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# 1 INTRODUCTION

This report concerns tests conducted on a louvre to determine the Pressure Drop versus Airflow Curve, with the associated Coefficient of Entry and Discharge using the test methods contained within EN 13030 : 2001. The work was commissioned by nv RENSON Sunprotection-Projects sa, and was carried out at BSRIA on 3 - 4 May 2017.

## Items received for test

Test Item	BSRIA ID
467	60242A4

## 1.1 TEST ITEM INFORMATION

<b>Contract</b>	60242
<b>Date</b>	3-5-17
<b>Manufacturer</b>	nv RENSON Sunprotection-Projects sa
<b>Louvre Model</b>	467
<b>Material</b>	Plastic
<b>Painted</b>	No
<b>Core Area Height</b>	760 mm
<b>Core Area Width</b>	963 mm
<b>Blade Pack Depth</b>	100 mm
<b>Frame Depth</b>	100 mm
<b>No. of Blades</b>	43
<b>Blade Pitch</b>	20 mm
<b>Blade Angle</b>	0° (to the airflow)
<b>No. of Banks</b>	1
<b>Guard Type</b>	None
<b>Guard Spacing</b>	N/A
<b>Side Channels</b>	No
<b>Water Drip Tray</b>	No
<b>Blade Orientation</b>	Horizontal

**Note:** Weather louvre core area - product of the minimum height H and minimum width W of the front opening in the weather louvre assembly with the louvre blades removed  
Blade Pack Depth refers to the distance from front of first bank to rear of last bank.

**Figure 1 Test item 60242A4 (front)**

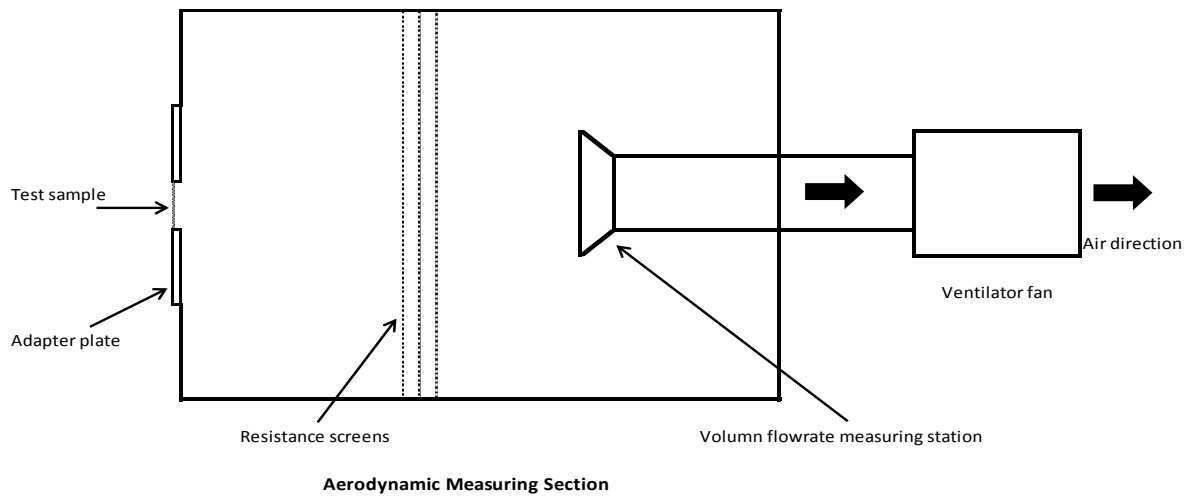


**Figure 2 Test item 60242A4 (rear)**



## 2 TEST METHOD

A schematic representation of the rig used during testing



### 2.1 PRESSURE DROP

For this test, the Aerodynamic Measuring Section (AMS) is separated from the main rig. The louvre is then mounted in the upstream opening of the AMS.

Pressure tappings in the plenum walls of the AMS allow measurement of the static pressure within the plenum during testing. The airflow volume is calculated from the differential pressure at the measuring cones. The plenum has a set of settling screens within to produce even flow through the cones and therefore gives an accurate reading of the total volume.

By adjusting the fan speed, the total airflow through the system varies and therefore changes the pressure on the louvre under test. A range of measurements are taken to give the characteristic curve for the test louvre.

### 2.2 TEST EQUIPMENT USED

Test equipment	BSRIA ID	Calibration Expiry Date
Airflow cones	364	7-1-18
Micromanometer	5	16-2-18
Micromanometer	682	2-2-18

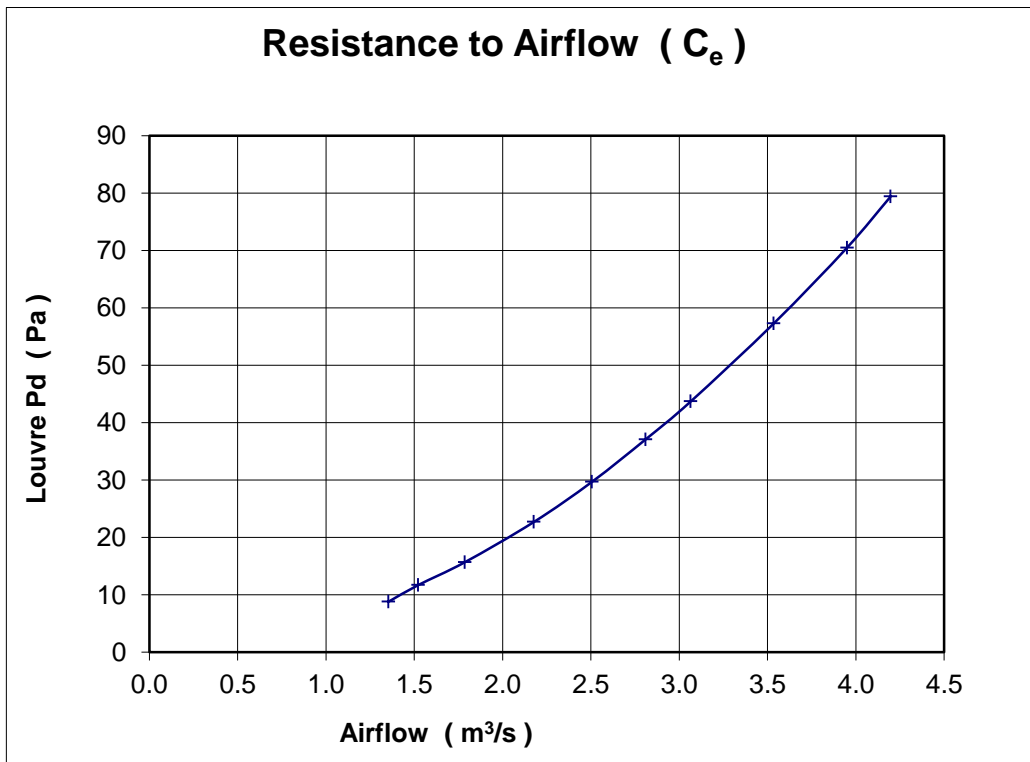
### 3 RESULTS

#### 3.1 COEFFICIENT OF ENTRY

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 MODEL 467 Contract 60242

air temperature 16.3 °C louvre height 760 mm  
 barometer 1014 mbar louvre width 963 mm  
 air density 1.215 kg/m<sup>3</sup> louvre area 0.732 m<sup>2</sup>

louvre pd Pascals	louvre face velocity	air flow rate		coefficient C <sub>e</sub>
	m/s	test m <sup>3</sup> /s	theoretical m <sup>3</sup> /s	
8.8	1.85	1.353	2.785	0.486
11.7	2.08	1.521	3.211	0.474
15.7	2.44	1.787	3.720	0.480
22.7	2.97	2.177	4.473	0.487
29.7	3.42	2.506	5.117	0.490
37.1	3.84	2.810	5.719	0.491
43.7	4.19	3.065	6.207	0.494
57.3	4.83	3.536	7.107	0.497
70.5	5.40	3.951	7.883	0.501
79.4	5.73	4.197	8.366	0.502
mean C <sub>e</sub>				0.490
Class				1



Graph equation is  $y = 5.1037x^{1.9159}$



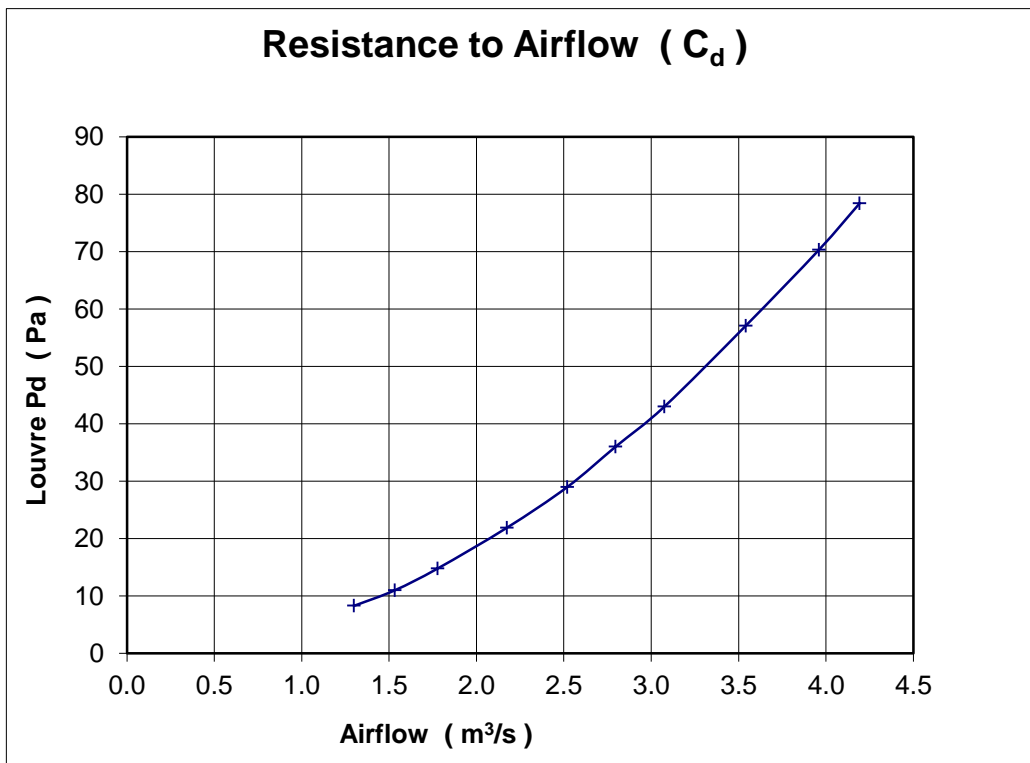
**3.2 COEFFICIENT OF DISCHARGE**

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 MODEL 467

Date 03/05/2017  
 Contract 60242

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 barometer 1014 mbar                      louvre width 963 mm  
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louvre pd Pascals	louvre face velocity	air flow rate		coefficient C <sub>d</sub>
	m/s	test m <sup>3</sup> /s	theoretical m <sup>3</sup> /s	
8.3	1.78	1.300	2.705	0.480
11.0	2.09	1.532	3.114	0.492
14.8	2.43	1.778	3.612	0.492
21.9	2.97	2.174	4.394	0.495
29.0	3.44	2.520	5.056	0.498
36.0	3.82	2.795	5.633	0.496
43.0	4.20	3.075	6.157	0.500
57.1	4.84	3.541	7.095	0.499
70.3	5.41	3.960	7.872	0.503
78.4	5.73	4.193	8.313	0.504
mean C <sub>d</sub>				0.496
Class				1



Graph equation is  $y = 4.8896x^{1.9363}$

APPENDIX: A MANUFACTURER'S DRAWING

