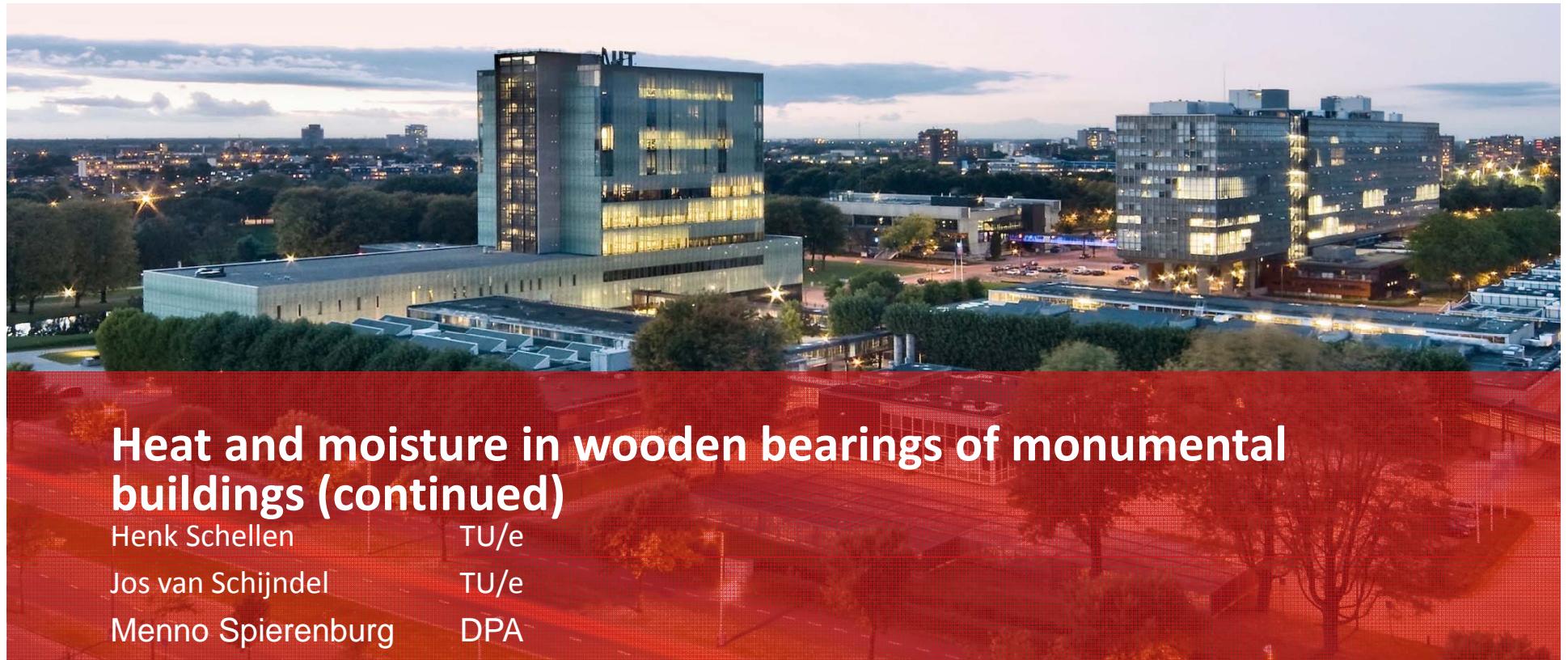


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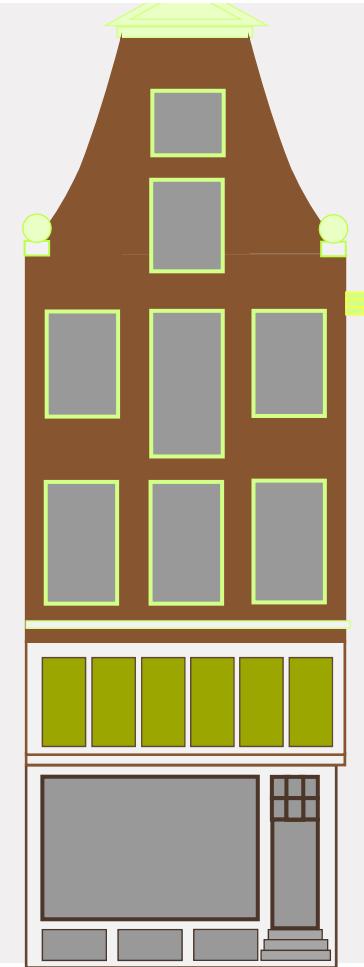
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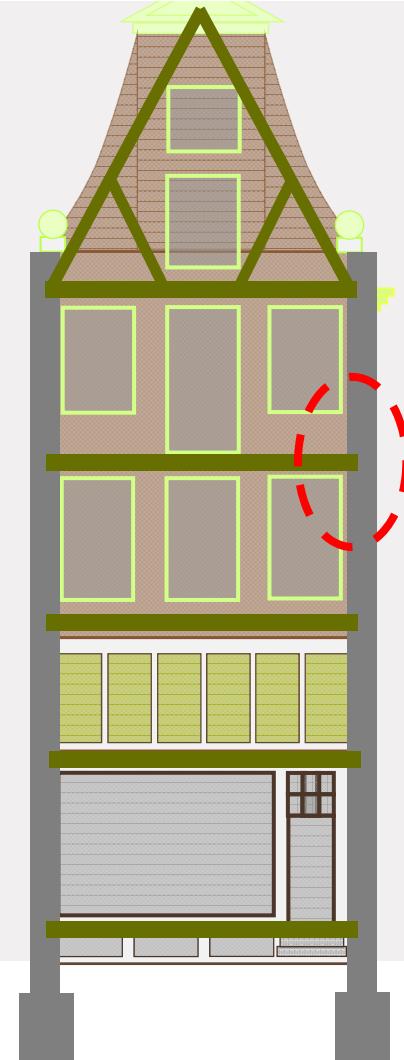
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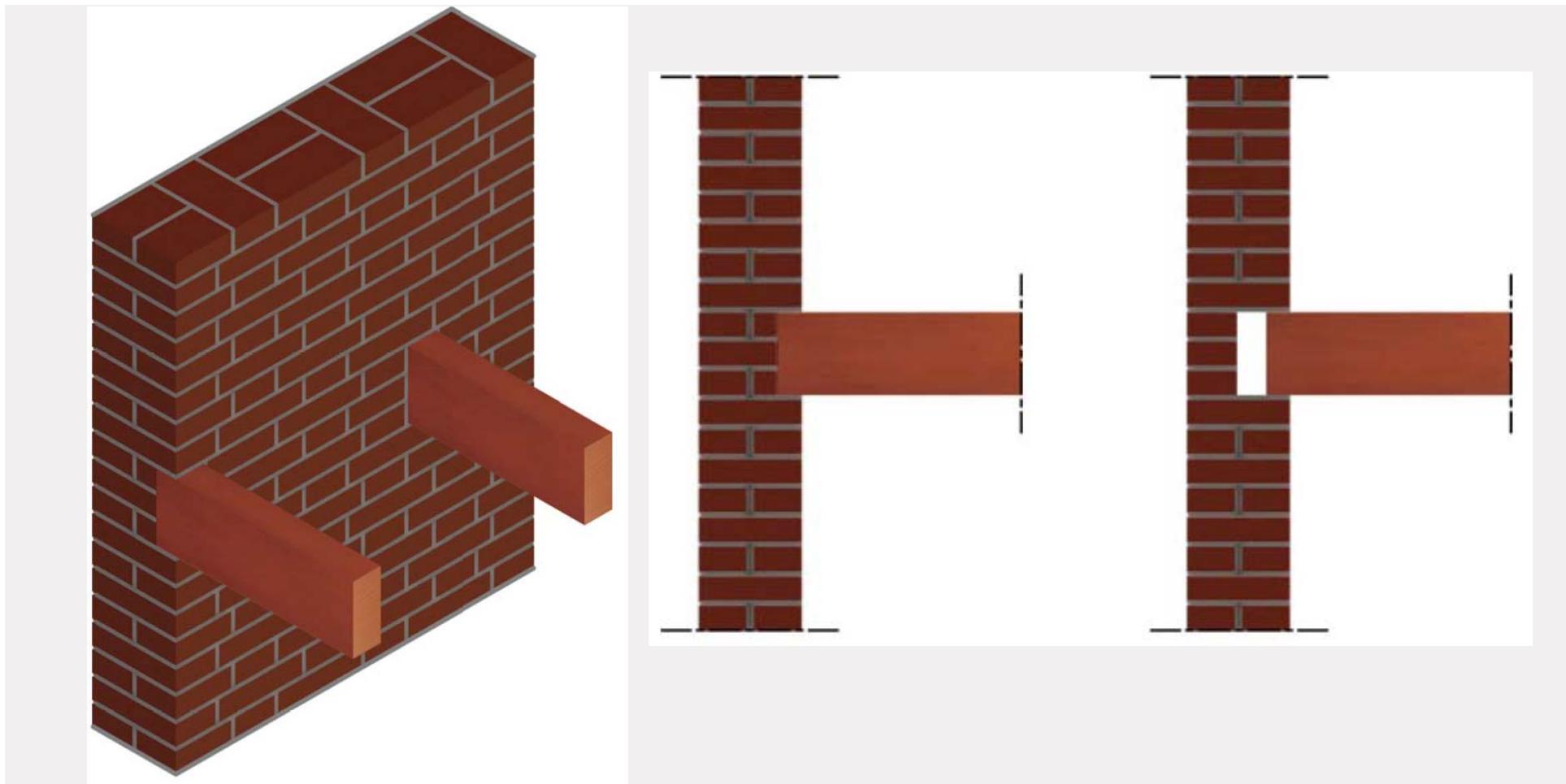


# Wooden beams in buildings

## Typical construction

- Masonry walls
- Wooden floors
- Wooden truss

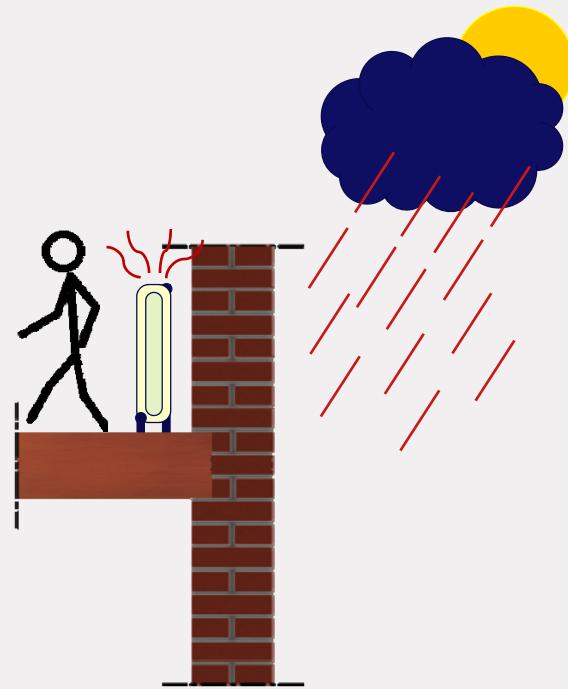




# Wooden beams in buildings

## Risks typical construction

- High wind driven rain load
- Leakages
- Cracks



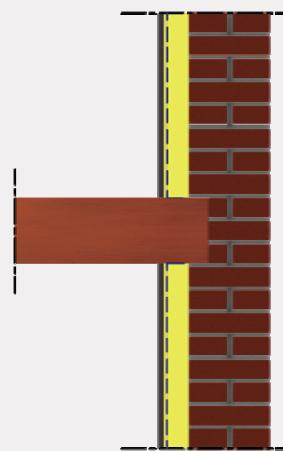
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## Interior insulation risks

- Moisture buildup in materials
- Mould growth
- Deterioration of wood

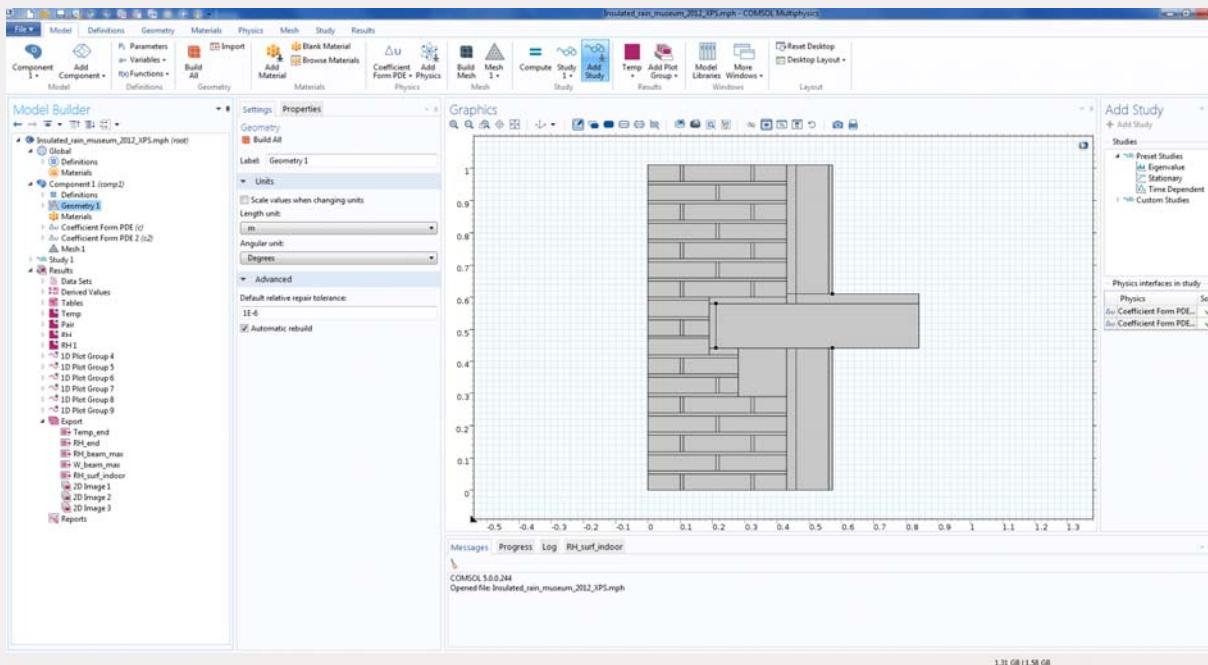
## Area of concern

- Air permeability of construction
- Connection vapour barrier



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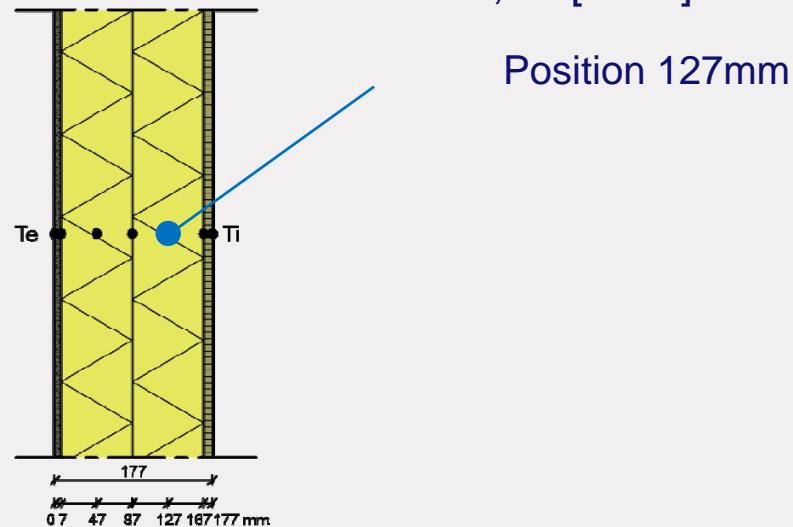
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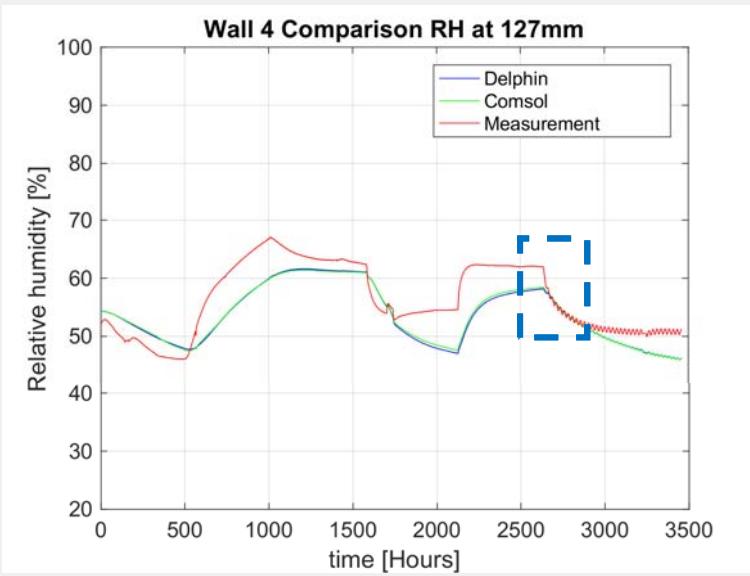


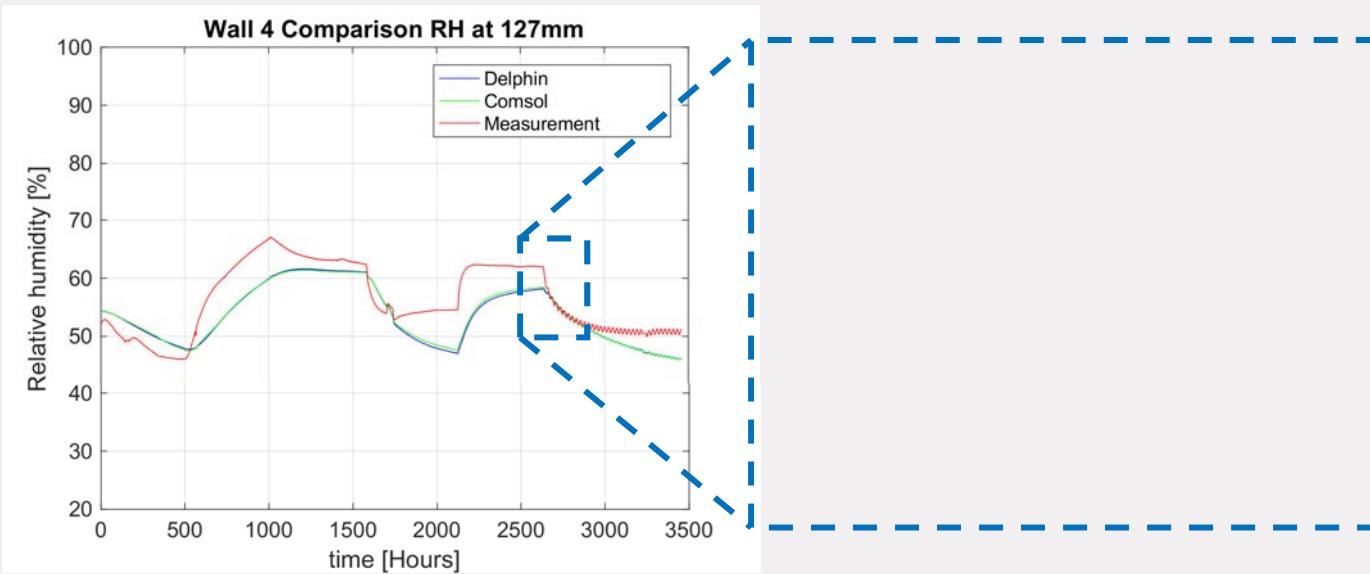
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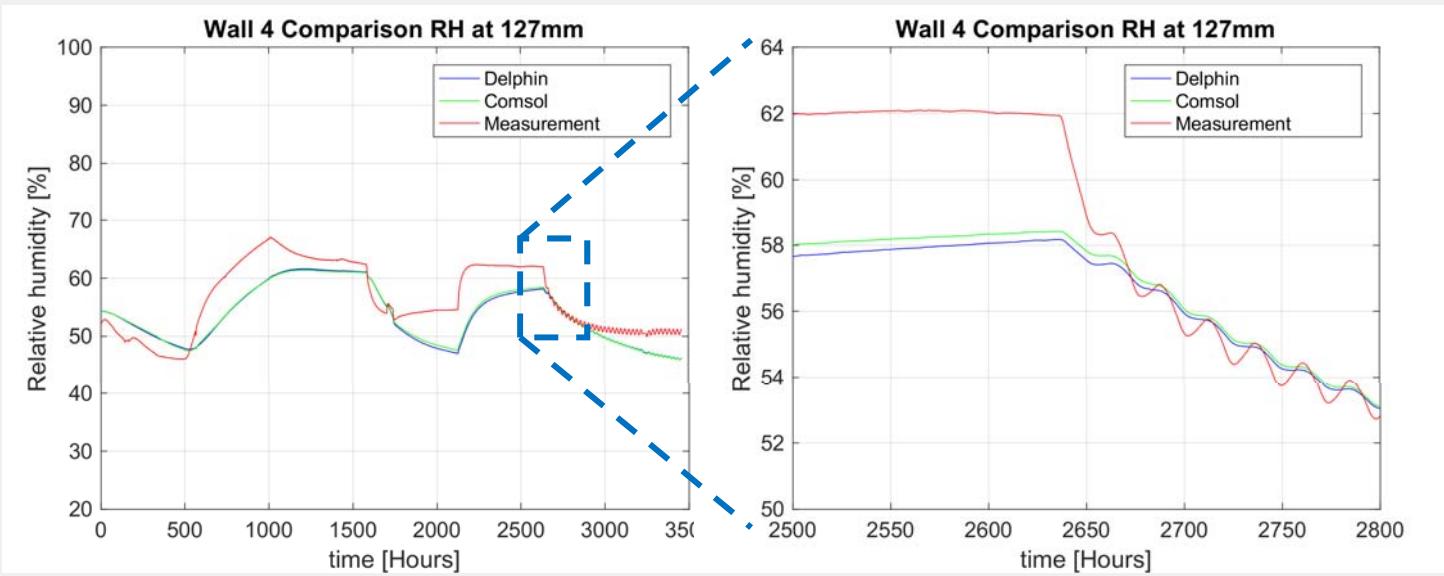
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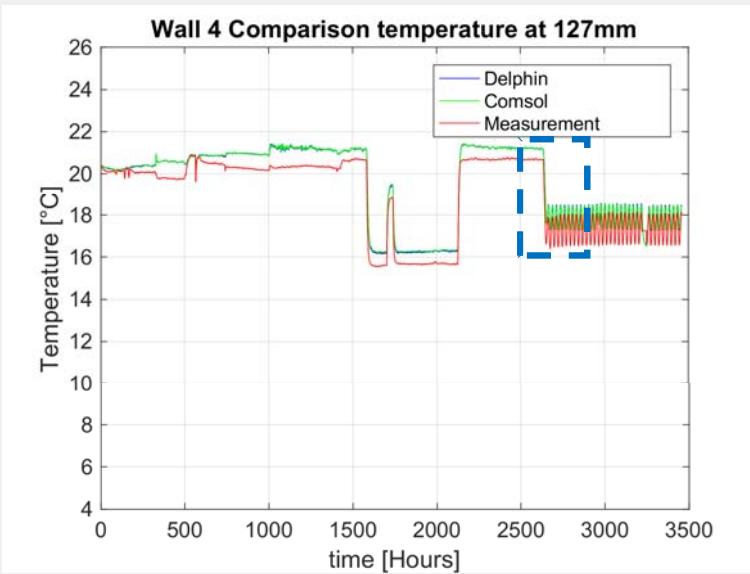
- Materials from Delphin
- Boundary conditions [Rafidiarison, et al. 2015]
- Comsol model based at Goesten, S. [2016]

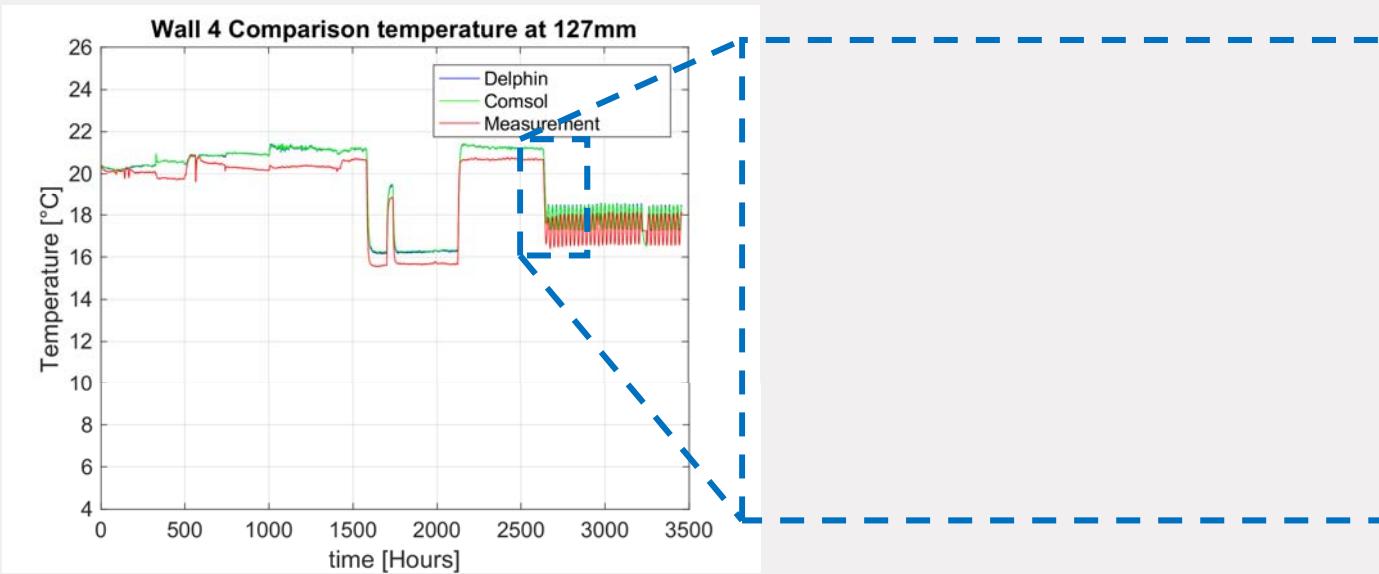


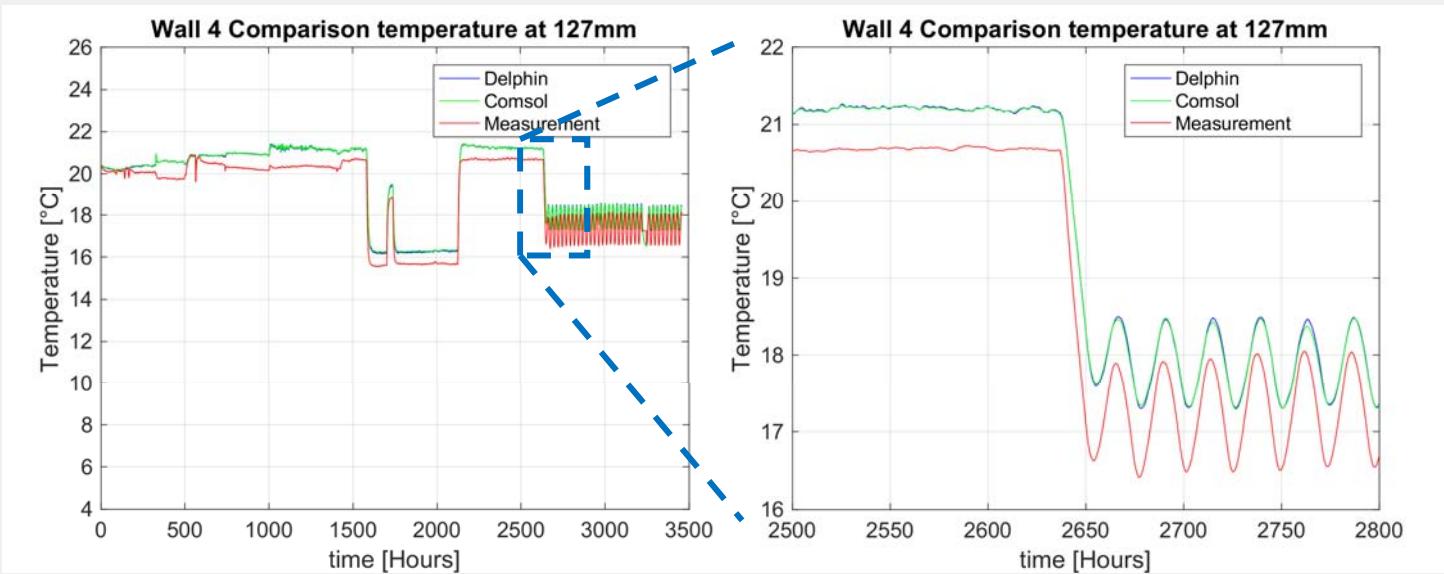






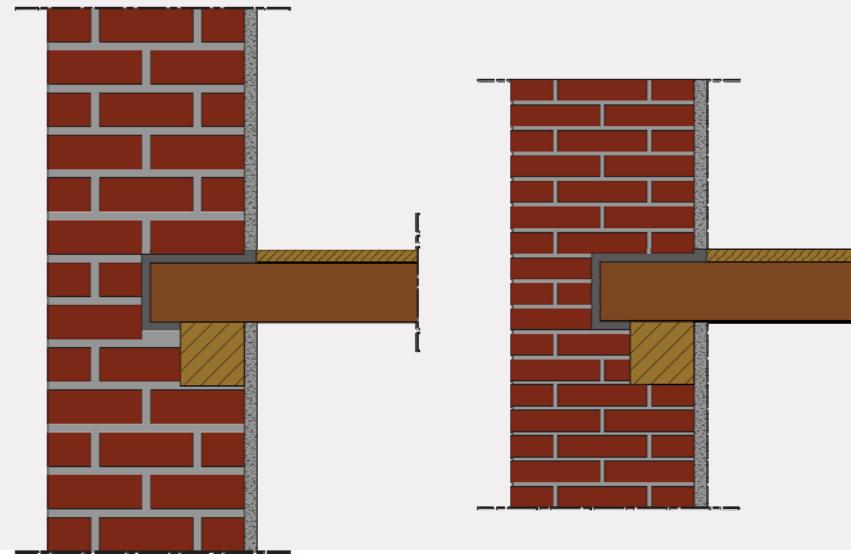






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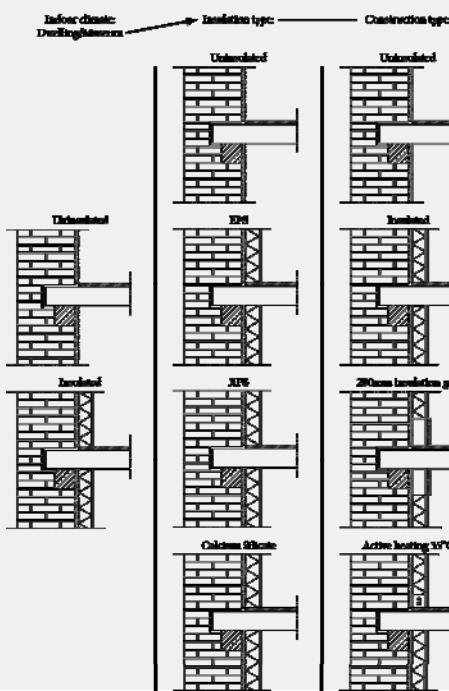
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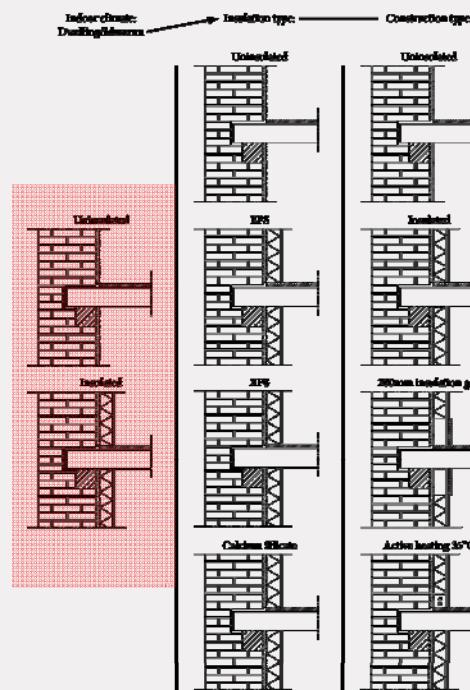
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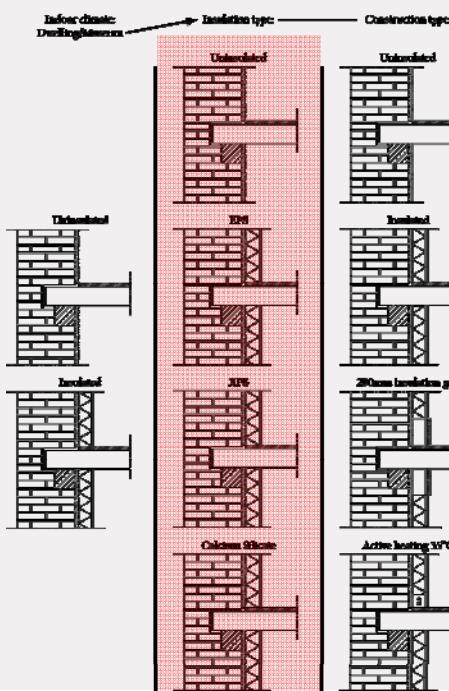
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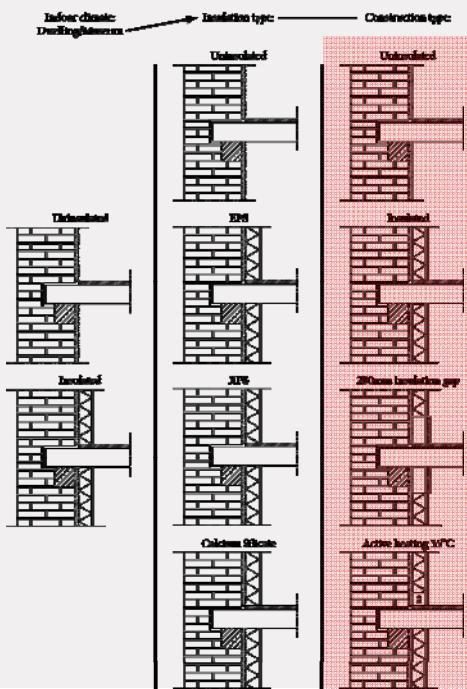
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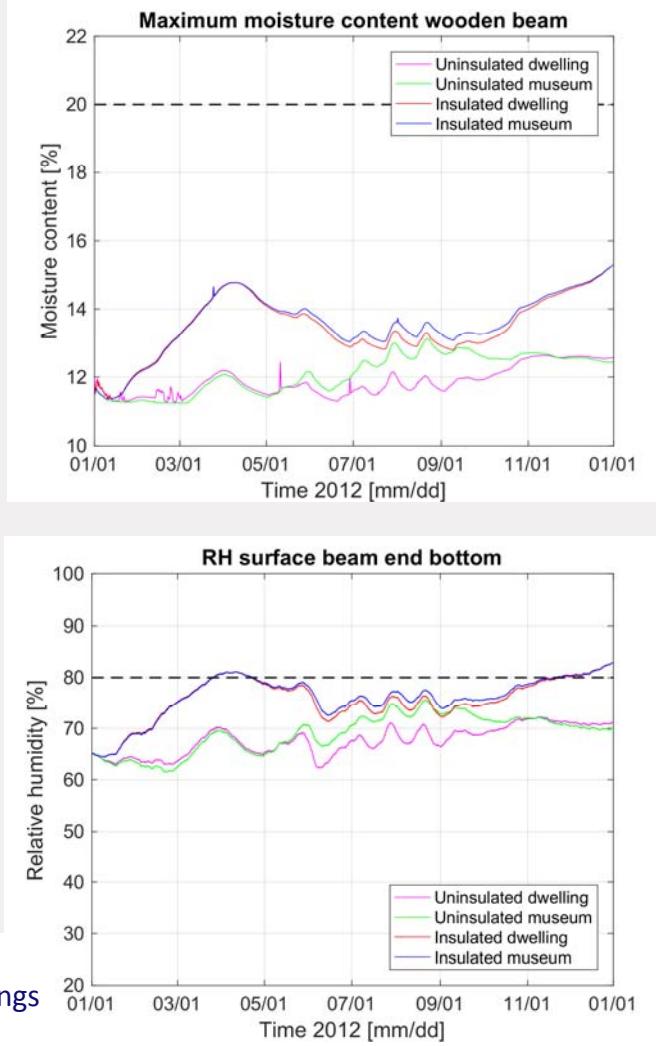
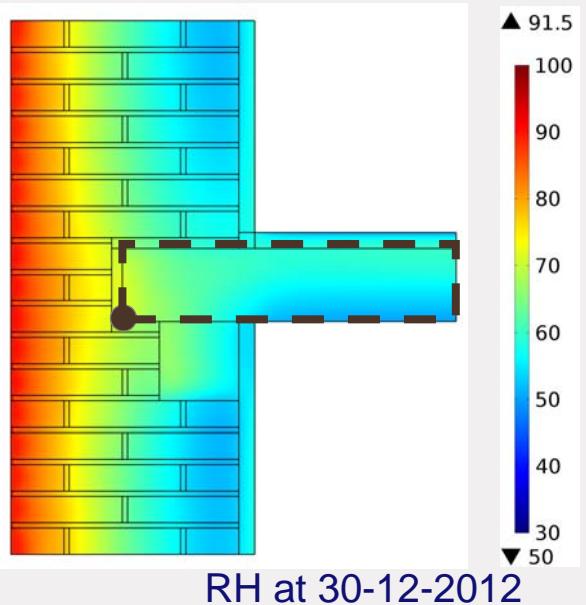
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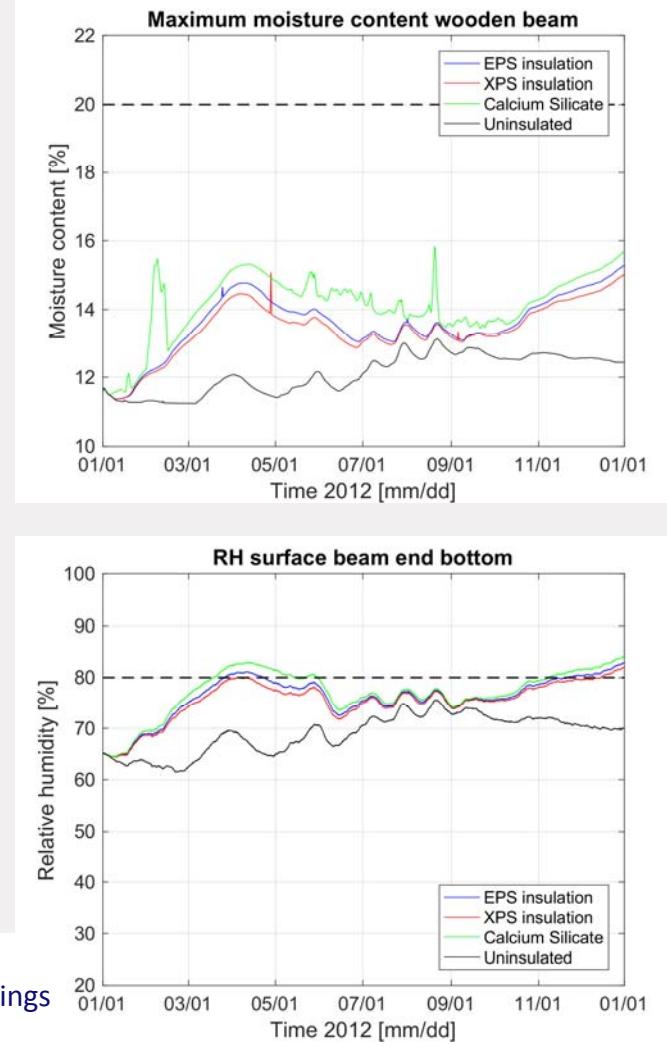
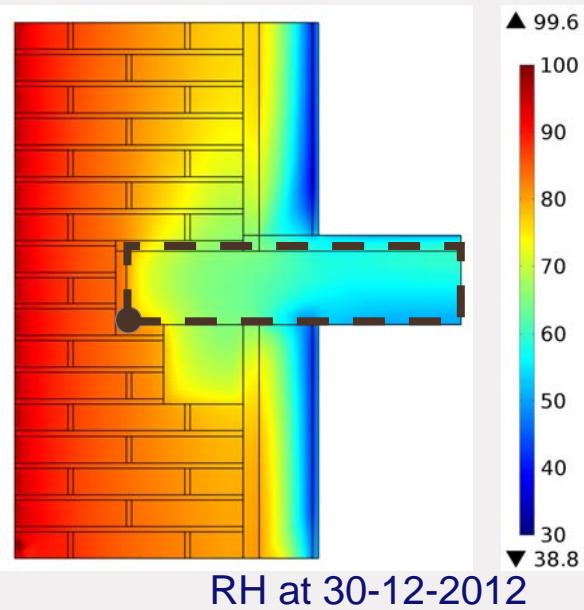
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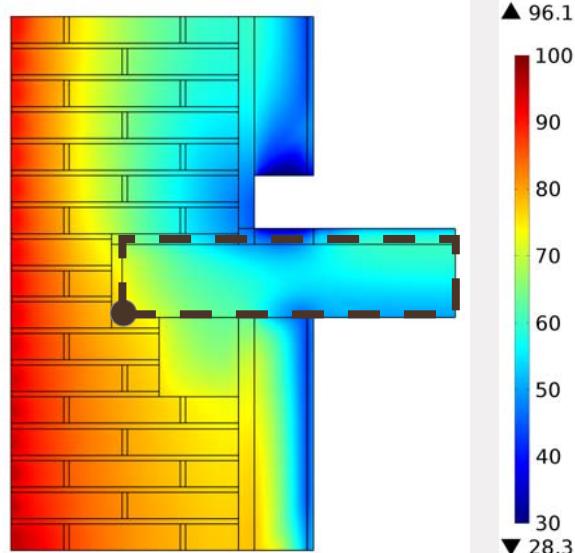
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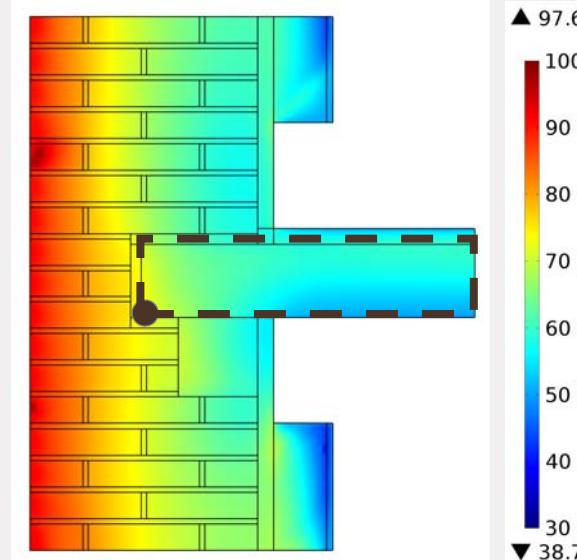
# Insulation material:



Active heating 35°C

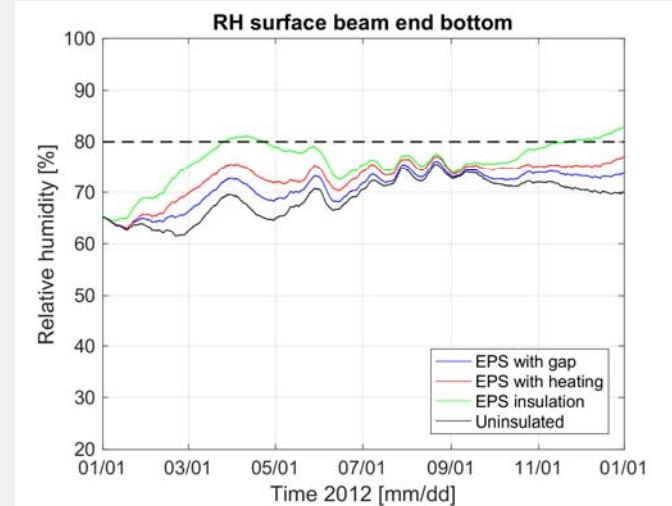
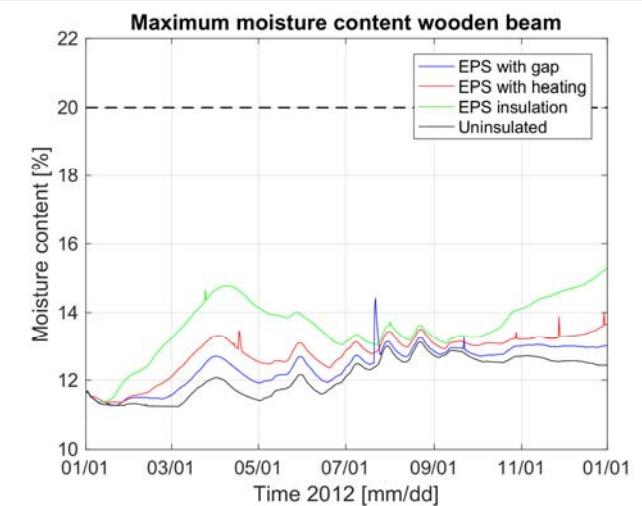


200 mm gap



RH at 30-12-2012

# Construction:



## Conclusion

### **Interior insulation possible**

- Museum indoor climate (worst case)
- Moisture buildup
- Risk of mould growth at surface

### **Effective measures**

- Active heating
- Insulation gap of 200mm

## **Recommendations**

### **Improvement simulation model**

- Solar radiation
- Wind/rain climate (measured or with CFD)
- Simulation multiple years
- 3D models

# Questions?