
Lydnivåer på nyfødtintensiv avdeling

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Kort om oppgaven

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 - Lydnivåer på nyfødtintensiv avdeling //
- Sound Conditions at the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit



Agenda

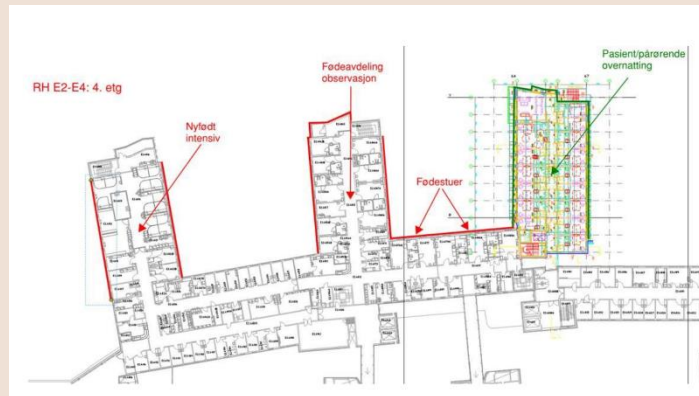
- Bakgrunn og motivasjon
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- Sommerjobb hos COWI sommeren 2021
- Lydmålinger på Rikshospitalet – Helikopterstøy

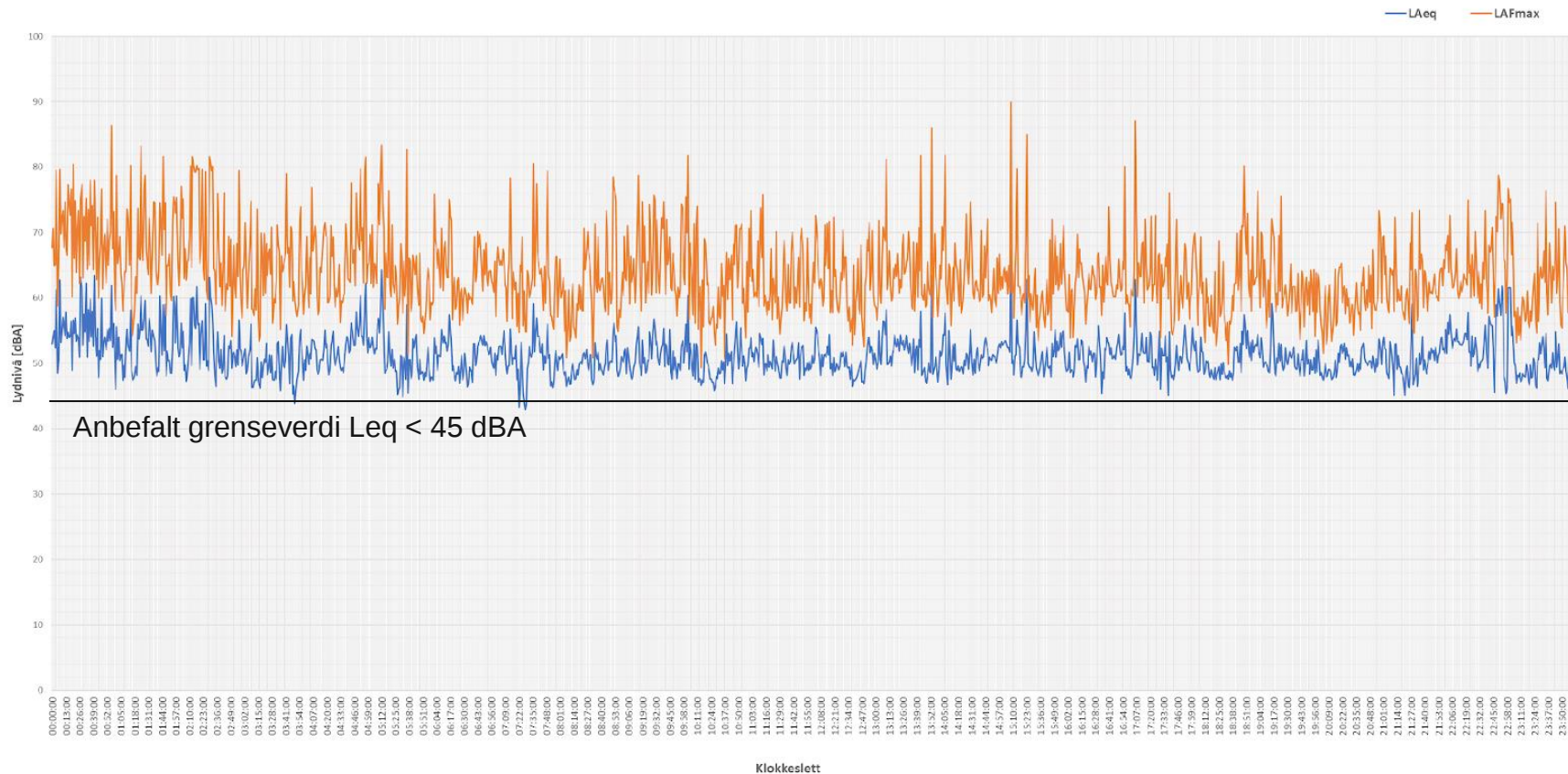


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Tabell hentet fra masteroppgave



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Høsten 2021: Prosjektoppgave

- Litteraturstudie: Støynivå på nyfødtintensiv avdeling

1. Hva anbefaler litteraturen som grenseverdier for lydnivå på nyfødtintensiv avdeling?
2. Hva sier litteraturen om lydnivå og **-kilder** på nyfødtintensiv avdeling?
3. Hva er mulige **tiltak** for å unngå uakseptable lydnivå på nyfødtintensiv avdeling?

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Iran	63,46	65,81	71,3	Valizadeh et al. (2013)
France	60,4	62,1	89,1	Parra et al. (2017)
India	72	No Data	92	Joshi and Tada (2016)
USA	60,44	59,26	78,39	Krueger et al. (2005)
USA	56,4	60,6	90,6	Krueger et al. (2007)

Table 4: L_{eq} , L_{10} og L_{max} , measured at neonatal intensive care units in five different countries.

Bakgrunn og motivasjon

Hvordan påvirker høye lydnivå spedbarn?

- **Hørselstap**
- **Økt blodtrykk og puls -> Høyere stressnivå**
- **Redusert oksygenmetning**
- **Økt smerteoppfatning**
- **Endret atferd**



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1. **HVA ER LYDNIVÅENE INNI OG UTENFOR EN KUVØSE** an
in **PÅ NYFØDTINTENSIV AVDELING?**

2. **HVOR MYE BIDRAR KUVØSEN I SEG SELV TIL LYDNIVÅENE?**

3. **HVORDAN KAN MAN REDUSERE LYDNIVÅENE??** sound
level limit values inside of the incubator?

Metode

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3.2.1 Measuring object



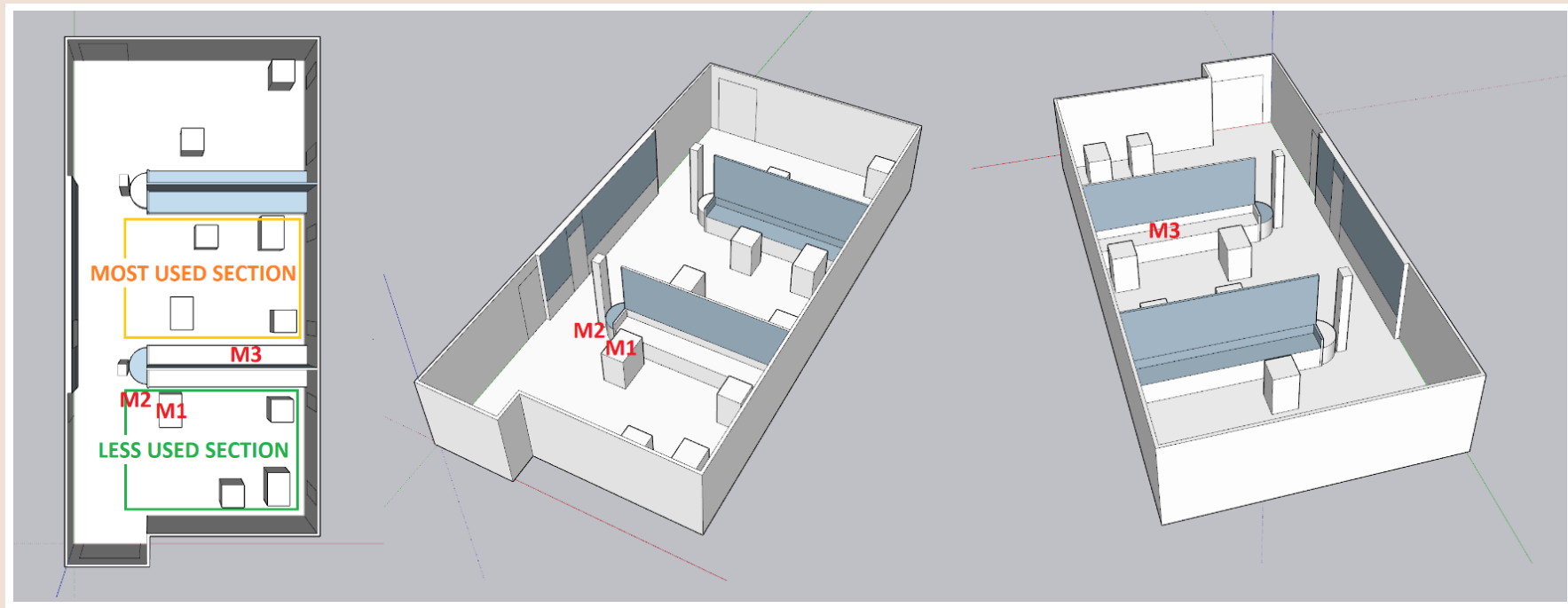
Figure 7: Pictures of the Giraffe OmniBed Care Station (Some Tech, n.d.)

Metode - Rikshospitalet

- 2 lydmålere
- Nor145, Nor150
- 3 mikrofoner
- 4 dager

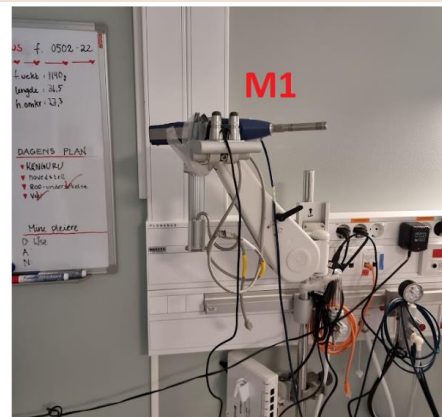
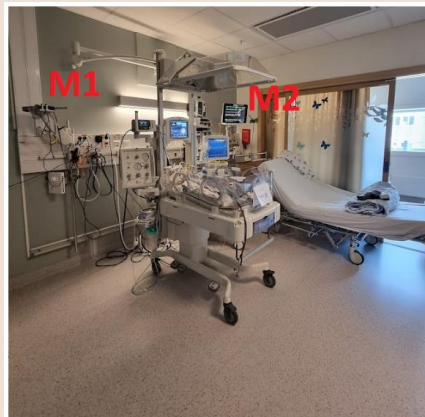


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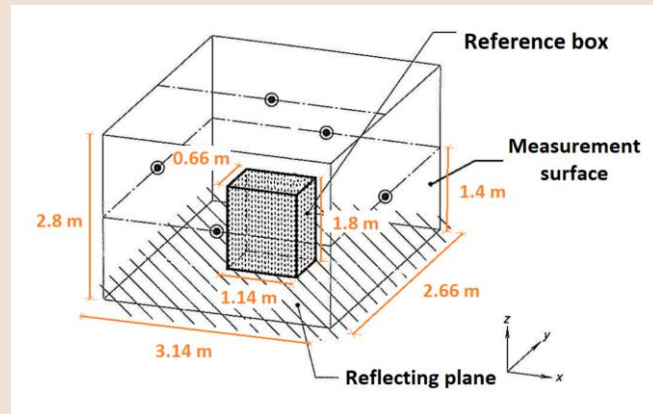
Metode – St.Olavs Hospital

- 1 lydmåler
- Nor150
- 2 mikrofoner
- 5 dager



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- Målt lyd innvendig

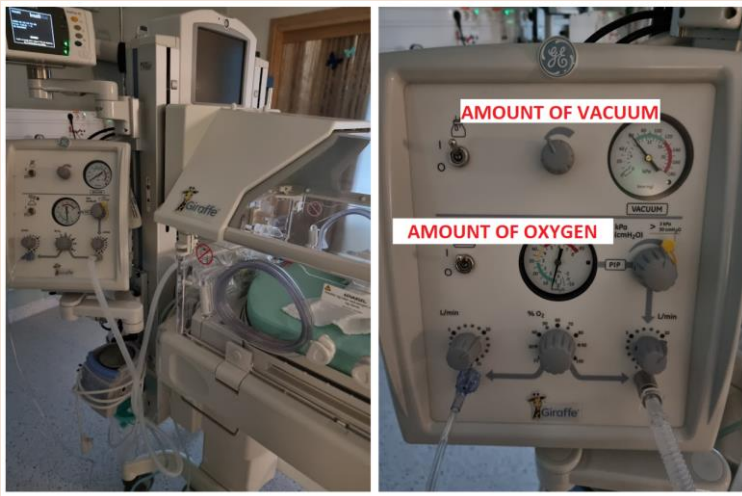


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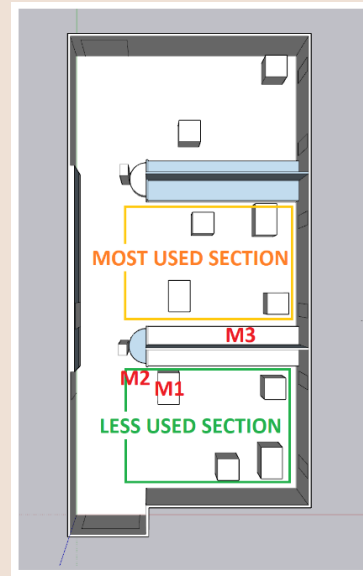
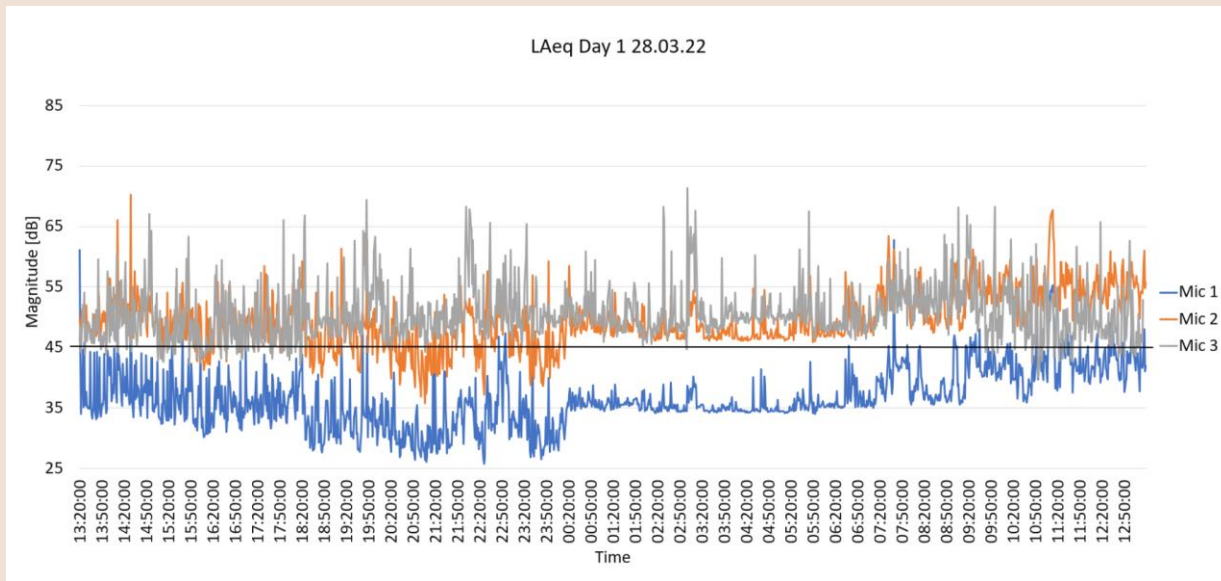
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- Combination 1: **Kuvøse er påskrudd** External control is active, external machine is inactive.
- Combination 2: **Kuvøse er påskrudd + vakumpumpe** External machine produces 70 kPa vacuum.
- Combination 3: **Kuvøse er påskrudd + vakumpumpe + oksygentilførsel** External machine produces 70 kPa vacuum, oxygen supply is turned on.
- Combination 4: **Kuvøse er påskrudd + oksygentilførsel** Vacuum turned off, oxygen supply is turned on.

Resultater

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	Day 1:			Day 2:		
	Leq	Lmax	L10	Leq	Lmax	L10
M1	38.6 dBA	83.2 dBA	37.7 dBA	42.7 dBA	85.2 dBA	44.3 dBA
M2	50.8 dBA	95.0 dBA	52.1 dBA	54.7 dBA	90.7 dBA	56.7 dBA
M3	55.0 dBA	97.6 dBA	55.8 dBA	No Data	No Data	No Data

	Day 3:			Day 4:		
	Leq	Lmax	L10	Leq	Lmax	L10
M1	42.7 dBA	78.3 dBA	44.9 dBA	44.5 dBA	92.4 dBA	45.2 dBA
M2	55.3 dBA	87.8 dBA	57.2 dBA	56.5 dBA	100.3 dBA	57.7 dBA

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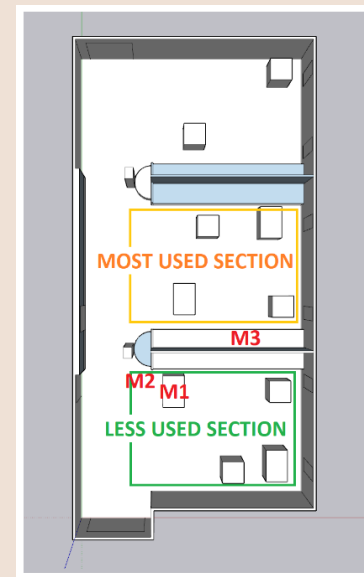
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Table 6: Difference in equivalent sound pressure level outside of incubator versus inside of incubator.

Environmental noise influence on acoustic environment in Giraffe OmniBed™ Carestation™ and Giraffe Incubator Carestation™

Engineering White Paper

The Giraffe Carestation baby compartment enclosure attenuates the outside noise level by about 12 dBA⁷. In case of attenuation, decibels could be subtracted directly. This means that if noise level in the NICU room is 60 dBA, only 48 dBA (60 - 12) will reach inside the Giraffe Carestation's baby compartment.

Discussion

Let us examine the patient noise exposure contributions from the incubator itself and noise coming from the NICU room.

Room background noise penetrates the incubator hood with about 12 dBA attenuation. The recommended NICU background noise level (≤ 45 dBA) is considered safe and represents a comfortable environment in a very quiet room.

Let us calculate the patient noise exposure inside the incubator with NICU background noise level of 45 dBA.

The outside noise will be attenuated by the incubator baby enclosure to 33 dBA (45-12). The combined noise level from 40 dBA generated inside the incubator in Whisper Quiet™ mode and 33 dBA reaching the patient from the room will be 41 dBA.

Conclusion

The acoustic environment inside the Giraffe OmniBed Carestation and Giraffe Incubator Carestation allows clinicians to achieve sound levels below the AAP-recommended sound level of 45 dBA. In Whisper Quiet Mode, the Giraffe Carestation delivers a quiet acoustic environment. With Giraffe Carestation providing a quiet noise level (40 dBA), the ambient noise in the NICU room becomes the major factor affecting the neonate noise exposure in incubators.

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	Day 1:			Day 2:		
	Leq	Lmax	L10	Leq	Lmax	L10
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Mic 2	48.2 dBA	82.5 dBA	50.4 dBA	50.4 dBA	89.7 dBA	52.0 dBA

	Day 3:			Day 4:		
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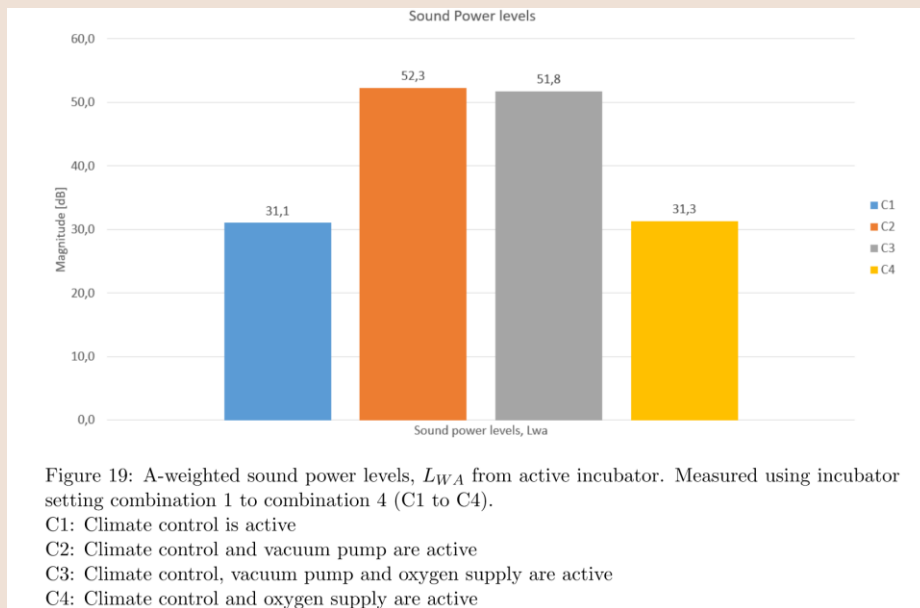
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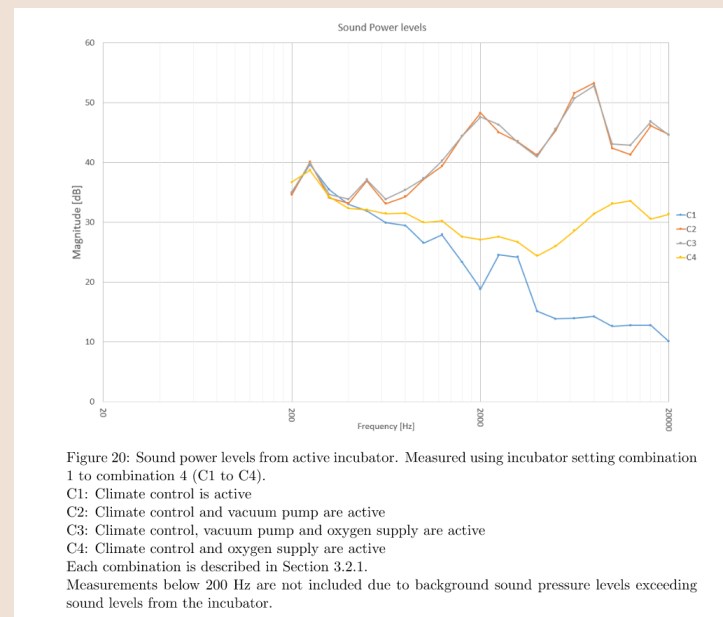
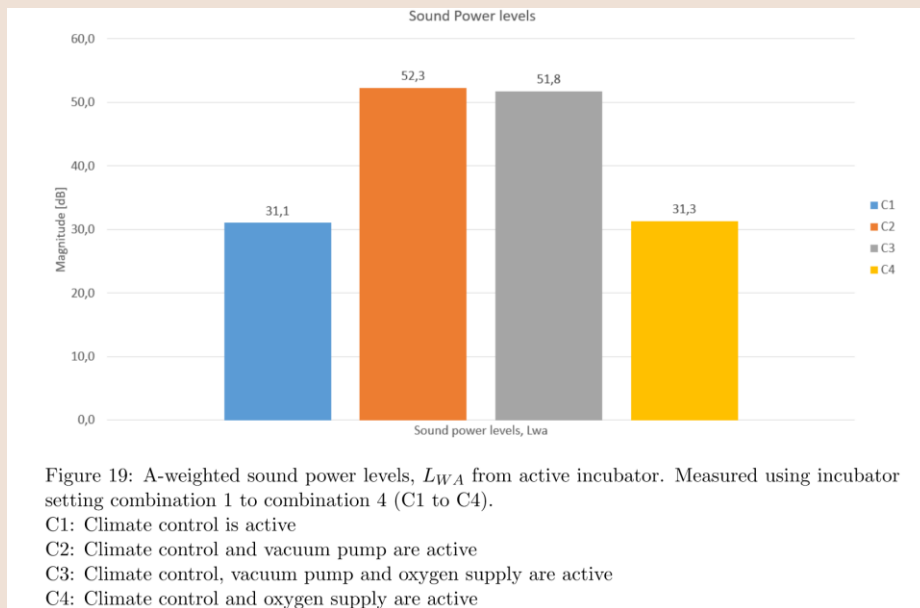
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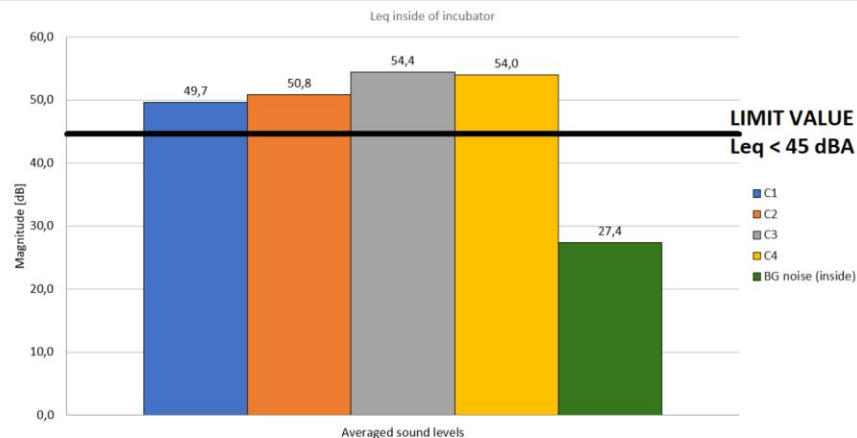


Figure 22: Sound levels measured inside of active incubator. Measured using incubator setting combination 1 to combination 4 (C1 to C4).

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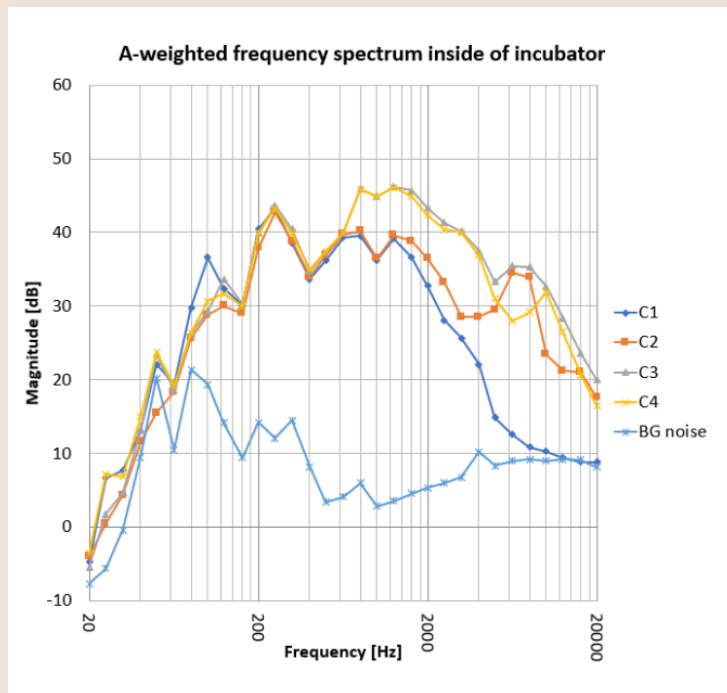


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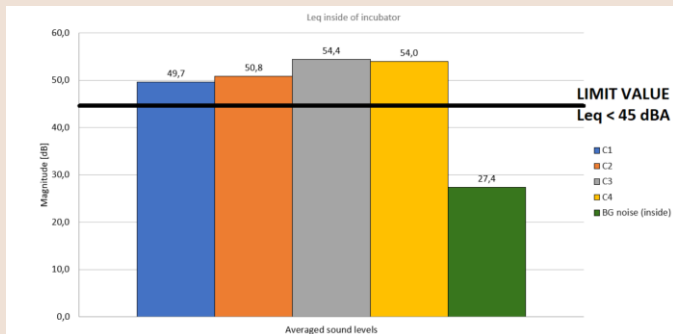


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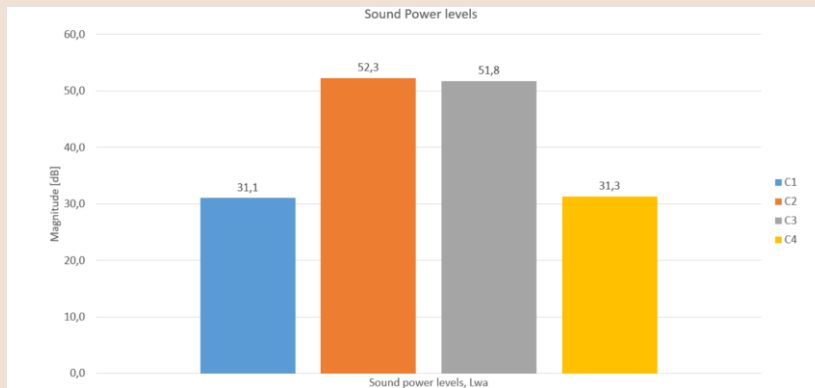


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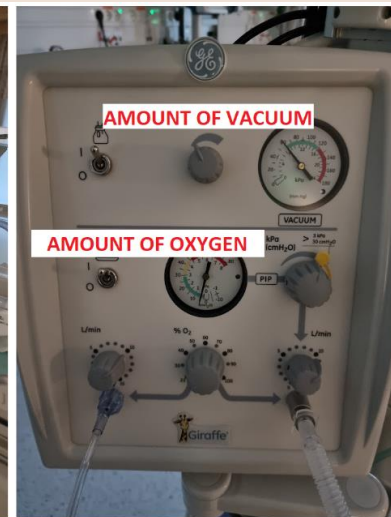
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- Endringer av kuvøse
 - Vakum pumpe
 - Oksygentilførsel
 - Klimakontroll



Videre forskning

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- Teste tiltak på kuvøse
- Vurdere grenseverdier



Takk for oppmerksomheten
