



Silicone based solutions for sustainable building protection

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General introductory comments

Portland cement and impact on environment

Water up-take and consequences

Water repellence through silicone compounds

Conclusions

Applications of silicones



Sealants



Personal care



Fuel defoamer



Foam stabilizer



Textile softening



Leather treatment



Automotive



Paper coating



Building protection

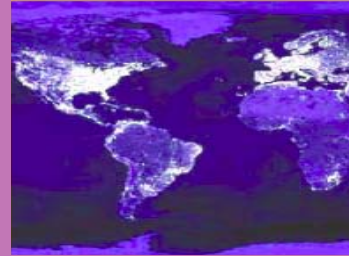
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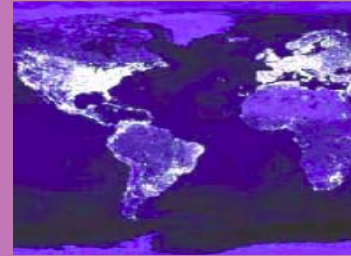
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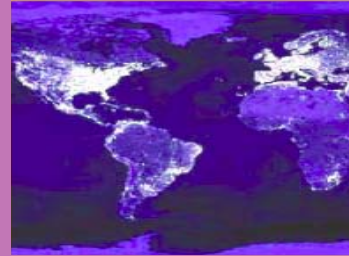
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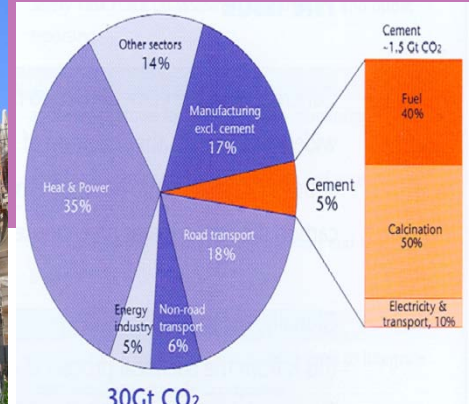
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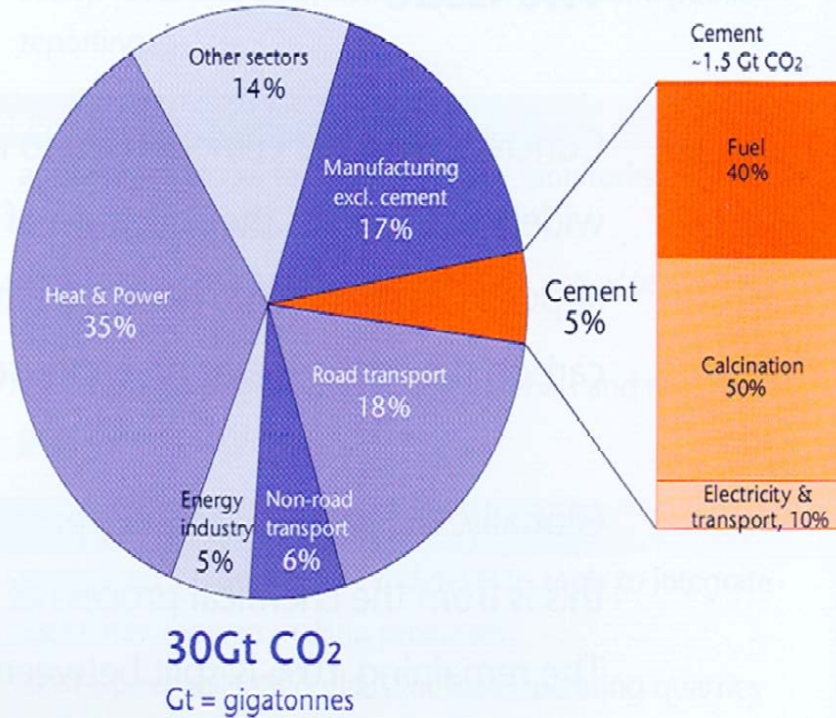


Aesthetics
Design

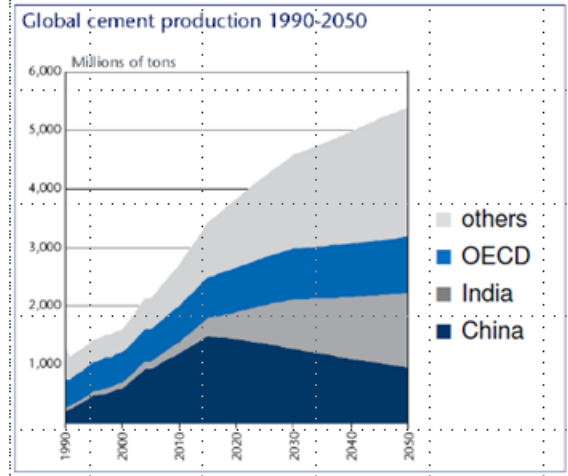


Sustainability
Saving resources and environment

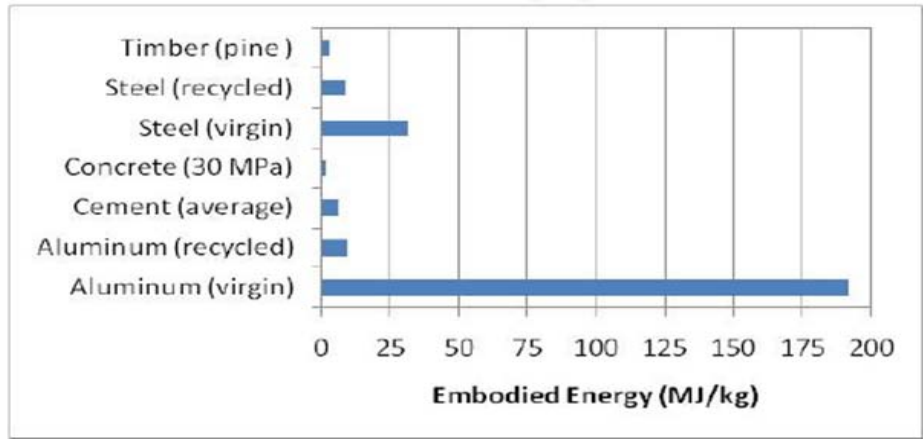
Production of Portland cement and CO₂ emission



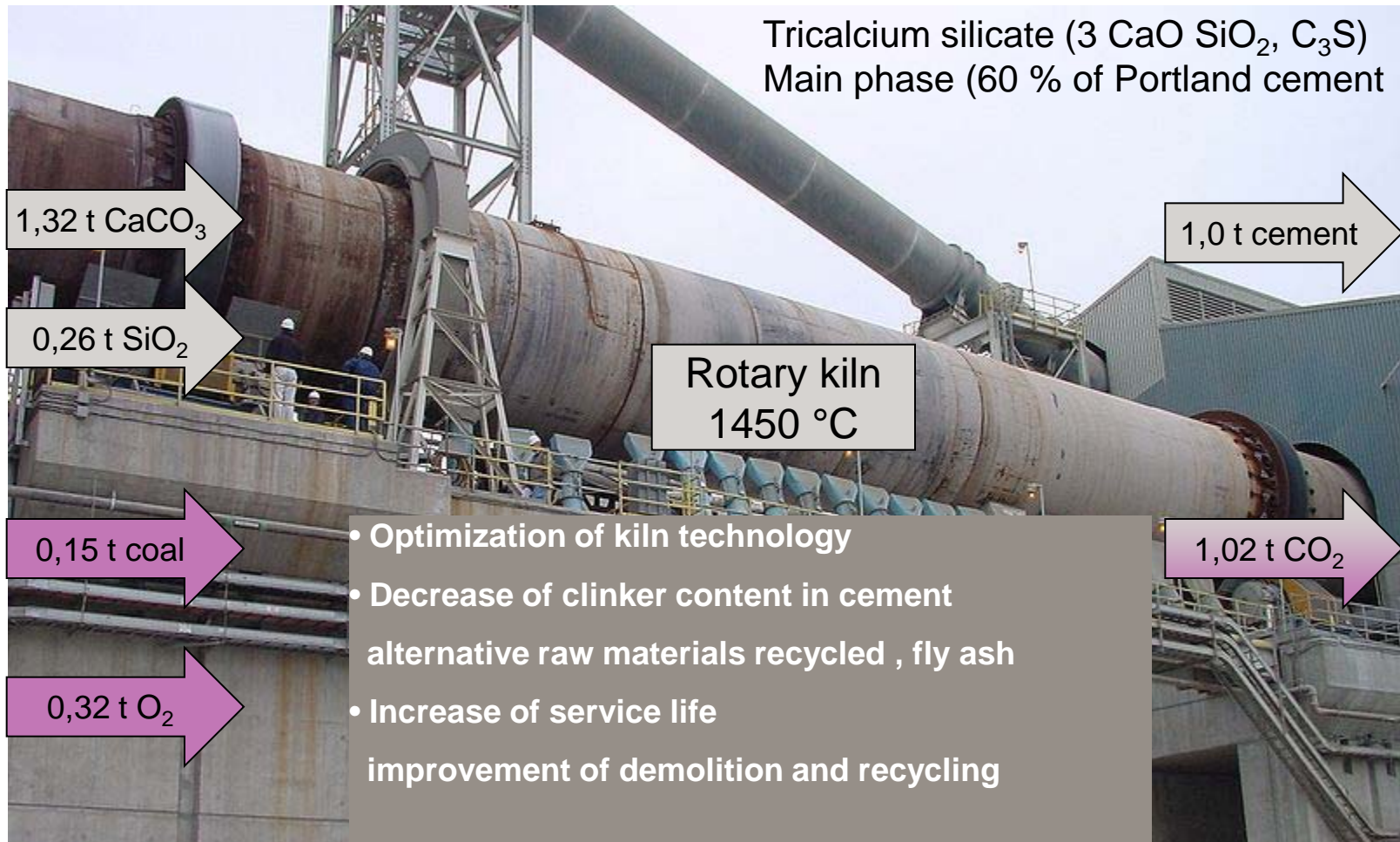
- almost 3 GT/a corresponds to 1 m³/pers.
- 5 % of ww CO₂ emissions
- 1 t Portland cement:0,87 t CO₂
- Demand is increasing



- CO₂ t/inhabitant in 07:
- US 19.1
- G 9,7
- GB 8.6
- Canada tax is 13 €/t emission



CO₂ balance of Portland cement



why water repellence ???

Rising damp

Damaged Facades

Micro-organism

Poor Insulation

Corrosion

Mechanical Damage

Damages through moisture



Water repellence

Coloration

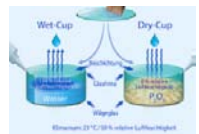
Efflorescence control

Soil release

Surface modification

Breathability

Silicone additives to support

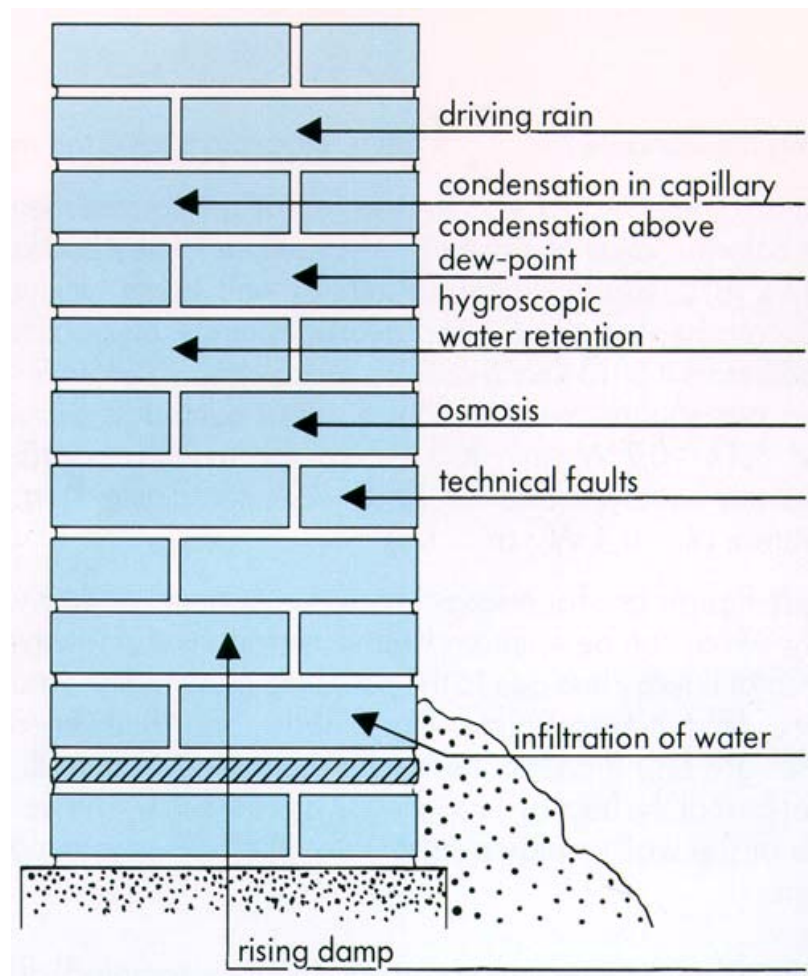




Penetration of moisture

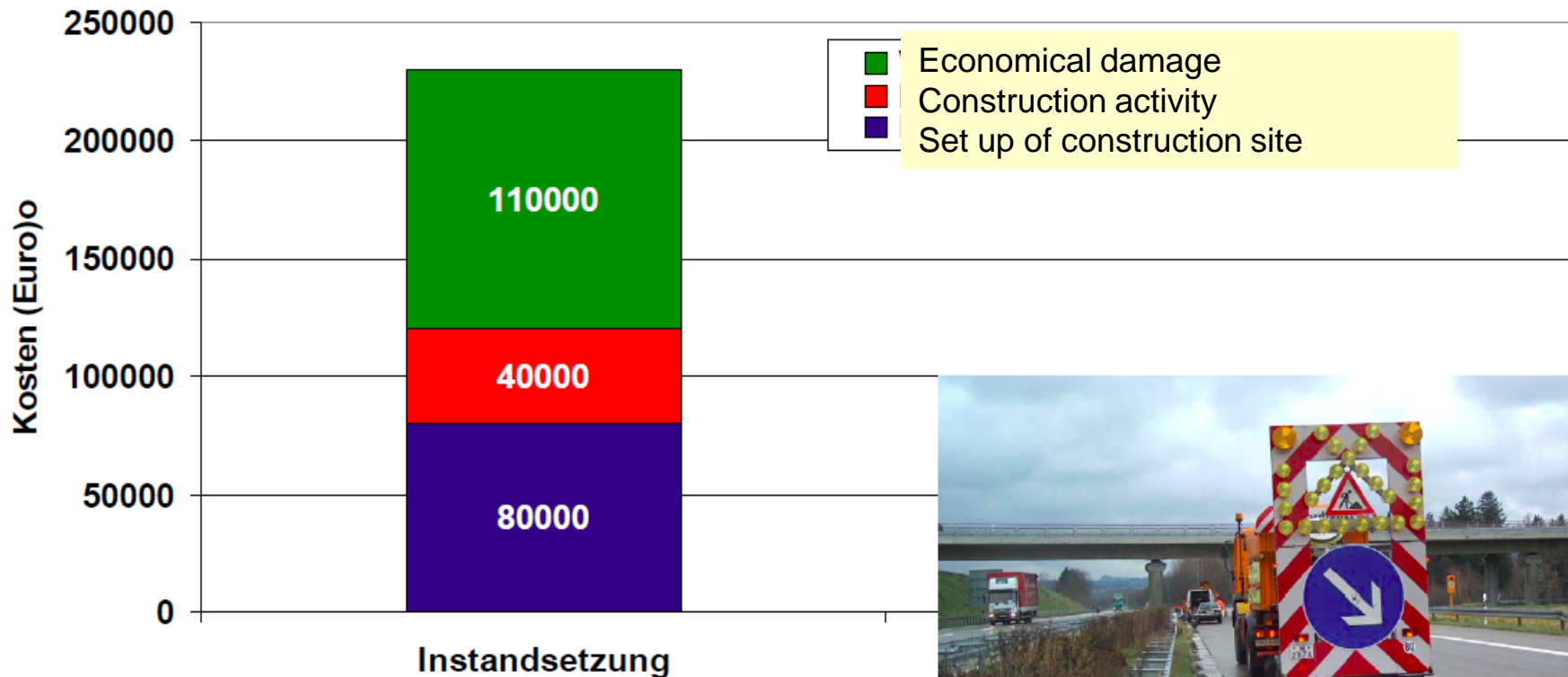


Ingress of water leads to damage of facades



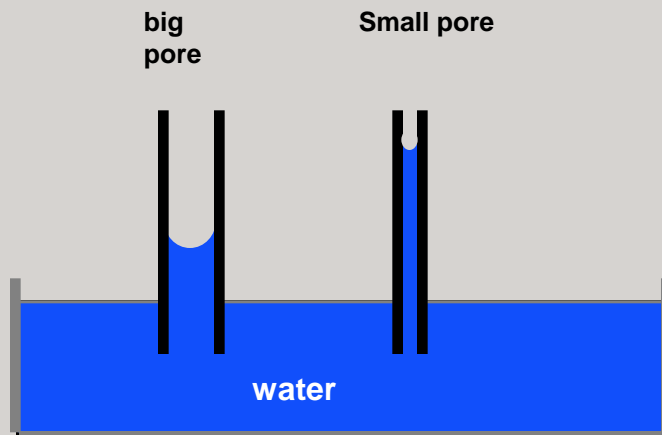
Costs for maintenance

Instandsetzung – Ökonomische Aspekte Maintenance – economical aspects



Capillary water up-take

Water transport
due to capillary action



Speed of water up-take:

1) $v = k \times r$
k: constant
r: capillary radius

Height of water suction:

2)
$$h = \frac{2 \times \sigma \times \cos \omega}{r \times \rho \times g}$$

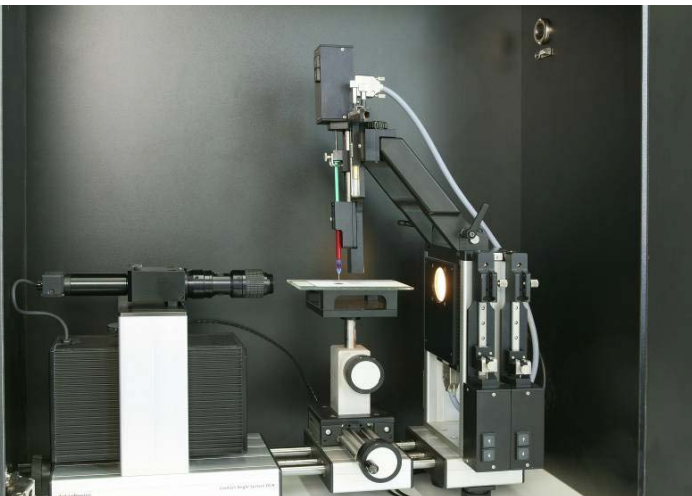
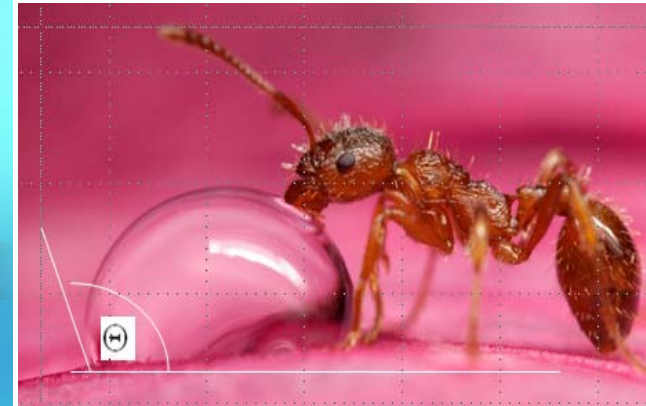
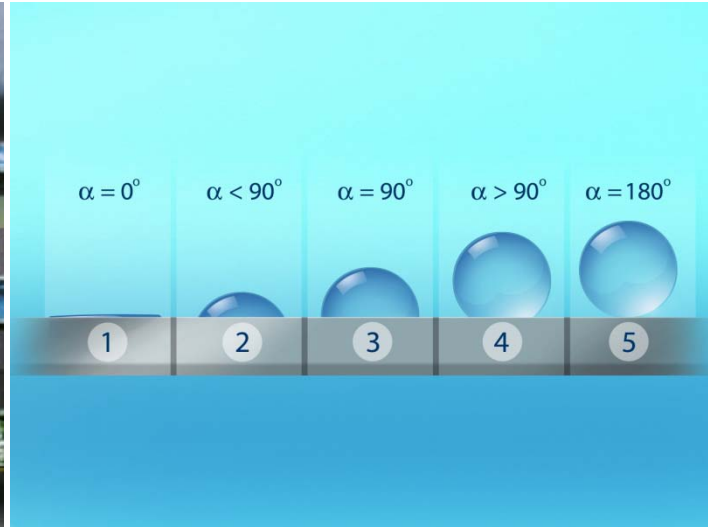
σ : surface tension
 ω : surface angle
d: density
G: gravity constant

Temporal up-take:

3) $M = A \times \sqrt{t}$

M: amount of water up-take
A: water up-take coeff. [kg/(m²h^{0.5})]
t: time

Water up-take depends on surface angle



Measure of contact angle

$$2) h = \frac{2 \times \sigma \times \cos \Theta}{r \times \rho \times g}$$

σ : surface tension

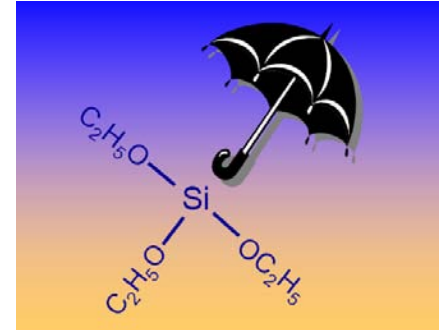
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Solutions for water protection – hydrophobisation agents

The main function of water repellents is to prevent liquid water from penetration into the building materials. To achieve long term performance water repellents need to penetrate beyond the surface layer into the interior substrate of the porous material.



Requirements for excellent water repellent:

Reduction of water absorption > 70%

Protection from driven rain

Efflorescence control

High penetration depth



No significant reduction of water vapour permeability

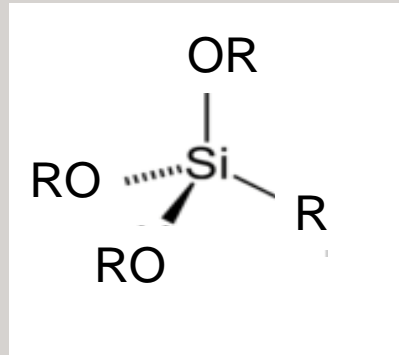
No adverse effects on substrate

Easy application

Cost effective

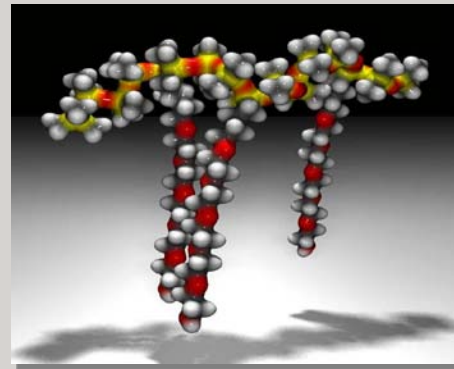


Silanes, siloxanes, silicone resins



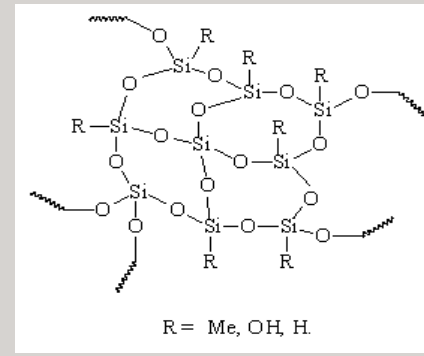
Silane

- monomeric molecules
- contain one Si
- low molecular weight
- alkyltrialkoxysilanes
- Octyl-/iso-octyl-/isobuty
- alkyl chain-length provides steric protection
- excellent impregnation depths even in alkaline substrates



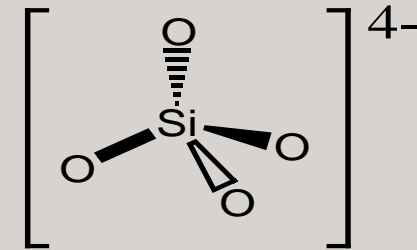
Silicones

- oligomeric or polymeric molecules
- surface tension about 22 mN/m
- organo-modified siloxanes some of the methyl groups at the silicon atoms are substituted by other organic groups
- mainly used for hydrophobisation of neutral and natural substrates



Silicone Resins

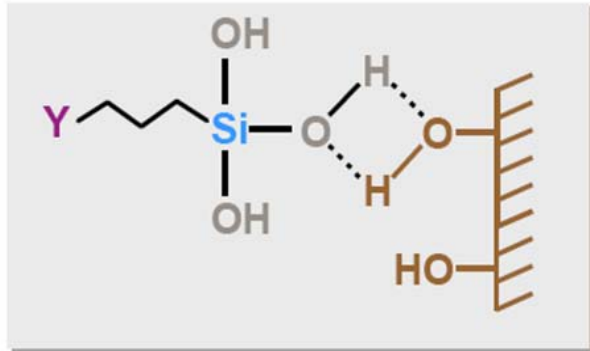
- highly branched polysiloxanes of higher molecular weight
- provide excellent beading properties
- low alkaline stability
- must be diluted to 5-10% solids



Silicate

- e.g.. K⁺ saltsod silicates
- For concrete; injections

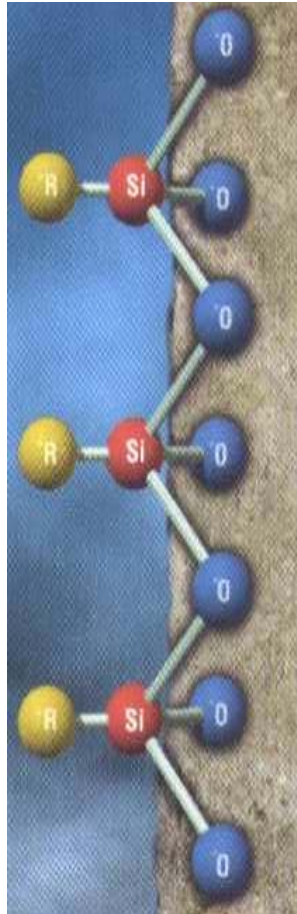
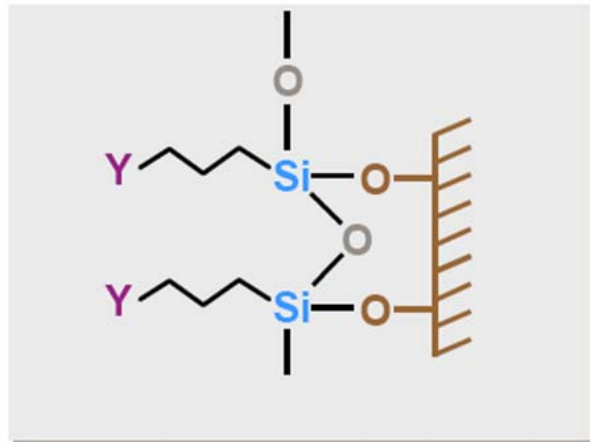
Mechanism of water repellence



Silanols



Substrate



Monomolecular spreading on surfaces

Chemical reaction with the substrate

Irreversible bonding between silicone and substrate

Low surface tension

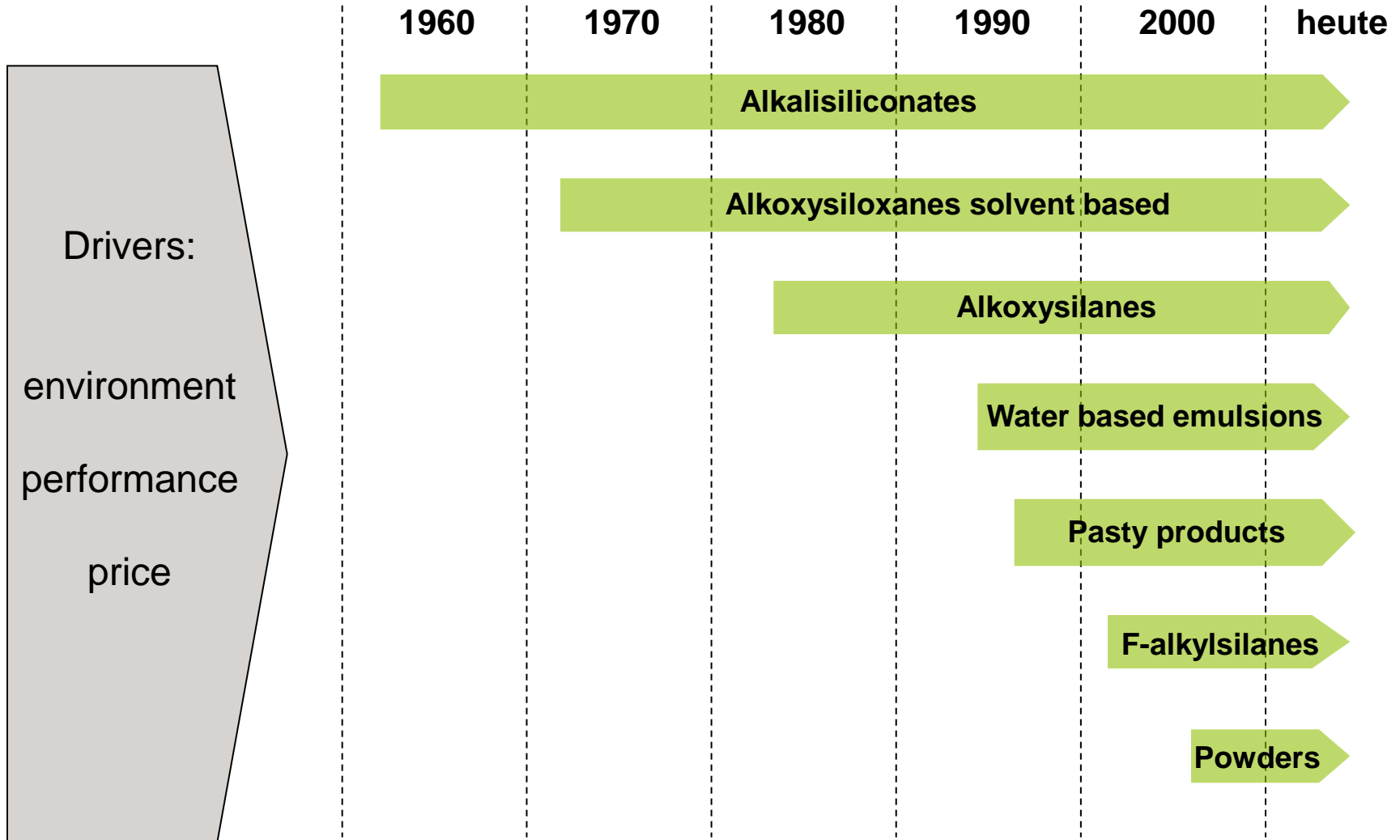


Hydrophobic



Hydrophilic

Evolution of silane- und siloxane-systems



Composition of dry-mix mortars

Raw materials for dry-mix mortars

- Cement
- Micro silica
- Hydrated lime
- Gypsum

Aggregates, fillers

- Silica
- Limestone
- Polystyrene
- Cellulose fibre
- Polypropylene fibre



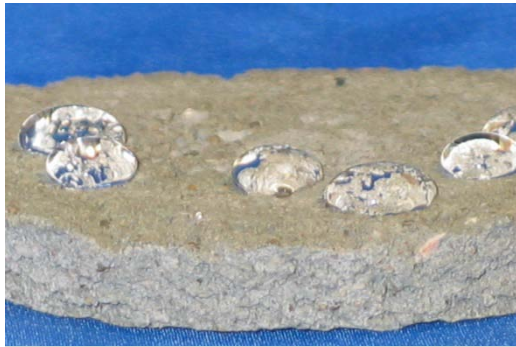
Just adding water

Additives

- Redispersible powders
- Cellulose ethers
- Pigments
- **Defoaming agents**
- **Air-entraining agents**
- **Anti-shrinkage agents**
- Plasticizing agents
- **Hydrophobing agents**



Beading test



A 0.5 ml water droplet is placed on the specimen's surface and removed after 10 minutes.

The beading effect is proportional to the wet area left by the droplet on the specimen's surface.

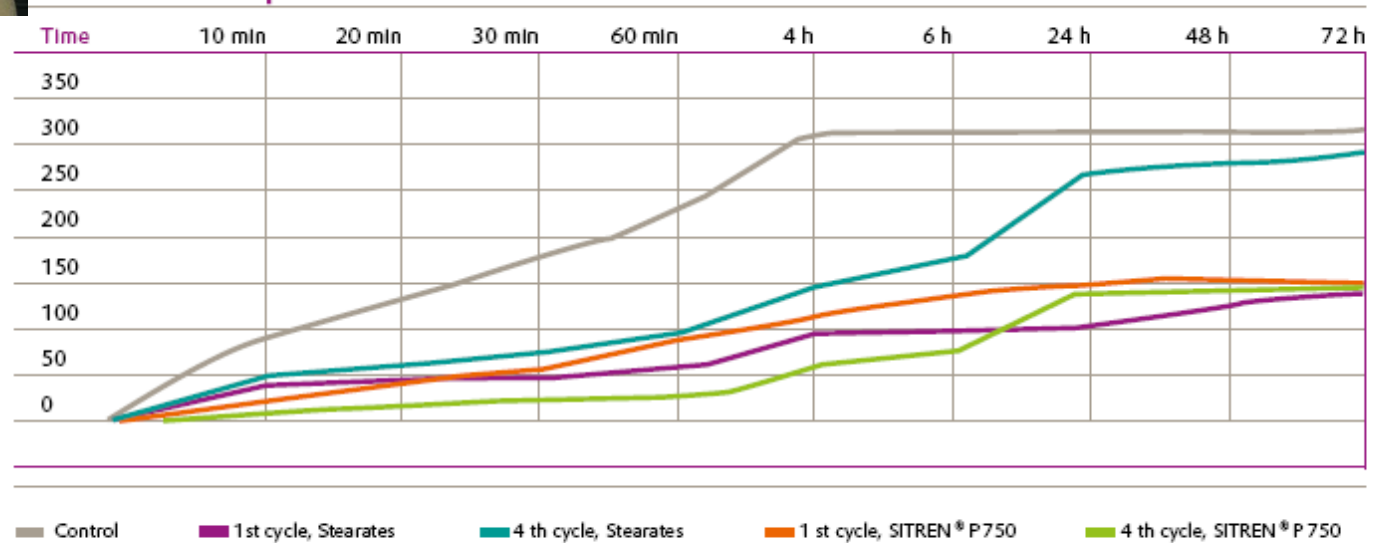


Water vapour permeability and breathability is not affected

Hydrocapillary Water Absorption Test UNI 10859 (DIN 52617)



Durable water repellence



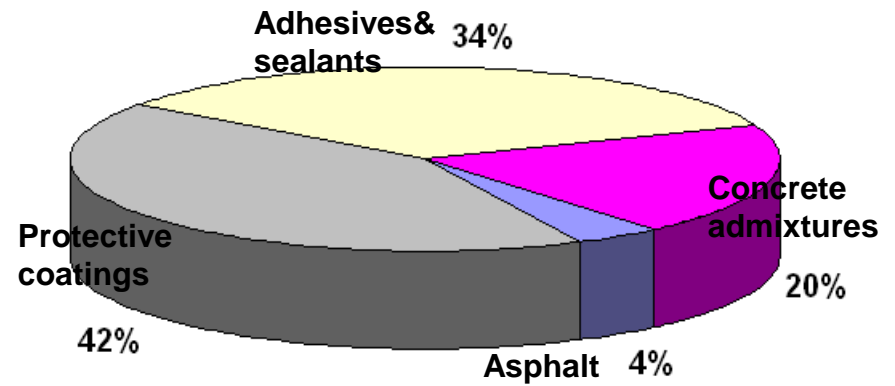
Water up-take [mg/cm²] in tile grout formulation according to UNI 10859 (similar to DIN 52617).

Applications of silicones in construction



- 1 Additive for silicate paints
- 2 Insulation material
- 3 Matrices for concrete
- 4 Concrete hydrophobisation
- 5 Primer for paints
- 6 Sanitary grouts
- 7 Gas concrete hydrophobisation
- 8 Brick hydrophobisation
- 9 Gypsum hydrophobisation
- 10 Profile seals
- 11 Rubber seals
- 12 Structural glazin
- 12 Roofing tiles hydrophobisation
- 13 Window profiles
- 13 Expansion joints
- 14 Natural stone hydrophobisation
- 15 Limestone hydrophobisation
- 16 Binder systems for silicate paints
- 17 Additives for renders
- 18 Damp proof course

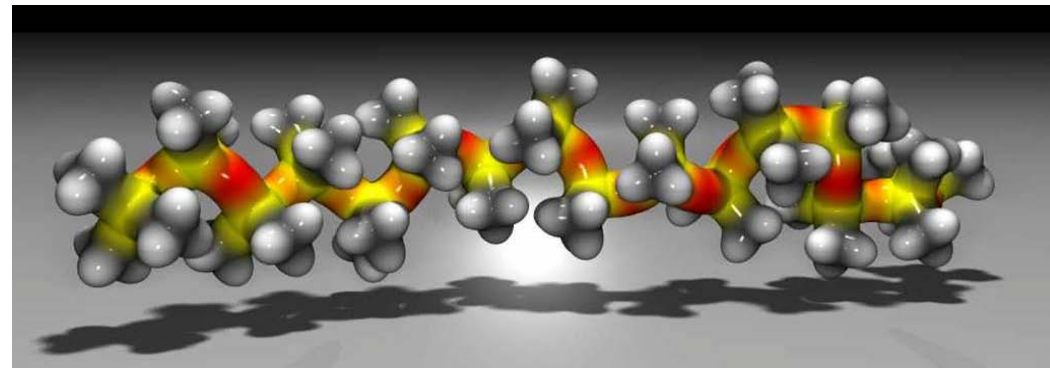
Sustainable protection by silicones in construction



17,9 Billion €
Total Construction Market

Conclusions

- ④ There is a strong relation between building physics and climate
- ④ Intensive R&D for new construction materials inclusive binders additives to improve durability and sustainability
- ④ Silicones and their modifications offer due their unique properties protection as water repellents for constructions and buildings right from the beginning



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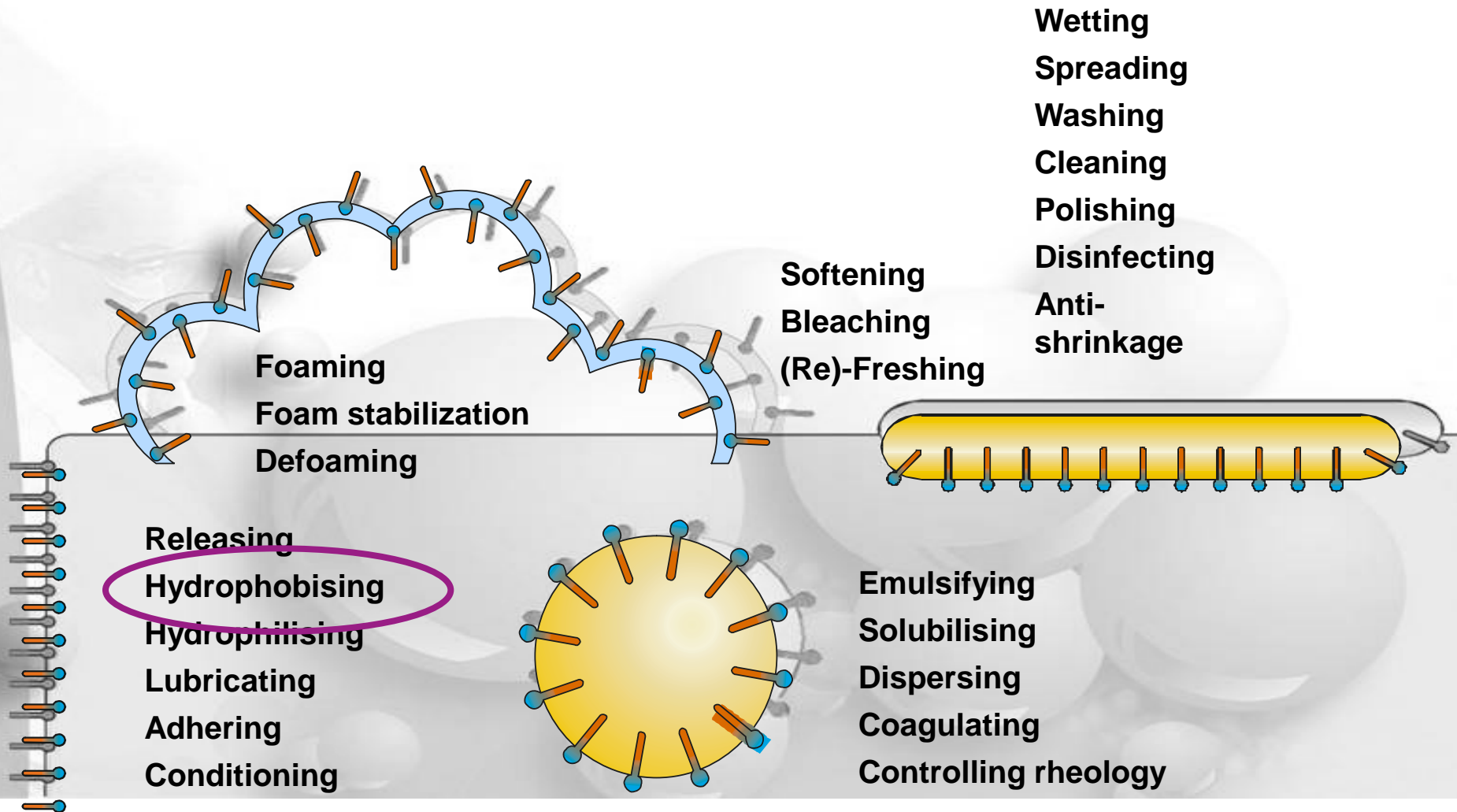
**Do you have
questions ???**





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Hydrocapillary Water Absorption Test



Preparation of Test Specimen :

The dry mix formulation of Wall Putty (without any additive) was taken as substrate for the comparative study.

Different cubes (4 cm x 4cm x 16 cm) of wall putty were prepared by incorporating separately Sitren P 750 and competition product at 0.1, 0.2 & 0.3 % concentrations each along with a control.

Curing : The cubes were allowed to set at 100 % humidity at room temperature for 24 hours and then cured for 31 days at temperature 23°C and 50 % relative humidity.

After curing for 31 days, Hydrocapillary Water Absorption Test was performed on the cubes.

Hydrocapillary Water Absorption Test :

The test specimen were kept on a water saturated polyurethane soft foam (density 25-30 g/l). The water absorption is determined in kg/m² by weighing the specimen after 10 min, 20 min, 30 min, 60 min, 4 h, 6 h, 24 h, 48 h, 72 h.