# Trane: Improve Air Quality and Efficiency VDR 1

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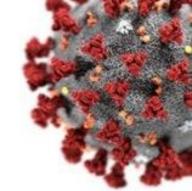


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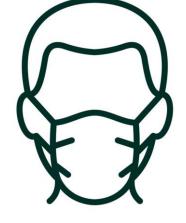


# Objective

Develop an energy-efficient HVAC solution that improves air quality while adhering to current guidelines to combat COVID-19 that continues to be sustainable in future markets.



# Background





#### **Pollutant Categories**



#### Biological

- Bacteria
- Viruses
- Fungi
- Dust Mites
- Animal Dander
- Pollen



#### Chemical

- Accidental chemical spills
- Cleaning Supplies
- Paints & Adhesives
- Products of combustion (CO, H<sub>2</sub>CO, NO<sub>2</sub>)

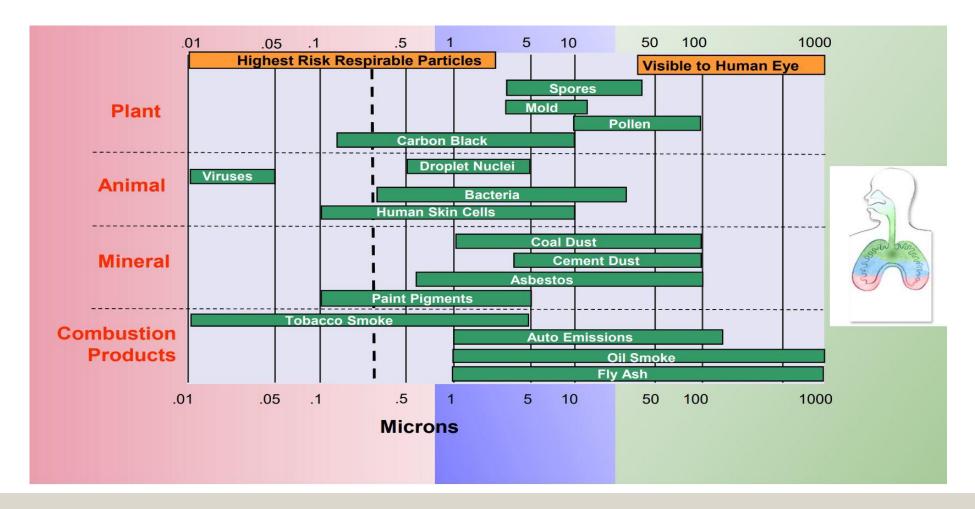


#### **Particle**

- Dust
- Dirt



#### **Particulate Sizes**





# Project Scope





## **Key Goals**

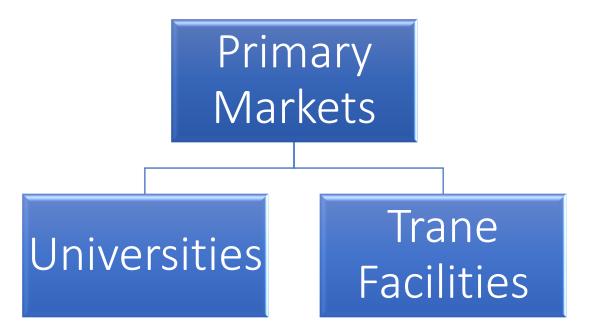
Improve Air Quality

Promote Sustainability





#### **Primary Markets**





## **Secondary Markets**

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Commercial

Residential





#### Assumptions

- Existing infrastructure
- Government & environmental guidelines
- Market specific guidelines/budget
- Testing done in Florida climate

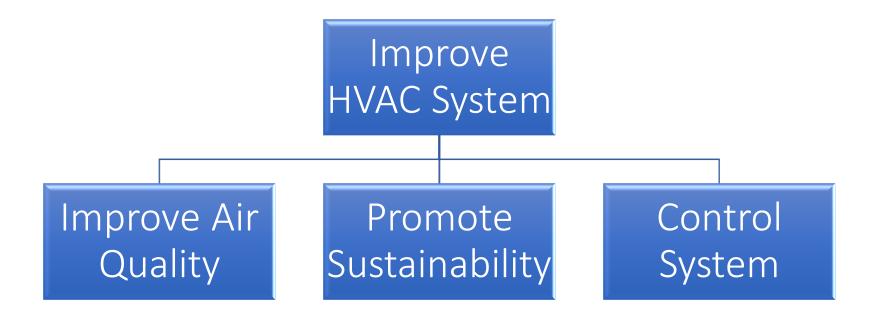


#### **Customer Needs**

- Improve air quality
- Maintain cost efficiency
- Remains useful into the future
- Promote Trane's ideals

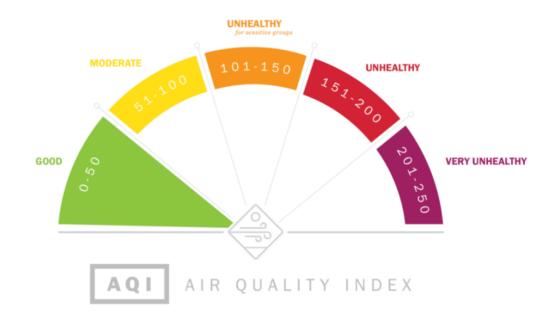


#### **Functional Decomposition**



## Functional Decomposition cont.

- Improve Air Quality
  - Clean Indoor Air
  - Dilute Indoor Air
  - Exhaust Indoor Air
  - Contain Indoor Air



## Functional Decomposition cont.

- Promote Sustainability
  - Minimize operating costs
  - Improve system longevity
  - Optimize energy-efficiency
  - Fit existing HVAC systems

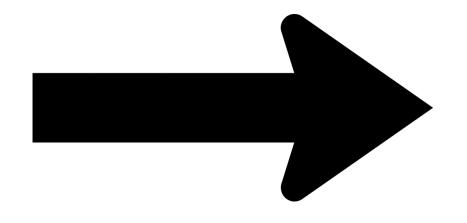


## Functional Decomposition cont.

- Control System
  - Maintain recommended humidity levels
  - Maintain recommended CO2 levels
  - Maintain comfortable temperature
  - Monitor VOC concentration



## **Moving Forward**



- Over the next weeks
  - Research national standards
  - Ideation process
  - Communicate with FAMU-FSU faculty

#### Conclusion

- 1. Keep people safe as they return to work & school.
- 2. Do so in a way that remains relevant post-COVID.
- 3. Do so in a way that is affordable and sustainable.
- 4. Promote the ideals of Trane and FAMU-FSU.



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## Questions?





#### **Customer Needs Process**

#### **Customer Statement**

- Indoor air quality is not sufficient enough to diminish the threat of harmful viruses
- Trane is driven to provide the lowest life cycle cost, efficient energy usage to reduce carbon emissions, and for sustainability in future markets

#### **Interpreted Need**

- The solution must improve air quality
- The solution must be cost-effective and be sustainable

