



## Participating organisation



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## Organisation's details



### Laboratory of Pulping Technology

Services/Products:	Education and research
Total number of employees:	9
Employees in E48 related areas:	1
Number of students:	30
Research focus:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ Chemical Pulping</li><li>➤ Mechanical Pulping</li><li>➤ Low consistency refining</li><li>➤ Viscose technology</li></ul>
Ownership structure:	Owned by the Finnish state



## E48 representative's presentation (I)

Finland



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### **Academic background:**

M.Sc. (Chem. Eng) in 1998

Lic. (Tech) in 2002

### **Areas of expertise:**

Mechanical fibre modification

Low consistency refining

Pulp characterisation

### **Function in COST E48:**

Member of WG2



## E48 representative's presentation (II)



### Tom Lundin

#### Most relevant publications in the field of E48:

Lundin T., B. Lönnberg, K. Harju and P. Soini; ***Laboratory LC-refining of softwood bleached kraft pulp: effects of consistency and dispersion***, 7<sup>th</sup> Pira International Refining Conference, 25-27 Mar 2003, Stockholm, Sweden

Lundin T. and B. Lönnberg; ***Effects of bar friction in LC-refining***, 58<sup>th</sup> Appita Annual Conference 19-21 April 2004, Canberra, Australia

Lundin T.; ***LC-refining – Fundamentals 2. The fibre treatment***, PaPSaT Yearbook 2004

Lundin T.; ***Considerations on energy expenditure in LC-refining***, KCL Refining Seminar, 15<sup>th</sup> November 2004, KCL, Espoo, Finland

Lundin T. and B. Lönnberg; ***Energy balance in low consistency (LC) refining***, 8<sup>th</sup> Pira International Refining Conference 1-3 March 2005, Barcelona, Spain



## Own expectations in E48



- New, future project partners
  - The limits of recycled fibres in stock preparation, specifically
    - Fibre modification by LC-refining
      - Re-generation of fibre properties
        - Flexibility
        - Swelling
        - Bonding
- } dehornification
- Short Term Scientific Mission opportunities
  - Collaboration in the field of recycled fibre modification/preparation



## Own contributions to E48



### ➤ Specific tools relevant for E48 objectives

- Pulping technology equipment
  - MC-pulper 250 L
  - ProLab™ laboratory low consistency refining station (50 L per batch)
    - Softwood and hardwood fillings
  - Laboratory screens
    - Valmet TAP03 screen (0.06, 0.10, 0.15 and 1.50 mm slots)
    - Somerville screen (0.15 mm)
- Pulp and paper characterisation equipment
  - Wet pulp properties (drainage, swelling, sedimentation)
  - FiberLab® Analyser (fibre dimensional analysis)
  - Paper testing equipment (physical and optical properties)



## Brief description of own finished or ongoing research projects in the area



### ➤ Project: “Mechanisms in low-consistency refining of pulp fibres”

- *Background: Licentiate thesis, guidance of M.Sc. and student works.*
- *“To investigate the LC-refining of pulp fibres for improved understanding of fundamental fibre treatment mechanisms.”*
- *DSc (Tech.) thesis under work*
- *Results (so far):*
  - *“We’ve learned that we actually don’t know what’s happening in LC-refining”*



## Organisation of E48 events



My organisation has the personal and logistic facilities to organise major E48 events and would particularly be prepared to host

- specific (separate) MC or WG meetings
- parallel or consecutive meetings of both MC and WGs
- a workshop (up to 50 participants)
- an international conference (more than 50 participants)



## External contributions to E48



➤ I believe that the following external organisations or experts could make valuable contributions to E48 events:

Name	Organisation	Expertise
N.N.	Metso Paper	Recycling technology
N.N.	Megatrex	Dispersion technology



## Expectations and offers concerning STSMs



- My organisation is prepared to host young academics
- from foreign organisations in the frame of STSMs. We
- could offer collaboration in
  - Fibre modification/preparation (low consistency refining)
  - Pulp characterisation
  - Fibre dimensional analysis
- My organisation is interested in sending young academics to foreign research organisations in the frame of STSMs.
- We would particularly be interested in learning more about
  - Development of fillings for improved refining of recycled fibres