

**USE CASE** 

# Function tests for machines & materials

Icing, cooling and solar radiation – test your product in freezing cold and blazing heat.





# terraXcube

terraXcube is Eurac Research's extreme climate simulation center at the NOI Techpark in Bolzano, South Tyrol, Italy. Within its chambers, even the most extreme environmetal conditions on our planet can be created. By combining hypobaric and altitude technology with state-of-the-art environmental simulation, we aim to investigate the effects of extreme climate conditions on humans, ecological processes and industrial products. The climate chambers differ in size and equipment and can accommodate people, plants and other living organisms for up to extended periods and have the space to accommodate large machines and products. Each day our team breaks new ground with scientists and industry partners and prepares the path to gain discoveries.





What happens when moving parts such as doors or hinges ice up? Will your product be functional and safe in extreme weather conditions? Does your engine make a flawless cold start in freezing cold conditions? Do your drone's rotors still work at freezing altitudes? What if it's not freezing cold? How does your product perform in extreme sunlight? Does it affect the operability or readability of displays and other control panels?

Find the answers by testing your products in our Large Cube: from forklifts to drones, excavators to e-charging columns: make your product fit for any of the world's extreme conditions from Alaska to Zambia.

In the Large Cube, we are able to simulate extreme altitudes of up to 9000 meters as well as almost any extreme weather phenomena.



#### Measures:

The interior dimensions of the Large Cube are  $12 \text{ m} \times 6 \text{ m} \times 5 \text{ m}$  (L x W x H). The total available area is  $137 \text{ m}^2$  plus  $100 \text{ m}^2$  for test set-up. The entrance to the test chamber is formed by a wing gate with the dimensions:  $3.6 \text{ m} \times 4 \text{ m}$  (W x H). The maximum size of the test object can be  $10 \text{ m} \times 3.6 \text{ m} \times 4 \text{ m}$  (L x W x H).

#### Accredited tests:

Tests accredited by Accredia according to the following standards: CEI EN 60068-2-1:2007, IEC 60068-2-1:2007 Environmental testing: Cold CEI EN 60068-2-2:2008, IEC 60068-2-2:2007 Environmental testing: Dry heat IEC 60068-2-13:2021 Environmental testing: Low air pressure, IEC 60068-2-39:2015, CEI EN 60068-2-39:2016 Environmental testing: Temperature and low air pressure







## Technical data:

Temperature: -40...+60°C

Relative humidity :10 % – 90 %rH

Maximum simulated altitude: 9000 m

Air pressure: 95 kPa – 33 kPa

Wind: 0 m/s – 30 m/s

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