

# Package ‘ConSciR’

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The package is motivated by the framework outlined in Cosaert and Beltran et al. (2022)

``Tools for the Analysis of Collection Environments"

<[https://www.getty.edu/conservation/publications\\_resources/pdf\\_publications/tools\\_for\\_the\\_analysis\\_of\\_collection\\_environments.html](https://www.getty.edu/conservation/publications_resources/pdf_publications/tools_for_the_analysis_of_collection_environments.html)>.

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add\_conservation\_calcs  
*Add Conservation Risks*

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**Description**

Appends columns for conservation-risks: mould risk, preservation indices, equilibrium moisture, and moisture content for wood to a dataframe with temperature and relative humidity columns.

**Usage**

```
add_conservation_calcs(mydata, Temp = "Temp", RH = "RH", ...)
```

**Arguments**

mydata	A dataframe containing temperature and relative humidity data.
Temp	Character string name of the temperature column (default "Temp").
RH	Character string name of the relative humidity column (default "RH").
...	Additional parameters passed to humidity calculation functions.

**Value**

Dataframe augmented with conservation variables:

- Mould\_LIM** Mould risk threshold humidity from Zeng equation (numeric).
- Mould\_risk** If there is a risk of mould from Zeng equation. Adds label: "Mould risk" or "No risk".
- Mould\_rate** Mould growth rate index from Zeng equation, labelled output.
- Mould\_index** Mould risk index from VTT model (continuous scale).
- PreservationIndex** Preservation Index for collection longevity.
- Lifetime** Lifetime Multiplier for object material degradation risk.
- EMC\_wood** Wood equilibrium moisture content (%) under current climate conditions.

**See Also**

[calcMould\\_Zeng](#) for ‘Mould\_LIM’, ‘Mould\_risk’, ‘Mould\_rate’  
[calcMould\\_VTT](#) for ‘Mould\_index’  
[calcPI](#) for ‘PreservationIndex’  
[calcLM](#) for ‘Lifetime’  
[calcEMC\\_wood](#) for ‘EMC\_wood’

**Examples**

```
# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> add_conservation_calcs() |> dplyr::glimpse()
```

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add\_humidity\_adjustments

*Adjust Humidity and add RH zones*

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**Description**

This function processes a dataframe with temperature and relative humidity data and classifies the data into climate control zones. It generates adjusted temperature and humidity values based on thresholds.

**Usage**

```
add_humidity_adjustments(  
  mydata,  
  Temp = "Temp",  
  RH = "RH",  
  LowT = 16,  
  HighT = 25,  
  LowRH = 40,  
  HighRH = 60,  
  P_atm = 1013.25,  
  ...  
)
```

**Arguments**

mydata	A dataframe containing temperature and relative humidity data.
Temp	Character string name of the temperature column (default "Temp").

RH	Character string name of the relative humidity column (default "RH").
LowT	Numeric lower temperature threshold (default 16).
HighT	Numeric higher temperature threshold (default 25).
LowRH	Numeric lower relative humidity threshold (default 40).
HighRH	Numeric higher relative humidity threshold (default 60).
P_atm	Atmospheric pressure in kPa or hPa (currently unused, default 1013.25).
...	Additional arguments passed to internal calculation functions.

### Value

The input dataframe augmented with multiple humidity and temperature adjustment columns.

**AH** Absolute Humidity ( $\text{g/m}^3$ ): The mass of water vapor per unit volume of air.

**DP** Dew Point ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ): The temperature at which air becomes saturated and water vapor condenses.

**zone** Categorical variable defining climate control actions based on temperature and RH: 'Heating only', 'Dehum or heating', 'Cooling and hum', etc.

**TRH\_zone** Temperature-relative humidity category: 'Hot', 'Cold', 'Dry', 'Hot and humid', etc.

**T\_zone** Temperature zone classification: 'Cold', 'Within', or 'Hot'.

**RH\_zone** Relative humidity zone classification: 'Dry', 'Within', or 'Humid'.

**dTemp** Temperature difference from specified thresholds ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ), indicating required heating or cooling.

**dRH** Relative humidity difference from specified thresholds (%), indicating humidification or dehumidification.

**newTemp\_TRHadj** Adjusted temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) after applying temperature and relative humidity correction based on zone.

**newAH\_TRHadj** Adjusted absolute humidity ( $\text{g/m}^3$ ).

**newRH\_TRHadj** Adjusted relative humidity (%) reflecting new temperature and absolute humidity.

**dTemp\_TRHadj, dAH\_TRHadj, dRH\_TRHadj** Differences between adjusted and original temperature, absolute humidity, and relative humidity respectively.

**newTemp\_AHadj, newAH\_AHadj, newRH\_AHadj** Adjustments based on absolute humidity only (i.e. dehumidification or humidification).

**newTemp\_Tadj, newRH\_Tadj, newAH\_Tadj** Adjustments based on temperature only (i.e. heating or cooling).

### Examples

```
# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> add_humidity_adjustments() |> dplyr::glimpse()
```

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add\_humidity\_calcs      *Add Humidity calculations*

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### Description

This function adds several humidity variables to a dataframe with temperature and relative humidity columns. It uses the humidity functions (e.g., calcPws, calcPw).

### Usage

```
add_humidity_calcs(mydata, Temp = "Temp", RH = "RH", P_atm = 1013.25, ...)
```

### Arguments

mydata	A dataframe containing temperature and relative humidity data.
Temp	Character string name of the temperature column (default "Temp").
RH	Character string name of the relative humidity column (default "RH").
P_atm	Atmospheric pressure (hPa), default 1013.25.
...	Additional parameters passed to humidity calculation functions.

### Value

The input dataframe augmented with columns for vapor pressure, dew point, absolute humidity, air density, mixing ratio, specific humidity, and enthalpy.

**Pws** Saturated vapour pressure at given temperature (hPa).

**Pw** Partial pressure of water vapour present (hPa).

**DP** Dew Point, condensation temperature based on RH (°C).

**AH** Mass of water vapour per air volume (g/m<sup>3</sup>).

**AD** Moist air density (kg/m<sup>3</sup>).

**MR** Ratio of water vapour to dry air mass (g/kg).

**SH** Ratio of water vapour to total air mass (g/kg).

**Enthalpy** Total enthalpy, h, of air-vapour mixture (kJ/kg).

### See Also

[calcPws](#) for 'Pws'

[calcPw](#) for 'Pw'

[calcDP](#) for 'DP'

[calcAH](#) for 'AH'

[calcAD](#) for 'AD'

[calcMR](#) for 'MR'

[calcSH](#) for 'SH'

[calcEnthalpy](#) for 'Enthalpy'

**Examples**

```
# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> add_humidity_calcs() |> dplyr::glimpse()
```

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add\_time\_vars                      *Add Time Variables*

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**Description**

This function adds multiple time-related variables to a dataframe with a Date column. It creates standard factors such as season, month-year, day-hour, and determines summer/winter. It also allows flexible specification of summer and winter start/end dates, and a custom time period.

**Usage**

```
add_time_vars(
  mydata,
  Date = "Date",
  openair_vars = c("seasonyear", "season", "monthyear", "daylight"),
  summer_start = "04-15",
  summer_end = "10-15",
  period_start = NULL,
  period_end = NULL,
  period_label = "Period",
  latitude = 51,
  longitude = -0.5,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

mydata	A dataframe containing a date/time column labelled "Date" and "Sensor" column.
Date	The name of the date/time column in 'mydata' (default "Date").
openair_vars	Variables from 'openair::cutData()' to add (default includes seasonyear, season, monthyear, daylight).
summer_start	Start date for summer season in "MM-DD" format or full date (default "04-15").
summer_end	End date for summer season in "MM-DD" format or full date (default "10-15").
period_start	Start date of custom period in "MM-DD" format or full date (optional).
period_end	End date of custom period in "MM-DD" format or full date (optional).

period_label	Label to assign for dates within the custom period, e.g. if there is an Exhibition or a property is open/closed to the public (default "Period").
latitude	Latitude for daylight calculations (default 51).
longitude	Longitude for daylight calculations (default -0.5).
...	Additional arguments passed to 'openair::cutData()':

### Details

The variables `seasonyear`, `season`, `monthyear`, and `daylight` are created using the `openair::cutData()` function internally and rely on geographic coordinates (latitude, longitude) to calculate daylight status. Be sure `openair` is installed and loaded for these variables.

### Value

A data frame with additional time-related columns appended:

**seasonyear** Combined year and season factor created by `openair::cutData()`; useful for seasonal analyses.

**season** Season factor (e.g., Spring, Summer) from `openair::cutData()`.

**monthyear** Factor combining month and year, created by `openair::cutData()` to assist month-based grouping.

**daylight** Boolean or factor indicating daylight presence/absence, derived using `openair::cutData()` with latitude and longitude inputs.

**day** Date part of the timestamp, rounded down to day boundary, useful for daily aggregation.

**hour** Hour of the day extracted from the datetime.

**dayhour** Datetime floored to the hour; useful for hourly time series analysis.

**weekday** Weekday name/factor, abbreviated, extracted from the date.

**month** Month number and its labelled factor version; useful for calendar-based grouping.

**year** Year extracted from the datetime for annual analyses.

**DayYear** Date with the current year but month and day taken from the original date; used to assign seasons and periods relative to current year.

**Summer** A factor ("Summer" or "Winter") determined by comparison of `DayYear` with user-defined `summer_start` and `summer_end` dates, for custom seasonality modelling.

**Period** Character flag identifying whether the date falls within a user-defined custom period (e.g., an exhibition), labelled by `period_label`. Returns NA if no period defined.

### Examples

```
# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |>
  add_time_vars(period_start = "05-01", period_end = "06-30", period_label = "Exhibition") |>
  dplyr::glimpse()
```

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calcAD *Calculate Air Density*

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### Description

Function to calculate air density based on temperature (°C), relative humidity in (%), and atmospheric pressure (hPa).

### Usage

```
calcAD(Temp, RH, P_atm = 1013.25, R_dry = 287.058, R_vap = 461.495, ...)
```

### Arguments

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)
P_atm	Atmospheric pressure = 1013.25 (hPa)
R_dry	Specific gas constant for dry air = 287.058 (J/(kg·K))
R_vap	Specific gas constant for water vapor = 461.495 (J/(kg·K))
...	Additional arguments to supply to <a href="#">calcPws</a>

### Value

Air density in kg/m<sup>3</sup>

### See Also

[calcMR](#) for calculating mixing ratio  
[calcAD](#) for calculating air density  
[calcPw](#) for calculating water vapour pressure  
[calcPws](#) for calculating water vapour saturation pressure

### Examples

```
# Air density at 20°C (Temp) and 50% relative humidity (RH)
calcAD(20, 50)

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(AirDensity = calcAD(Temp, RH))
```

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`calcAH`*Calculate Absolute Humidity*

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### Description

Function to calculate the absolute humidity ( $\text{g/m}^3$ ) from temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) and relative humidity (%). Supports multiple methods: the Buck equation (default), Buck formula with enhancement factor, and others.

### Usage

```
calcAH(  
  Temp,  
  RH,  
  P_atm = 1013.25,  
  method = c("Buck_EF", "Buck", "IAPWS", "Magnus", "VAISALA")  
)
```

### Arguments

Temp	Temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{Celsius}$ )
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)
P_atm	Atmospheric pressure = 1013.25 (hPa)
method	Character. Calculation method: - "Buck": uses calcPws Buck equation (default) - "Buck_EF": Buck formula with enhancement factor - "IAPWS", "Magnus", "VAISALA": use calcPws methods for saturation vapor pressure

### Value

AH Absolute Humidity ( $\text{g/m}^3$ )

### Examples

```
# Absolute humidity at 20°C (Temp) and 50% relative humidity (RH)  
calcAH(20, 50)  
calcAH(20, 50, method = "Buck_EF") # Buck formula with enhancement factor (default)  
calcAH(20, 50, method = "Buck") # Buck method via calcPws  
calcAH(20, 50, method = "IAPWS") # IAPWS  
  
# mydata file  
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")  
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)  
  
mydata |> dplyr::mutate(Abs = calcAH(Temp, RH))
```

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calcCoolingCapacity    *Calculate Cooling Capacity*

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### Description

This function calculates the required cooling capacity based on power consumption, power factor, safety factor, and efficiency.

Cooling capacity is the amount of energy transferred during a cooling process.

### Usage

```
calcCoolingCapacity(  
    Power,  
    power_factor = 0.85,  
    safety_factor = 1.2,  
    efficiency = 0.7  
)
```

### Arguments

Power	Power consumption in Watts (W).
power_factor	Power factor, default is 0.85.
safety_factor	Safety factor, default is 1.2 (20% extra capacity).
efficiency	Efficiency of the cooling system, default is 0.7 (70%).

### Value

Required cooling capacity in kilowatts (kW).

### Examples

```
calcCoolingCapacity(1000)  
  
calcCoolingCapacity(1500, power_factor = 0.9, safety_factor = 1.3, efficiency = 0.8)
```

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calcCoolingPower      *Calculate Cooling Power*

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**Description**

This function calculates the cooling power based on initial and final air conditions and volume flow rate.

Cooling power is the rate of energy transferred during a cooling process.

**Usage**

```
calcCoolingPower(Temp1, Temp2, RH1, RH2, volumeFlowRate)
```

**Arguments**

Temp1	Initial Temperature (°Celsius)
Temp2	Final Temperature (°Celsius)
RH1	Initial Relative Humidity (0-100%)
RH2	Final Relative Humidity (0-100%)
volumeFlowRate	Volume flow rate of air (m <sup>3</sup> /s)

**Value**

Cooling power in kilowatts (kW)

**References**

ASHRAE Handbook Fundamentals

**See Also**

[calcEnthalpy](#), [calcAD](#)

**Examples**

```
calcCoolingPower(30, 22, 70, 55, 0.8)
```

```
calcCoolingPower(Temp1 = 25, Temp2 = 20, RH1 = 70, RH2 = 50, volumeFlowRate = 0.5)
```

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calcDP	<i>Calculate Dew Point</i>
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**Description**

Function to calculate dew point (°C) from temperature (°C) and relative humidity (%).

The dew point is the temperature at which air becomes saturated with moisture and water vapour begins to condense.

**Usage**

```
calcDP(Temp, RH, method = c("Magnus", "Buck"))
```

**Arguments**

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)
method	Character; formula to use, either "Magnus" or "Buck". Defaults to "Magnus".

**Details**

This function supports two methods for dew point calculation:

- "Magnus" (default): Uses the August-Roche-Magnus approximation, valid for  $0^{\circ}\text{C} < \text{Temp} < 60^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $1\% < \text{RH} < 100\%$ .
- "Buck": Uses the Arden Buck equation with Bögel modification, valid for  $-30^{\circ}\text{C} < \text{Temp} < 60^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $1\% < \text{RH} < 100\%$ .

Both methods compute saturation vapour pressure and convert relative humidity to dew point temperature. The Magnus method is chosen as the default because it is more stable when used with the [calcTemp](#) and [calcRH\\_DP](#) functions.

**Value**

Td (DP), Dew Point (°Celsius)

**Note**

More details of the equations are also available in the source R code.

**References**

- Alduchov, O. A., and R. E. Eskridge, 1996: Improved Magnus' form approximation of saturation vapor pressure. *J. Appl. Meteor.*, 35, 601–609
- Buck, A. L., 1981: New Equations for Computing Vapor Pressure and Enhancement Factor. *J. Appl. Meteor. Climatol.*, 20, 1527–1532, [https://doi.org/10.1175/1520-0450\(1981\)020<1527:NEFCVP>2.0.CO;2](https://doi.org/10.1175/1520-0450(1981)020<1527:NEFCVP>2.0.CO;2).
- Buck (1996), Buck (1996), Buck Research CR-1A User's Manual, Appendix 1.  
<https://bmcnoldy.earth.miami.edu/Humidity.html>

**See Also**

[calcTemp](#) for calculating temperature  
[calcRH\\_DP](#) for calculating relative humidity from dew point  
[calcDP](#) for calculating dew point  
[calcRH\\_AH](#) for calculating relative humidity from absolute humidity

**Examples**

```
# Dew point at 20°C and 50% relative humidity (RH)
# Default Magnus method
calcDP(20, 50)

# Using Buck method
calcDP(20, 50, method = "Buck")

# Validation check
calcDP(20, calcRH_DP(20, calcDP(20, 50)))
calcDP(20, calcRH_DP(20, calcDP(20, 50, method = "Buck"), method = "Buck"), method = "Buck")

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |>
  dplyr::mutate(
    DewPoint = calcDP(Temp, RH),
    DewPoint_Buck = calcDP(Temp, RH, method = "Buck"))
```

---

calcEMC\_wood

*Calculate Equilibrium Moisture Content for wood (EMC)*


---

**Description**

This function calculates the Equilibrium Moisture Content (EMC) of wood based on relative humidity and temperature.

**Usage**

```
calcEMC_wood(Temp, RH)
```

**Arguments**

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)

**Details**

Equilibrium Moisture Content (EMC) is the moisture content at which a material, such as wood or other hygroscopic substances has reached an equilibrium with its environment and is no longer gaining or losing moisture under specific temperature and relative humidity.

A safe EMC range for wood is typically between 6% and 20%. This range helps to prevent issues such as warping, cracking, and mold growth, which can occur if the moisture content falls below or exceeds these levels.

**Value**

EMC, Equilibrium Moisture Content (0-100%)

**References**

Simpson, W. T. (1998). Equilibrium moisture content of wood in outdoor locations in the United States and worldwide. Res. Note FPL-RN-0268. Madison, WI: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Forest Products Laboratory.

Hailwood, A. J., and Horrobin, S. (1946). Absorption of water by polymers: Analysis in terms of a simple model. Transactions of the Faraday Society 42, B084-B092. DOI:10.1039/TF946420B084

**Examples**

```
# Equilibrium moisture content for wood at 20°C and 50% relative humidity (RH)
calcEMC_wood(20, 50)

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(EMC = calcEMC_wood(Temp, RH))
```

---

calcEnthalpy

*Calculate Enthalpy*

---

**Description**

Function to calculate enthalpy from temperature (°C) and relative humidity (%).

Enthalpy is the total heat content of air, combining sensible (related to temperature) and latent heat (related to moisture content), used in HVAC calculations. Enthalpy is the amount of energy required to bring a gas to its current state from a dry gas at 0°C.

**Usage**

```
calcEnthalpy(Temp, RH, ...)
```

**Arguments**

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)
...	Additional arguments to supply to <code>calcPws</code> and <code>calcMR</code>

**Value**

h Enthalpy (kJ/kg)

**Examples**

```
# Enthalpy at at 20°C (Temp) and 50% relative humidity (RH)
calcEnthalpy(20, 50)

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(Enthalpy = calcEnthalpy(Temp, RH))
```

---

calcFP

*Calculate Frost Point*


---

**Description**

Function to calculate frost point (°C) from temperature (°C) and relative humidity (%).

**Usage**

```
calcFP(Temp, RH)
```

**Arguments**

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)

**Details**

Formula coefficients from Arden Buck equation (1981, 1996) saturation vapor pressure over ice.

- a = 6.1115
- b = 23.036
- c = 279.82
- d = 333.7

**Value**

Tf, Frost Point (°Celsius)

**Note**

This function is unstable and is under development.

**Examples**

```
# calcFP is unstable and is under development
# Frost point at 20°C (Temp) and 50% relative humidity (RH)
calcFP(20, 50)
calcFP(0, 50)

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(FrostPoint = calcFP(Temp, RH))
```

---

calcFtoC

*Convert temperature (F) to temperature (C)*

---

**Description**

Convert temperature in Fahrenheit to temperature in Celsius

**Usage**

```
calcFtoC(TempF)
```

**Arguments**

TempF            Temperature (Fahrenheit )

**Value**

TempC Temperature (Celsius)

## Examples

```
# Fahrenheit to Celsius
calcFtoC(32)
calcFtoC(68)

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(TempC = calcFtoC((Temp * 9/5) + 32))
```

---

calcHR

*Calculate Humidity Ratio*

---

## Description

Function to calculate humidity ratio (g/kg) from temperature (°C) and relative humidity (%).

Humidity ratio is the mass of water vapor present in a given volume of air relative to the mass of dry air. Also known as "moisture content".

Function uses [calcMR](#)

## Usage

```
calcHR(Temp, RH, P_atm = 1013.25, B = 621.9907, ...)
```

## Arguments

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)
P_atm	Atmospheric pressure = 1013.25 (hPa)
B	B = 621.9907 g/kg for air
...	Additional arguments to supply to <a href="#">calcPws</a> and <a href="#">calcMR</a>

## Value

HR Humidity ratio (g/kg)

## Note

This function requires the [calcMR](#) function to be available in the environment.

**See Also**

[calcMR](#) for calculating mixing ratio  
[calcAD](#) for calculating air density  
[calcPw](#) for calculating water vapour pressure  
[calcPws](#) for calculating water vapour saturation pressure

**Examples**

```
# Humidity ratio at 20°C (Temp) and 50% relative humidity (RH)
calcHR(20, 50)

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(HumidityRatio = calcHR(Temp, RH))
```

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calcLM

*Calculate Life-time Multiplier for chemical degradation*

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**Description**

Function to calculate lifetime multiplier from temperature and relative humidity.

The ‘calcLM’ function calculates the lifetime multiplier for chemical degradation of objects based on temperature and relative humidity conditions. This metric provides an estimate of an object’s expected lifetime relative to standard conditions (20°C and 50% RH); values >1 indicate conditions that prolong lifetime; values <1 indicate higher risk of chemical degradation.

**Usage**

```
calcLM(Temp, RH, EA = 100)
```

**Arguments**

Temp	Temperature (Celsius)
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)
EA	Activation Energy (J/mol). 100 J/mol for cellulosic (paper) or 70 J/mol yellowing varnish

## Details

Based on the experiments of the rate of decay of paper, films and dyes. Activation energy,  $E_a$  = 100 J/mol (degradation of cellulose - paper), 70 J/mol (yellowing of varnish - furniture, painting, sculpture).

Gas constant,  $R$  = 8.314 J/K.mol

$$LM = \left( \frac{50\%RH}{RH} \right)^{1.3} \cdot e \left( \frac{E_a}{R} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{T_K} - \frac{1}{293} \right) \right)$$

The lifetime multiplier gives an indication of the speed of natural decay of an object. It expresses an expected lifetime of an object compared to the expected lifetime of the same object at 20°C and 50% RH. This means that if the result = 1, the expected lifetime for your object is 'good'. The closer you go to 0, the less suited your environment is. The result is both expressed numerically and over time, which also gives an idea about the period over the year when the object suffers most. The data is based on experiments on paper, synthetic films and dyes.

## Value

Lifetime multiplier

## References

Michalski, S., 'Double the life for each five-degree drop, more than double the life for each halving of relative humidity', in Preprints of the 13th IcOM-cc Triennial Meeting in rio de Janeiro (22–27 September 2002), ed. r. Vontobel, James & James, London (2002) Vol. I 66–72.

Martens Marco, 2012: Climate Risk Assessment in Museums (Thesis, Tue).

## Examples

```
# Lifetime multiplier at 20°C (Temp) and 50% relative humidity (RH)
calcLM(20, 50)

calcLM(20, 50, EA = 70)

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(LifeTime = calcLM(Temp, RH))

mydata |>
  dplyr::mutate(LM = calcLM(Temp, RH)) |>
  dplyr::summarise(LM_avg = mean(LM, na.rm = TRUE))
```

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`calcMould_VTT`*Calculate Mould Growth Index (VTT model)*

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## Description

This function calculates the mould growth index on wooden materials based on temperature, relative humidity, and other factors. It implements the mathematical model developed by Hukka and Viitanen, which predicts mould growth under varying environmental conditions.

## Usage

```
calcMould_VTT(  
  Temp,  
  RH,  
  M_prev = 0,  
  sensitivity = "very",  
  wood = 0,  
  surface = 0  
)
```

## Arguments

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)
M_prev	The previous mould index value (default is 0).
sensitivity	The sensitivity level of the material to mould growth. Options are 'very', 'sensitive', 'medium', or 'resistant'. Default is 'very'.
wood	The wood species; 0 for pine and 1 for spruce. Default is 0.
surface	The surface quality; 0 for resawn kiln dried timber and 1 for timber dried under normal kiln drying process. Default is 0 (worst case).

## Details

Sensitivity is related to the material surface, mould will grow on. Options in function available are:

- 'very' sensitive materials include pine and sapwood.
- 'sensitive' materials include glued wooden boards, PUR with paper surface, spruce
- 'medium' resistant materials include concrete, glass wool, polyester wool
- 'resistant' materials include PUR polished surface

**Value**

M Mould growth index

- 0 = No mould growth
- 1 = Small amounts of mould growth on surface visible under microscope
- 2 = Several local mould growth colonies on surface visible under microscope
- 3 = Visual findings of mould on surface <10% coverage or 50% coverage under microscope
- 4 = Visual findings of mould on surface 10-50% coverage or >50% coverage under microscope
- 5 = Plenty of growth on surface >50% visual coverage
- 6 = Heavy and tight growth, coverage almost 100%

**References**

Hukka, A., Viitanen, H. A mathematical model of mould growth on wooden material. *Wood Science and Technology* 33, 475–485 (1999). <https://doi.org/10.1007/s002260050131>

Viitanen, Hannu, and Tuomo Ojanen. "Improved model to predict mold growth in building materials." *Thermal Performance of the Exterior Envelopes of Whole Buildings X–Proceedings CD (2007): 2-7.*

**Examples**

```
# Mould growth index at 25°C (Temp) and 85% relative humidity (RH)
calcMould_VTT(Temp = 25, RH = 85)

calcMould_VTT(Temp = 18, RH = 70, M_prev = 2, sensitivity = "medium", wood = 1, surface = 1)

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |>
  dplyr::mutate(
    MouldIndex = calcMould_VTT(Temp, RH),
    MouldIndex_sensitve = calcMould_VTT(Temp, RH, sensitivity = "sensitive")
  )
```

## Description

This function calculates the Lowest Isoline for Mould (LIM) based on temperature and relative humidity, using the model developed by Zeng et al. (2023).

The LIM is the lowest envelope of the temperature and humidity isoline at a certain mould growth rate (u). LIM0 is the critical value for mould growth, if the humidity is kept below the critical value, at a given temperature, then there is no risk of mould growth.

## Usage

```
calcMould_Zeng(Temp, RH, LIM = 0, label = FALSE)
```

## Arguments

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)
LIM	The specific LIM value to calculate. Must be one of 0, 0.1, 0.5, 1, 2, 3, or 4. Default is 0.
label	Logical. If TRUE, returns a descriptive label instead of a numeric value. Default is FALSE.

## Details

The function calculates LIM values for mould genera including Cladosporium, Penicillium, and Aspergillus. LIM values represent different mould growth rates:

- LIM0: Low limit of mould growth
- LIM0.1: 0.1 mm/day growth rate
- LIM0.5: 0.5 mm/day growth rate
- LIM1: 1 mm/day growth rate
- LIM2: 2 mm/day growth rate
- LIM3: 3 mm/day growth rate
- LIM4: 4 mm/day growth rate
- Above LIM4: Greater than 4 mm/day growth rate (9 mm/day theoretical maximum)

## Value

If label is FALSE, returns the calculated LIM value as Relative Humidity (0-100%). If label is TRUE, returns a character string describing the mould growth rate category.

## References

Zeng L, Chen Y, Ma M, et al. Prediction of mould growth rate within building envelopes: development and validation of an improved model. *Building Services Engineering Research and Technology*. 2023;44(1):63-79. doi:10.1177/01436244221137846

Sautour M, Dantigny P, Divies C, Bensoussan M. A temperature-type model for describing the relationship between fungal growth and water activity. *Int J Food Microbiol*. 2001 Jul 20;67(1-2):63-9. doi: 10.1016/s0168-1605(01)00471-8. PMID: 11482570.

**Examples**

```

# Lowest Isoline for Mould at 20°C (Temp) and 75% relative humidity (RH)
calcMould_Zeng(20, 75)
calcMould_Zeng(20, 75, LIM = 0)
calcMould_Zeng(20, 75, label = TRUE)

calcMould_Zeng(20, 85)
calcMould_Zeng(20, 85, LIM = 2)
calcMould_Zeng(20, 85, label = TRUE)

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |>
  dplyr::mutate(
    RH_LIM0 = calcMould_Zeng(Temp, RH),
    RH_LIM1 = calcMould_Zeng(Temp, RH, LIM = 1),
    LIM = calcMould_Zeng(Temp, RH, label = TRUE)
  )

```

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 calcMR

*Calculate Mixing Ratio*


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**Description**

Function to calculate mixing ratio (g/kg) from temperature (°C) and relative humidity (%).

Mixing Ratio is the mass of water vapor present in a given volume of air relative to the mass of dry air.

**Usage**

```
calcMR(Temp, RH, P_atm = 1013.25, B = 621.9907, ...)
```

**Arguments**

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)
P_atm	Atmospheric pressure = 1013.25 (hPa)
B	B = 621.9907 g/kg for air
...	Additional arguments to supply to <a href="#">calcPws</a>

**Details**

X Mixing ratio (mass of water vapour / mass of dry gas)

$P_w = P_{ws}(40^\circ\text{C}) = 73.75 \text{ hPa}$

$X = 621.9907 \times 73.75 / (998 - 73.75) = 49.63 \text{ g/kg}$

**Value**

X Mixing ratio, mass of water vapour / mass of dry gas (g/kg)

**See Also**

[calcMR](#) for calculating mixing ratio

[calcAD](#) for calculating air density

[calcPw](#) for calculating water vapour pressure

[calcPws](#) for calculating water vapour saturation pressure

**Examples**

```
# Mixing ratio at 20°C (Temp) and 50% relative humidity (RH)
calcMR(20, 50)

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(MixingRatio = calcMR(Temp, RH))
```

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calcPI

*Calculate Preservation Index*

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**Description**

Calculates the Preservation Index (PI) to estimate the natural decay speed of objects.

The Preservation Index, developed by the Image Permanence Institute, is a chemical kinetics metric that determines the rate of deterioration of materials based on temperature and relative humidity. The 'calcPI' function returns the estimated years to deterioration, with higher values indicating conditions that are more hygro-thermodynamically favorable for an object.

**Usage**

```
calcPI(Temp, RH, EA = 90300)
```

## Arguments

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)
EA	Activation Energy (J/mol). Default is 90300 J/mol for cellulose acetate film

## Details

The formula is based on Arrhenius equation (for molecular energy) and an equivalent for E (best fit to the cellulose triacetate deterioration data). The other parameters are integrated to mimic the results from the experiments. The result is an average chemical lifetime at one point in time of chemically unstable object (based on experiments on acetate film). This means it is the expected lifetime for a specific T, RH and theoretical object if this remains stable (no fluctuations). The chosen activation energy (Ea) has a larger impact at low temperature.

Developed by the Image Permanence Institute, the model is based on the chemical degradation of cellulose acetate (Reilly et al., 1995):

- Rate,  $k = [RH\%] \times 5.9 \times 10^{12} \times \exp(-90300 / (8.314 \times \text{TempK}))$

- Preservation Index,  $PI = 1/k$

This metric is an early version of a lifetime multiplier based on chemical deterioration of acetate film. This last object is naturally relatively unstable and there lies the biggest difference with other chemical metrics together with the fact that it is not relative to the lifetime of the object. All lifetime multipliers give similar results between 20% and 60% RH. The results at very low and high RH can be unreliable.

## Value

PI Preservation Index, the expected lifetime (1/rate,k)

## References

Reilly, James M. New Tools for Preservation: Assessing Long-Term Environmental Effects on Library and Archives Collections. Commission on Preservation and Access, 1400 16th Street, NW, Suite 740, Washington, DC 20036-2217, 1995.

Padfield, T. 2004. The Preservation Index and The Time Weighted Preservation Index. <https://www.conservationphysics.org/t>

Activation Energy: ASHRAE, 2011.

Image Permanence Institute, eClimateNotebook

## Examples

```
# Preservation Index at 20°C (Temp) and 50% relative humidity (RH)
calcPI(20, 50)

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(PI = calcPI(Temp, RH))
```

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`calcPw`*Calculate Water Vapour Pressure*

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**Description**

Function to calculate water vapour pressure (hPa) from temperature (°C) and relative humidity (%).  
Water vapour pressure is the pressure exerted by water vapour in a gas.

**Usage**`calcPw(Temp, RH, ...)`**Arguments**

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)
...	Additional arguments to supply to <code>calcPws</code>

**Details**

Different formulations for calculating water vapour pressure are available:

- Arden Buck equation ("Buck")
- International Association for the Properties of Water and Steam ("IAPWS")
- August-Roche-Magnus approximation ("Magnus")
- VAISALA humidity conversion formula ("VAISALA")

The water vapor pressure ( $P_w$ ) is calculated using the following equation:

$$P_w = \frac{P_{ws}(Temp) \times RH}{100}$$

Where:

- $P_{ws}$  is the saturation vapor pressure using `calcPws`.
- RH is the relative humidity in percent.
- Temp is the temperature in degrees Celsius.

**Value**

Pw, Water Vapour Pressure (hPa)

**Note**

See Wikipedia for a discussion of the accuracy of each approach: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vapour\\_pressure\\_of\\_water](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vapour_pressure_of_water)

**References**

Wagner, W., & Pruß, A. (2002). The IAPWS formulation 1995 for the thermodynamic properties of ordinary water substance for general and scientific use. *Journal of Physical and Chemical Reference Data*, 31(2), 387-535.

Alduchov, O. A., and R. E. Eskridge, 1996: Improved Magnus' form approximation of saturation vapor pressure. *J. Appl. Meteor.*, 35, 601-609.

Buck, A. L., 1981: New Equations for Computing Vapor Pressure and Enhancement Factor. *J. Appl. Meteor. Climatol.*, 20, 1527-1532, [https://doi.org/10.1175/1520-0450\(1981\)020<1527:NEFCVP>2.0.CO;2](https://doi.org/10.1175/1520-0450(1981)020<1527:NEFCVP>2.0.CO;2).

Buck (1996), Buck (1996), Buck Research CR-1A User's Manual, Appendix 1.

VAISALA. Humidity Conversions: Formulas and methods for calculating humidity parameters. Ref. B210973EN-O

**See Also**

[calcMR](#) for calculating mixing ratio

[calcAD](#) for calculating air density

[calcPw](#) for calculating water vapour pressure

[calcPws](#) for calculating water vapour saturation pressure

**Examples**

```
# Water vapour pressure at 20°C (Temp) and 50% relative humidity (RH)
calcPw(20, 50)

# Calculate relative humidity at 50%RH
calcPw(20, 50) / calcPws(20) * 100

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(Pw = calcPw(Temp, RH))

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(Buck = calcPw(Temp, RH, method = "Buck"),
                       IAPWS = calcPw(Temp, RH, method = "IAPWS"),
                       Magnus = calcPw(Temp, RH, method = "Magnus"),
                       VAISALA = calcPw(Temp, RH, method = "VAISALA"))
```

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calcPws                      *Calculate Water Vapour Saturation Pressure*

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### Description

Function to calculate water vapour saturation pressure (hPa) from temperature (°C) using the International Association for the Properties of Water and Steam (IAPWS as default), Arden Buck equation (Buck), August-Roche-Magnus approximation (Magnus) or VAISALA conversion formula.

Water vapour saturation pressure is the maximum partial pressure of water vapour that can be present in gas at a given temperature.

### Usage

```
calcPws(
  Temp,
  P_atm = 1013.25,
  method = c("Buck", "IAPWS", "Magnus", "VAISALA")
)
```

### Arguments

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
P_atm	Atmospheric pressure = 1013.25 (hPa)
method	Character. Method to use for calculation. Options are "Buck" (default), "IAPWS", "Magnus" or "VAISALA".

### Details

Different formulations for calculating water vapour pressure are available:

- Arden Buck equation ("Buck")
- International Association for the Properties of Water and Steam ("IAPWS")
- August-Roche-Magnus approximation ("Magnus")
- VAISALA humidity conversion formula ("VAISALA")

### Value

Pws, Saturation vapor pressure (hPa)

### Note

See Wikipedia for a discussion of the accuracy of each approach: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vapour\\_pressure\\_of\\_water](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vapour_pressure_of_water)

If lower accuracy or a limited temperature range can be tolerated a simpler formula can be used for the water vapour saturation pressure over water (and over ice):

$$Pws = 6.116441 \times 10^{\left( \frac{7.591386 \times Temp}{Temp + 240.7263} \right)}$$

## References

- Wagner, W., & Pruß, A. (2002). The IAPWS formulation 1995 for the thermodynamic properties of ordinary water substance for general and scientific use. *Journal of Physical and Chemical Reference Data*, 31(2), 387-535.
- Alduchov, O. A., and R. E. Eskridge, 1996: Improved Magnus' form approximation of saturation vapor pressure. *J. Appl. Meteor.*, 35, 601-609.
- Buck, A. L., 1981: New Equations for Computing Vapor Pressure and Enhancement Factor. *J. Appl. Meteor. Climatol.*, 20, 1527–1532, [https://doi.org/10.1175/1520-0450\(1981\)020<1527:NEFCVP>2.0.CO;2](https://doi.org/10.1175/1520-0450(1981)020<1527:NEFCVP>2.0.CO;2).
- Buck (1996), Buck (1996), Buck Research CR-1A User's Manual, Appendix 1.
- VAISALA. Humidity Conversions: Formulas and methods for calculating humidity parameters. Ref. B210973EN-O

## See Also

- [calcMR](#) for calculating mixing ratio
- [calcAD](#) for calculating air density
- [calcPw](#) for calculating water vapour pressure
- [calcPws](#) for calculating water vapour saturation pressure

## Examples

```
# Saturation vapour pressure at 20°C
calcPws(20)
calcPws(20, method = "Buck")
calcPws(20, method = "IAPWS")
calcPws(20, method = "Magnus")
calcPws(20, method = "VAISALA")

# Check of calculations of relative humidity at 50%RH
calcPw(20, 50, method = "Buck") / calcPws(20, method = "Buck") * 100
calcPw(20, 50, method = "IAPWS") / calcPws(20, method = "IAPWS") * 100
calcPw(20, 50, method = "Magnus") / calcPws(20, method = "Magnus") * 100
calcPw(20, 50, method = "VAISALA") / calcPws(20, method = "VAISALA") * 100

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(Pws = calcPws(Temp))

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(Buck = calcPws(Temp, method = "Buck"),
                       IAPWS = calcPws(Temp, method = "IAPWS"),
                       Magnus = calcPws(Temp, method = "Magnus"),
                       VAISALA = calcPws(Temp, method = "VAISALA"))
```

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calcRH_AH	<i>Calculate Relative Humidity from temperature and absolute humidity</i>
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**Description**

Function to calculate relative humidity (%) from temperature (°C) and absolute humidity (g/m<sup>3</sup>)

**Usage**

```
calcRH_AH(Temp, AH, P_atm = 1013.25)
```

**Arguments**

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
AH	Absolute Humidity (g/m <sup>3</sup> )
P_atm	Atmospheric pressure = 1013.25 (hPa)

**Value**

Relative Humidity (0-100%)

**References**

Buck, A. L. (1981). New equations for computing vapor pressure and enhancement factor. *Journal of Applied Meteorology*, 20(12), 1527-1532.

**See Also**

[calcAH](#) for calculating absolute humidity  
[calcTemp](#) for calculating temperature  
[calcRH\\_DP](#) for calculating relative humidity from dew point  
[calcDP](#) for calculating dew point

**Examples**

```
# Relative humidity (RH) at temperature of 20°C (Temp) and absolute humidity of 8.645471 g/m3 (AH)
calcRH_AH(20, 8.630534)

calcRH_AH(20, calcAH(20, 50))

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(Abs = calcAH(Temp, RH), RH2 = calcRH_AH(Temp, Abs))
```

---

`calcRH_DP`*Calculate Relative Humidity from temperature and dew point*

---

**Description**

Function to calculate relative humidity (%) from temperature (°C) and dew point (°C)

**Usage**

```
calcRH_DP(Temp, DewP, method = c("Magnus", "Buck"))
```

**Arguments**

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
DewP	Td (DP), Dew Point (°Celsius)
method	Calculation method: either "Magnus" or "Buck". Defaults to "Magnus".

**Details**

This function supports two methods for relative humidity calculation:

- "Magnus" (default): Uses the August-Roche-Magnus approximation, valid for 0°C < Temp < 60°C and 1% < RH < 100%.
- "Buck": Uses the Arden Buck equation with Bögel modification, valid for -30°C < Temp < 60°C and 1% < RH < 100%.

The methods calculate temperature based on vapor pressure and saturation vapour pressure relationships. The Magnus method is chosen as the default because it is more stable when used with the `calcDP` and `calcTemp` functions.

**Value**

Relative Humidity (0-100%)

**References**

- Alduchov, O. A., and R. E. Eskridge, 1996: Improved Magnus' form approximation of saturation vapor pressure. *J. Appl. Meteor.*, 35, 601–609
- Buck, A. L., 1981: New Equations for Computing Vapor Pressure and Enhancement Factor. *J. Appl. Meteor. Climatol.*, 20, 1527–1532, [https://doi.org/10.1175/1520-0450\(1981\)020<1527:NEFCVP>2.0.CO;2](https://doi.org/10.1175/1520-0450(1981)020<1527:NEFCVP>2.0.CO;2).
- Buck (1996), Buck (1996), Buck Research CR-1A User's Manual, Appendix 1.  
<https://bmcnoldy.earth.miami.edu/Humidity.html>

**See Also**

[calcTemp](#) for calculating temperature  
[calcDP](#) for calculating dew point  
[calcRH\\_AH](#) for calculating relative humidity from absolute humidity  
[calcRH\\_DP](#) for calculating relative humidity from dew point

**Examples**

```

# Relative humidity (RH) at tempertaure of 20°C (Temp) and dew point of 15°C (DewP)
calcRH_DP(20, 15)
calcRH_DP(20, 15, method = "Buck")

calcRH_DP(20, calcDP(20, 50))

calcRH_DP(20, calcDP(20, 50, method = "Buck"), method = "Buck")

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |>
  dplyr::mutate(
    DewPoint = calcDP(Temp, RH),
    RH_default = calcRH_DP(Temp, DewPoint),
    RH_Buck = calcRH_DP(Temp, DewPoint, method = "Buck"))

```

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calcSensibleHeating    *Calculate Sensible Heating*

---

**Description**

This function calculates sensible heating power.

Sensible heat is the energy that causes an object's temperature to change without altering its phase, also known as "dry" heat which you can feel.

**Usage**

```
calcSensibleHeating(Temp1, Temp2, RH = 50, volumeFlowRate)
```

**Arguments**

Temp1	Initial Temperature (°Celsius)
Temp2	Final Temperature (°Celsius)
RH	Initial Relative Humidity (0-100%). Optional, default is 50%.
volumeFlowRate	Volume flow rate of air in cubic meters per second (m <sup>3</sup> /s)

**Value**

Sensible heat in kilowatts (kW)

**See Also**

[calcAD](#)

**Examples**

```
calcSensibleHeating(20, 25, 50, 0.5)
```

```
calcSensibleHeating(20, 25, 60, 0.5)
```

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calcSensibleHeatRatio *Calculate Sensible Heat Ratio (SHR)*

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**Description**

This function calculates the Sensible Heat Ratio (SHR) using the sensible and total heating values. Sensible heat ratio is the ratio of sensible heat to total heat.

**Usage**

```
calcSensibleHeatRatio(Temp1, Temp2, RH1, RH2, volumeFlowRate)
```

**Arguments**

Temp1	Initial Temperature (°Celsius)
Temp2	Final Temperature (°Celsius)
RH1	Initial Relative Humidity (0-100%)
RH2	Final Relative Humidity (0-100%)
volumeFlowRate	Volume flow rate of air in cubic meters per second (m <sup>3</sup> /s)

**Value**

SHR Sensible Heat Ratio (0-100%)

**See Also**

[calcSensibleHeating](#), [calcTotalHeating](#)

**Examples**

```
calcSensibleHeatRatio(20, 25, 50, 30, 0.5)
```

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**calcSH** *Calculate Specific Humidity*

---

**Description**

Function to calculate the specific humidity (g/kg) from temperature (°C) and relative humidity (%).

Specific humidity is the ratio of the mass of water vapor to the mass of air.

Function uses [calcMR](#)

**Usage**

```
calcSH(Temp, RH, P_atm = 1013.25, B = 621.9907, ...)
```

**Arguments**

Temp	Temperature (°Celsius)
RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)
P_atm	Atmospheric pressure = 1013.25 (hPa)
B	B = 621.9907 g/kg for air
...	Additional arguments to supply to <a href="#">calcPws</a> and <a href="#">calcMR</a>

**Value**

SH Specific Humidity (g/kg)

**Note**

This function requires the [calcMR](#) function to be available in the environment.

**References**

Wallace, J.M. and Hobbs, P.V. (2006). Atmospheric Science: An Introductory Survey. Academic Press, 2nd edition.

**See Also**

[calcAD](#) for calculating air density

[calcAH](#) for calculating absolute humidity

[calcPw](#) for calculating water vapour pressure

[calcPws](#) for calculating water vapour saturation pressure

## Examples

```
# Calculate specific humidity at 20°C (Temp) and 50% relative humidity (RH)
calcSH(20, 50)

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |> dplyr::mutate(SpecificHumidity = calcSH(Temp, RH))
```

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calcTemp

*Calculate Temperature from relative humidity and dew point*

---

## Description

This function calculates the temperature (°C) from relative humidity (%) and dew point temperature (°C).

## Usage

```
calcTemp(RH, DewP, method = c("Magnus", "Buck"))
```

## Arguments

RH	Relative Humidity (0-100%)
DewP	Td (DP), Dew Point (°Celsius)
method	Calculation method: either "Magnus" or "Buck". Defaults to "Magnus".

## Details

This function supports two methods for temperature calculation:

- "Magnus" (default): Uses the August-Roche-Magnus approximation, valid for  $0^{\circ}\text{C} < \text{Temp} < 60^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $1\% < \text{RH} < 100\%$ .
- "Buck": Uses the Arden Buck equation with Bögel modification, valid for  $-30^{\circ}\text{C} < \text{Temp} < 60^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $1\% < \text{RH} < 100\%$ .

The methods calculate temperature based on vapor pressure and saturation vapour pressure relationships. The Magnus method is chosen as the default because it is more stable when used with the [calcDP](#) and [calcRH\\_DP](#) functions.

## Value

Temp, Temperature (°Celsius)

## References

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- Buck (1996), Buck (1996), Buck Research CR-1A User's Manual, Appendix 1.  
<https://bmcnoldy.earth.miami.edu/Humidity.html>

## See Also

- [calcTemp](#) for calculating temperature
- [calcDP](#) for calculating dew point
- [calcRH\\_DP](#) for calculating relative humidity from dew point
- [calcRH\\_AH](#) for calculating relative humidity from absolute humidity

## Examples

```
# Calculate temperature (Temp) at 50% relative humidity (RH) and dew point 15°C (DewP)
# Using Magnus method
calcTemp(50, 15)

# Using Buck method
calcTemp(50, 15, method = "Buck")

calcTemp(50, calcDP(20, 50))

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 5)

mydata |>
  dplyr::mutate(
    DewPoint = calcDP(Temp, RH),
    Temp_default = calcTemp(RH, DewPoint),
    Temp_Buck = calcTemp(RH, DewPoint))
```

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calcTotalHeating

*Calculate Total Heating*

---

## Description

This function calculates total heating power.

Total heating power is the sum of sensible (felt) heat and latent (hidden) heat.

**Usage**

```
calcTotalHeating(Temp1, Temp2, RH1, RH2, volumeFlowRate)
```

**Arguments**

Temp1	Initial Temperature (°Celsius)
Temp2	Final Temperature (°Celsius)
RH1	Initial Relative Humidity (0-100%)
RH2	Final Relative Humidity (0-100%)
volumeFlowRate	Volume flow rate of air in cubic meters per second (m <sup>3</sup> /s)

**Value**

Total Heating in kilowatts (kW)

**See Also**

[calcAD](#), [calcEnthalpy](#)

**Examples**

```
calcTotalHeating(20, 25, 50, 30, 0.5)
```

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data_file_path	<i>Return the file path to data files</i>
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**Description**

Access mydata.xlsx and other files in inst/extdata folder

**Usage**

```
data_file_path(path = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

path	Name of file in quotes with extension, e.g. "mydata.xlsx"
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**Value**

String of the path to the specified file

**Examples**

```
data_file_path()

data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
```

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graph\_psychrometric    *Create a Psychrometric Chart*

---

**Description**

This function generates a psychrometric chart based on input temperature and relative humidity data.

**Usage**

```
graph_psychrometric(
  mydata,
  Temp = "Temp",
  RH = "RH",
  data_col = NULL,
  data_alpha = 0.5,
  LowT = 16,
  HighT = 25,
  LowRH = 40,
  HighRH = 60,
  Temp_range = c(0, 40),
  y_func = "calcMR",
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

mydata	A data frame containing temperature and relative humidity data.
Temp	Column name in mydata for temperature values.
RH	Column name in mydata for relative humidity values.
data_col	Name of column to use for colouring points. Default is "Sensor" if present, otherwise "RH".
data_alpha	Value to supply for make points more or less transparent. Default is 0.5.
LowT	Numeric value for lower temperature limit of the target range. Default is 16°C.
HighT	Numeric value for upper temperature limit of the target range. Default is 25°C.
LowRH	Numeric value for lower relative humidity limit of the target range. Default is 40%.
HighRH	Numeric value for upper relative humidity limit of the target range. Default is 60%.

Temp_range	Numeric vector of length 2 specifying the overall temperature range for the chart. Default is c(0, 40).
y_func	Function to calculate y-axis values. See above for options, default is mixing ratio ('calcMR').
...	Additional arguments passed to y_func.

### Details

Humidity and conservation functions can be used for the y-axis.

- calcHR: Humidity Ratio (g/kg)
- calcMR: Mixing Ratio (g/kg)
- calcAH: Absolute Humidity (g/m<sup>3</sup>)
- calcSH: Specific Humidity (g/kg)
- calcAD: Air Density (kg/m<sup>3</sup>)
- calcDP: Dew Point (°C)
- calcFP: Frost Point (°C)
- calcEnthalpy: Enthalpy (kJ/kg)
- calcPws: Saturation vapor pressure (hPa)
- calcPw: Water Vapour Pressure (hPa)
- calcPI: Preservation Index
- calcLM: Lifetime
- calcEMC\_wood: Equilibrium Moisture Content (wood)

### Value

A ggplot object representing the psychrometric chart.

### Examples

```
# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 100)

# Basic usage with default settings
graph_psychrometric(mydata, Temp, RH)

# Custom temperature and humidity ranges
graph_psychrometric(mydata, Temp, RH, LowT = 8, HighT = 28, LowRH = 30, HighRH = 70)

# Using a different psychrometric function (e.g., Absolute Humidity)
graph_psychrometric(mydata, Temp, RH, y_func = calcAH)

# Adjusting the overall temperature range of the chart
graph_psychrometric(mydata, Temp, RH, Temp_range = c(12, 30))
```

graph\_TRH

*Graph temperature and humidity data***Description**

Use this tool to produce a simple temperature and humidity plot with optional background bands showing target temperature and relative humidity ranges. Optionally, add a function to graph, e.g. 'calcDP', 'calcAH', etc.

**Usage**

```
graph_TRH(
  mydata,
  Date = "Date",
  Temp = "Temp",
  RH = "RH",
  facet_by = "Sensor",
  LowT = 16,
  HighT = 25,
  LowRH = 40,
  HighRH = 60,
  y_func = "none",
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

mydata	A data frame containing date (Date), temperature (Temp), and relative humidity (RH) columns.
Date	The name of the column in mydata containing date information ("Date").
Temp	The name of the column in mydata containing temperature data ("Temp").
RH	The name of the column in mydata containing relative humidity data ("RH").
facet_by	Name of categorical column to facet by; defaults to "Sensor".
LowT	Numeric lower bound of temperature range (default 16).
HighT	Numeric upper bound of temperature range (default 25).
LowRH	Numeric lower bound of relative humidity range (default 40).
HighRH	Numeric upper bound of relative humidity range (default 60).
y_func	Character string specifying a function to apply to temperature and humidity columns (e.g. "calcAH"). Default is "none".
...	Additional arguments passed to y_func.

**Value**

A ggplot graph of temperature and relative humidity with optional background bands.

**Examples**

```
# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 1000)

# Basic use with background ranges
graph_TRH(mydata)

# Add dew point and customise
graph_TRH(mydata, y_func = "calcDP", LowT = 6, HighT = 28)
```

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graph\_TRHbivariate      *Graph a bivariate plot of temperature and humidity data*

---

**Description**

Plots temperature vs relative humidity points coloured by a selected environmental metric calculated from temperature and humidity variables using ConSciR functions.

**Usage**

```
graph_TRHbivariate(
  mydata,
  Temp = "Temp",
  RH = "RH",
  z_func = "none",
  facet_by = "Sensor",
  LowT = 16,
  HighT = 25,
  LowRH = 40,
  HighRH = 60,
  Temp_range = c(0, 40),
  RH_range = c(0, 100),
  alpha = 0.5,
  limit_caption = ""
)
```

**Arguments**

mydata	A data frame containing temperature (Temp) and relative humidity (RH) columns.
Temp	The name of the column in mydata containing temperature data ("Temp").
RH	The name of the column in mydata containing relative humidity data ("RH").
z_func	A character string specifying which environmental metric function to use. See details for options (default 'none').
facet_by	Name of categorical column to facet by; defaults to "Sensor".

LowT	Numeric value for lower temperature limit of the target range. Default is 16°C.
HighT	Numeric value for upper temperature limit of the target range. Default is 25°C.
LowRH	Numeric value for lower relative humidity limit of the target range. Default is 40%.
HighRH	Numeric value for upper relative humidity limit of the target range. Default is 60%.
Temp_range	Numeric vector of length two defining x-axis plot limits for temperature.
RH_range	Numeric vector of length two defining y-axis plot limits for relative humidity.
alpha	Numeric transparency level for points.
limit_caption	Character string caption describing plot limits.

### Details

Humidity and conservation functions can be used for the y-axis.

- calcHR: Humidity Ratio (g/kg)
- calcMR: Mixing Ratio (g/kg)
- calcAH: Absolute Humidity (g/m<sup>3</sup>)
- calcSH: Specific Humidity (g/kg)
- calcAD: Air Density (kg/m<sup>3</sup>)
- calcDP: Dew Point (°C)
- calcFP: Frost Point (°C)
- calcEnthalpy: Enthalpy (kJ/kg)
- calcPws: Saturation vapor pressure (hPa)
- calcPw: Water Vapour Pressure (hPa)
- calcPI: Preservation Index
- calcLM: Lifetime
- calcEMC\_wood: Equilibrium Moisture Content (wood)

### Value

A ggplot2 plot object showing temperature vs relative humidity colored by the selected metric, with annotated boundary segments.

### Examples

```
# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 100)

graph_TRHbivariate(
  mydata,
  z_func = "calcAH",
  LowT = 16, HighT = 25,
```

```

LowRH = 40, HighRH = 60,
Temp_range = c(0, 40),
RH_range = c(0, 100),
alpha = 0.7,
limit_caption = "Example limit box"
)

```

---

mydata

*Climate dataset to demonstrate functions*


---

### Description

A climate dataset for use to demonstrate how the functions work.

### Usage

```
mydata
```

### Format

A data frame with 35,136 rows and 5 columns:

**Site** Site location name

**Sensor** Sensor name, unique to the site

**Date** Date is ISOdate time format

**Temp, RH** Temperature (C) and relative humidity (%) ...

### Source

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run\_ConSciR\_app

*Run the ConSciR Shiny Application*


---

### Description

Launch the ConSciR Shiny app which includes tools for temperature and relative humidity monitoring such as TRH charts, psychrometric charts, bivariate plots, mould growth predictions, and a silica gel calculator.

Users can upload CSV or Excel files formatted with "Date", "Temp", and "RH" columns. The app provides data tidying functions and downloadable cleaned CSV files.

The silica gel calculator estimates the required amount of silica gel based on temperature, humidity data, case dimensions, and air exchange rate (AER) if known.

**Usage**

```
run_ConSciR_app()
```

**Value**

A Shiny application object that runs interactively.

**Examples**

```
if(interactive()) {  
  run_ConSciR_app()  
}
```

---

shiny\_dataUploadServer

*Shiny Module Server for Data Upload and Processing*

---

**Description**

This function creates a Shiny module server for uploading CSV or Excel files, processing the data, optional time averaging as specified by the user, and returning a tidied dataset.

**Usage**

```
shiny_dataUploadServer(id)
```

**Arguments**

**id** A character string that corresponds to the ID used in the UI function for this module.

**Value**

The returned reactive expression is a tidied data frame containing columns including Site and Sensor identifiers, a Date column rounded down (floored) to the user-selected averaging interval, median or chosen average temperature and relative humidity for each group, and any other numeric variables that were averaged if present in the input data.

**Examples**

```
if(interactive()) {  
  ui <- fluidPage(  
    shiny_dataUploadUI("dataUpload")  
  )  
  server <- function(input, output, session) {  
    data <- shiny_dataUploadServer("dataUpload")  
  }  
}
```

```
}
```

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shiny\_dataUploadUI      *Shiny Module UI for Data Upload and Processing*

---

### Description

Creates a Shiny UI module for uploading CSV or Excel files, and specifying flexible time averaging interval and statistic via text inputs. This UI includes the file upload control, a text box for entering the time averaging interval (e.g., "hour", "day", "month"), a text box for specifying the averaging statistic (e.g., "median", "mean"), and a download button for the tidied data.

### Usage

```
shiny_dataUploadUI(id)
```

### Arguments

`id`                      Namespace ID for the module UI elements.

### Value

A tagList containing UI output placeholders and inputs for averaging interval, averaging statistic, and data download.

### Examples

```
if(interactive()) {  
  ui <- fluidPage(  
    shiny_dataUploadUI("dataUpload")  
  )  
  server <- function(input, output, session) {  
    data <- shiny_dataUploadServer("dataUpload")  
  }  
}
```

tidy\_Hanwell

*Tidy Hanwell EMS Data***Description**

This function tidies Hanwell Environmental Monitoring System (EMS) data from either Excel sheets or CSV files.

- Default mode (MinMax = FALSE): Reads raw date, temperature, and humidity data. - Min-Max mode (MinMax = TRUE): Under development to read min-max average data (CSV only).

**Usage**

```
tidy_Hanwell(
  EMS_datapath,
  Site = "Site",
  MinMax = FALSE,
  sheet = "Hanwell",
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

EMS_datapath	Character string specifying the file path to the Hanwell EMS data file.
Site	Character string specifying site name to add as a column. Default is "Site".
MinMax	Logical flag; if TRUE, reads Min-Max format, otherwise reads raw data. Default is FALSE.
sheet	Optional, Excel sheet name for reading Excel files. The default is "Hanwell"
...	Additional arguments passed to readxl::read_excel for Excel reading.

**Value**

A tibble containing tidied Hanwell EMS data, with columns including:

**Site** Character, site name as specified by Site argument.

**Sensor** Character, sensor identifier extracted from the file or metadata.

**Date** POSIXct datetime of the measurement.

**Temp** Numeric temperature measurement in °C (average for MinMax).

**RH** Numeric relative humidity measurement in % (average for MinMax).

**TempMin, TempMax, RHMin, RHMax** (Only for MinMax reports) Numeric min/max values of Temp and RH.

**Examples**

```
# Example usage: hanwell_data <- tidy_Hanwell("path/to/your/hanwell_data.csv")

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")

tidy_Hanwell(filepath, sheet = "Hanwell", Site = "London") |> head()
```

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tidy\_Meaco

*Tidy Meaco sensor data*


---

**Description**

This function takes raw Meaco sensor data and returns data with renamed columns.

**Usage**

```
tidy_Meaco(
  mydata,
  Site_col = "RECEIVER",
  Sensor_col = "TRANSMITTER",
  Date_col = "DATE",
  Temp_col = "TEMPERATURE",
  RH_col = "HUMIDITY"
)
```

**Arguments**

mydata	A data frame containing raw Meaco sensor data with columns RECEIVER, TRANSMITTER, DATE, TEMPERATURE, and HUMIDITY
Site_col	A string specifying the name of the column in ‘mydata’ that contains location information. Default is "RECEIVER".
Sensor_col	A string specifying the name of the column in ‘mydata’ that contains sensor information. Default is "TRANSMITTER".
Date_col	A string specifying the name of the column in ‘mydata’ that contains date information. Default is "DATE".
Temp_col	A string specifying the name of the column in ‘mydata’ that contains temperature data. Default is "TEMPERATURE".
RH_col	A string specifying the name of the column in ‘mydata’ that contains relative humidity data. Default is "HUMIDITY".

**Value**

A tidied data frame with columns Site, Sensor, Date, Temp, and RH

**Examples**

```
# Example usage: meaco_data <- tidy_Meaco("path/to/your/meaco_data.csv")

# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "Meaco")

head(mydata)

mydata |> tidy_Meaco()

mydata |> tidy_Meaco() |> tidy_TRHdata(avg_time = "hour")
```

---

tidy\_TRHdata

*Tidy and Process Temperature and Relative Humidity data*

---

**Description**

This function tidies and processes temperature, relative humidity, and date data from a given dataset. Dataset should minimally have "Date", "Temp" and "RH" columns.

It filters out rows with missing dates, attempts to parse dates, converts temperature and humidity to numeric types, and groups the data by Site, Sensor, and Date based on the averaging interval.

If the site or sensor columns are not present in the data, the function defaults to adding columns named "Site" and "Sensor". This can be changed in the arguments.

When an averaging option of "hour", "day", "month" is selected, it uses dplyr and lubridate functions to floor datetimes and calculate averages, the default is median average. See `lubridate::floor_date()` for rounding intervals.

- Filters out rows with missing dates.
- Renames columns for consistency.
- Converts temperature and relative humidity to numeric.
- Adds default columns "Site" and "Sensor" when missing or not supplied in args.
- Rounds dates down to the nearest hour, day, or month as per `avg_time`.
- Calculates averages for temperature and relative humidity according to `avg_statistic`.
- Filters out implausible temperature and humidity values (outside -50-80°C and 0-100%RH).

**Usage**

```
tidy_TRHdata(
  mydata,
  Site = "Site",
  Sensor = "Sensor",
  Date = "Date",
  Temp = "Temp",
  RH = "RH",
  avg_time = "none",
  avg_statistic = "median",
  avg_groups = c("Site", "Sensor"),
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

mydata	A data frame containing TRH data. Ideally, this should have columns for "Site", "Sensor", "Date", "Temp" (temperature), and "RH" (relative humidity). The function requires at least the date, temperature, and relative humidity columns to be present. Site and sensor columns are optional; if missing, the function will add default columns named "Site" and "Sensor" respectively with values below.
Site	A string specifying the name of the column in mydata that contains location information. If missing, defaults to "Site".
Sensor	A string specifying the name of the column in mydata that contains sensor information. If missing, defaults to "Sensor".
Date	A string specifying the name of the column in mydata that contains date information. Default is "Date". The column should ideally contain ISO 8601 date-time formatted strings (e.g. "2025-01-01 00:00:00"), but the function will try to parse a variety of common datetime formats.
Temp	A string specifying the name of the column in mydata that contains temperature data. Default is "Temp".
RH	A string specifying the name of the column in mydata that contains relative humidity data. Default is "RH".
avg_time	Character string specifying the averaging interval. One of "none" (no averaging), "hour", "day", or "month", etc. See <code>lubridate::floor_date()</code> for rounding intervals.
avg_statistic	Statistic for averaging; default is "median".
avg_groups	Character vector specifying grouping columns for time-averaging. These are then returned as factors. Default is <code>c("Site", "Sensor")</code> .
...	Additional arguments (currently unused).

**Value**

A tidy data frame with processed TRH data. When averaging, date times are floored, temperature and humidity are averaged, groups are factored, and implausible values filtered.

**Examples**

```
# mydata file
filepath <- data_file_path("mydata.xlsx")
mydata <- readxl::read_excel(filepath, sheet = "mydata", n_max = 10)

tidy_TRHdata(mydata)

tidy_TRHdata(mydata, avg_time = "hour")

mydata |> add_humidity_calcs() |> tidy_TRHdata(avg_time = "hour")

# Example usage: TRH_data <- tidy_TRHdata("path/to/your/TRHdata.csv")
```

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TRHdata

*Climate dataset to demonstrate functions*

---

**Description**

A climate dataset for use to demonstrate how the functions work.

**Usage**

TRHdata

**Format**

A data frame with 35,136 rows and 5 columns:

**Site, Sensor** Sensor location and name

**Date** Date is ISOdate time format

**Temp, RH** Temperature (C) and relative humidity (%) ...

**Source**

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