

Appendix A: Mold Growth Index Data

The following plots show the mold growth index plots for Walls 1 through 4, both in Minneapolis and International Falls. All plots show the effect of pressures variation (± 3 Pa, 0 Pa), and cover two years of weather data (starting at July 1 as day 0).

The schematics below show the approximate physical location of the mold growth index plots. It is sampled at the interior face of the sheathing, slightly below the leakage “slot.”

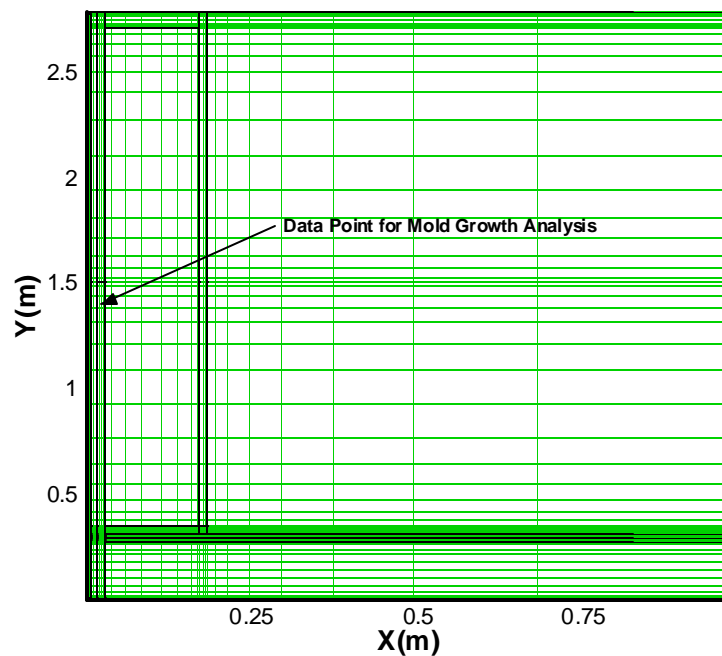
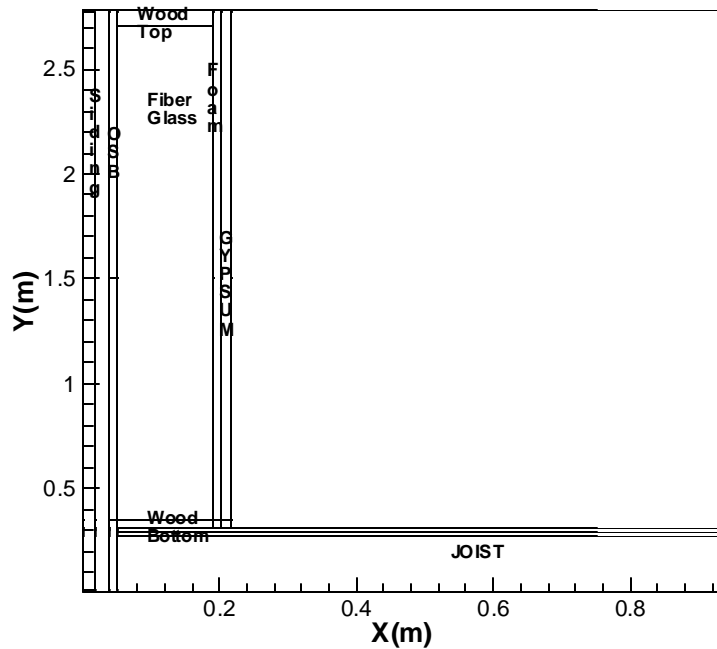


Figure A.1: Location of mold growth index plots in wall assembly

The vertical axis of these plots is the mold growth index; qualitative descriptions are shown below.

Table 2 (Repeated): Mold Index Values and Description

Index	Descriptive meaning
0	No growth
1	Some growth detected only with microscope
2	Moderate growth detected with microscope
3	Some growth detected visually
4	Visually detected coverage more than 10%
5	Visually detected coverage more than 50%
6	Visually detected coverage 100%

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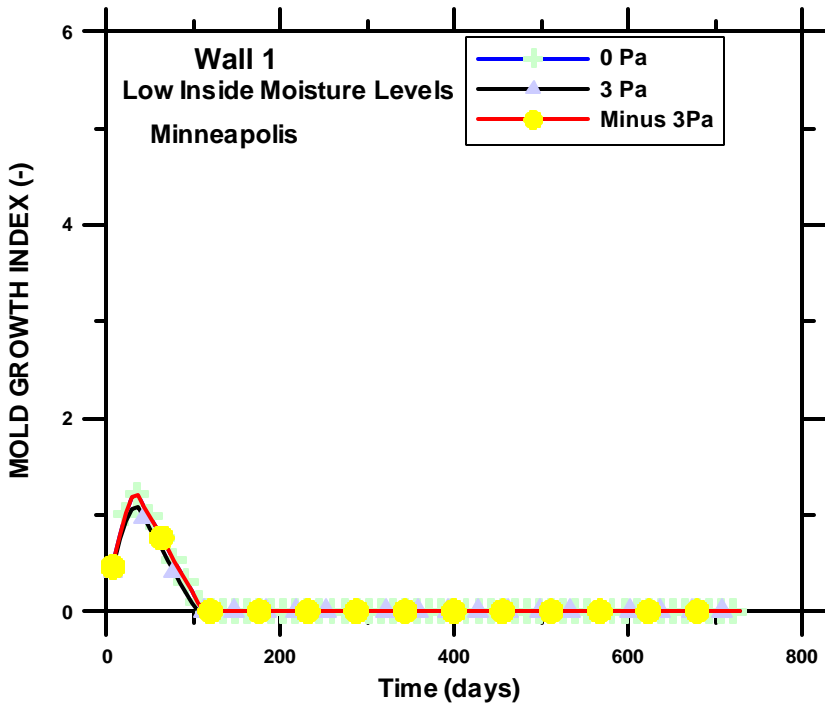


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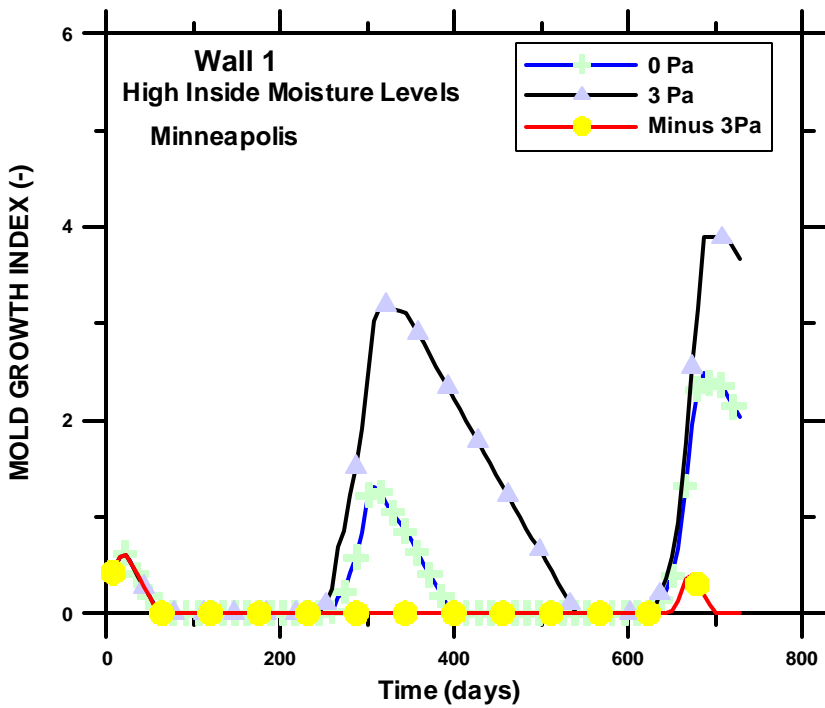


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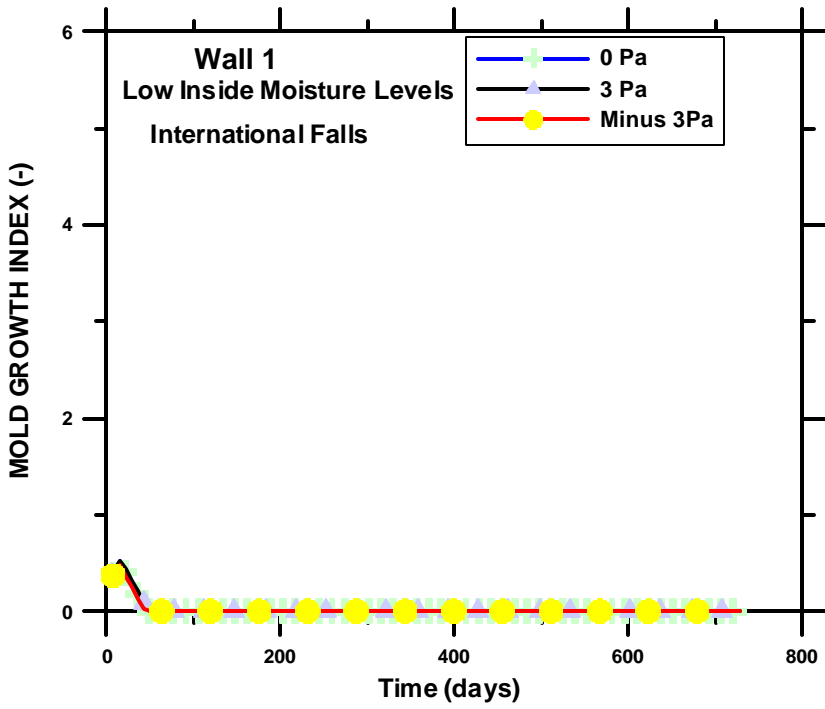


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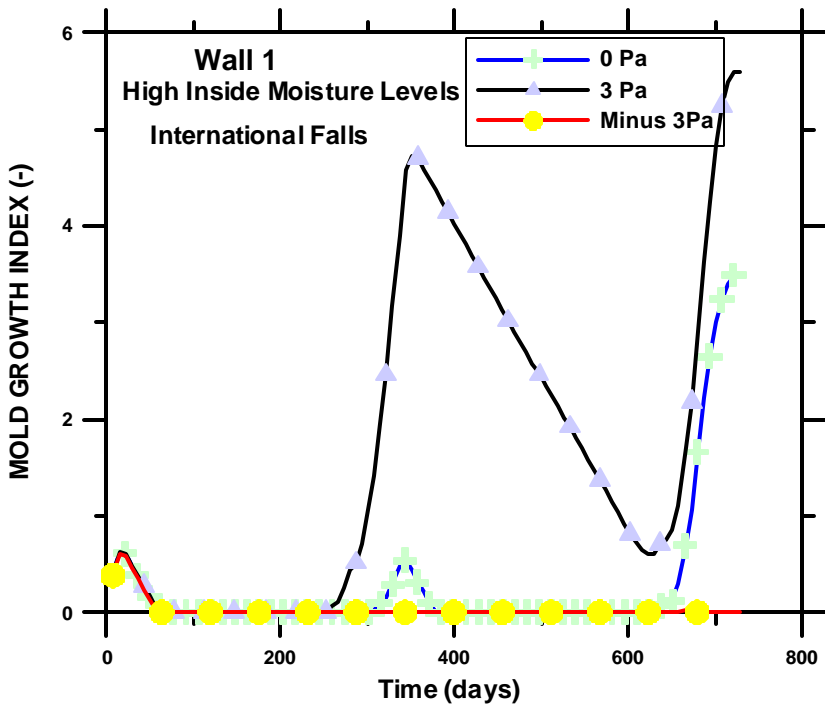


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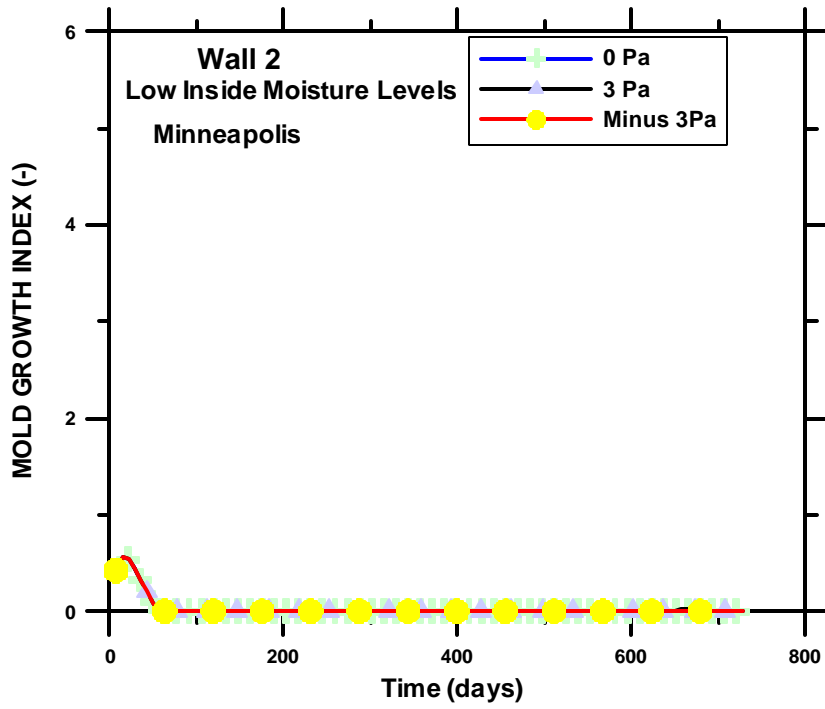


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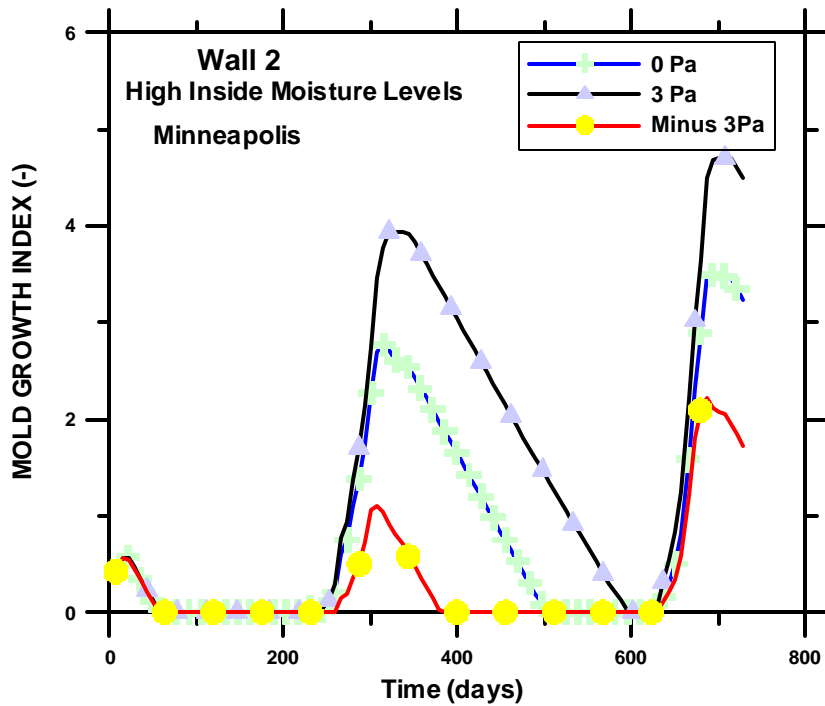


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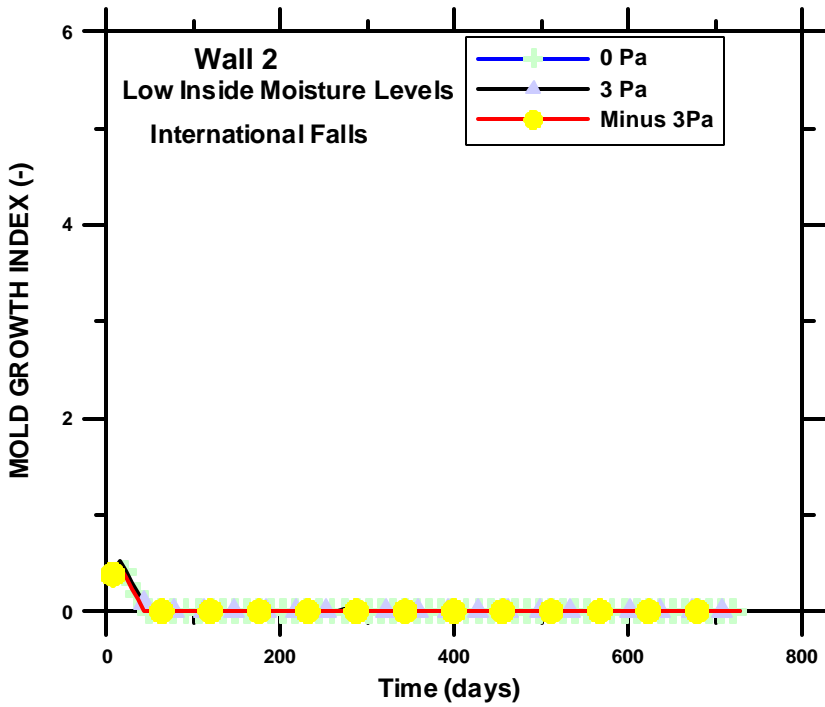


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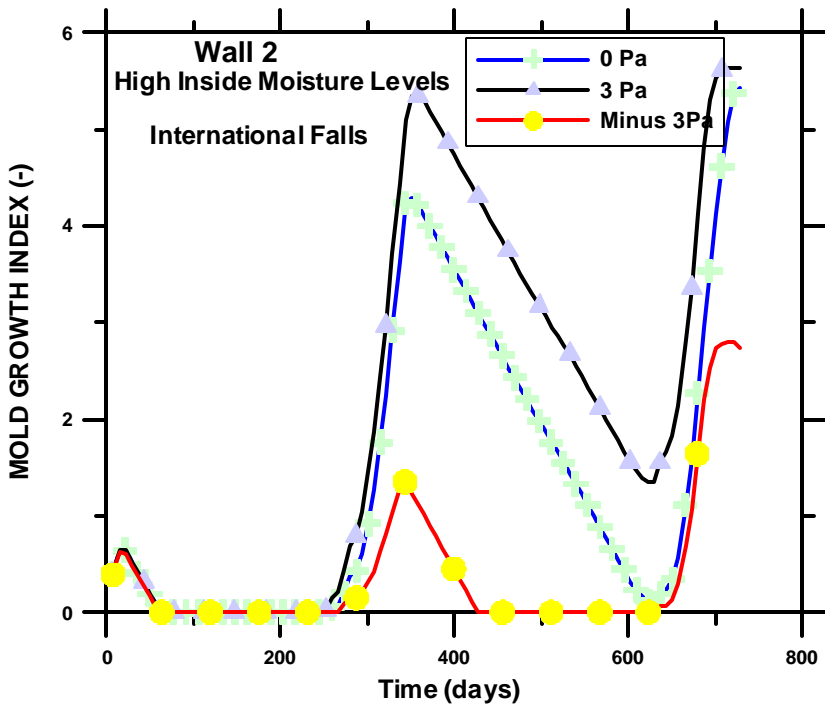


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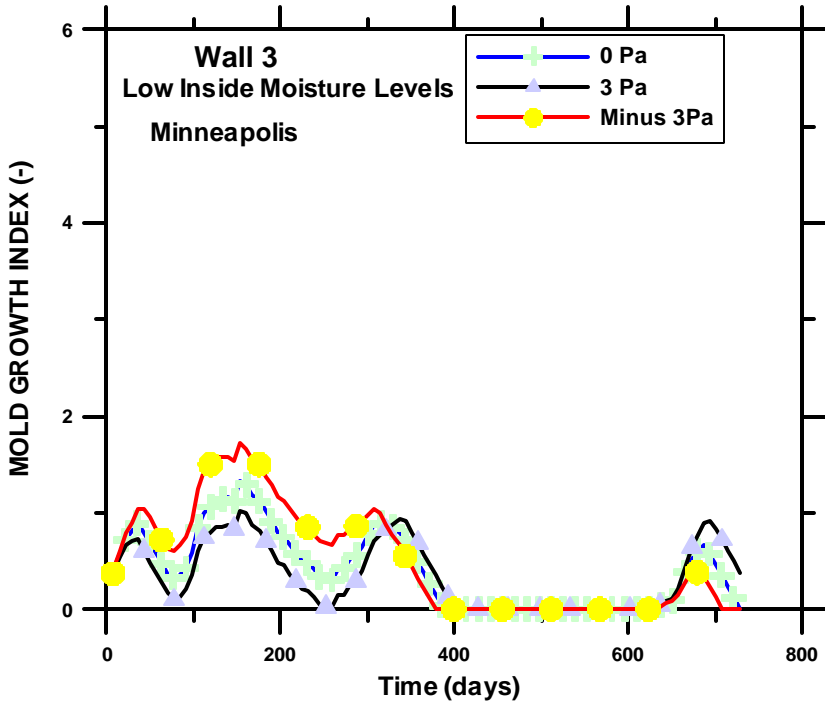


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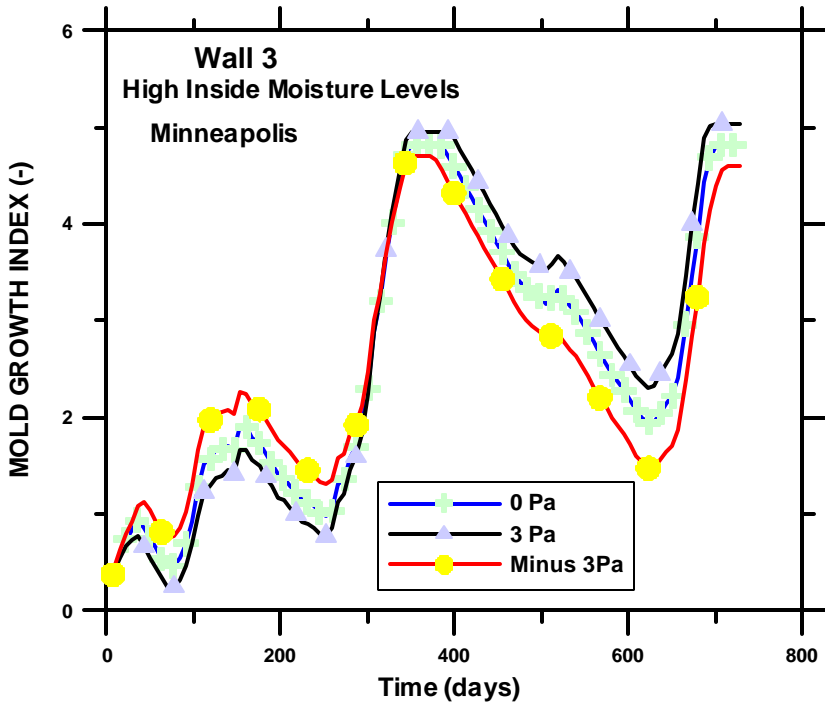


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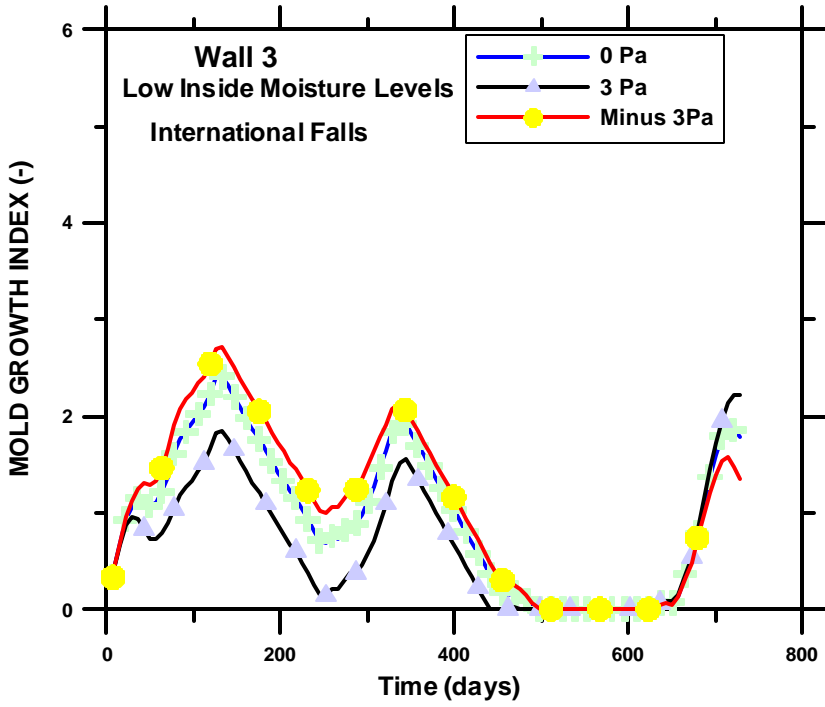


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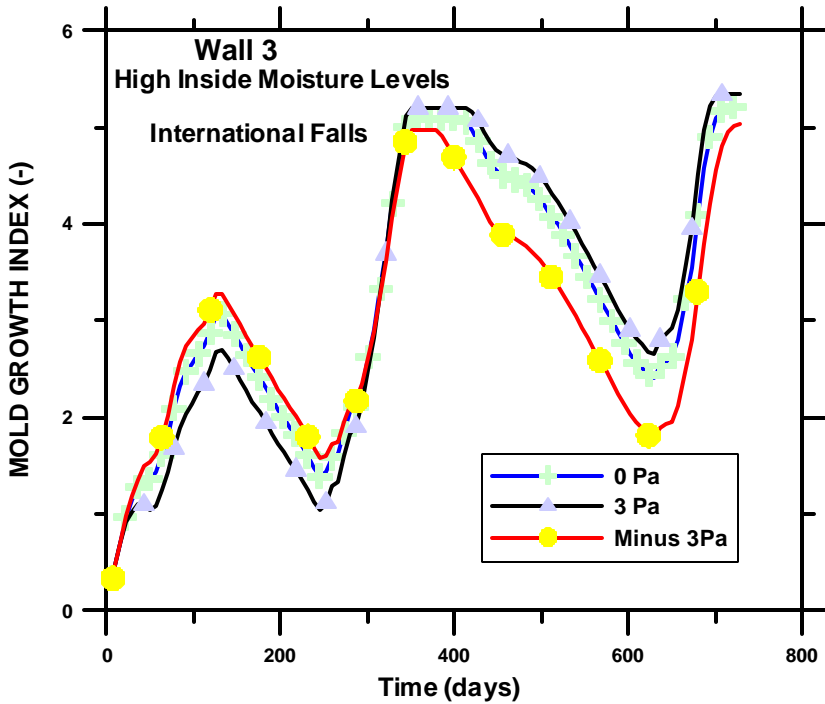


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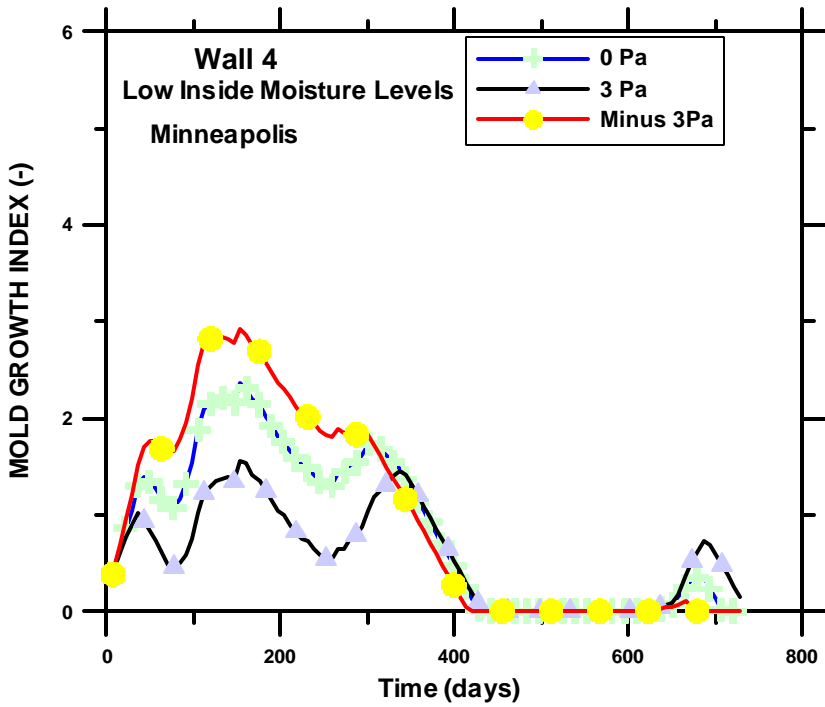


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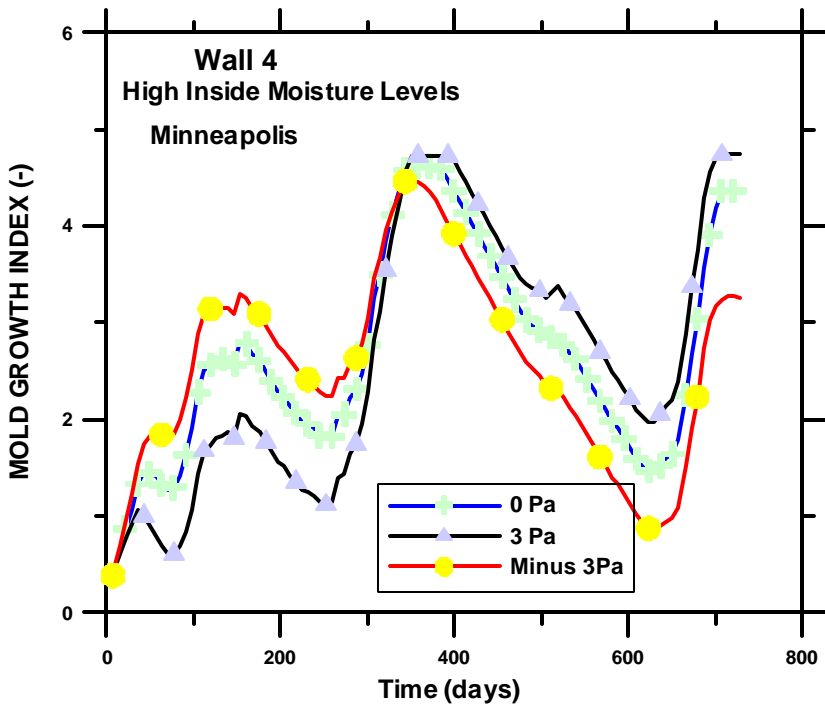


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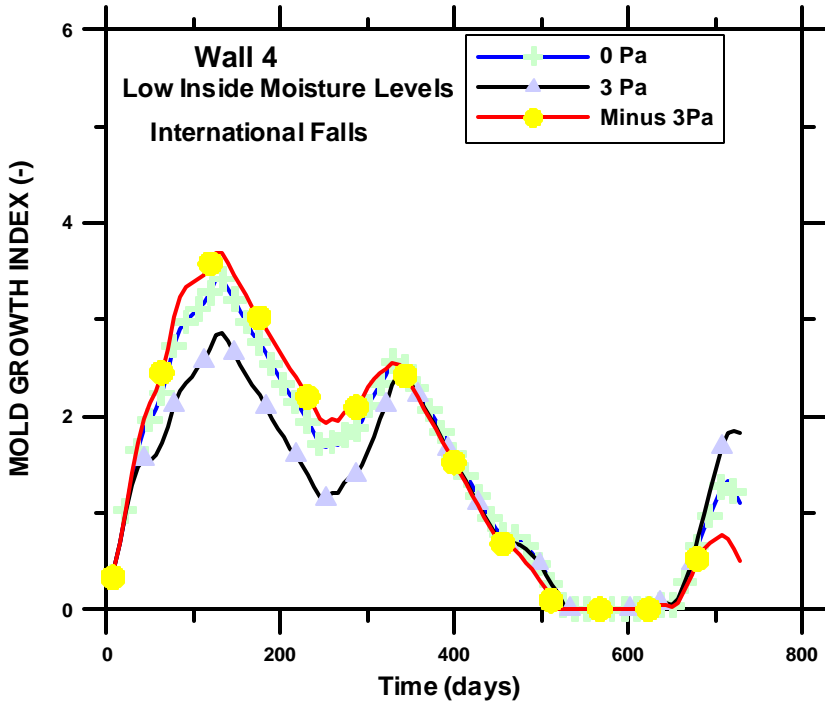


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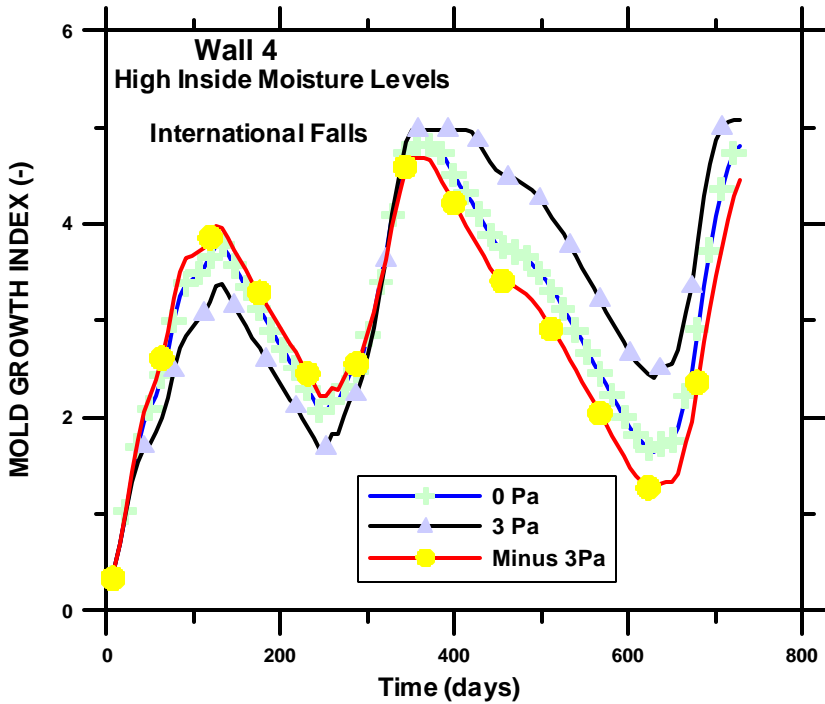


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Appendix B: Hygrothermal Performance Comparisons

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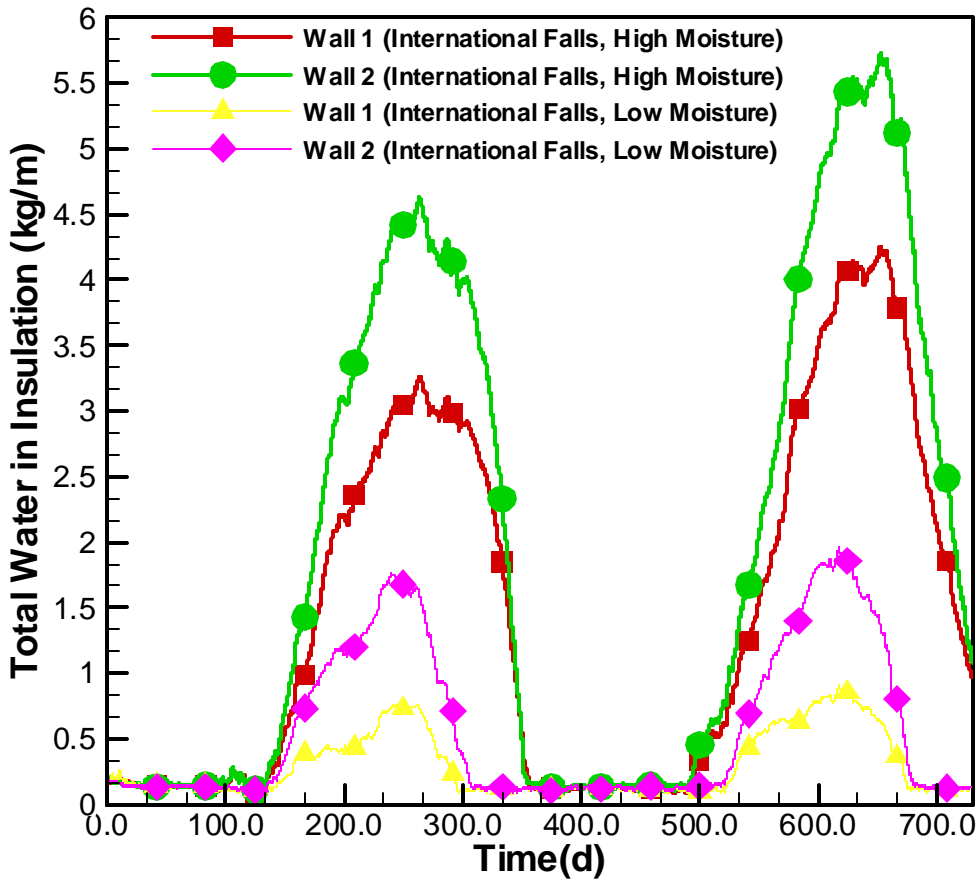


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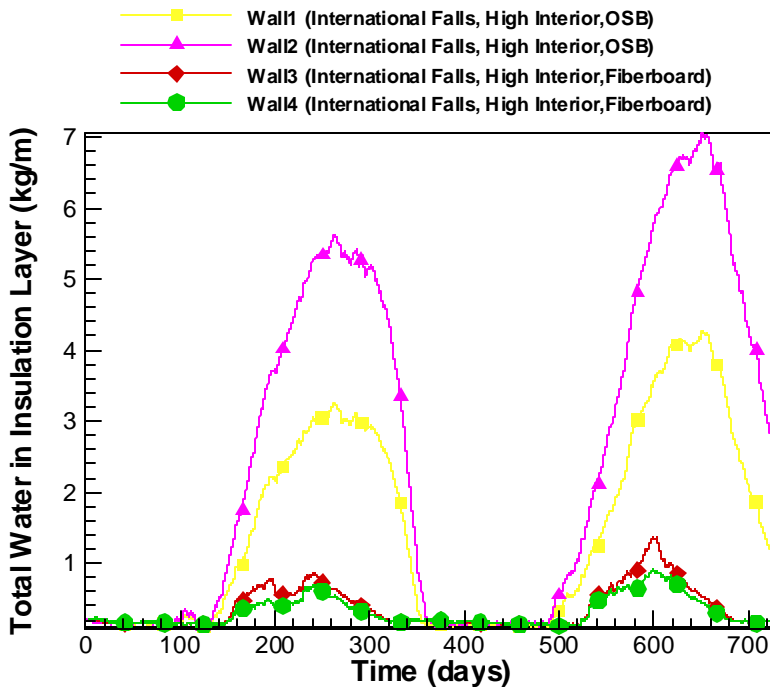


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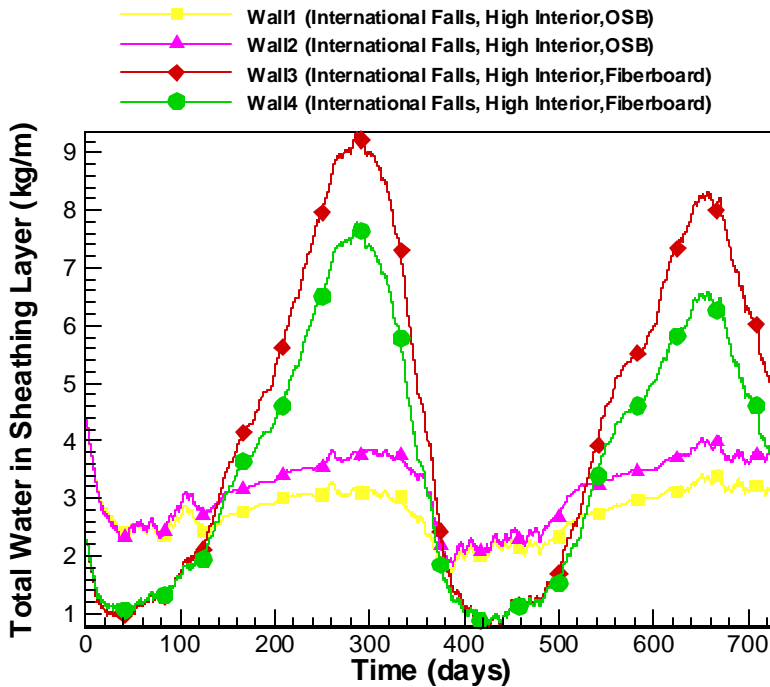


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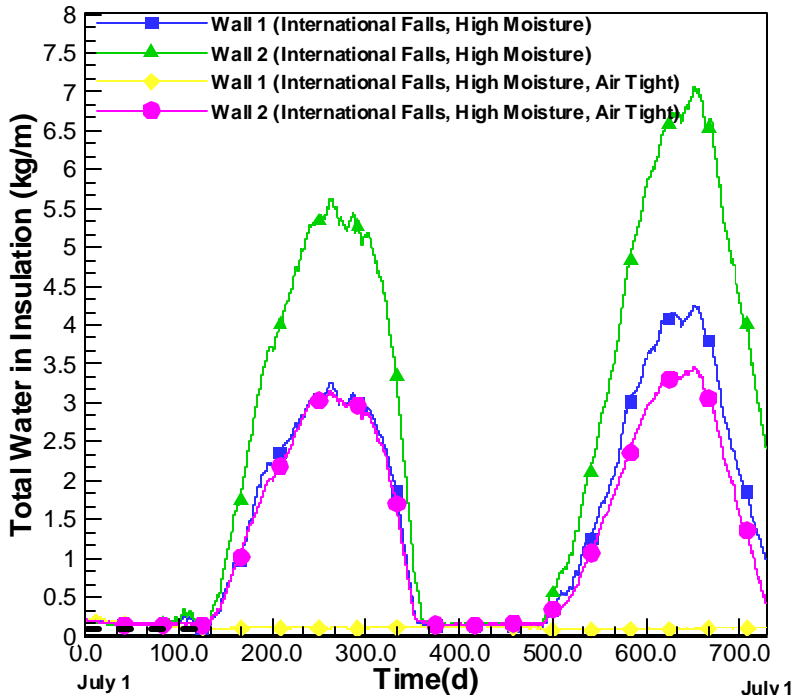


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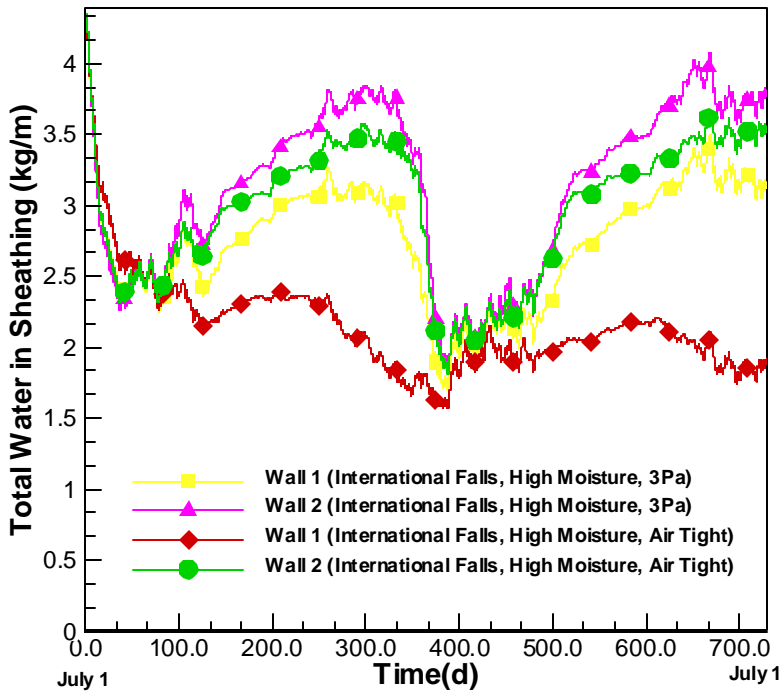


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