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Research Areas:

- Wood-water relations and sorption thermodynamics
- Momentum, heat and mass transfer in wood
- Modeling steady-state and dynamic non-isothermal diffusion in wood
- Application of fractals and artificial neural networks to wood properties modeling
- Modeling drying stresses in wood and their effect on quality
- Industrial wood kiln drying optimization and development of new drying strategies
- Radio frequency vacuum (RFV) heating and drying of wood and wood products

Research Areas

Wood physics Wood drying Non-destructive evaluation Wood and energy

Projects

Modeling of wood thermo-sorptive behavior with artificial neural networks.

Development of timber drying quality prediction models.

Modeling drying stresses in timbers and logs.

Development of new methods to increase wood permeability.

Evaluation of post-drying treatments on timber quality.

RFV drying and heating of wood and wood products.

RF phytosanitation of wood

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NDE evaluation of wet-pockets in hemlock using NIR technology

Superheated steam drying of western hemlock

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Fellow, The Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mines

Forest Products Society FPS

International Association of Wood Anatomists

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Current Graduate Students

Mr. Mahdi Shahverdi, PhD

Wood drying modeling

Ms. Jingbo Shi, PhD

Modeling sorption hysteresis

Current Courses

WOOD282 Wood Physics and Drying Sections



Wood-moisture relationships, transport phenomena, acoustical and electrical properties of wood; wood drying methods.

Winter 2013

WOOD244 Quantitative Methods in the Wood Industry Sections



Solving practical problems in the wood industry using computer-based mathematical tools including spreadsheets,

visual basic programming and relational database systems.
Winter 2013 FRST573 Wood-fluids Relationships Sections
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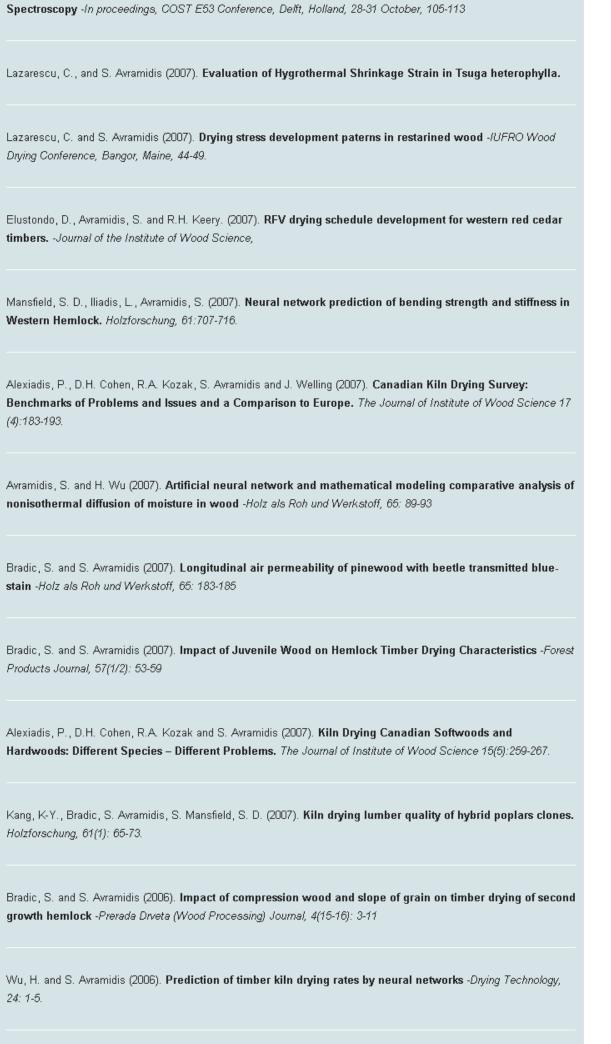
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