

INTERNATIONAL BIODETERIORATION RESEARCH GROUP**Dry State Preservation Group: Annual Report 2023****Report No: IBRG/DSP 24/002**

The Dry State Preservation Group met twice in the 2023 period. The first meeting, which was the 11th DSP meeting, was held on the 25th and 26th of April 2023 on-line. The 12th DSP meeting took place on the 17th of October 2023 and was held in Athens, Greece with an option also to attend on-line. International delegates from Europe, USA, Australia and Japan were welcomed at both meetings representing companies from industry, academia, consultancies and testing institutes.

The main activities within the group are the revision of ISO 846 Part C (Plastic . Evaluation of the action of microorganisms - Resistance to Bacterial growth), the development of a method to measure the efficacy of biocidal washes for surfaces contaminated with fungal / algal growth and development of a new method to determine efficacy of treatments of wet-blue hides to prevent fungal growth.

The IBRG Dry State Group continues to sell:

IBRG DSP20-001/1.0 "A Method for Determining the Resistance of Paints and Coatings and other Non-Porous Material to Fungal Growth".

IBRG DSP19-004/1.0 "Determining the Resistance of Paints and Coatings to Algal Growth".

The Dry State Preservation Group will meet again in 2024 on-line on the 22nd of April and in Bergdorf, Switzerland on the 5th of November.

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