

# Cold Recycled Mixtures and the Effects of the Active Fillers

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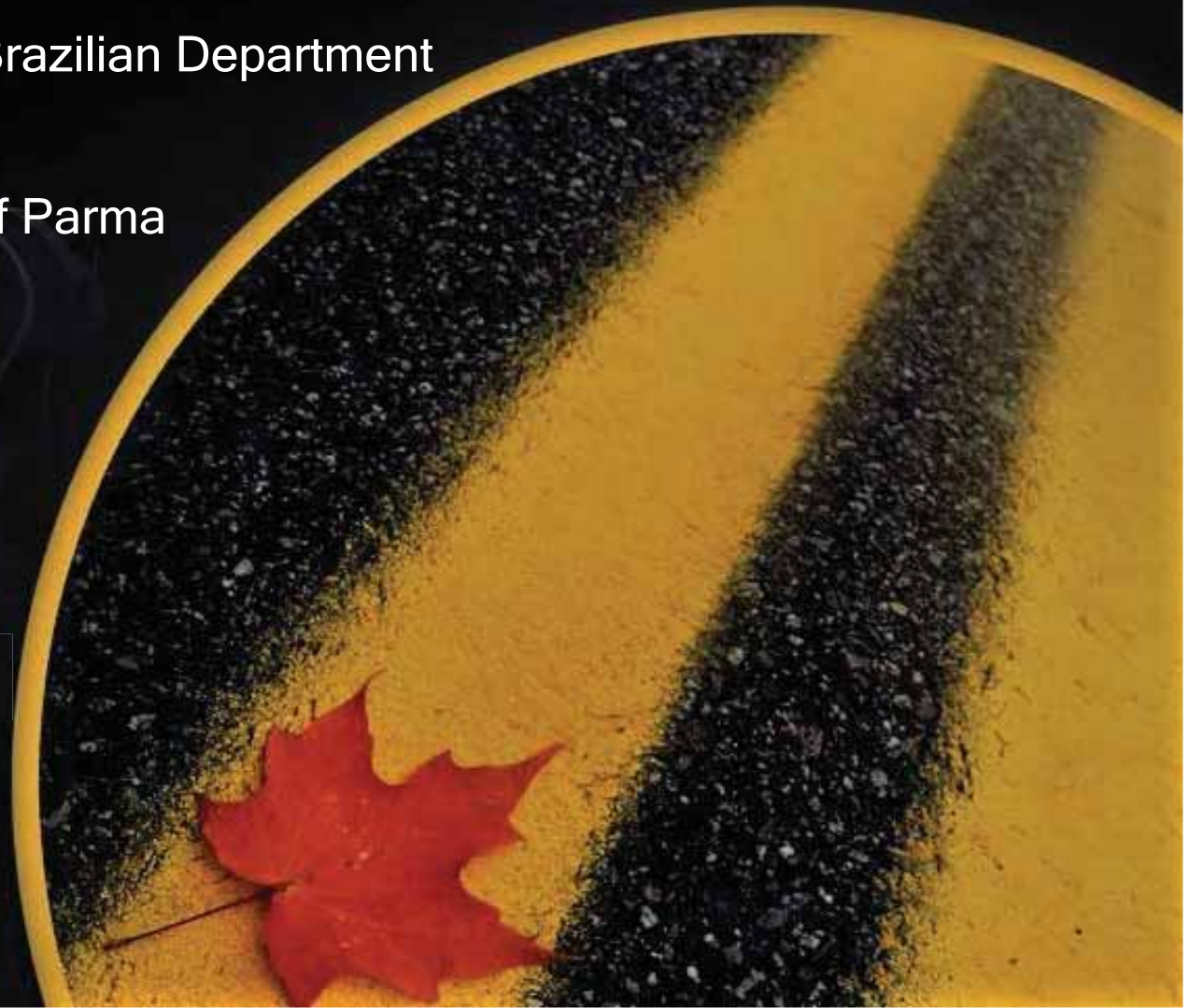
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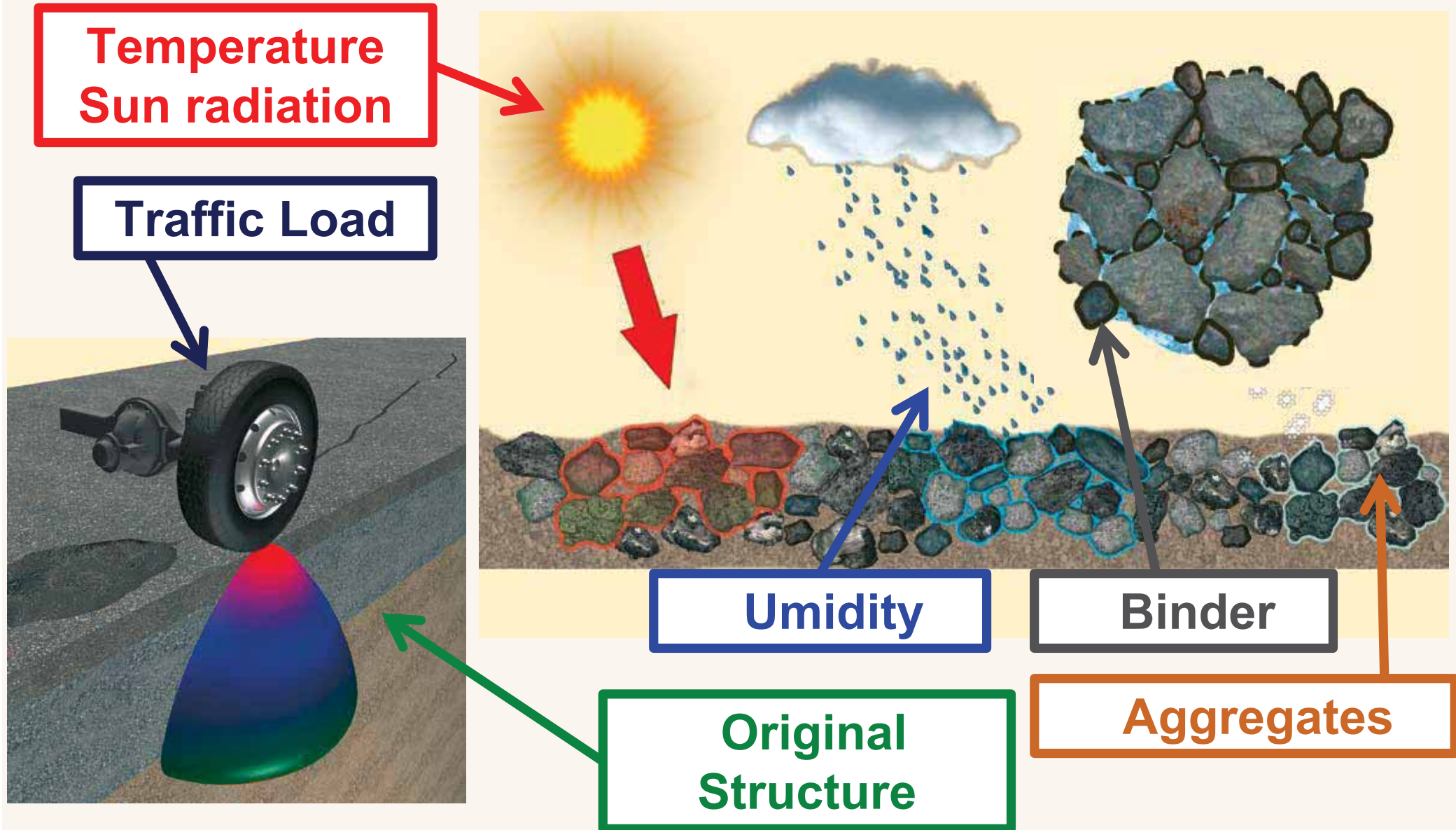
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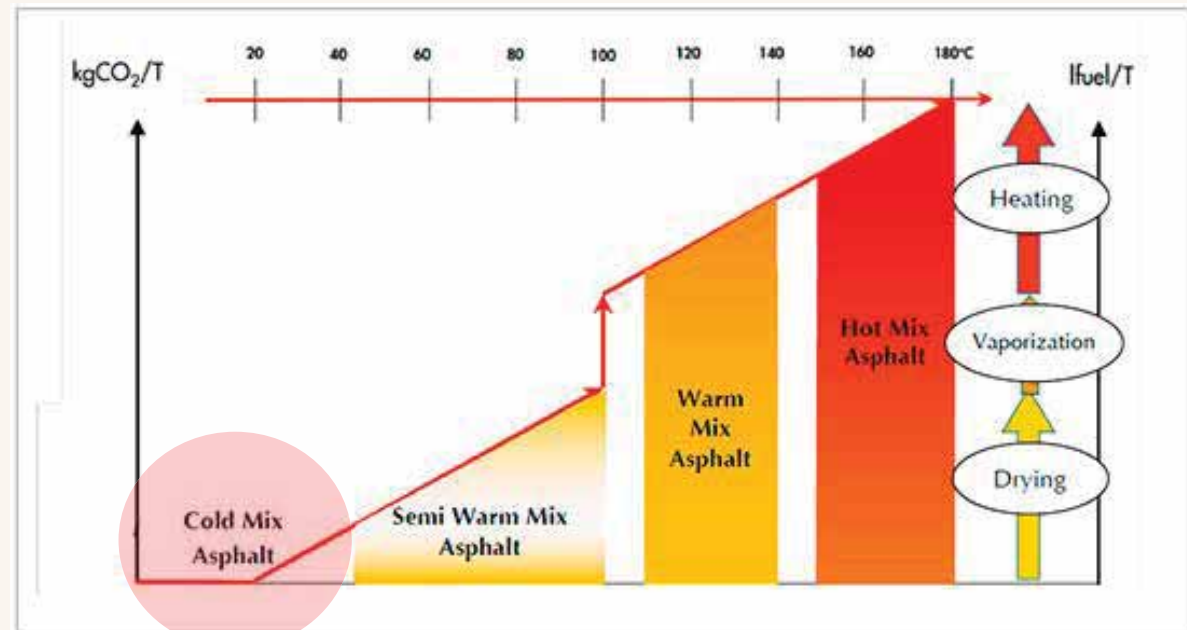


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## Cold Recycling Mixtures



## IN PLACE



## IN PLANT



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- The **type** of pavement **distress** that needs to be addressed
  - The **quality** of material in the recycling horizon
  - The required **outcomes** (i.e. service life expectations)
  - The **structural design** of the recycled pavement
- The available **resources** (**Technical-Economical-Environmental**)

IN PLACE

?



OR

IN PLANT

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**DEPENDS!!!**

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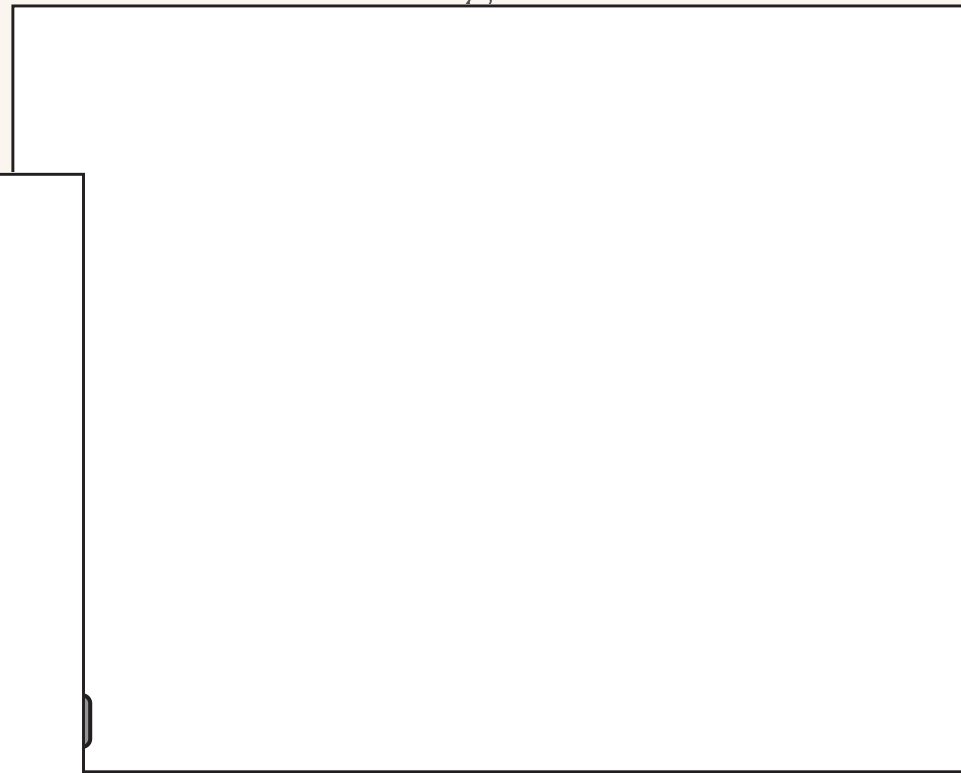
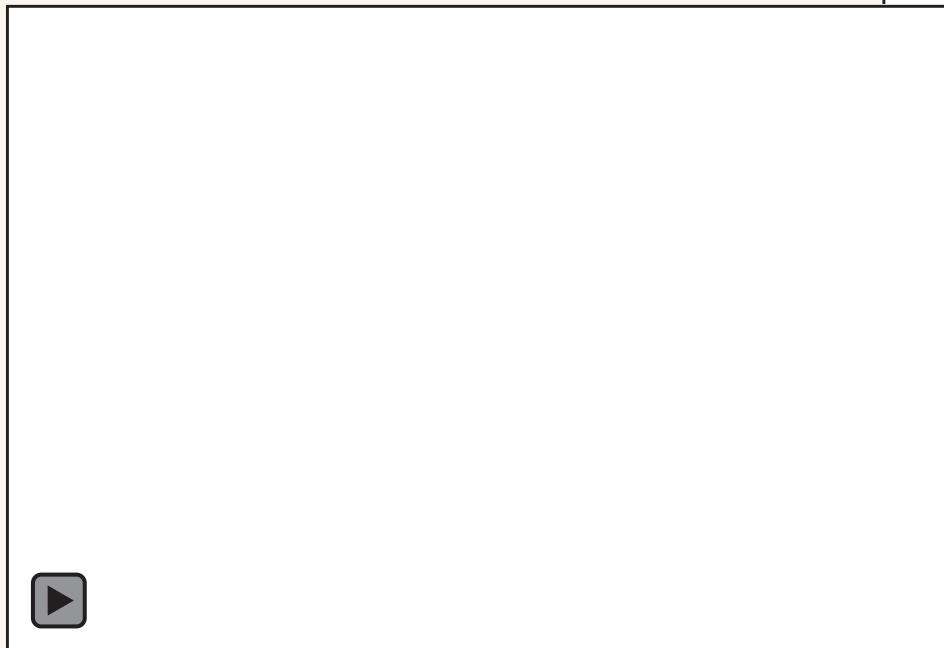


## Cold Recycling Mixtures

### Foam bitumen

Cold water and air are injected simultaneously into the hot asphalt.

The hot asphalt foams explosively and shoots down into the mixing chamber.



courtesy of  
**WIRTGEN**

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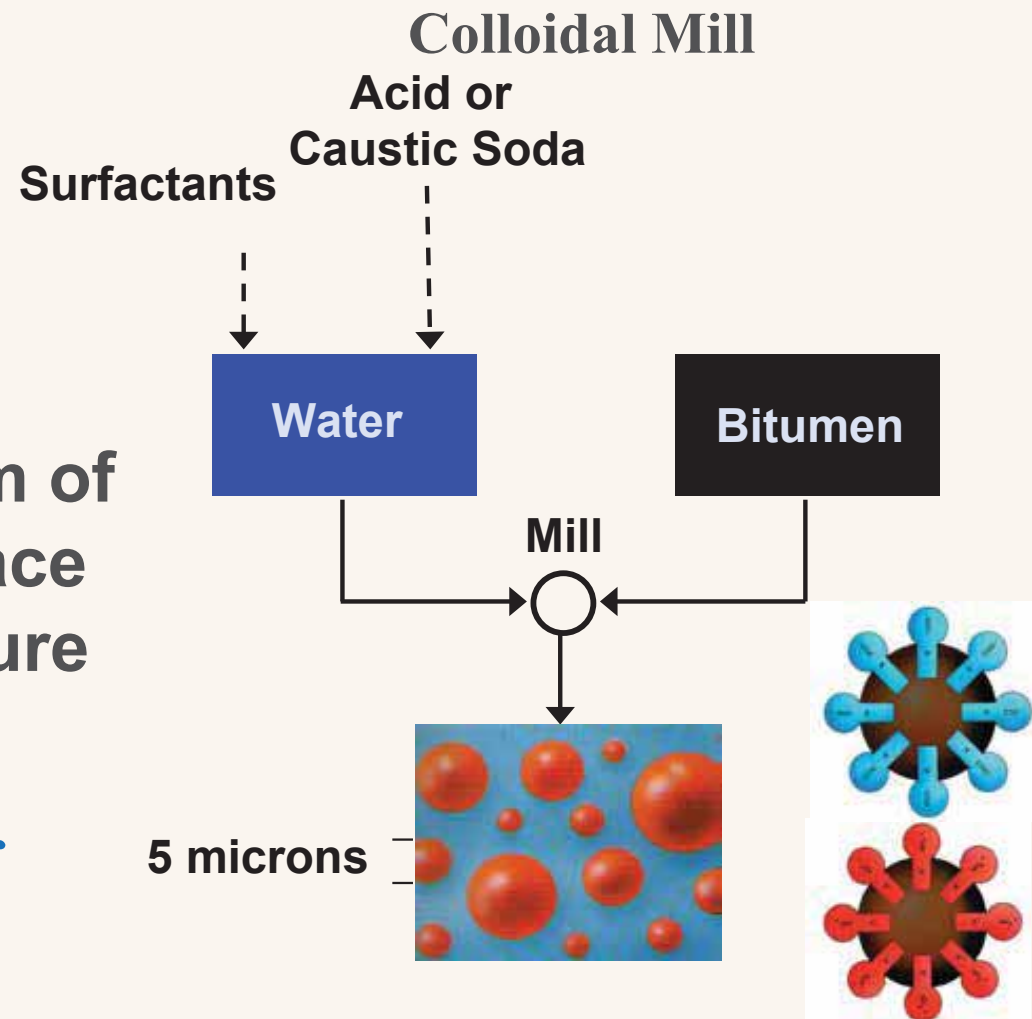


## Cold Recycling Mixtures

Bitumen emulsion is a form of paint, so it “wet” the surface of all particles of the mixture of aggregates

The water is the carrier of bitumen

## Bitumen Emulsion

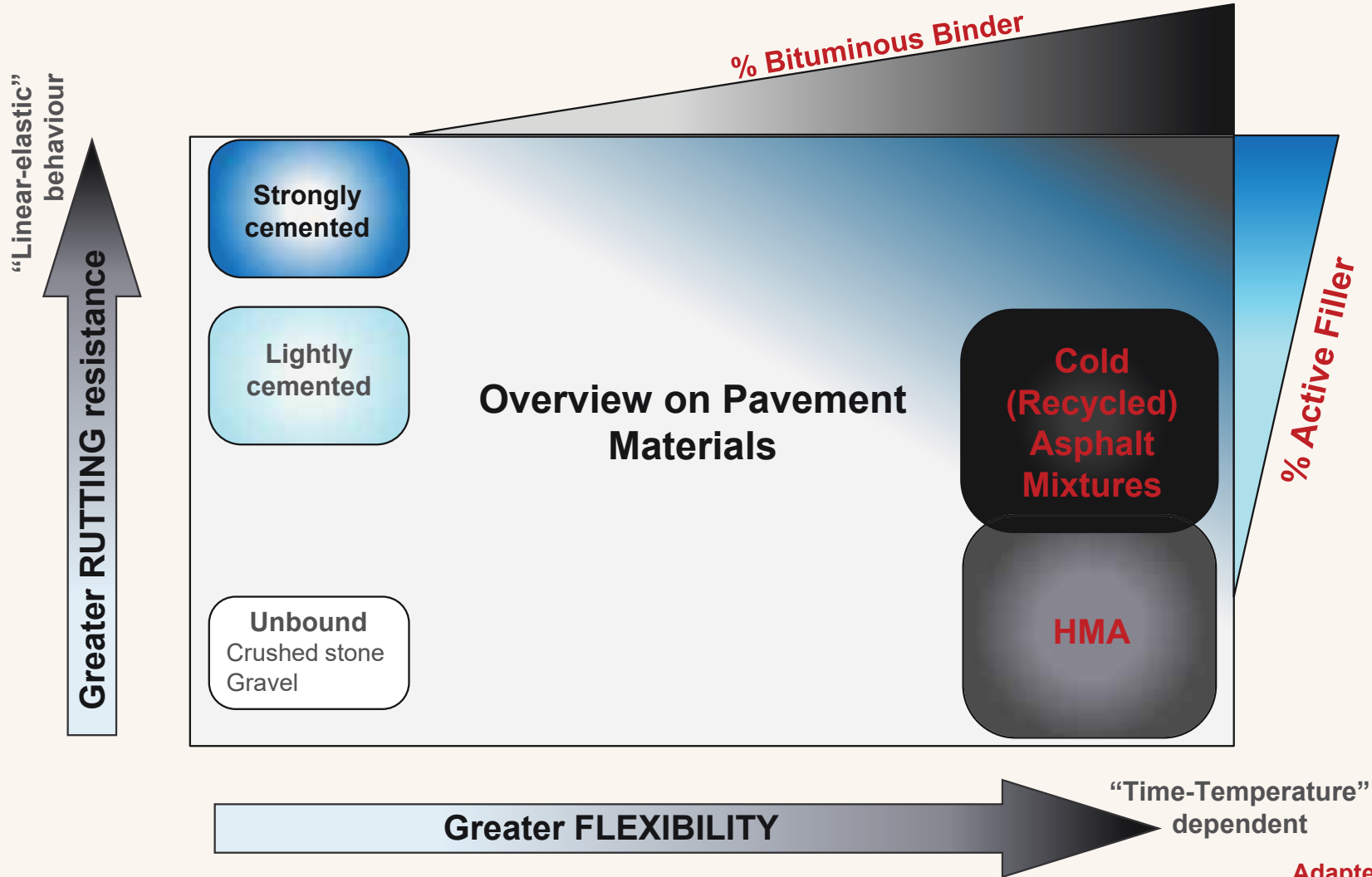




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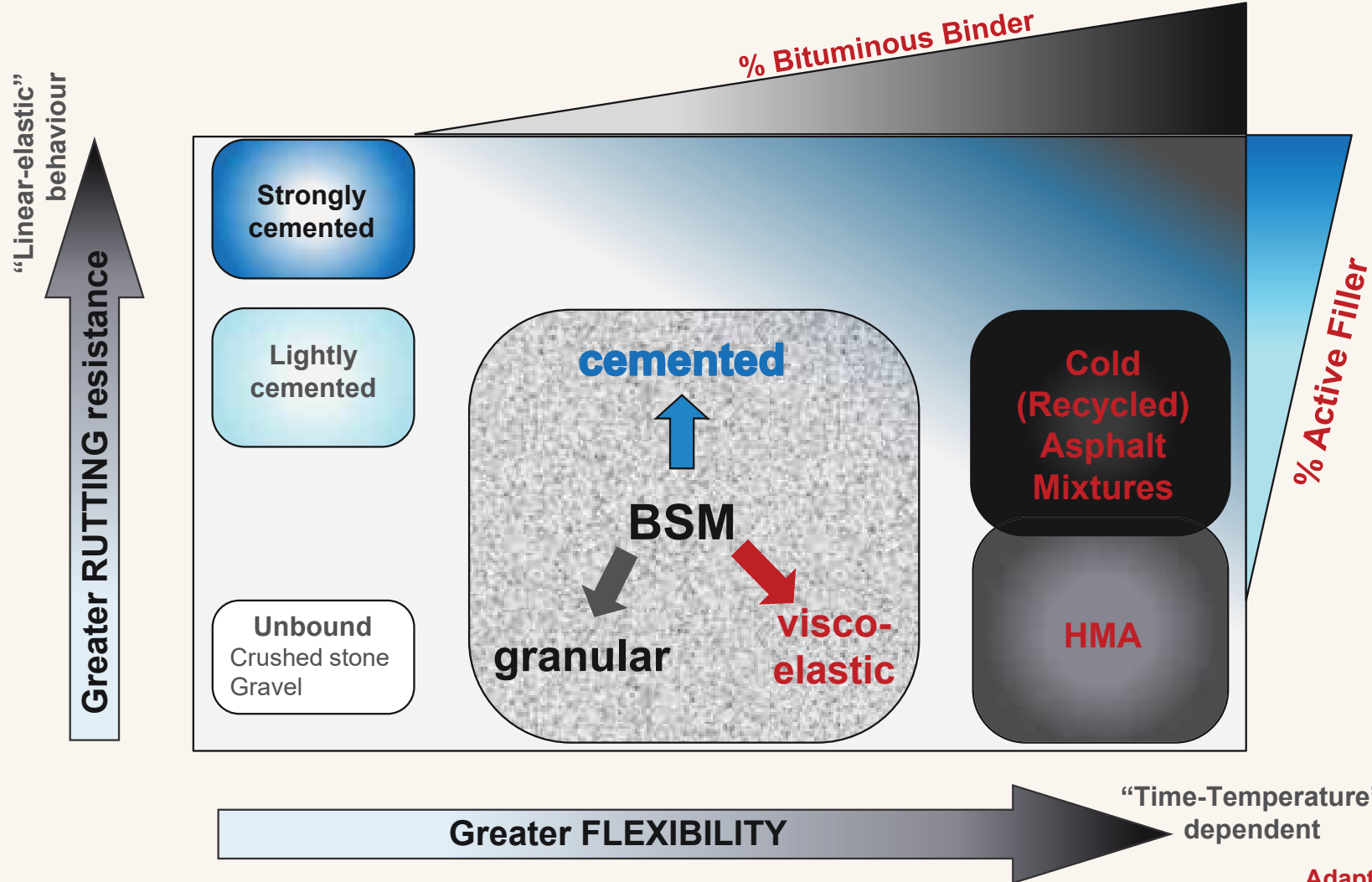
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## Bitumen Stabilized Material



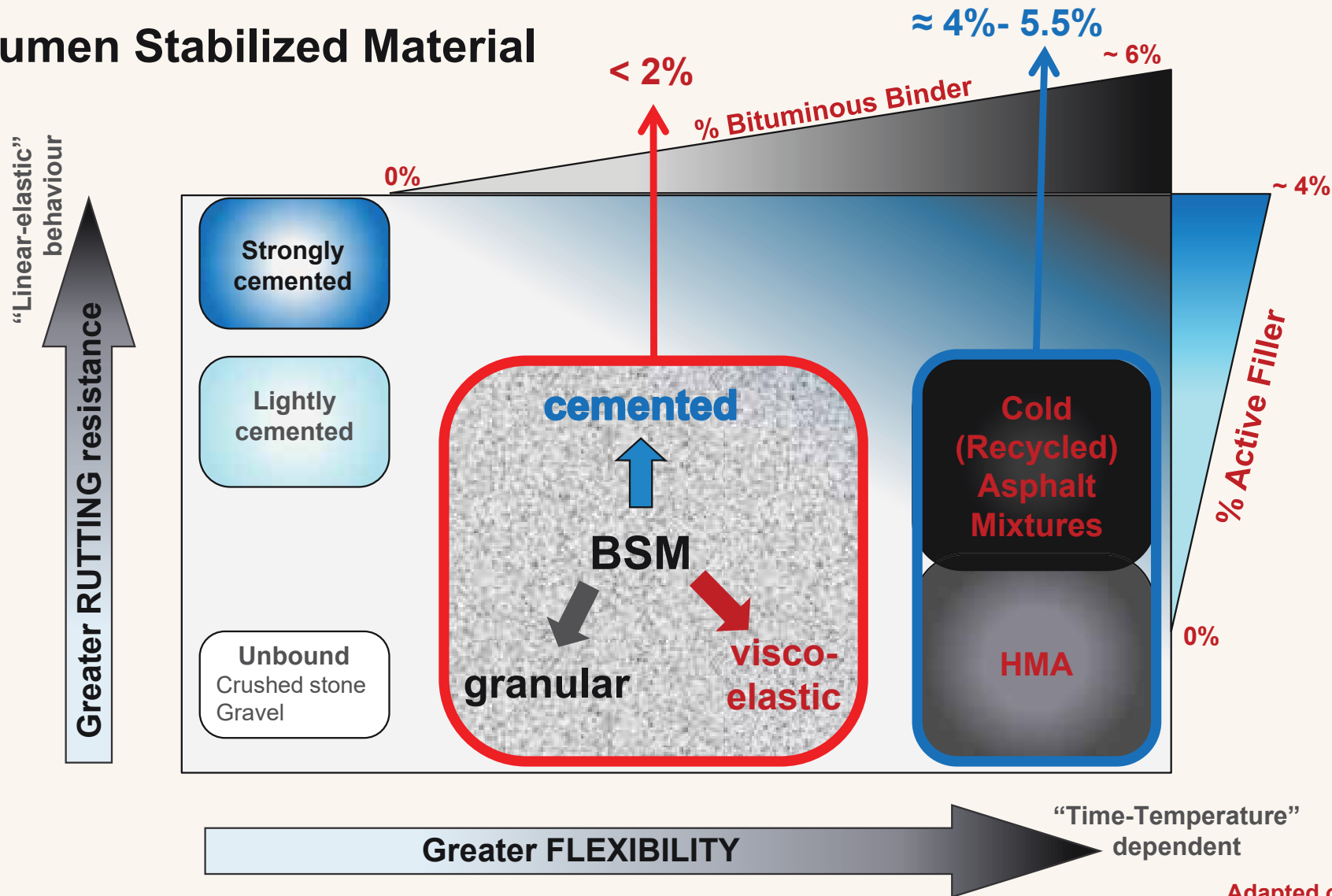
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## BSMs are non-continuously bounded materials

The bitumen **carried** by fine aggregates (mainly by **filler**) it makes an **adhesive mastic disperse** inside the mixture

**BSM** is a very **ADAPTABLE** material!!!

**TECNICALY, ECONOMICALLY AND ENVIRONMENTALY**

Foam Bitumen or Emulsion

In-Place or In-Plant Recycling

Different Structural Solutions

Wide range of RAP percentage, up to 100%

Use of other recycled aggregates (ex. Steel Slag)

Use of different types of Active Filler

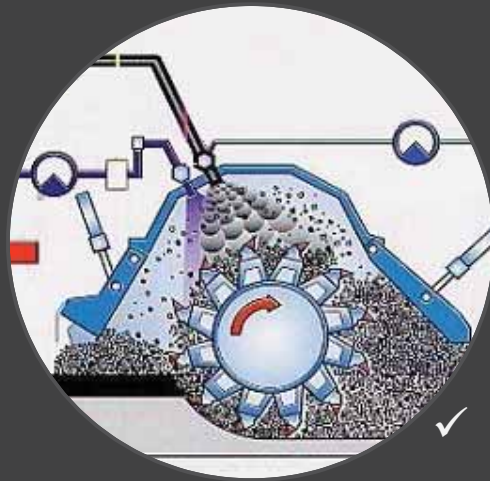
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Greater RUTTING resistance

% Active Filler

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## It's a Match!

CRM and BSM like each other.



- Their in-commons:
- ✓ Water
  - ✓ 100% RAP
  - ✓ Local Materials
  - ✓ Different Structural Solutions



**Active Filler**

# THE ROLE OF THE ACTIVE FILLERS



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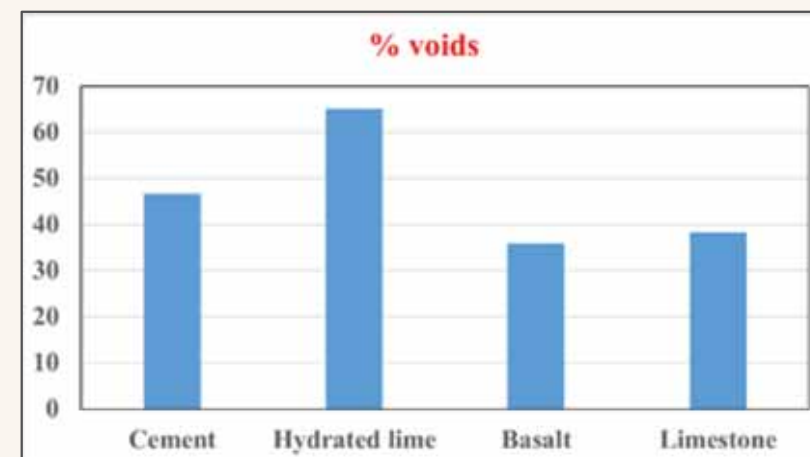
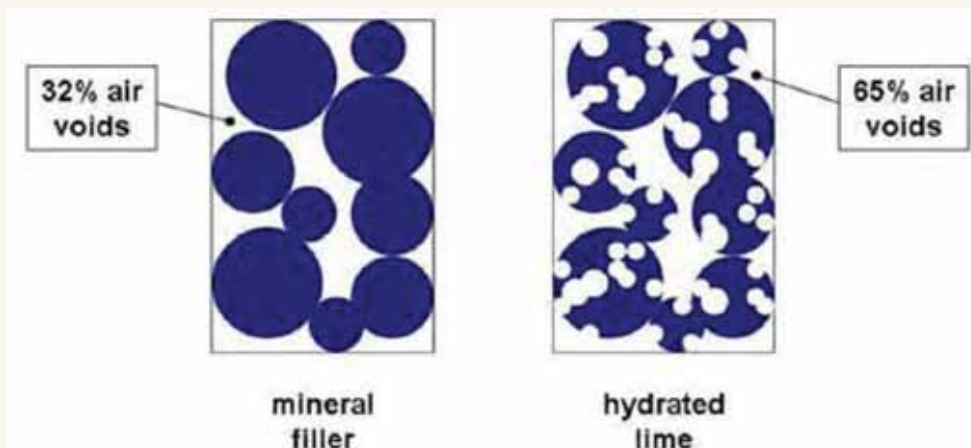
Technical Guideline:  
*Bitumen Stabilised Materials*

## *i* Active filler

The term active filler is used to define fillers that **chemically alter** the mix properties. This includes fillers such as lime, cement and fly ash but excludes natural fillers such as rock flour.

The roles of the **active filler** in BSM are:

- Improve **adhesion** of the bitumen to the aggregate
- Improve **dispersion** of the bitumen in the mix
- Modify the **plasticity** of the natural materials (soils)
- Increase **stiffness** & **strength** of mix
- Accelerate **curing** of compacted mix
- Control **emulsion's breaking** time



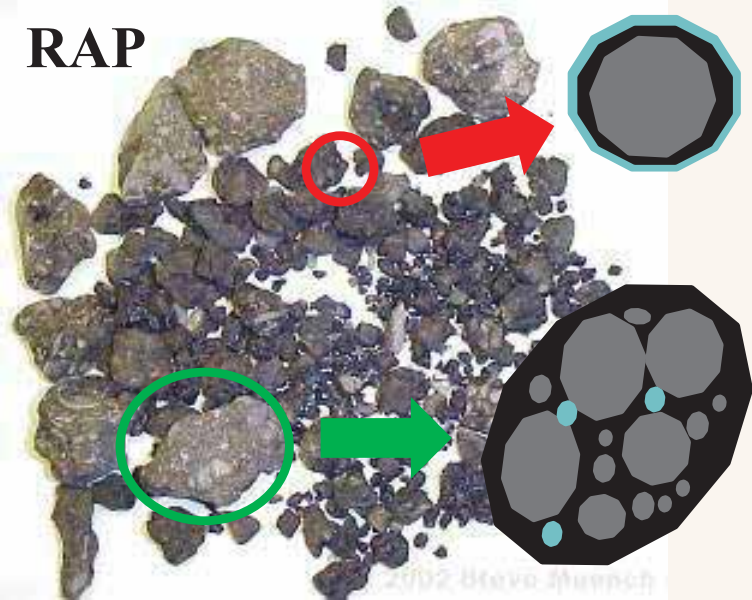


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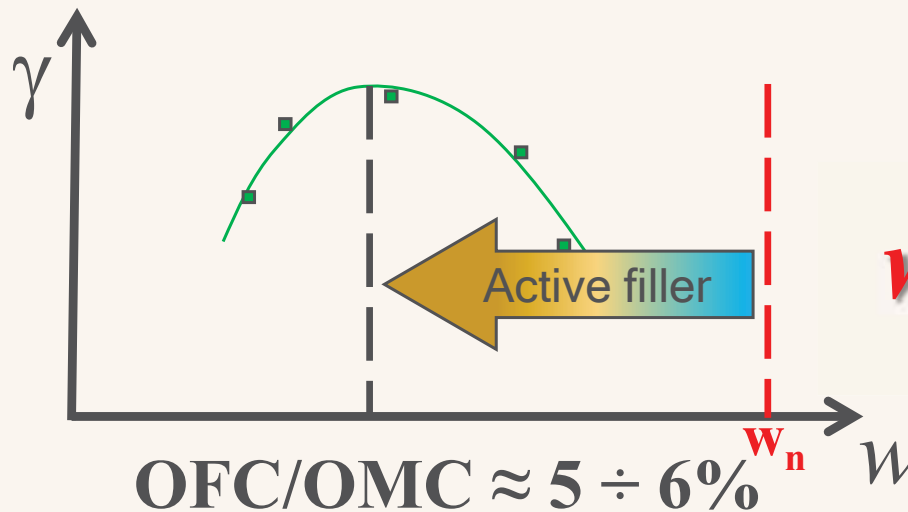
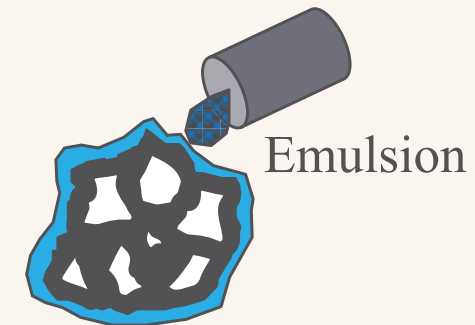
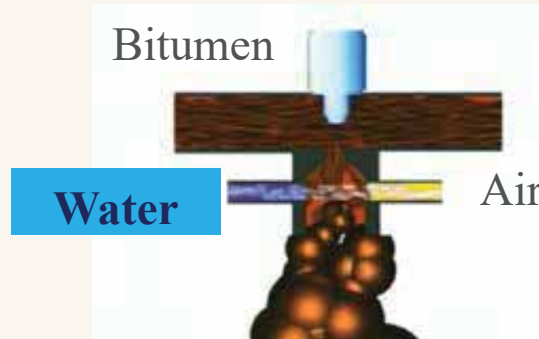
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RAP



**WATER**

from *milling process*  
or from *exposition at rain during storage*



**$w_{total} \gg OFC$**


# THE ROLE OF THE ACTIVE FILLERS



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**Technical Guideline:**  
*Bitumen Stabilised Materials*  
A Guideline for the Design and Construction of  
Bitumen Emulsion and Foamed Bitumen  
Stabilised Materials

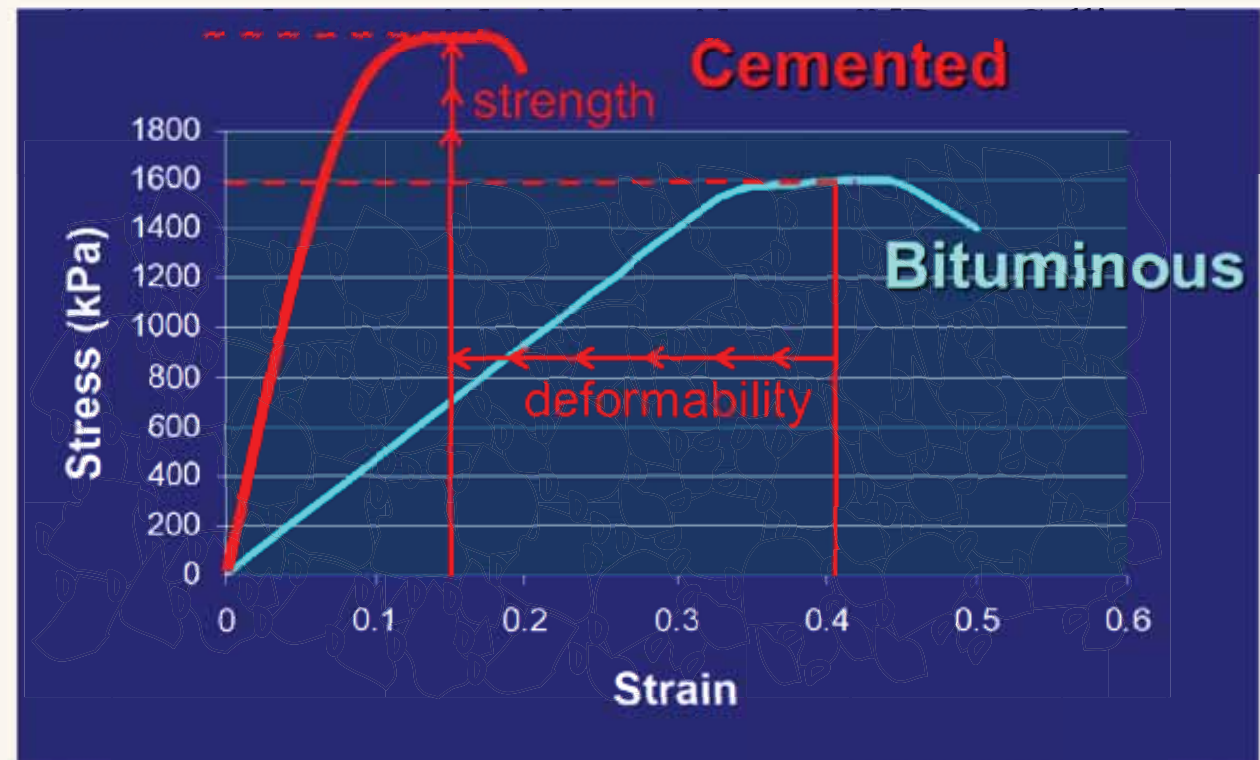


**Cement contents**

The cement content of BSMs should be  $\leq 1\%$ , and the cement content should not exceed the bitumen content.

Most usual Active Filler on BSM

A Bitumen Stabilized Material is an half bounded material: a material with a behavior “at half way” between a granular material and a bounded material



**BUT**  
...with high amount of cement the Bitumen Stabilized Material loses the characteristics of a granular material: it becomes a Cement Bound Material

# THE ROLE OF THE ACTIVE FILLERS



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**Can we use the lime as active filler to have only one lay down phase?  
Can make sense a «combined lime-bitumen stabilization»?**

1. Lime to stabilize the clay



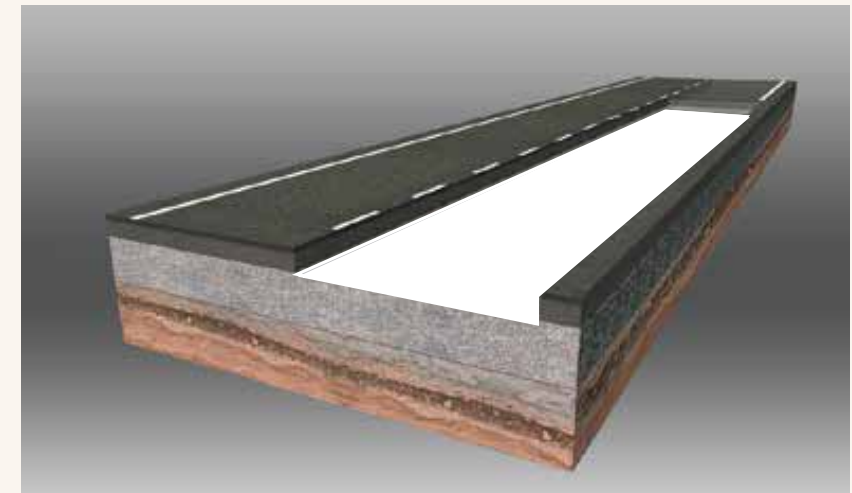
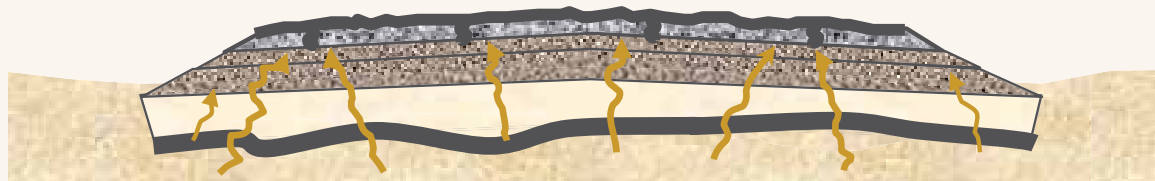
2. Cement as active filler



3. mixing, foaming, .....



Rising of clay particles:  
it requires to join **lime** stabilization and  
**cold in place recycling**



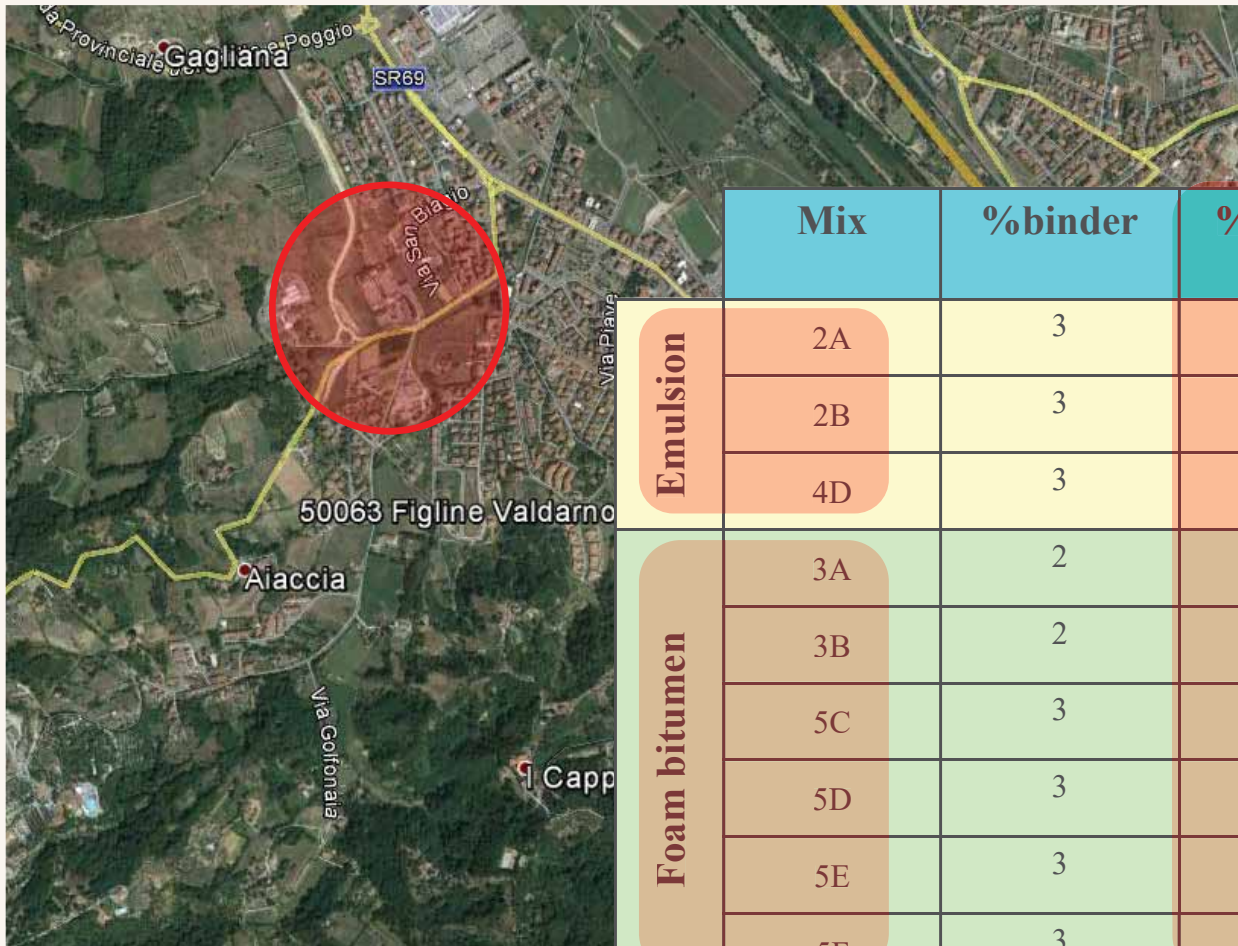


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## STUDY CASE 1 TRIAL SECTION - FLORENCE (ITALY)



	Mix	%binder	%cement	%lime	%mineral filler
Emulsion	2A	3	1.0	2.0	1.5
	2B	3	1.0	0	3.5
	4D	3	2.5	0	2.0
Foam bitumen	3A	2	1.0	2.0	1.5
	3B	2	1.0	0	3.5
	5C	3	2.5	2.0	0
	5D	3	2.5	0	2.0
	5E	3	0	2.0	2.5
	5F	3	0	3.0	1.5

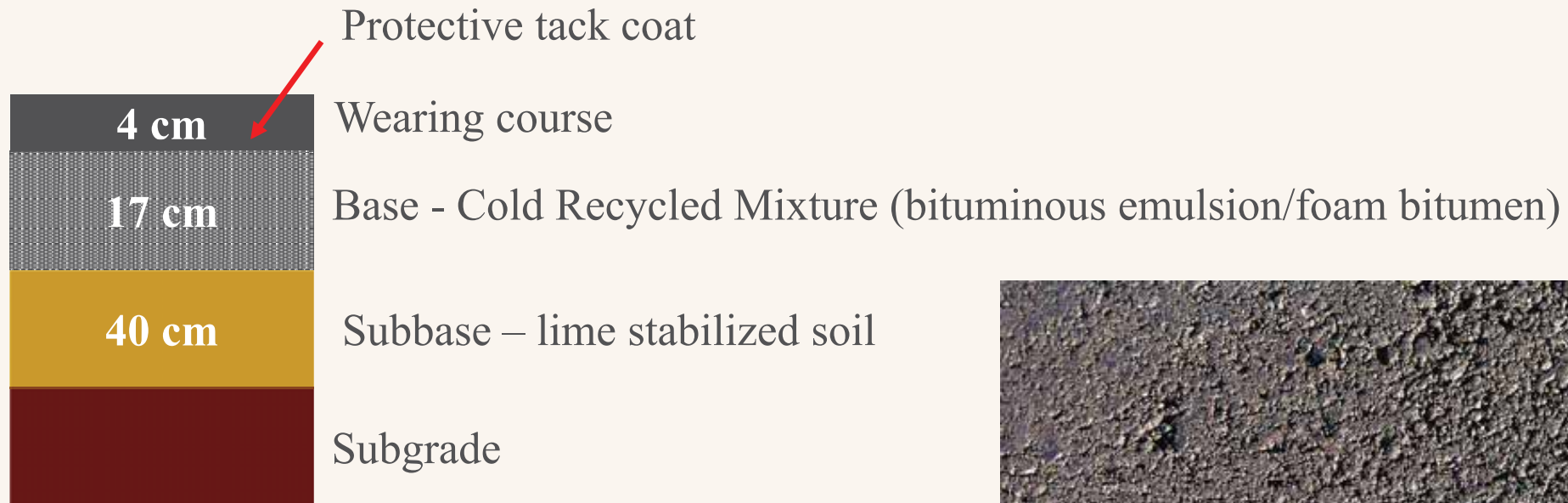
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## TRIAL SECTION - FLORENCE (ITALY)



Thanks to a particular work plan the wearing coarse was layed down 10 months after wearing course

➔ **All mixtures had the curing process without traffic load**

➔ **First LWD/FWD test campaign directly on CRM layer**





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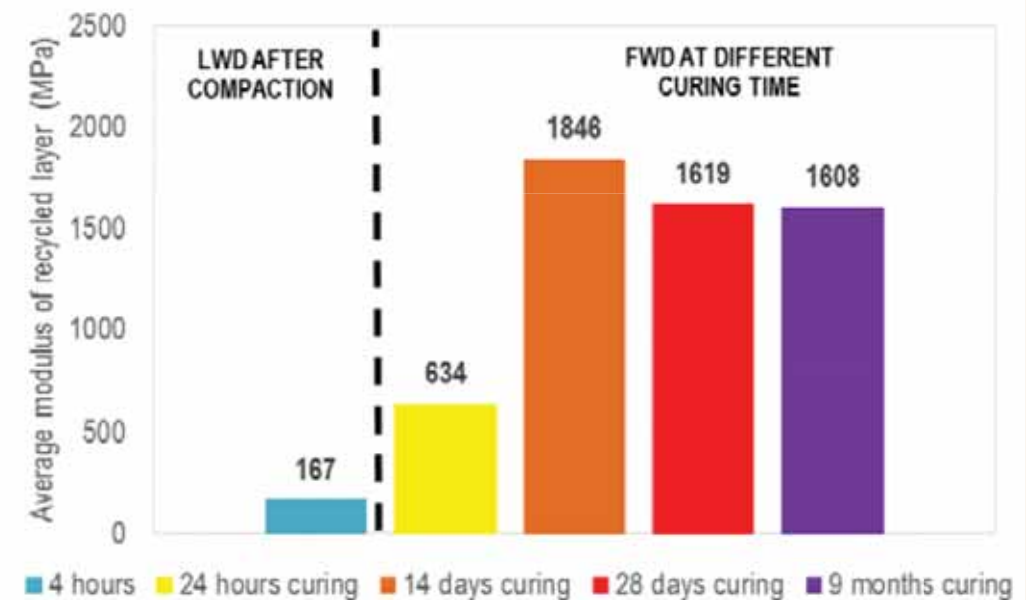
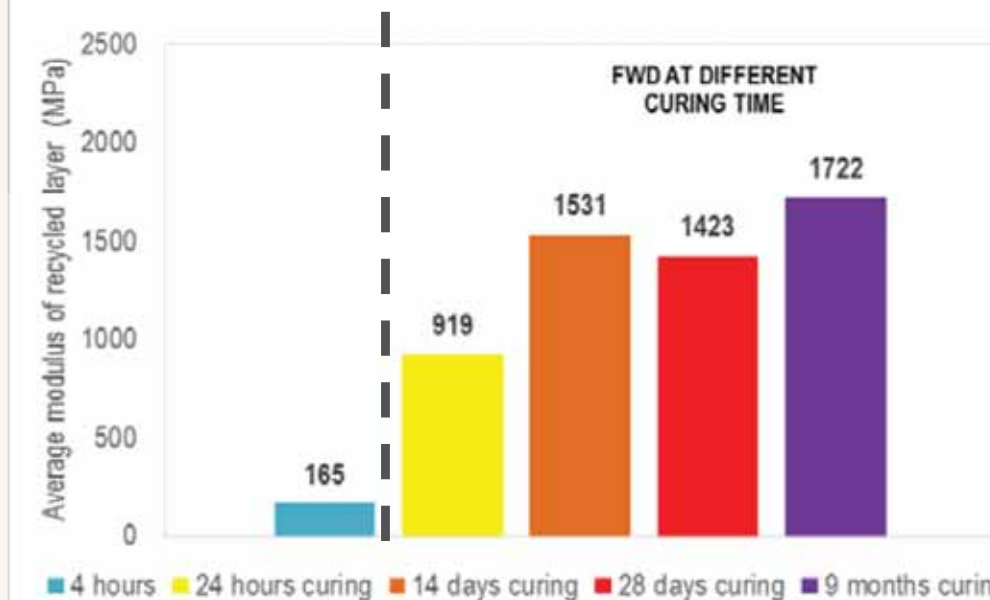
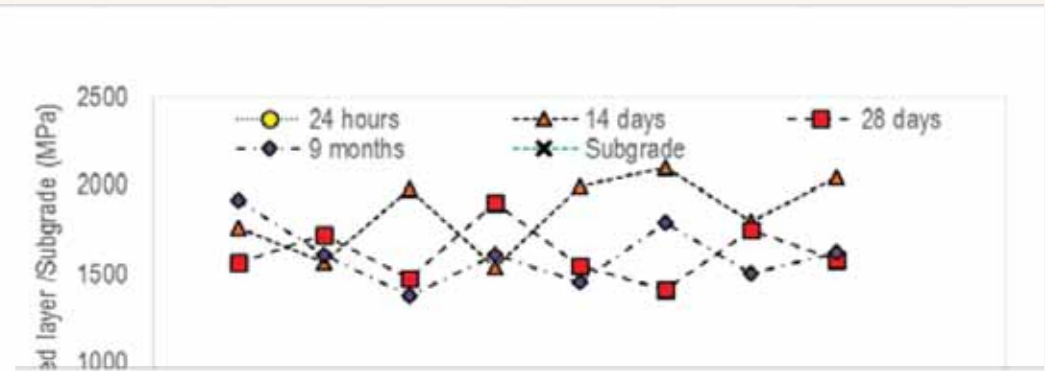
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## LWD & FWD TESTS RESULTS

Mix 5D\_3%FB\_2,5%C\_0%L\_2%MF

## LWD & FWD TESTS RESULTS

Mix 5E\_3%FB\_0%C\_2%L\_2,5%MF





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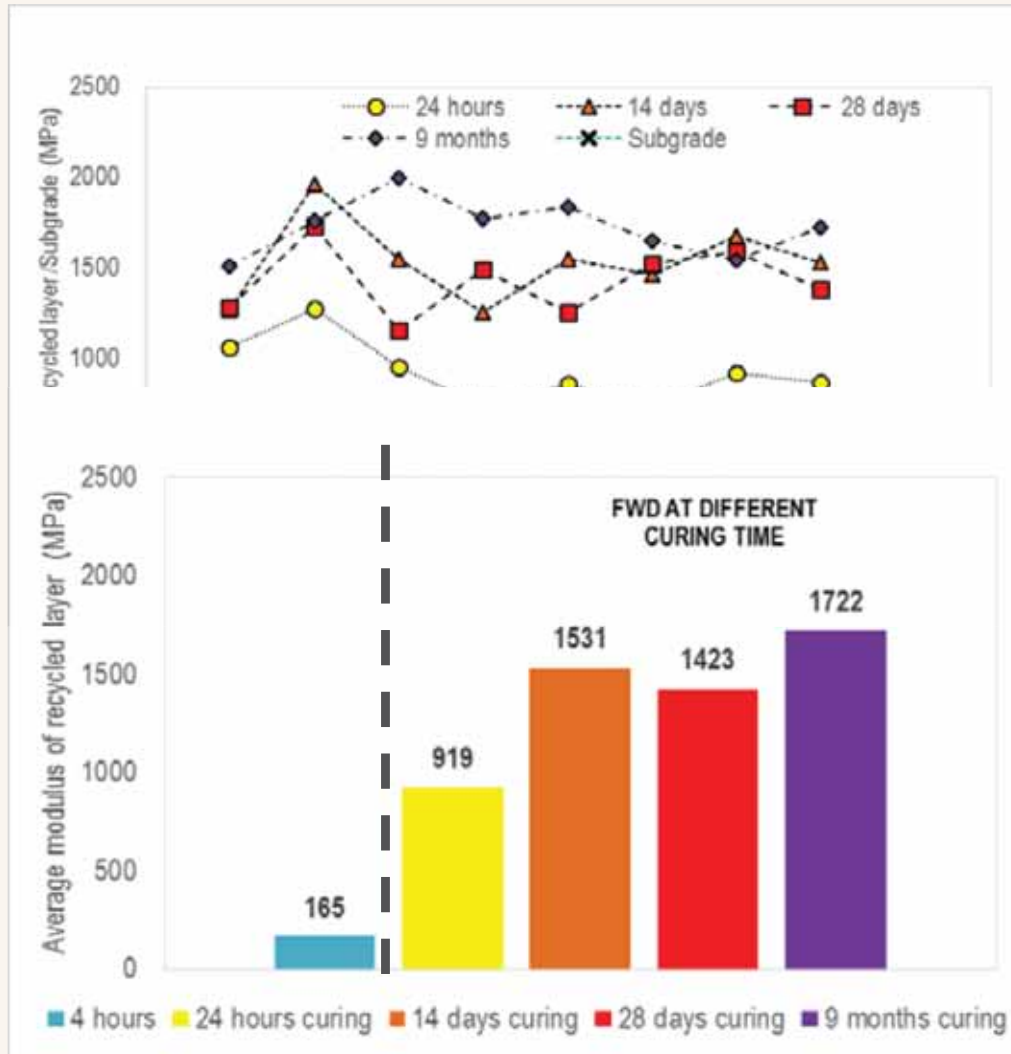


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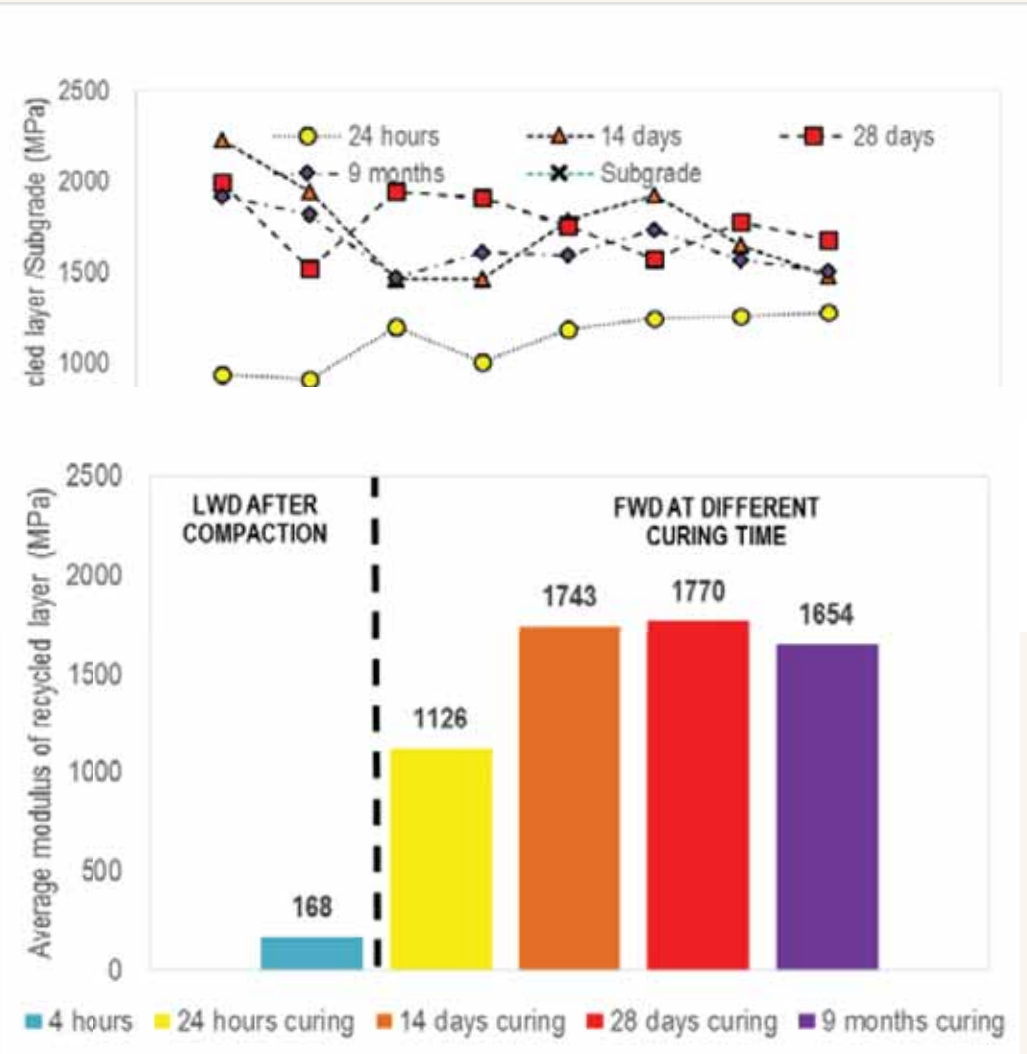
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## LWD & FWD TESTS RESULTS

Mix\_3B\_2%FB\_1%C\_0%L\_3.5%MF



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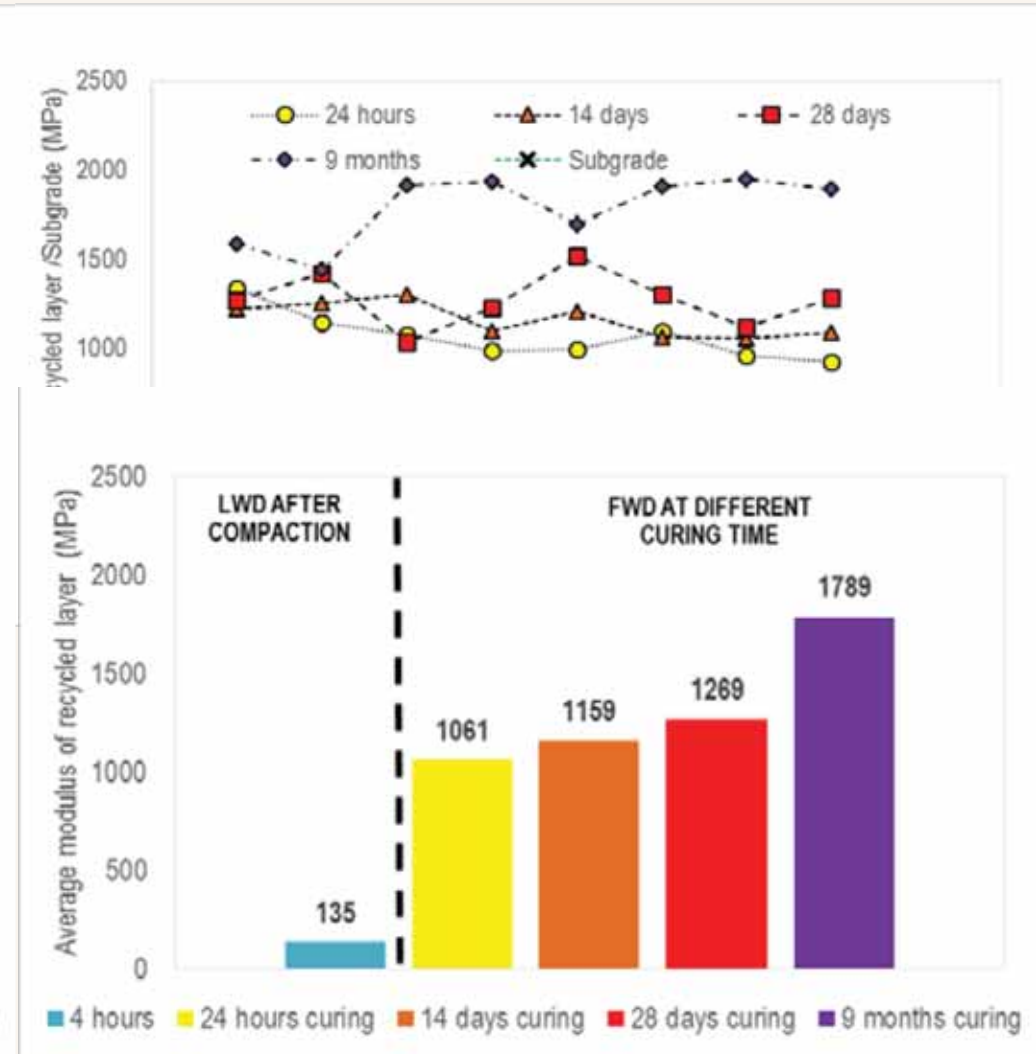
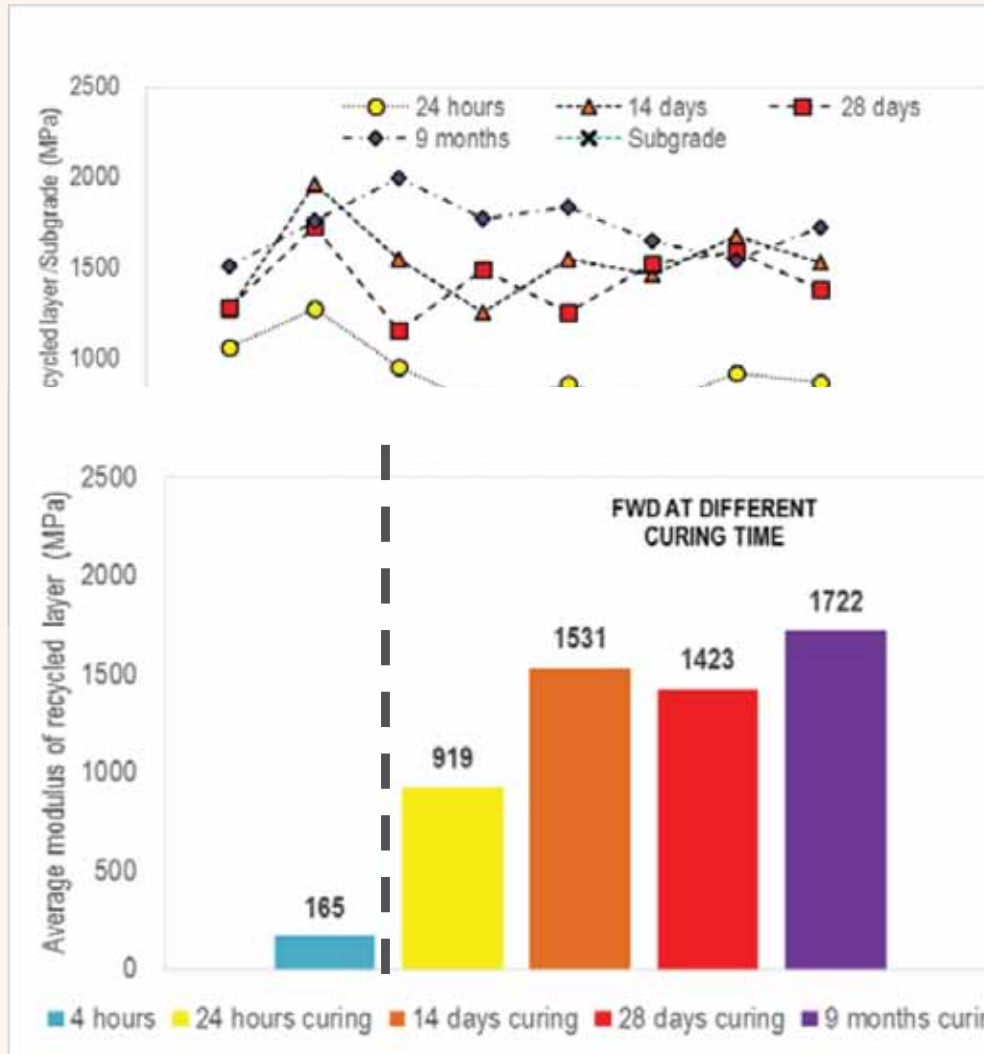
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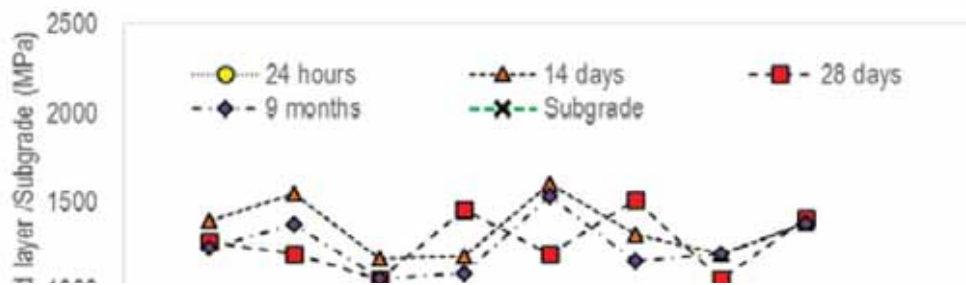


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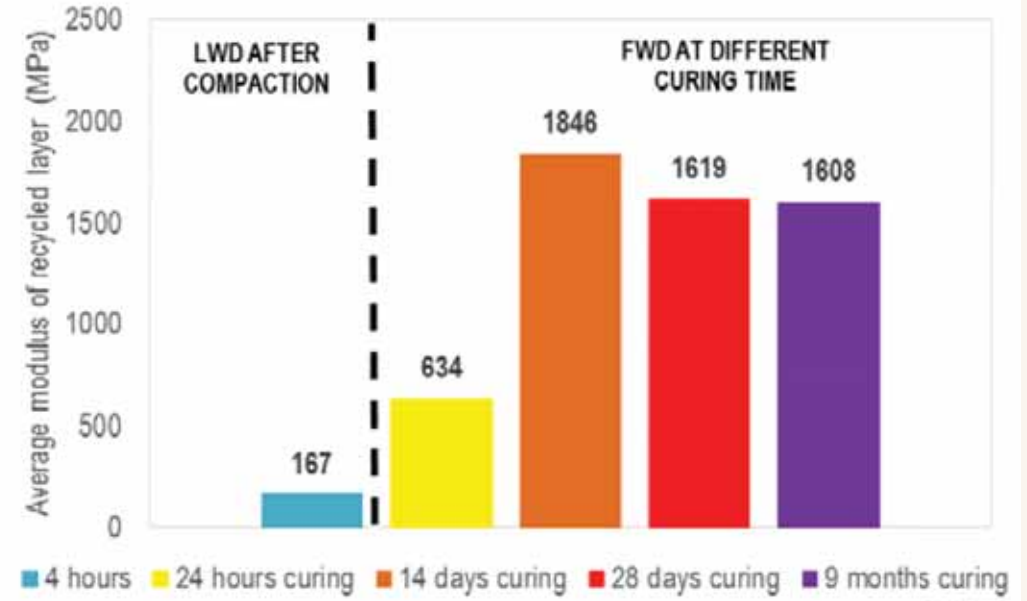
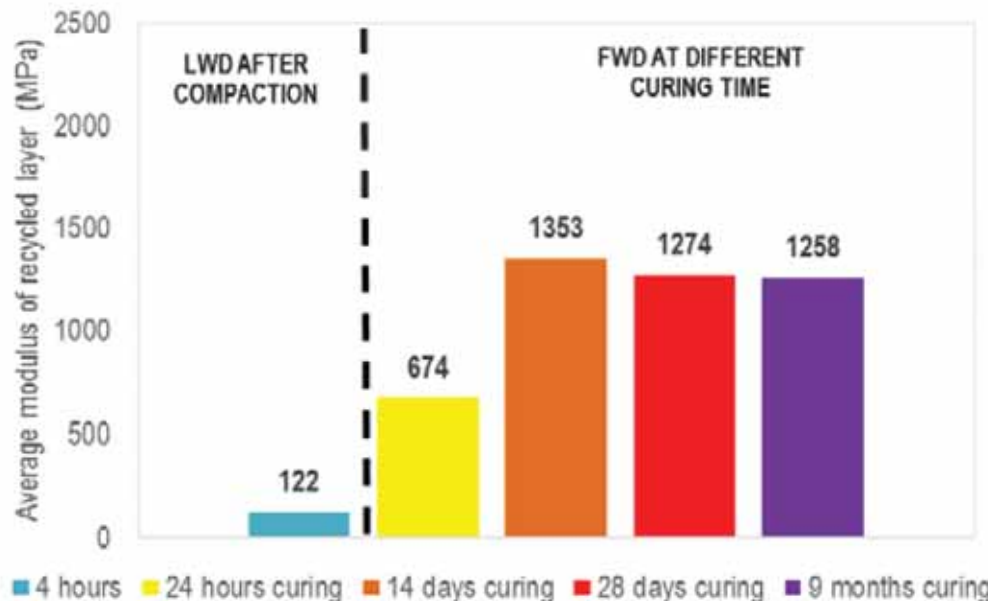
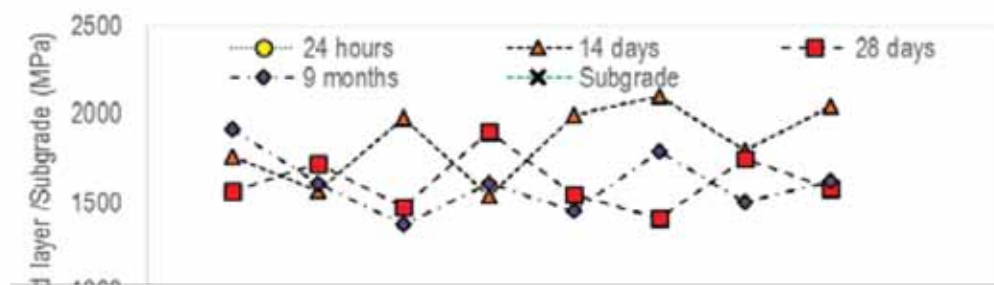
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MIX\_5F\_3%FB\_0%C\_3%L\_1,5%MF



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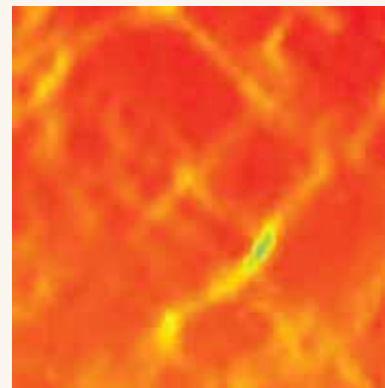
Fracture Energy test

Foam bitumen mixtures

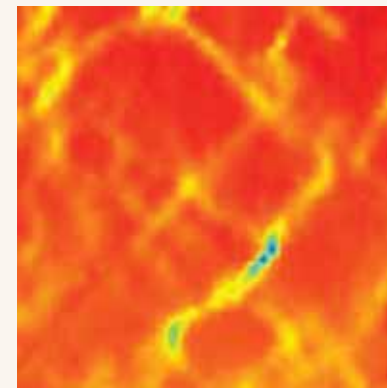
MIX	% foam bitumen	% cement	% hydrated lime
3A	2	1	2
3B	2	1	0
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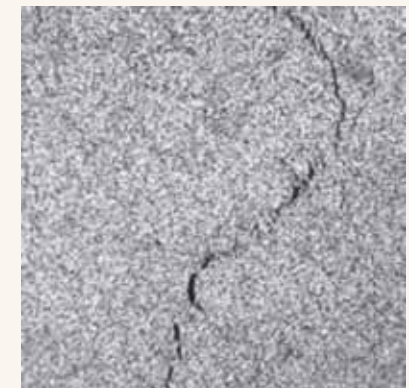
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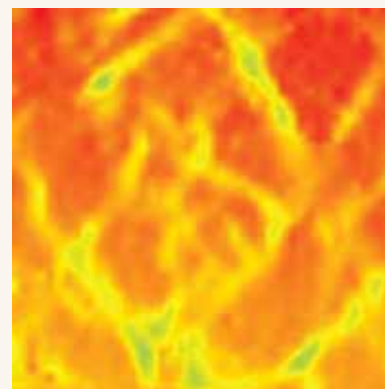
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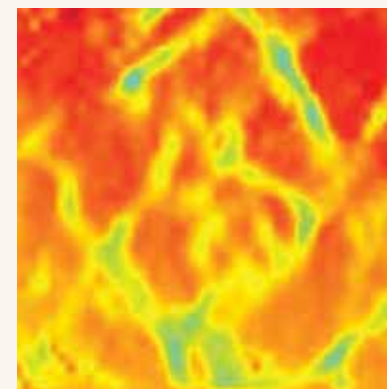
Mix 3A – peak load



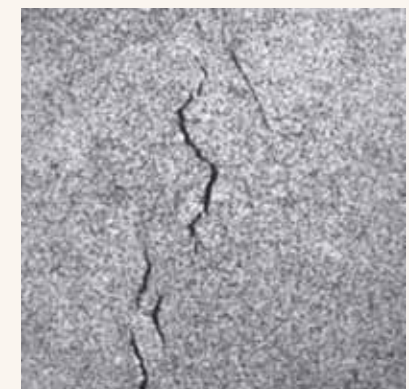
Mix 3A – visible cracks



Mix 5D – macrocrack



Mix 5D – peak load



Mix 5D – visible cracks

without lime

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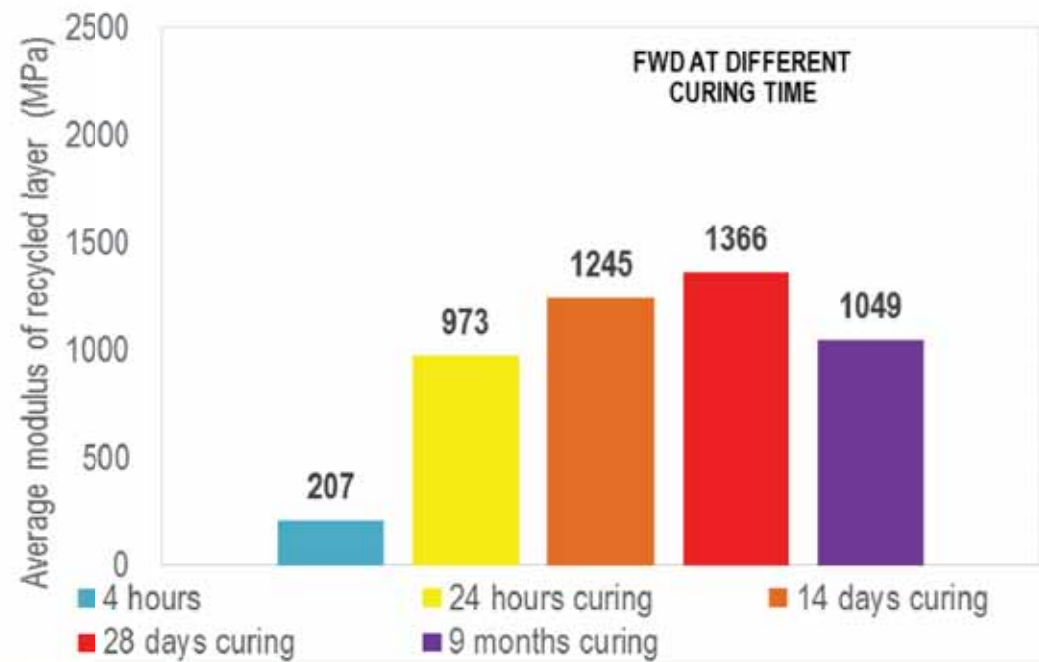
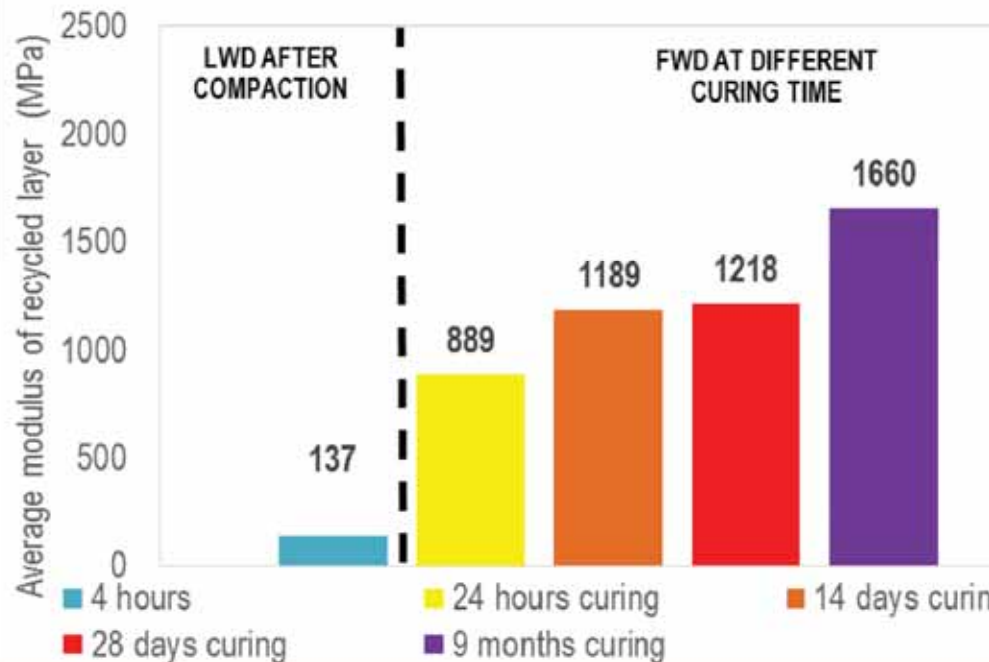
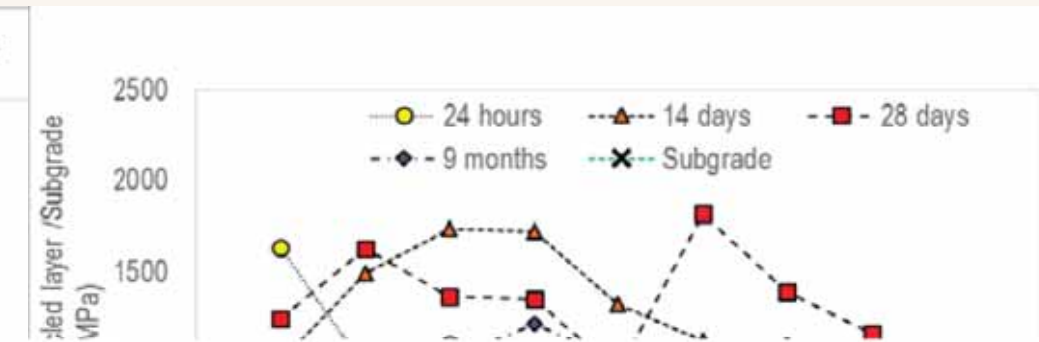
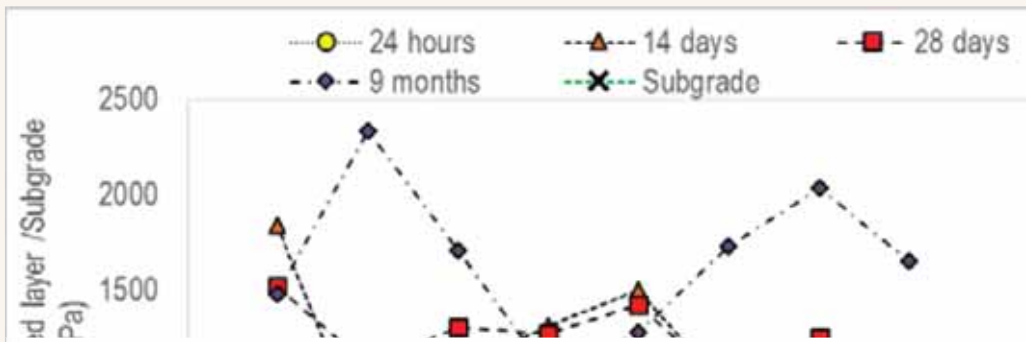


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## LWD & FWD TESTS RESULTS

Mix 4D 3%BE - 2.5% C-0% L - 2% MF



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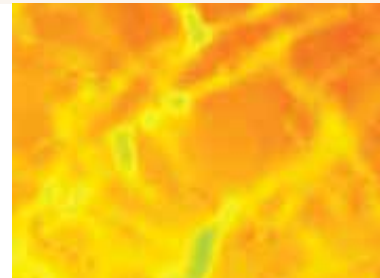
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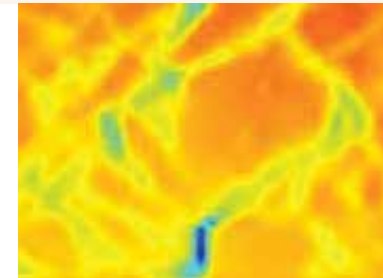
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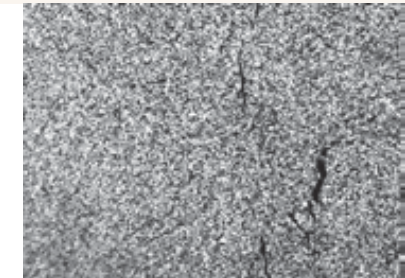
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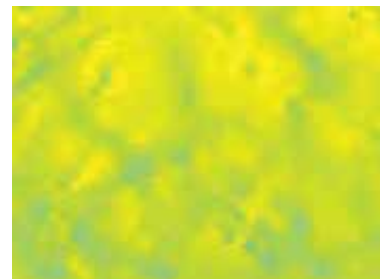
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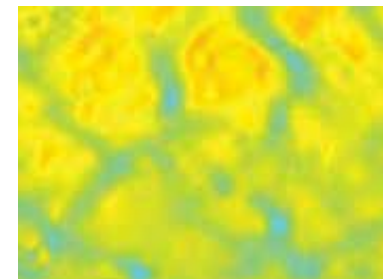
Mix 2A – peak load



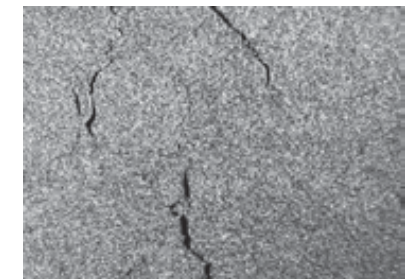
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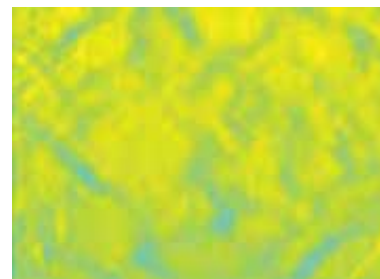
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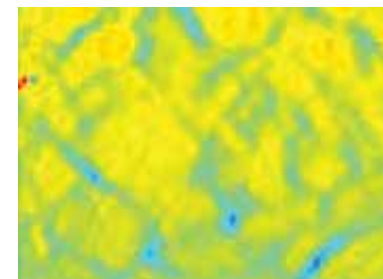
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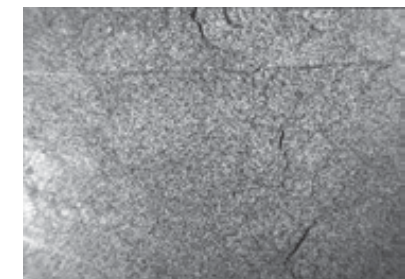
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Mix 4D – macrocrack



Mix 4D – peak load



Mix 4D – visible cracks

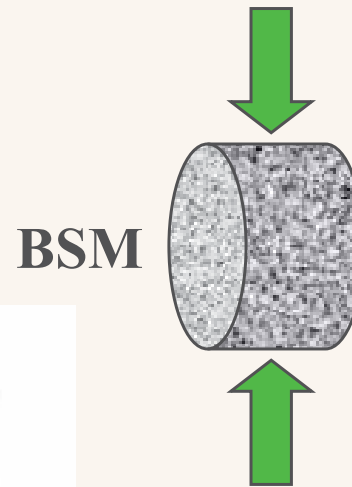


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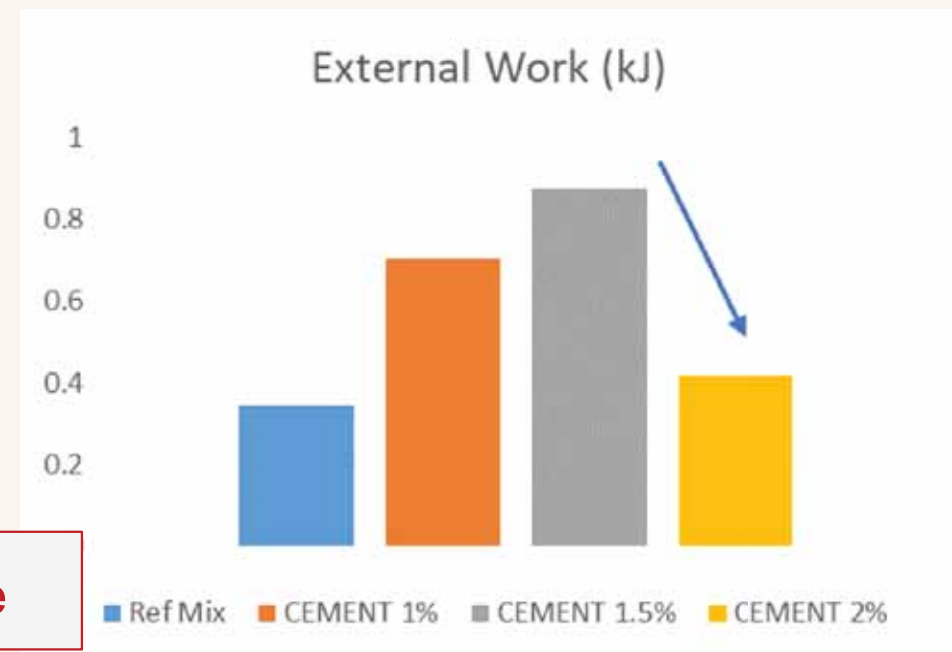
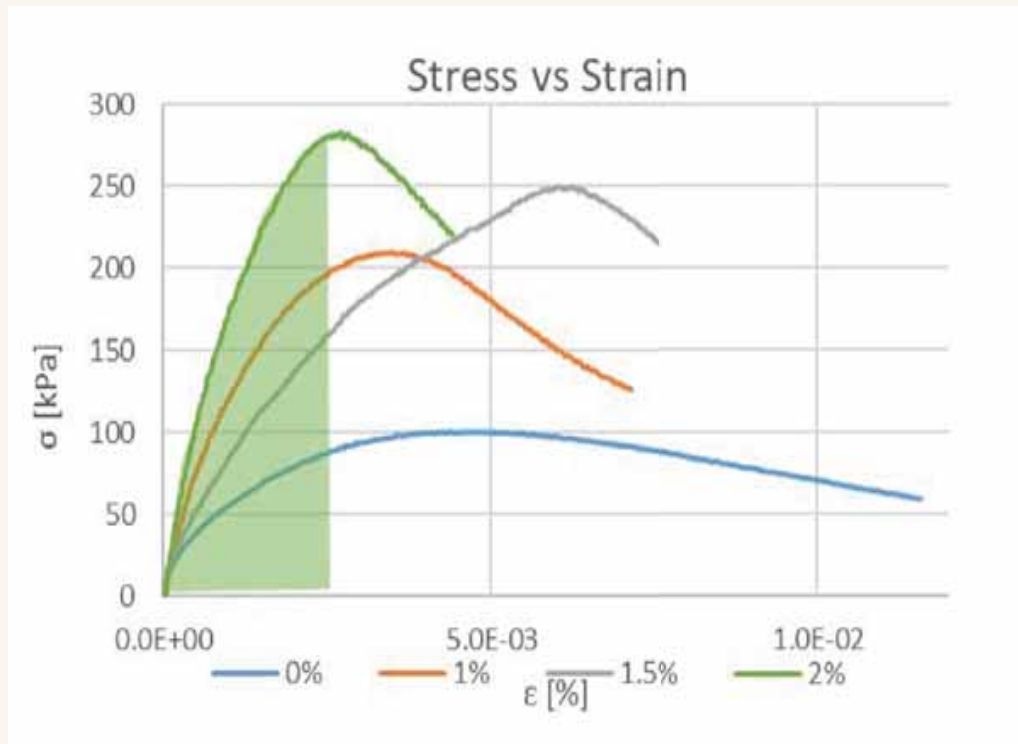
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## Study Case 2 Amount of cement



**Cement Contents**

The cement content of BSMs should be  $\leq 1\%$ , and the cement content should not exceed the bitumen content.



↑ % Cement → Mixture turns **Brittle**

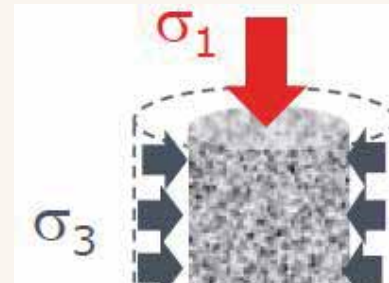
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## Study Case 2 Amount of cement



**Cement Contents**

The cement content of BSMs is  $\leq 1\%$ , and the cement content should not exceed the

**Predominantly Frictional Material**

Aggregate interlock provides most strength and stiffness

**Predominantly Cohesive Material**

Cohesive element ("Mastic") provides stiffness

The **excess of cement** changes the mechanical behaviour:  
The material loses its granular properties and becomes cemented.

# CONCLUSIONS



- BSM is a material that suits Cold Recycling Techniques
- Active fillers have limited influence on bearing capacity
- Active fillers have influence in the **redistribution** of the **stress** after crack initiation
- Lime can be used **instead** of cement or **together** with cement as an active filler for bitumen stabilized materials
- Moderate amount of **cement + lime** may represent the **optimal** blending for bitumen stabilized mixtures
- % of **cement** as active filler must be **carefully designed**



Thank you!  
Hvala vam!  
Grazie!  
Obrigada!



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