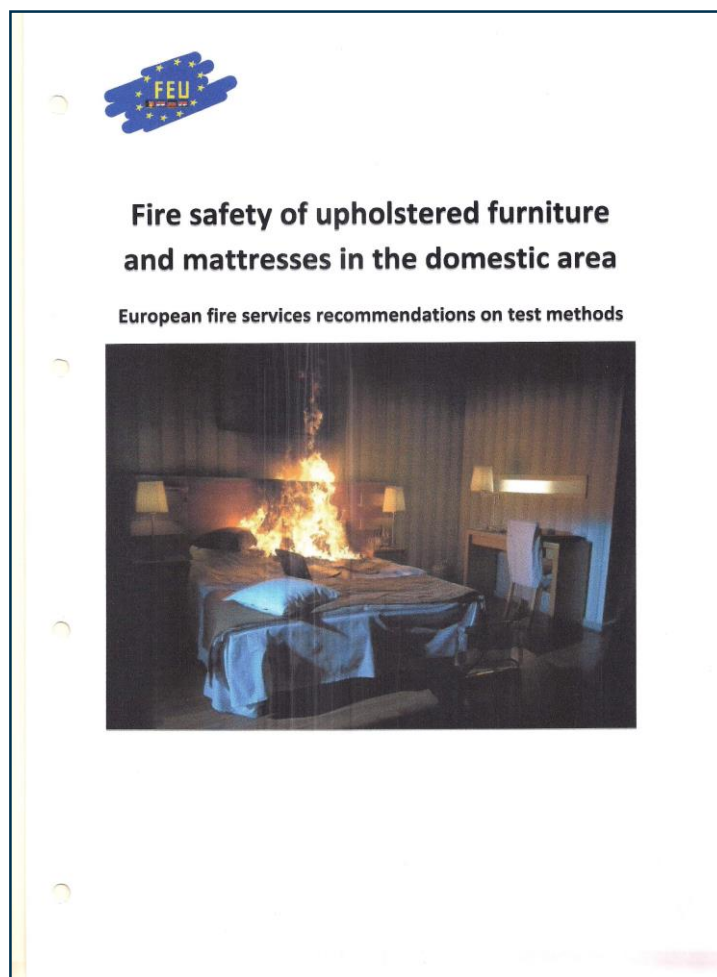


Conclusions/recommendations

- ▶ Both phase 1 and phase 2 contribute to the chances of survival
- ▶ In phase 2, other factors that cannot be tested play a role (ventilation, location of object in room)
- ▶ Focus is on phase 1: prevent ignition **of the foam filling**



Result research in report, leaflet and article



Recommendations ignition sources

By **preventing ignition of the foam** of upholstered furniture and mattresses, the survivability and possibility of escape from dwelling fires will increase. Domestic furniture and mattresses should be able to prevent this ignition with different ignition sources on the end-use-product:

Cigarette ignition test. This is the most important because it covers the most common ignition scenario's

Ignition by a small open flame. This is also important because it covers more ignition scenarios than those covered by the cigarette test

Open flame ignition by a wooden crib. This covers larger ignition scenarios than the small open flame test

Performance of the end-use product

By introducing requirements to prevent ignition of upholstered furniture and mattresses, the focus must be on preventing **the foam filling to ignite** (or burn very slowly).

The current regulations (e.g. USA, UK, Russia) are too much focused on the testing of components (even in end-use situation). That blocks innovative solutions s.a. interliners and alternatives for foam fillings.

Conclusion and advise

Don't focus on the behavior of the components but look at the performance of the end-use-product and prevent foam fillings to catch fire.

Thank you for your attention!



Comparison of country furniture standards using corner burns, fire spread & smoke toxicity



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Comparison of Country Furniture Standards Using Room Corner Burns Fire Spread and Smoke Toxicity

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Southwest Research Institute

Outline

- Introduction and Background
- Hypothesis
- Experimental
- Heat Release and Smoke Generation Results
- Smoke Timing and Chemistry
- Smoke Acute Toxicity
- Conclusions

Introduction

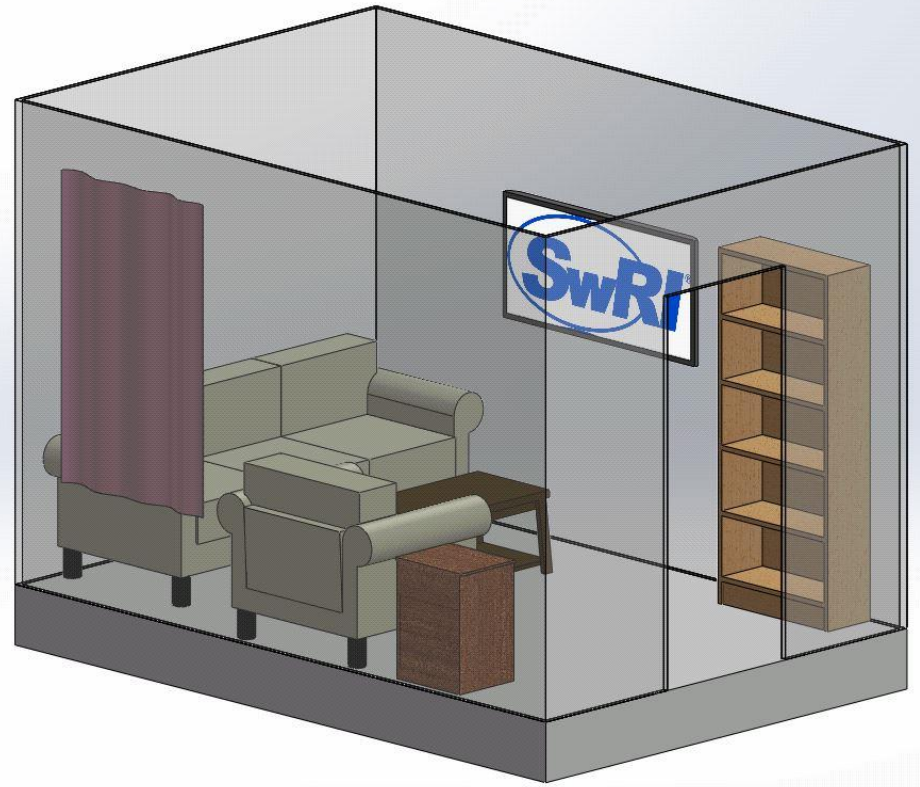
- Controversy over Fire Retardants and whether they are effective or needed
- Controversy over the quantity and toxicity of smoke for FR protected furnishings
- Controversy related to the blooming of FR and environmental exposure in the home
- Controversy over open flame ignition requirement in standards
- This study is designed to provide data that will add to the discussion.
- Comparison of US standards (Cal TB117, smoulder only) French Standards (EN 1021-1, inflammable covering, smoulder only) and English (BS 5852 crib 5, open flame)

Hypothesis

- H1 - Country fire codes for furniture and Electrical Equipment affect their performance in fires
- H2 - Smoke is more acutely toxic from furniture containing fire retardants
- H3 - Fire retardant materials produce more smoke

Experimental

- ISO 9705 Rooms
- Furnished with:
 - 3 cushion couch, chair, Flat Panel television 55 inch, coffee table, book case w/20 lbs of books, curtains and end table
 - All pieces identical for each room except country of origin (England France, US)
 - Focus Couches, chairs and televisions
 - Room arranged exactly the same within ± 1.0 cm



Experimental

- Ignition source from BS 5852:
 - Crib 4 \approx 125 W
 - Crib 5 \sim 250 W
 - Crib 6 \sim 900 W
- Crib Placement
- Analytical
 - Oxygen consumption Calorimeter
 - Smoke – light path obscuration-dispersion
 - Video evidence - Infra-Red and HD



Experimental

- Analytical Cont.
 - PAH sampling – XAD cartridge
 - Chloro and Bromo Dioxin/Furans – XAD cartridge
 - SVOC – XAD cartridge
 - VOC – Summa Cannister
 - Total Smoke Impingers (for latter studies)
 - Sampling at 2 SLPM for 2 min
 - Acid and Narcotic gasses – FTIR scanned every 9 seconds
 - Sampling location: center room at 0.5 m and 10 cm below door frame.



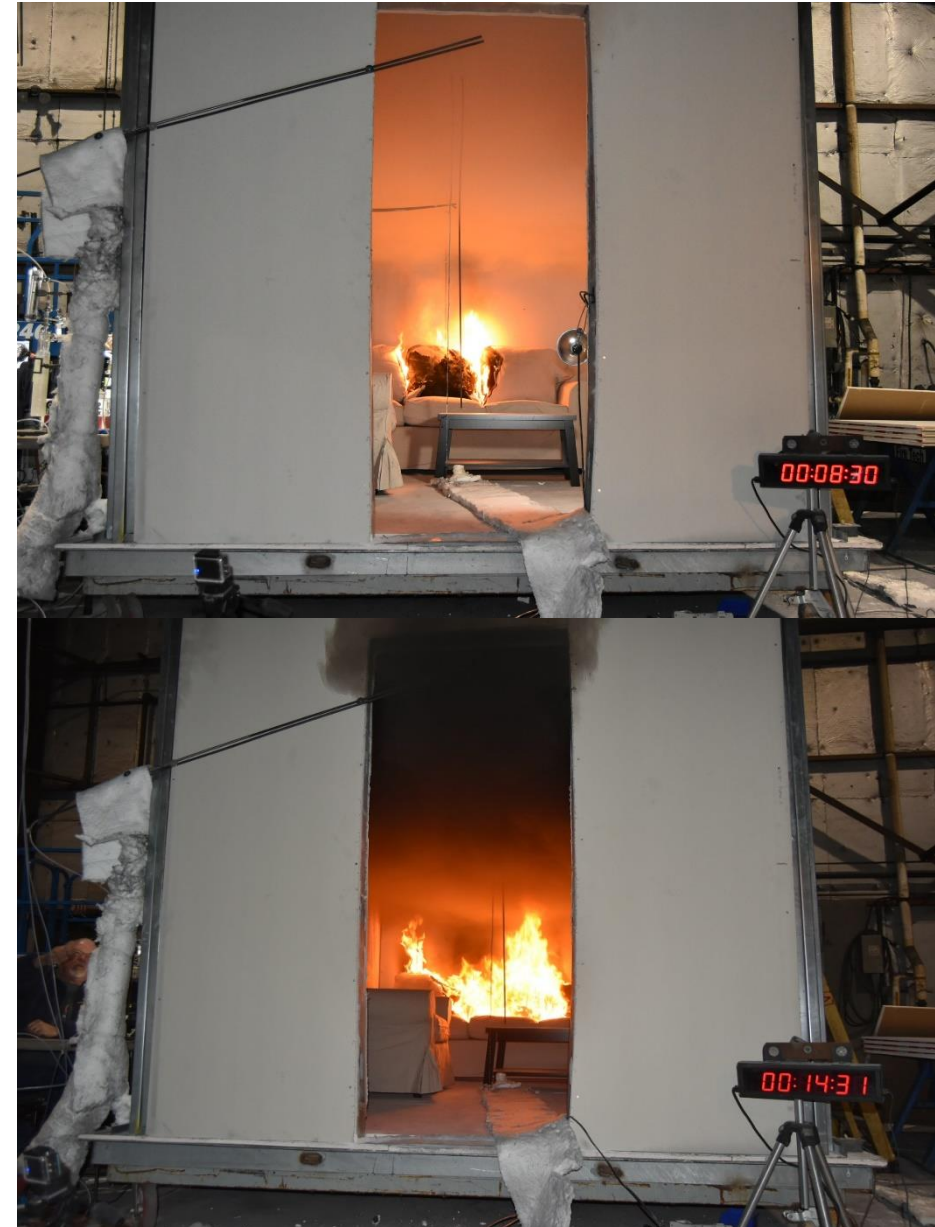
Experimental

- Total of 9 room burns
 - 3 of each country source
 - 1 of each country ignited with crib 4, 5 and 6
 - All ignited on the central cushion in contact with the back cushion

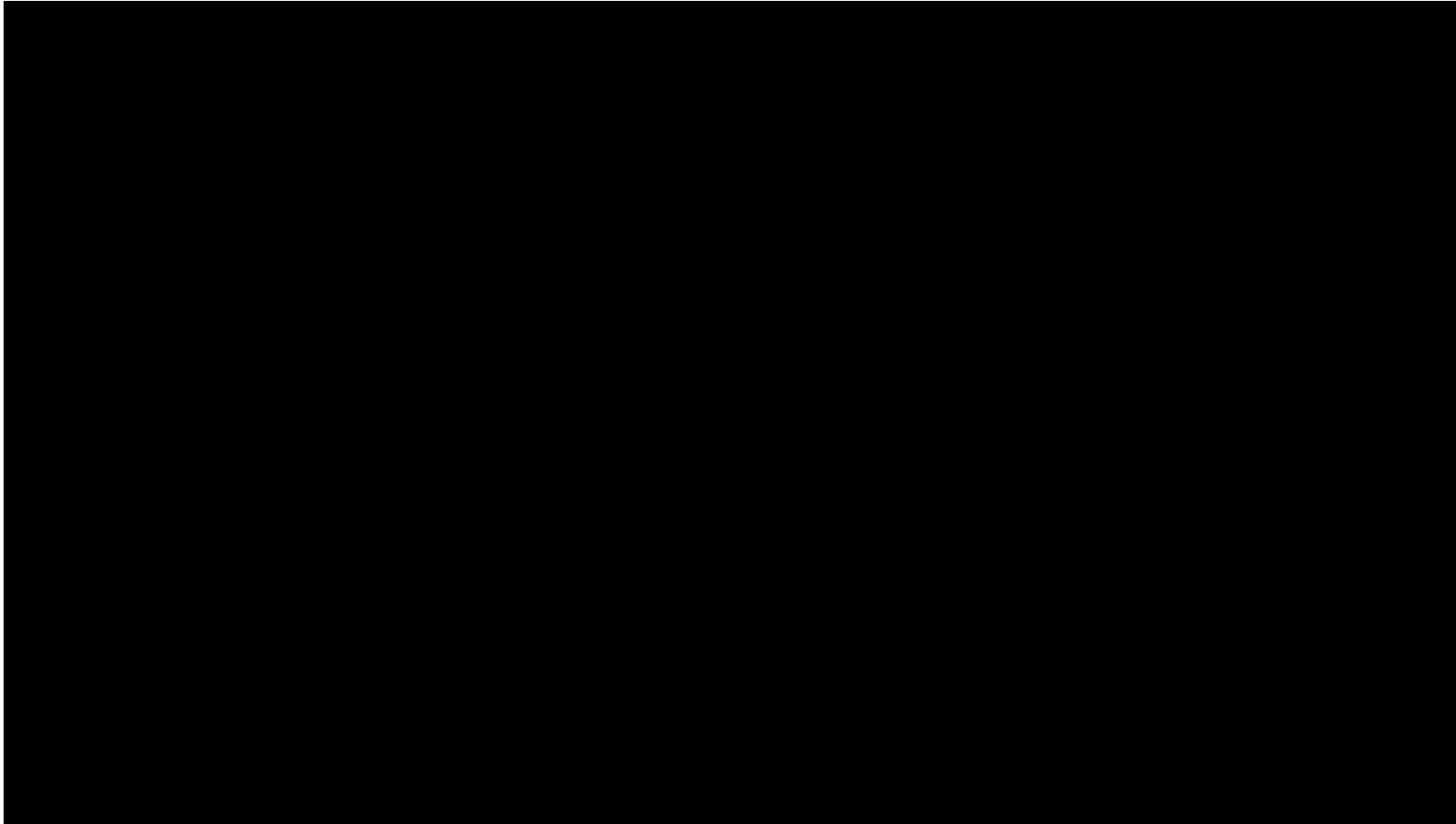


Experimental

- Analytical collection sequence
 - FTIR, total smoke, HRR, Smoke opacity – continuous over duration of fire
 - Crib 4 test of all 3 configurations - continuous over duration of fire
 - Crib 5 and 6 – sample collected during white smoke period. Sample collected during black smoke period.



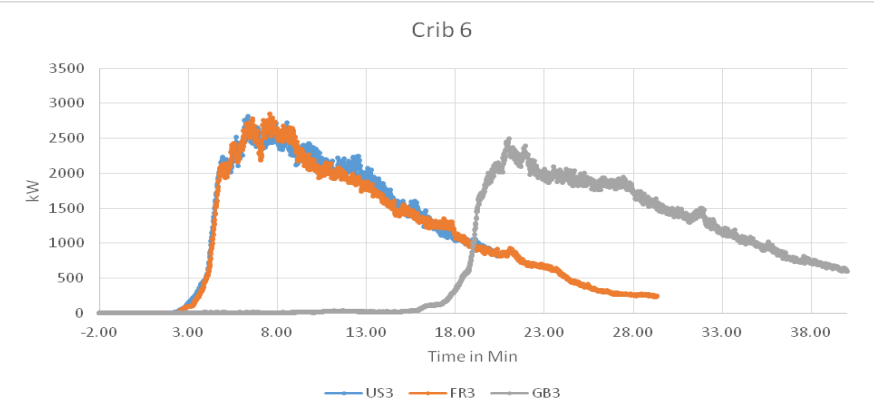
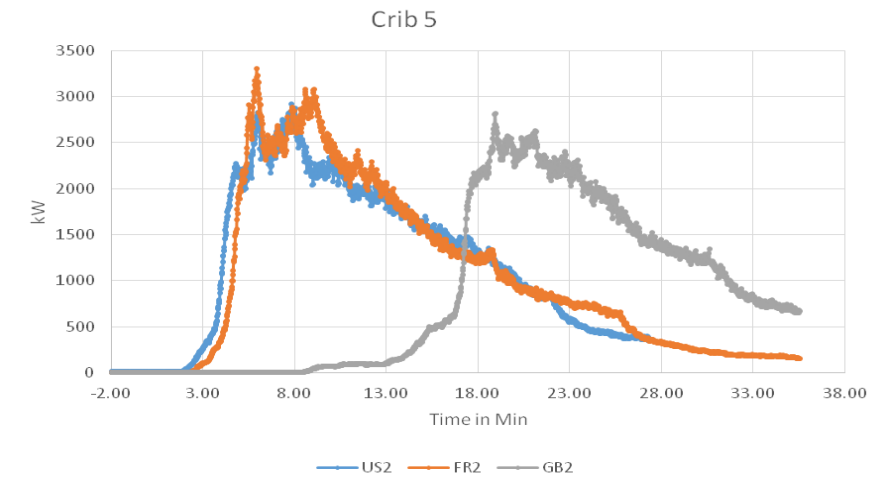
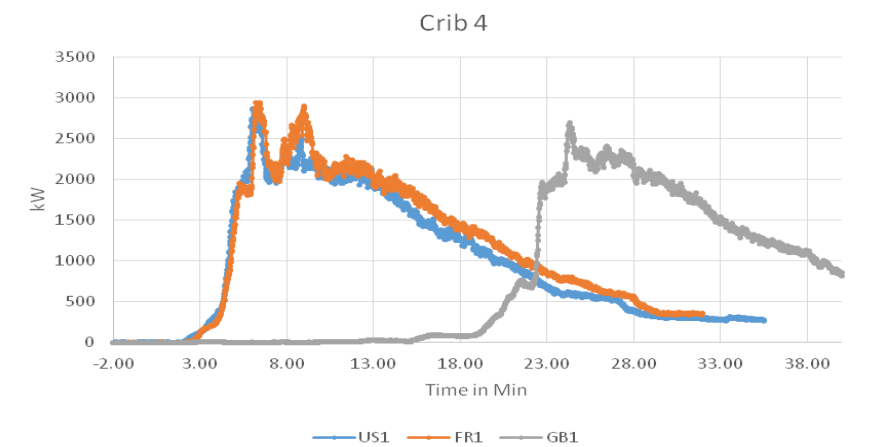
Comparative Burn Crib 4 Ignition all Three Countries



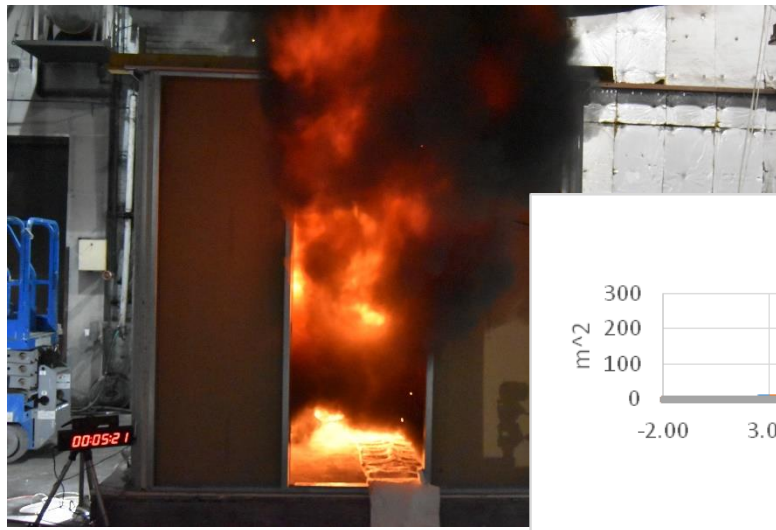
Heat Release Rate



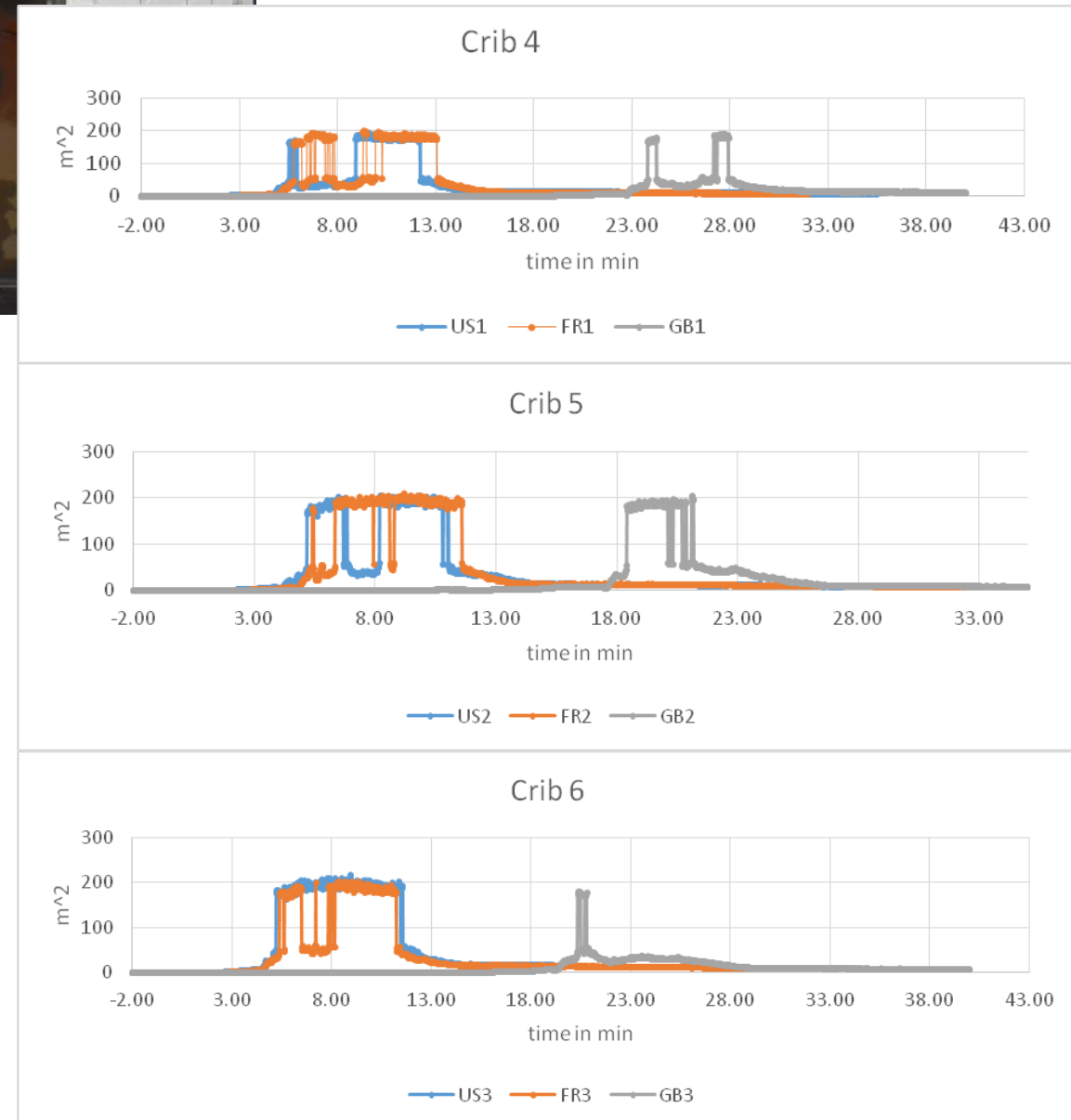
- Ignition starts at time zero, plots show 2 min baseline measurements as -2.00 min to time zero.
- Time to Flashover significantly and repeatedly delayed for English furnishings, 17 to 22 min
- US and French furnishings reach flashover very quickly, 4 to 5 min.



Smoke Production



- Opacity is significantly delayed in English furnishing and of shorter duration
- French and US furnishings virtually identical and very quick under all three ignition conditions



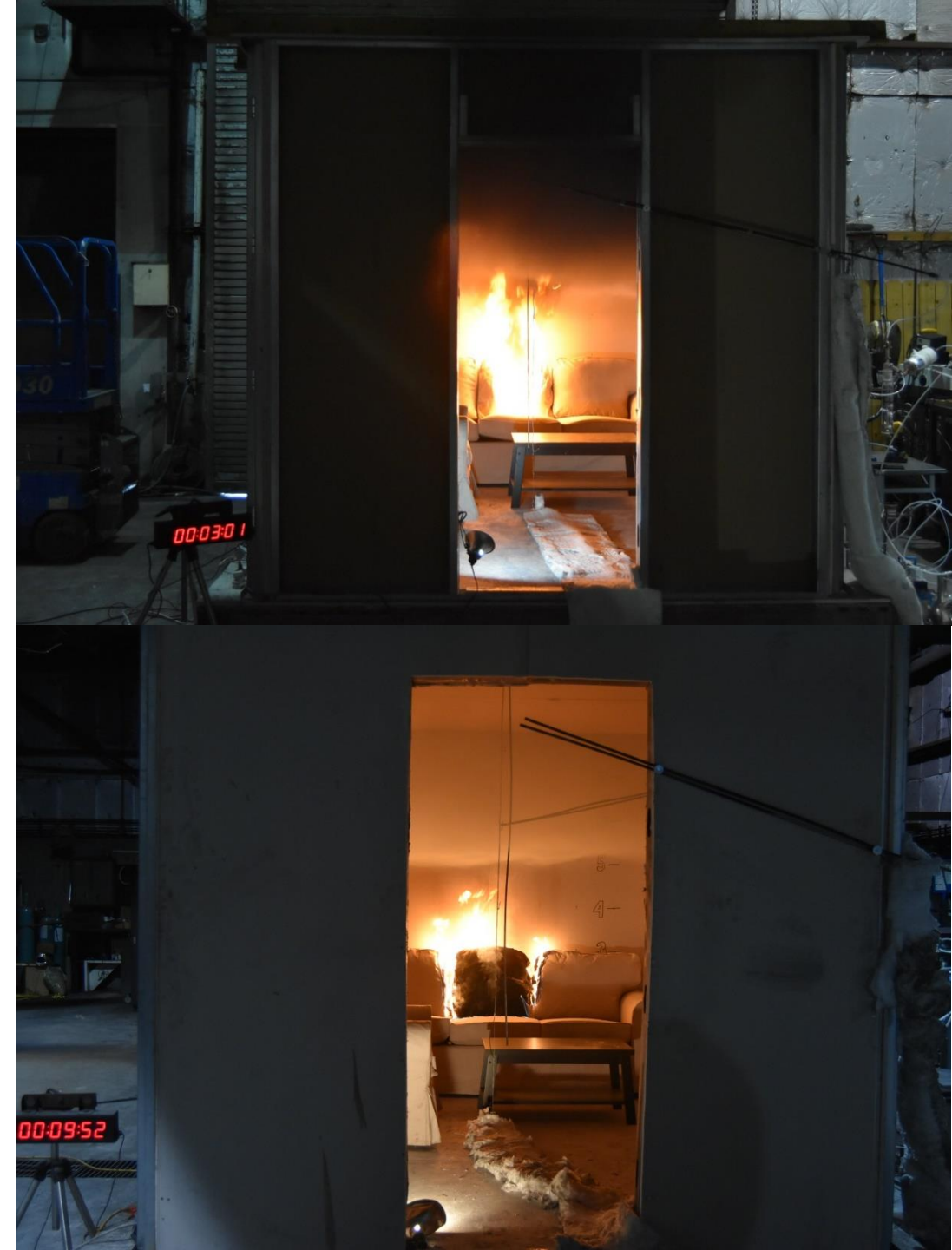
HRR and Smoke DATA

- French furnishings had highest heat and smoke number but was closely followed by the US
- English furnishings produced half the total smoke, lower pHRR and >4X longer times to Flashover
- English Furnishing reached flashover with crib 4 and 5 which was unexpected

Summary Smoke and Heat Data from all 9 Tests									
Test	pHRR kW	time to pHRR	Total heat MJ	Max Smoke m ² /s	time to Max Smoke	total Smoke m ²	pHeat Flux at floor kW/m ²	time to peak heat flux min:s	Flashover min:s
US1	2890	6:24	2134	191.5	9:36	62975	-----	-----	5:00
US2	2922	7:49	2107	204.6	9:54	70517	121.1	13:23	5:00
US3	2811	6:21	1800	216.1	9:00	85362	220.3	10:56	4:20
US Average	2874	6:51	2014	204.1	9:30	72951	170.7	12:09	4:46
GB1	2690	24:19	1892	189	27:44	33734	-----	-----	22:37
GB2	2822	21:09	1899	204.1	21:09	45196	221.5	23:28	17:10
GB3	2499	21:00	1909	181	20:25	24061	122.2	24:08	19:07
GB Average	2670	21:04	1900	191.4	21:09	34330	171.8	23:28	19:38
FR1	2941	6:29	2300	197.6	9:22	72561	117.1	14:47	5:00
FR2	3307	5:56	2278	209.3	9:11	79664	199.1	11:19	4:49
FR3	2848	7:34	2011	202.8	8:20	72101	219.1	10:32	5:00
Fr Average	3032	6:39	2196	203.2	8:57	74775	178.4	12:12	4:56

Smoke Characteristics

- Time to transition of white or light smoke to heavy black smoke
 - English occurs at 17 to 19 minutes
 - French occurs 3 to 4 minutes
 - US occurs 3 to 4 minutes
- White and black smoke separately characterized for 6 of 9 trials.

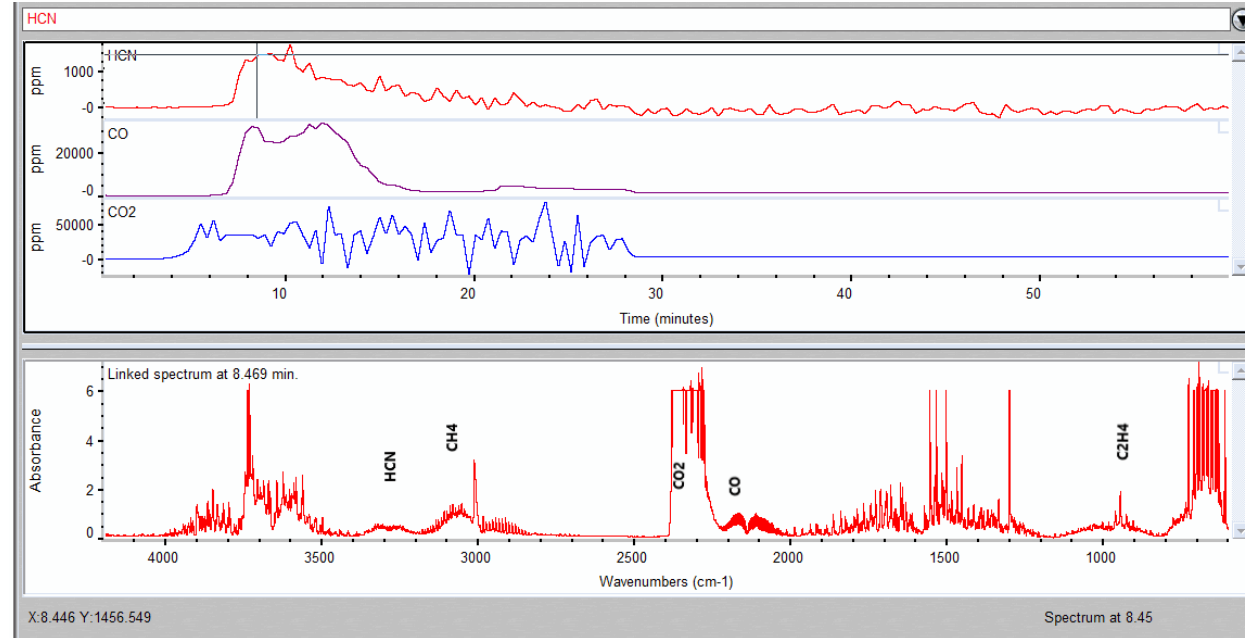


Smoke Analysis - FTIR

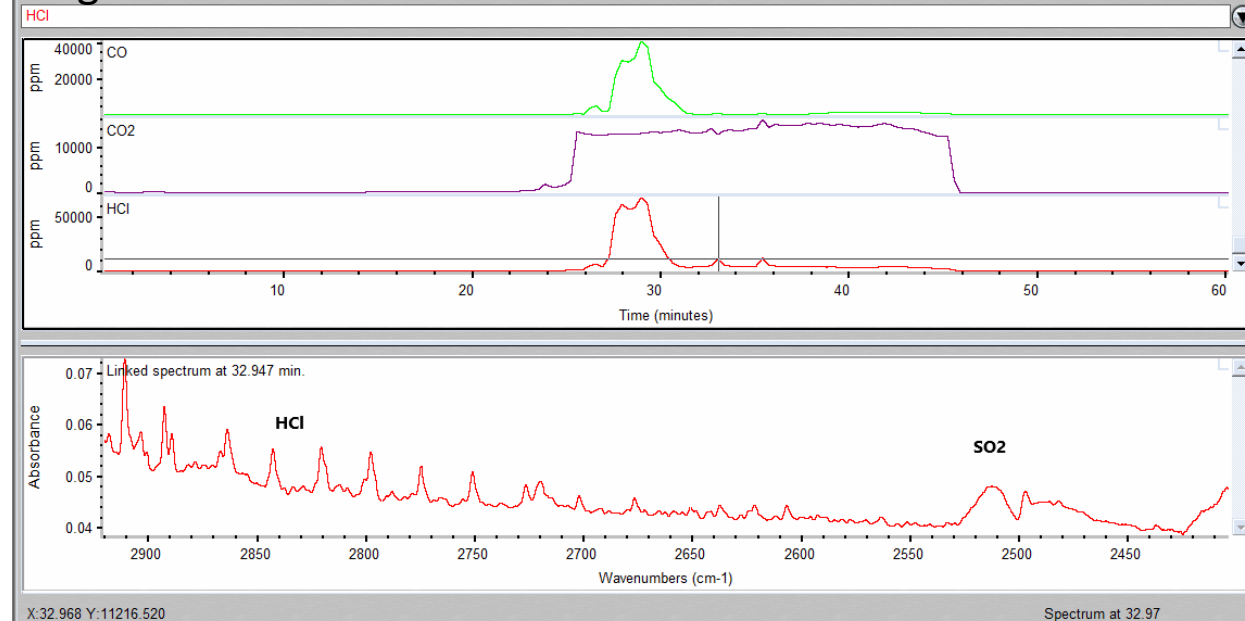
Chemical	GB cent Rm	GB Door	FR Cent Rm	FR Door	US Cent Rm	US Door
HCN	ND	1029 ppm 21.1 min	ND	1234 ppm 6.1 min	ND	1600 ppm 6.0 min
SO ₂	510 ppm 29.9 min	646 ppm 29.9 min	588 ppm 13.9 min	2300 ppm 13.5 min	639 ppm 13.5 min	3300 ppm 13.2 min
CO	18,200 ppm 23.9 min	18,000 ppm 23.0 min	31000 ppm 12.2 min	28000 ppm 6.2 min	60800 ppm 8.2 min	38200 ppm 8.8 min
NH ₃	ND	ND	ND	2500 ppm 8.0 min	ND	2743 ppm 8.4 min
Methane	1094 ppm 23.7 min	1703 ppm 23.3 min	1334 ppm 9.7 min	31815 ppm 8.0 min	1426 ppm 10.1 min	1928 ppm 7.8 min
Ethylene	378 ppm 23.7 min	818 ppm 23.3 min	693 ppm 9.4 min	1887 ppm 8.0 min	993 ppm 9.8 min	2033 ppm 7.8 min
CO ₂	13330 ppm 23.7 min	87930 ppm 27.4 min	12480 ppm 7.8 min	33600 ppm 11.1 min	14700 ppm 9.9 min	95200 ppm 15.2 min
H ₂ O	19310 ppm 24.0 min	82270 ppm 25.4 min	17510 ppm 9.9 min	79100 ppm 11.3 min	28500 ppm 9.9 min	76900 ppm 11.9 min
HCl	65 ppm 23.9 min	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND

- FTIR shows French Test gets acutely toxic very quickly, starting at 6 min and ending at 12 min, CO and HCN
- English test #1 acute toxicity significantly delayed, starting at 21 min, lower than both US and French
- HCl false positive due to high hydrocarbons, but detected at low levels at 32 min in the English test #1
- SO₂ detection for all rooms late in the fire from wood combustion

French test #1



English test #1



Smoke Analysis VOC

Chemical Name/ppb v/v	GB1	GB2	GB3	GB1 Flashover	GB2 Flashover	GB3 Flashover	US1	US2	US3	US1 Flashover	US2 Flashover	US3 Flashover	FR1	FR2	FR3	FR1 Flashover	FR2 Flashover	FR3 Flashover
PROPENE	480	224	226 DL	3950 DL	1060	204	313	182	10.8	6640 DL	37800 DL	1150 DL	115	173	202 DL	53900 DL	380	4200 DL
CHLOROMETHANE	2.85	ND	46 dl	ND	240	88	145	ND	0.941	ND	1680 DL	ND	ND	ND	41.9	13400DL	ND	1850 DL
VINYL CHLORIDE	0.612	ND	3.46	ND	68.3	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	90	23.2	1.74
1,3-BUTADIENE	61.2 DL	58.7	58 DL	ND	ND	38.8	ND	28.6	1.01	ND	ND	ND	21.7	39.2	38.4	6610 DL	ND	2130 DL
BROMOMETHANE	ND	ND	12	21.2	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	136	19.2	ND	ND	31.4	362	13.8	4.58
ETHANOL	99 DL	45.4	13.2	ND	170 DL	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	231	ND	3880 DL	19.3	23	ND	716 DL	14.6
ACROLEIN	593	176	128	609 DL	1360	ND	561	70.8	ND	966	7720	1350	ND	64.7	118 DI	6990	196	ND
ACETONE	267	104	70.5	843 DL	842 DL	524 DL	420DL	94.1	25.7	953 DL	4450	1420	78.3	55.8	150 DL	74500 DL	849 DL	1500 DL
ISOPROPANOL	161	519	311 DL	6850 DL	413	ND	396 DL	2820	35.6	3160 DL	1150 DI	1200	717000 DL	510	1180 DL	1090000 DL	791 DI	3290 DL
CARBON DISULFIDE	ND	ND	3.87	209 DL	23.4	ND	77.6 DL	ND	ND	39.3	777 DL	591	ND	ND	ND	232	466 DL	5.14
VINYL ACETATE	ND	44.2	ND	ND	222	ND	80.7	ND	ND	54.4	ND	224	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
2-BUTANONE	241	55	40.4	ND	129	ND	19.4	3.65	4.42	21.8	377	52	ND	4.11	7.21	ND	ND	ND
BENZENE	982	257	164	71000 DL	10100 DL	33500 DL	9610	841	20.9	36300 DL	50300 DL	10800	2860 DL	1750	4350 DL	140000DL	17700 DL	512000 DL
1,2-DICHLOROPROPANE	ND	ND	2.69	ND	27.8	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,4-DIOXANE	52.3DI	9.43	4.97	ND	15.9	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
METHYL METHACRYLATE	2.29	ND	ND	625 DL	1850 DL	ND	621 DL	ND	ND	883 DL	3320 DL	2080	ND	ND	ND	123	2960 DL	2220 DL
TOLUENE	95.9 DL	30.7	12.9	1960 DL	472	122	383	39.9	2.19	1560 DL	3370 DL	307	23.9	89.9	101	32800 DL	318	9790 DL
CHLOROBENZENE	ND	ND	1.5	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	17.4	53.5	ND	ND	ND	ND	132	51	6.13
ETHYLBENZENE	15.6 DL	3.69	ND	20.6	31.9	ND	18.6	5.42	0.971	138	952	13.9	ND	8	4.66	1040	ND	7.82
M/P-XYLENE	13.7 DL	3.33	ND	19.8	19	ND	ND	ND	3.27	101	565	13.8	ND	3.34	3.94	1020	ND	40.9
STYRENE	21.5	8.34	ND	28.1	50.1	53.2	47.9	23.7	0.906	34.7	499	ND	ND	44.6	42.7	2060	ND	2700 DL
O-XYLENE	4.13	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.06	66.2	199	ND	ND	ND	ND	418	ND	14.4
NAPHTHALENE	288	18.7	15.1	271	146 DL	2260	1340	136	10.5	295 DL	2420 DL	3570	39.3	69.4	16400 DL	47200 DL	469	4800 DL

- Units of measurement are ppb v/v
- All of the white smoke measurements have very low levels, post flashover-black smoke much higher levels
- Monomers prevalent, fragment of FR, aromatic and PAH
- Acrolein higher in non fire resistant systems

Smoke Analysis SVOC / PAH

Sample ID	GB2 SVOC White	GB3 SVOC White	GB2 SVOC Black	GB3 SVOC Black
Compound	micrograms/m ³	micrograms/m ³	micrograms/m ³	micrograms/m ³
Phenol	ND	421	500	155
Naphthalene	ND	1684	10400	6667
2-Methylnaphthalene	ND	ND	106	ND
Acenaphthylene	ND	189	1800	1176
Dibenzofuran	ND	ND	78	ND
Fluorene	ND	ND	68	ND
Phenanthrene	ND	ND	520	145
Anthracene	ND	ND	62	ND
Fluoranthene	ND	ND	194	67
Pyrene	ND	ND	260	143
Acetophenone	ND	97	174	63

Sample ID	US2 SVOC White	US3 SVOC White	US2 SVOC black	US3 SVOC Black *
Compound	micrograms/m ³	micrograms/m ³	micrograms/m ³	micrograms/m ³
Pyridine	ND	ND	949	471
Phenol	ND	590	385	276
Naphthalene	ND	6800	69231	16176
2-Methylnaphthalene	ND	ND	1256	106
Acenaphthylene	ND	460	4615	824
Dibenzofuran	ND	ND	564	126
Fluorene	ND	ND	410	ND
Phenanthrene	ND	ND	2821	ND
Anthracene	ND	ND	513	ND
Fluoranthene	ND	ND	1103	ND
Pyrene	ND	ND	1179	ND
Benzo[a]anthracene	ND	ND	190	ND
Chrysene	ND	ND	241	ND
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	ND	ND	231	ND
Benzo[a]pyrene	ND	ND	238	ND
Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene	ND	ND	156	ND
Benzo[g,h,i]perylene	ND	ND	185	ND

Smoke Analysis - SVOC

Sample ID	FR2 SVOC Black	FR3 SVOC black	FR2 SVOC White	FR3 SVOC White*
Compound	micrograms/m ³	micrograms/m ³	micrograms/m ³	micrograms/m ³
Pyridine	3167	767	ND	1438
Aniline	400	ND	ND	171
Phenol	4833	6333	ND	375
m-cresol & p-cresol	317	533	ND	-
Naphthalene	141667	18333	173	35417
2-Methylnaphthalene	1917	500	ND	396
Acenaphthylene	16667	3500	ND	2500
Dibenzofuran	492	ND	ND	229
Fluorene	700	ND	ND	185
Phenanthrene	4500	2000	ND	1854
Anthracene	700	ND	ND	333
Fluoranthene	1667	2000	ND	875
Pyrene	1917	2167	ND	1104
Benzo[a]anthracene	208	600	ND	115
Chrysene	242	717	ND	156
Benzo(b)fluoranthene	292	867	ND	138
Benzo[a]pyrene	342	750	ND	125
Indeno[1,2,3-cd]pyrene	233	600	ND	73
Benzo[g,h,i]perylene	292	583	ND	110
Acetophenone	267	- ND	ND	ND

- English Furnishings – lower molecular weight and lower concentration of PAH
- French Furnishings had the highest quantities of more toxic PAH in the black smoke, FR3 transition to black smoke was very fast causing the FR3 white sample to capture some black smoke.
- US3 suffered a line blockage during the black smoke collection giving lower concentration of Fewer PAH.

Smoke Analysis –Chloro Dioxin/Furan

Compound	18-311 FR1 Dioxin total		18-313 FR2 Dioxin White Smoke		18-317-GB2 Dioxin Black Smoke		18-319-FR3 Dioxin White Smoke	
	Conc. (Tot. pg)	Qual	Conc. (Tot. pg)	Qual	Conc. (Tot. pg)	Qual	Conc. (Tot. pg)	Qual
2,3,7,8-TCDD	ND	ND	20.7	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,2,3,7,8-PeCDD	ND	ND	4.02	J	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDD	ND	ND	12.7	J	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDD	8.71	J	9.76	J	ND	ND	ND	ND
OCDD	26.2	J	11.1	J	ND	ND	23.1	J
2,3,7,8-TCDF	ND	ND	6.02	J	5.63	J	ND	ND
1,2,3,7,8,9-HxCDF	ND	ND	2.85	J	ND	ND	ND	ND
2,3,4,6,7,8-HxCDF	ND	ND	3.36	J	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,2,3,4,6,7,8-HpCDF	ND	ND	7.43	J	ND	ND	7.45	J
1,2,3,4,7,8,9-HpCDF	ND	ND	10.6	J	ND	ND	9.70	J
OCDF	ND	ND	15.2	J	ND	ND	22.3	J

Smoke Analysis –Bromo Dioxin/Furan

	18-317- GB2 DIOXIN BLACK		18-317- GB2 DIOXIN WHITE		18-317- GB3 DIOXIN BLACK		18-317- GB3 DIOXIN WHITE	
Total pg	Conc	Qual	Conc	Qual	Conc	Qual	Conc	Qual
123478/123678-HxBDD	4.02	J	ND	ND	4.1	J	ND	ND
1234678-HpBDD	12.2	J	ND	ND	10.6	J	ND	ND
OBDD	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
2468-TBDF	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
23478-PeBDF	ND	ND	1.752	J	ND	ND	ND	ND
123478-HxBDF	4.54	J	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
1234678-HpBDF	15.96		8.6	J	ND	ND	4.84	J

	118-317-US3 DIOXIN WHITE		18-310-US2 DIOXIN BLACK		18-310-US1 DIOXIN		18-317- US3 DIOXIN BLACK	
Total pg	Conc	Qual	Conc	Qual	Conc	Qual	Conc	Qual
123478/123678-HxBDD	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
1234678-HpBDD	8.98	J	11.66	J	11.56	J	ND	ND
OBDD	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
2468-TBDF	ND	ND	ND	ND	1.012	J	ND	ND
23478-PeBDF	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND	ND
123478-HxBDF	3.78	J	3.48	J	ND	ND	ND	ND
1234678-HpBDF	7.82	J	ND	ND	ND	ND	6.66	J

=	18-313 FR2 DIOXIN LIGHT SMOKE		18-313 FR2 DIOXIN Black Smoke	
Total pg	Conc	Qual	Conc	Qual
123478/123678-HxBDD	ND	ND	ND	ND
1234678-HpBDD	7.48	J	ND	ND
OBDD	ND	ND	ND	ND
2468-TBDF	ND	ND	1.26	J
23478-PeBDF	ND	ND	ND	ND
123478-HxBDF	ND	ND	ND	ND
1234678-HpBDF	3.42	J	5.02	J

Conclusions

H1 - Country fire codes for furniture and Electrical Equipment affect their performance in fires: the furniture standard in England (BS5852) is significantly more protective than that in the US or France. Escape time is significantly increased, >4X. Performance of French and US furnishings are approximately the same with very short flashover times resulting from a small open flame ignition source.

H2 - Smoke is more acutely toxic from furnishing containing fire retardants: this hypothesis is false, the smoke generated in the French and US furnishing which did not indicate FR produced more and more acutely toxic smoke than the English furnishing as seen in the CO HCN concentration profiles. Chronic toxicity was evaluated in this study but smoke samples were collected and saved for a follow-on toxicity study.

H3 - Fire retardant materials produce more smoke: this hypothesis is false, the more highly protected English furnishings produced less than half of the smoke produced for the French and US furnishings. Both the heat and smoke production were also significantly delayed. Multiple replicates of the each furnishing configuration were tested with increasing ignition energy. The results were very consistent within each country source.

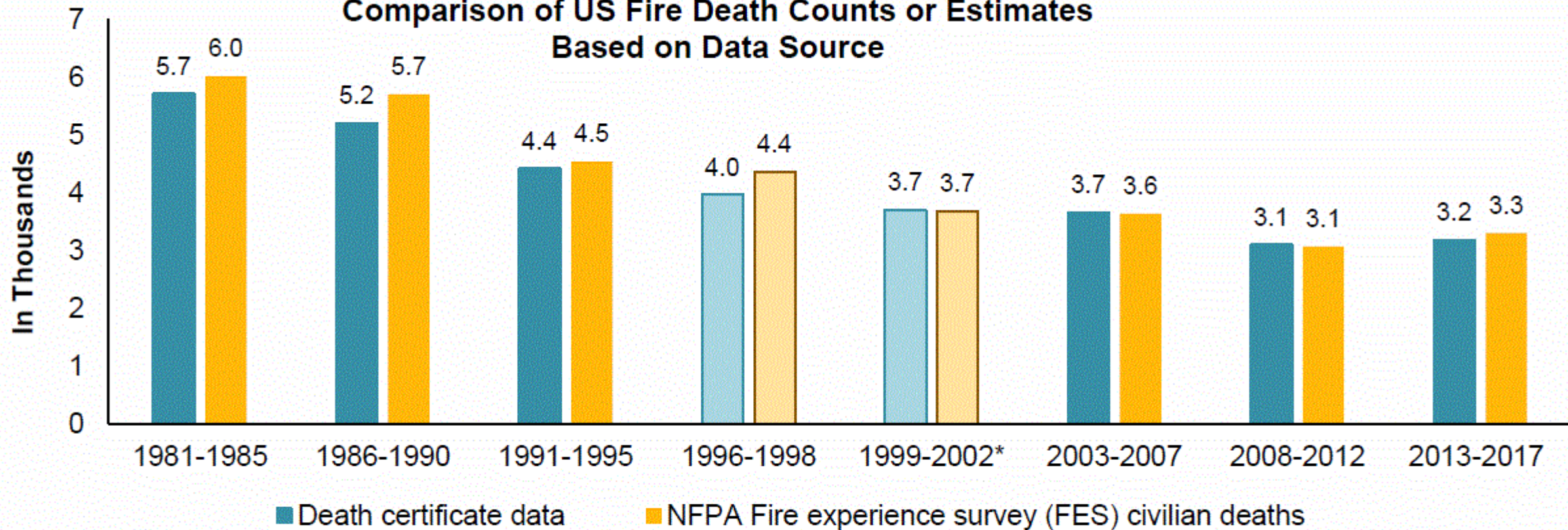
Ignoring or eliminating open flame ignition sources from furniture and electronics equipment decreases their safety by reducing their resistance to ignition.

Note: Crib 5 appears to present a bigger ignition threat in this scenario than crib 6 possibly due to geometry

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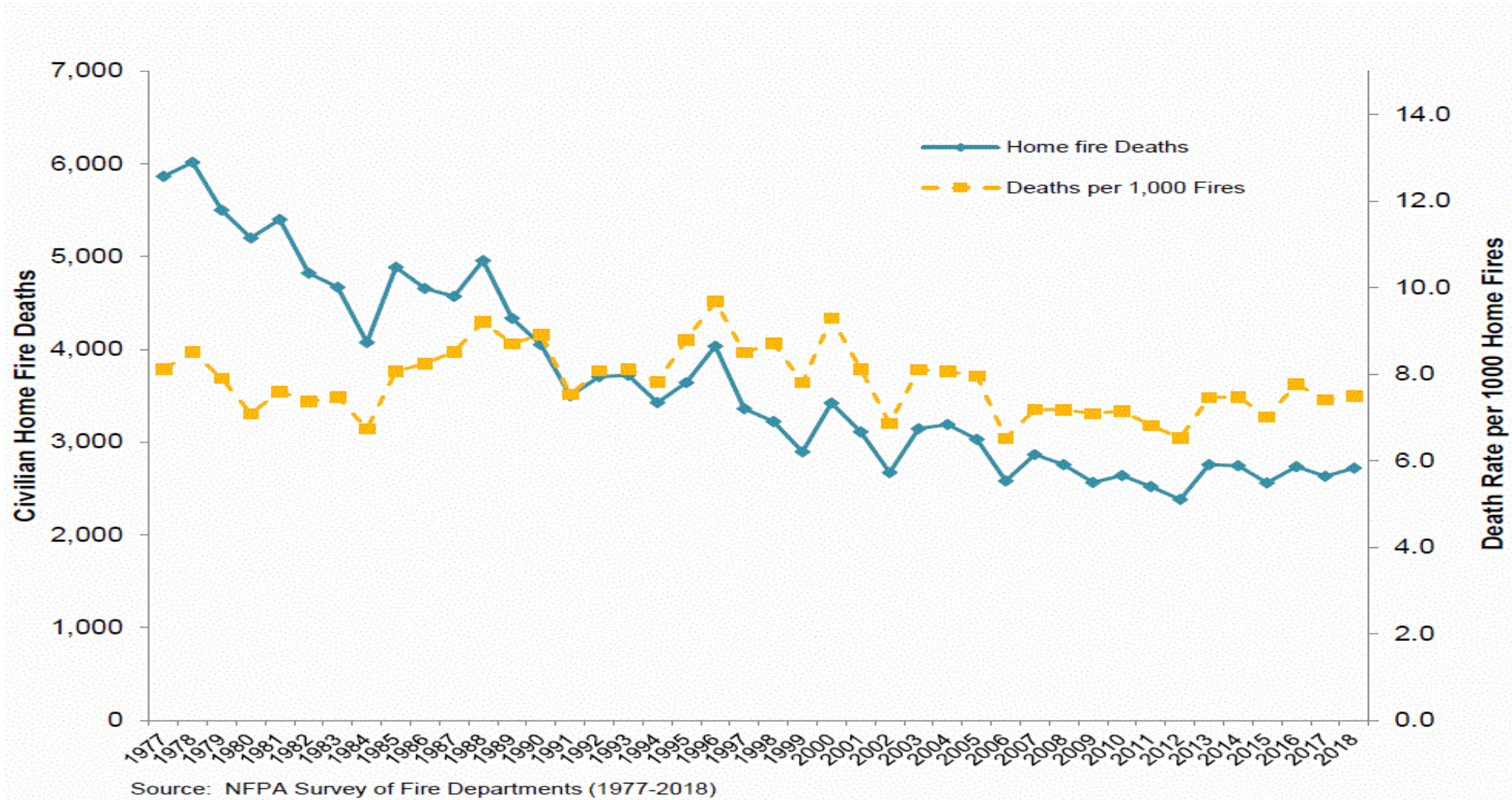
Figure 5.

Comparison of US Fire Death Counts or Estimates Based on Data Source



* Does not include the fatalities from the events of September 11, 2001.

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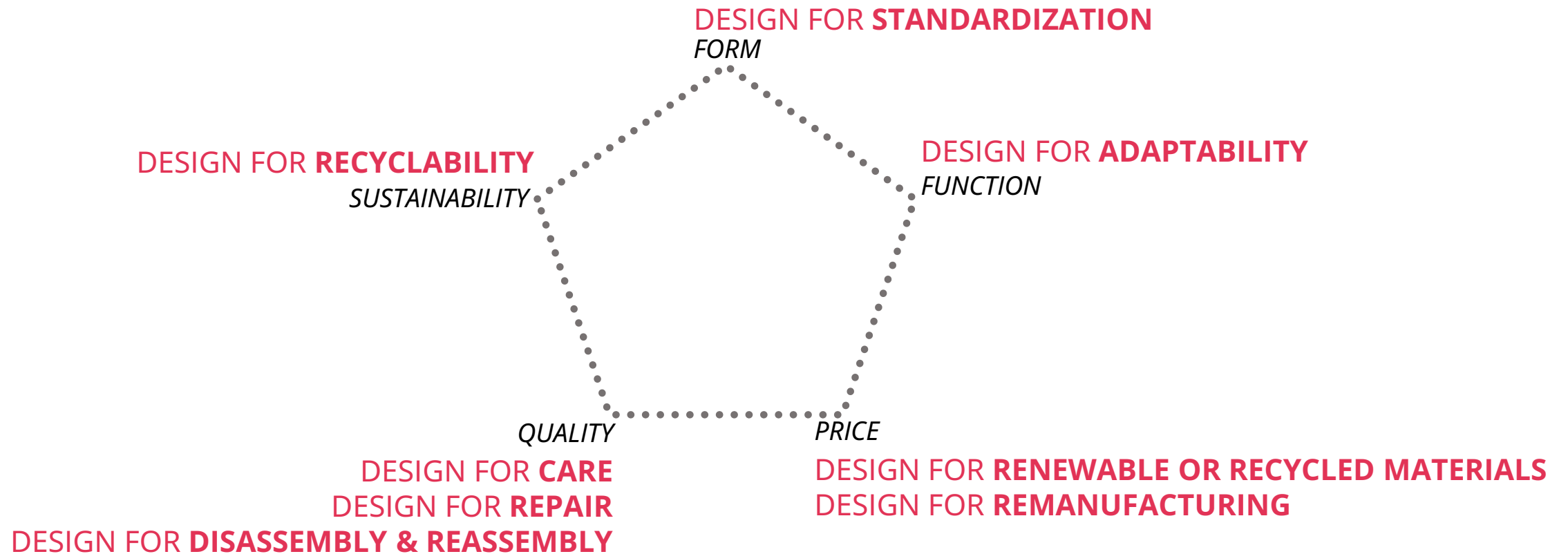
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Function



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Coffee Break

Panel discussion and Q&A



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Networking Lunch

Furniture Fire Safety Seminar

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