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Building Biology Assessment of Building Materials and Building Science

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7. Water vapor diffusion – Condensation – Moisture protection
8. Wind barriers – Air barriers – Air leakage
9. Moisture damage in interior insulation
10. Sorption – Regeneration – Toxins – Odors
11. Electromagnetic properties
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13. Radioactivity and radon gas
14. Sensory perception
15. Biophysical measurements
16. Acoustic characteristics – Sound insulation – Sound absorption
17. Price/performance ratio
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20. Standard of Building Biology Testing Methods