Durability of Maderon®, a non-wood composite, against wood decay organisms



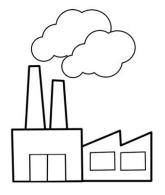




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Introduction



Many industries produce residues



Not easily Degradable



Nut Husks



Introduction



Political legislation



Technologies

Maderón®



What is this material?

Maderón[®] is a material employed as an ecological substitute and a modern alternative to certain uses of wood.





Up to now is commercialized in the funeral sector in the production of ecological coffins.



Composition

Mixture of micronized almond shells and a resin generated from a mixture of isocyanate and vegetable polyols.





Almond shell flour and resin are combined into the mix at 50%







Benefits

Would prevent the felling of tress



Reduce the environmental impact of waste



Possible to obtain different products







Possibilities

New applications on the building sector; carpentry...







Then is necessary...



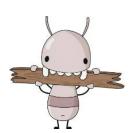
Against brown and white rot fungi



Against house longhorn beetle



Against termites







Against brown and white rot fungi following the EN-15083



	Weight loss (%)					
Substrate	C. puteana	P. placenta	G. trabeum	T. versicolor		
Maderon®	0,376	0,413	0,362	0,350		
P. silvestris	53,487	42,733	50,702	-		
F. sylvatica	-	-	- -	63,167		





Against Hylotrupes bajulus following the EN-46



Substrate		Larvae recovered			
	Attack	Dead		lina aftan	Larvae not recovered
		Not having tunneled	Having tunneled	Live after tunneling	recovered
Maderon®	0	8	0	0	2
P. silvestris	3	0	0	8	2





Against termites following the EN-117



	Degree of	Survival termites			
Substrate	attack	Workers (%)	Living soldiers	Living nymphs	
Maderon®	0	0	0	0	
P. silvestris	4	92,5	2	2	



Conclusions

Maderón[®] is durable against attack from all the wood decay organisms studied





This material can be used as an alternative to wood furnishings and decorative structures

The use of Maderón® would contribute to the recycling of agricultural waste products by giving them a new added value









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