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Nowadays, quality of life is becoming a growing concern. Therefore, Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) has become a new branch of chemical and medical science. IAQ is directly linked to the presence of pollutants (Volatile Organic Compounds) in confined atmosphere.

Photocatalysis-based techniques are confirmed approaches for remediating VOC and odour problems. This indoor air purification system degrades pollutants although other technologies (filter, active coal) simply transfer theses VOC on substrates.

Since 2000, Certech has used its expertise and know-how in air quality and catalysis to **develop a new system of air purification by photocatalysis**. Today, Certech's knowledge in that field is widely recognised.

Certech has also developed standardised tests (ex: AFNOR XP B44-13, EN 16486-1) for devices and materials in order to **evaluate their efficiency on the elimination of odour and VOC mixture**.

RECOGNITION - PRIZE

- Prize winner of « Innovatives Techniques for Environnement », Pollutec Industries & ADEME Award, Benoit Kartheuser, «Epuration de l'air: la photocatalyse pour lutter contre les odeurs », 2002.
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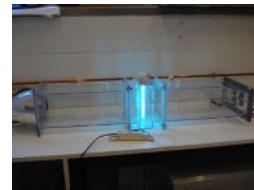
Certech is recognized as a reference expert by AFNOR and CEN committees as a member of the following working group:

- CEN/TC 386: Photocatalysis
- AFNOR B44 : Photocatalysis

RECOGNITION – PARTICIPATION

Certech was member of the following organisations:

- European COST Action 540 : Phonasum (PHOTOCATALYTIC TECHNOLOGIES AND NOVEL NANOSURFACES MATERIALS - CRITICAL ISSUES), B.Kartheuser, Belgian representative, 2006-2010.
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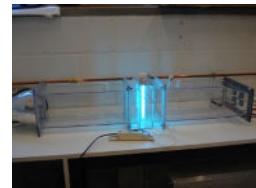
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