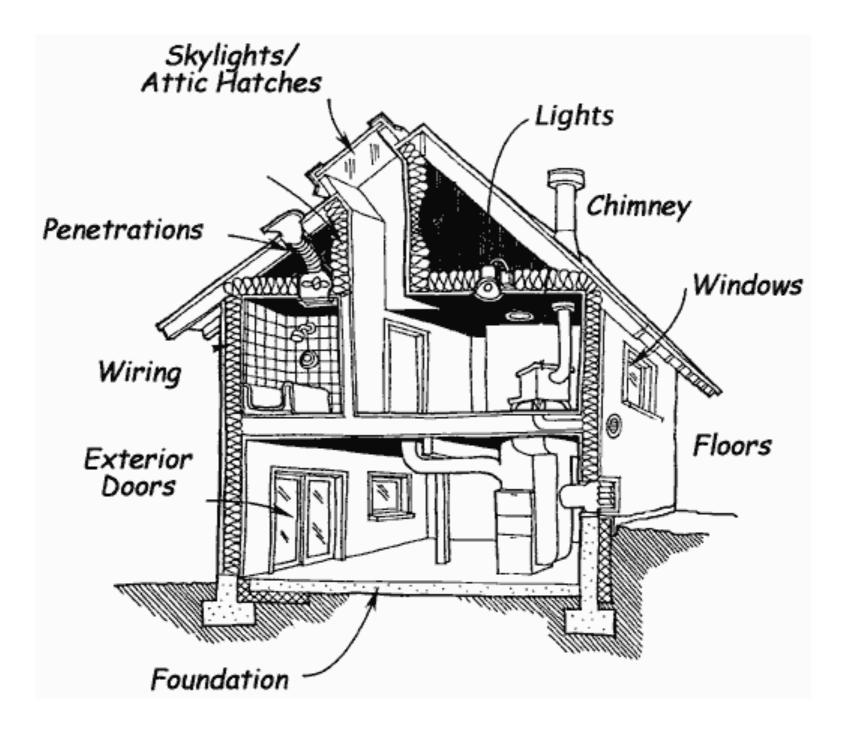
# Passivhaus Indoor Air Quality



## **Conventional Home**



## This is why...

- Your HVAC contractor is really just a HAC contractor
- You need huge heating and cooling equipment
- You pay hundreds in heating and cooling every month
- You get allergens and pollutants in the house
- You breath like...

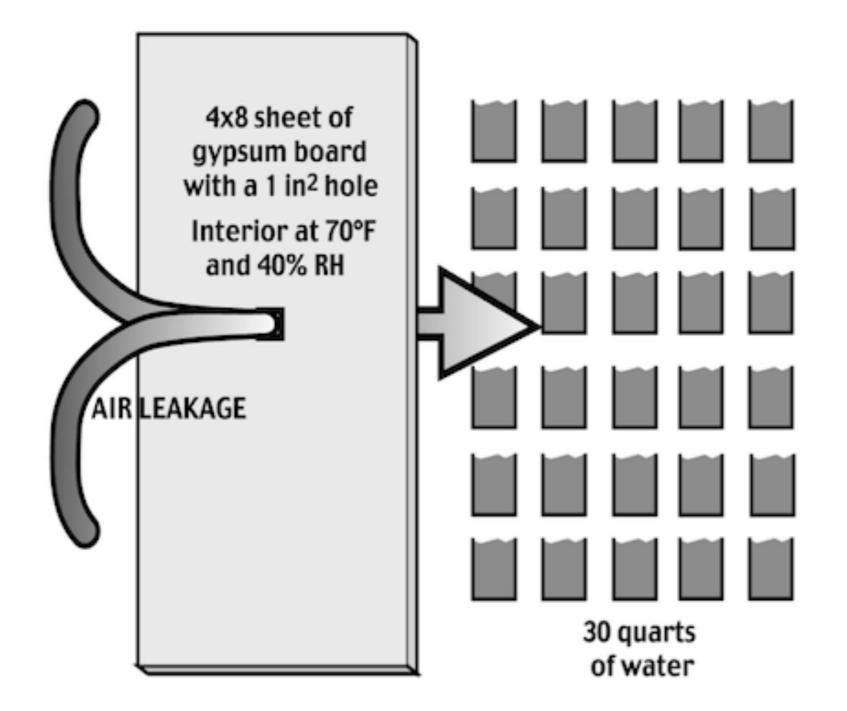
### How do you breath?



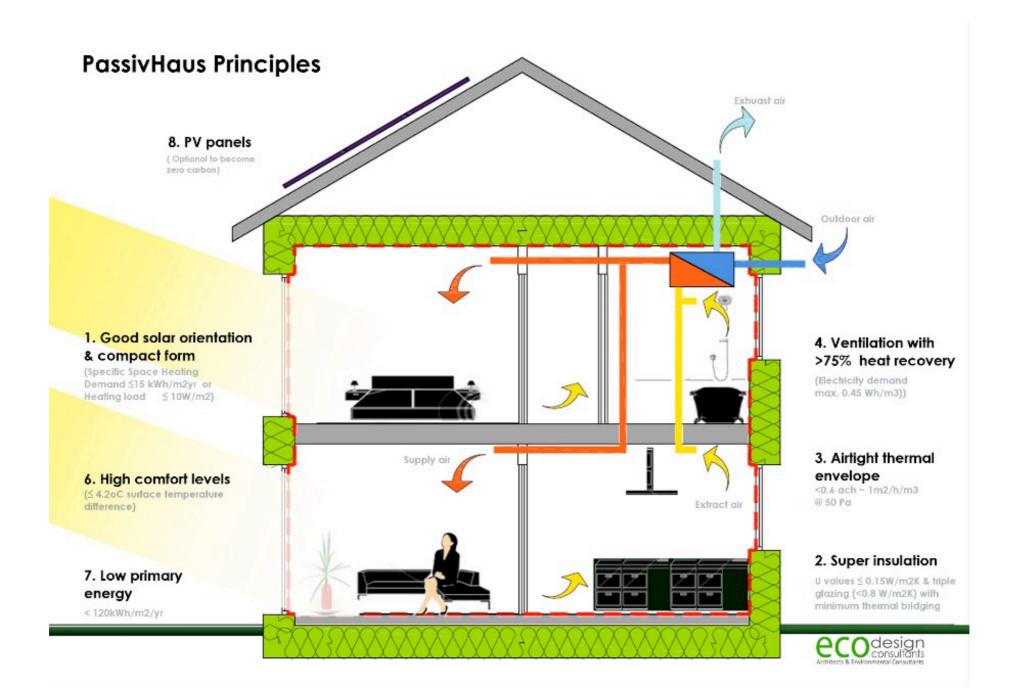
### Do you really want to breath this air?



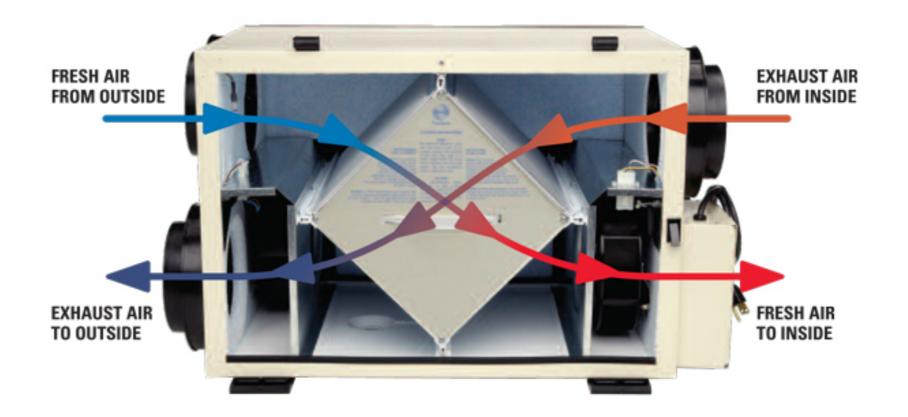
### Why does it get moldy?



#### What can be done?



### How does it work?



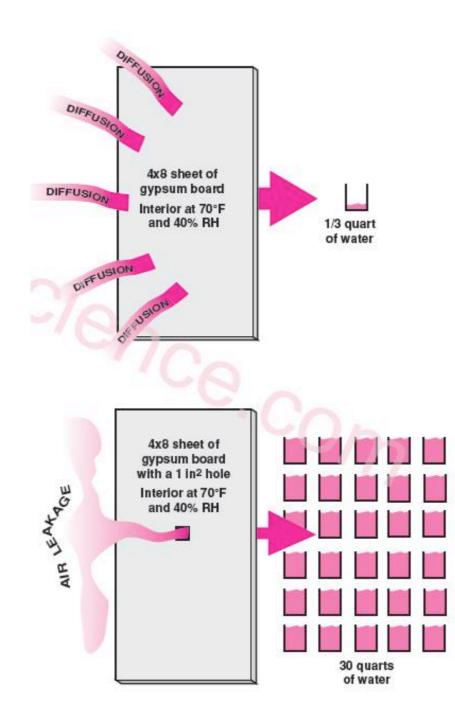
### Now you can breath like



# How TIGHT is TIGHT?

- The typical existing home: 29.7 ACH 50 (Lawrence Berkeley National Lab 1998)
- 2006 IRC: "Durably sealed to limit infiltration"
- 2009 IRC Requirement: 7 ACH 50
- 2012 IRC Requirement: 3 ACH 50
- Passivhaus: 0.6 ACH 50

#### The Difference



# Why is this better?

- Controlled source and path of air = no moldy air
- Stale air and moisture is consistently removed
- Constant fresh air
- Air is pre-filtered before it gets to the rooms
  - higher quality fresh air
  - no pollutants or allergens