



## **Pervious concrete, an environmentally friendly material for roads: applications on construction sites in France**

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# Holcim at a glance



**Global**  
footprint



**2,300**  
operating sites



**26.9**  
billion CHF net sales



**81,000**  
employees



Listed on **SIX and**  
**Euronext**

# Our contribution to sustainability: The 2030 Plan

- **The 2030 Plan** reflects our view of sustainability as both responsibility and business opportunity. It lays out our roadmap to improve the sustainability of our operations and industry.
- **The 2030 Plan focuses our efforts on 4 areas** where we can make the biggest contribution.



# Five megatrends driving our market

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**Global  
population  
growth**



**Urbanization  
and megacities**



**Increased  
demand for  
better living  
standards**



**Digitalization**

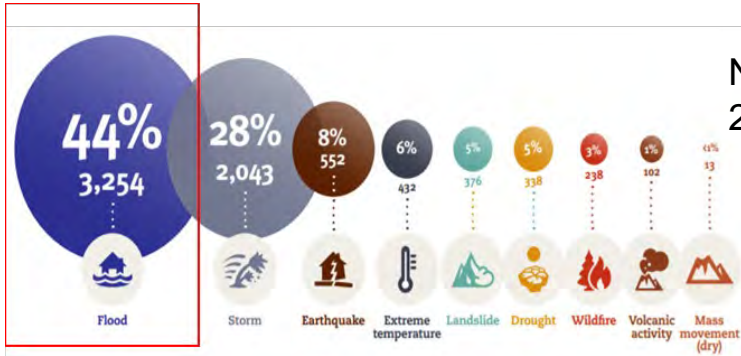


**Increased  
demand for  
sustainable  
construction  
solutions**

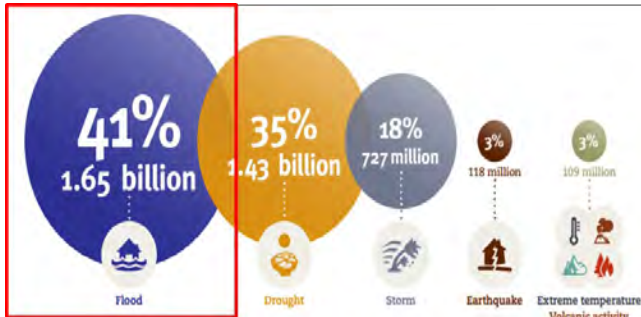
# Flooding: Facts

## Overall (coastal, river...) floodings

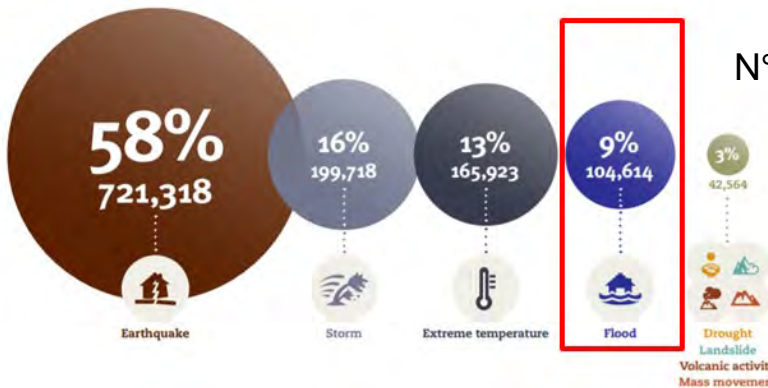
N°1: Percentage of occurrences 2000-2019



N°1: Numbers of people affected (death excluded) 2000-2019



N°4: Numbers of death 2000-2019 (500,000 from 1984)

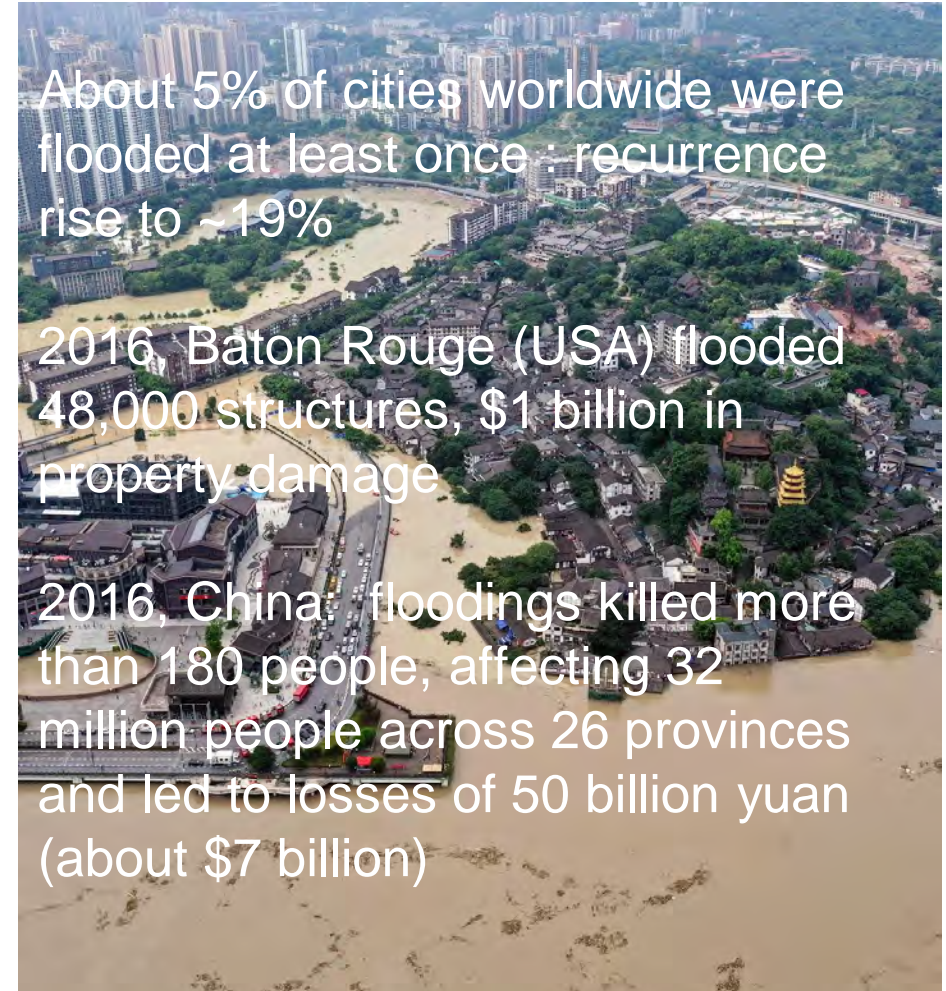


## Urban flooding

About 5% of cities worldwide were flooded at least once : recurrence rise to ~19%

2016, Baton Rouge (USA) flooded 48,000 structures, \$1 billion in property damage

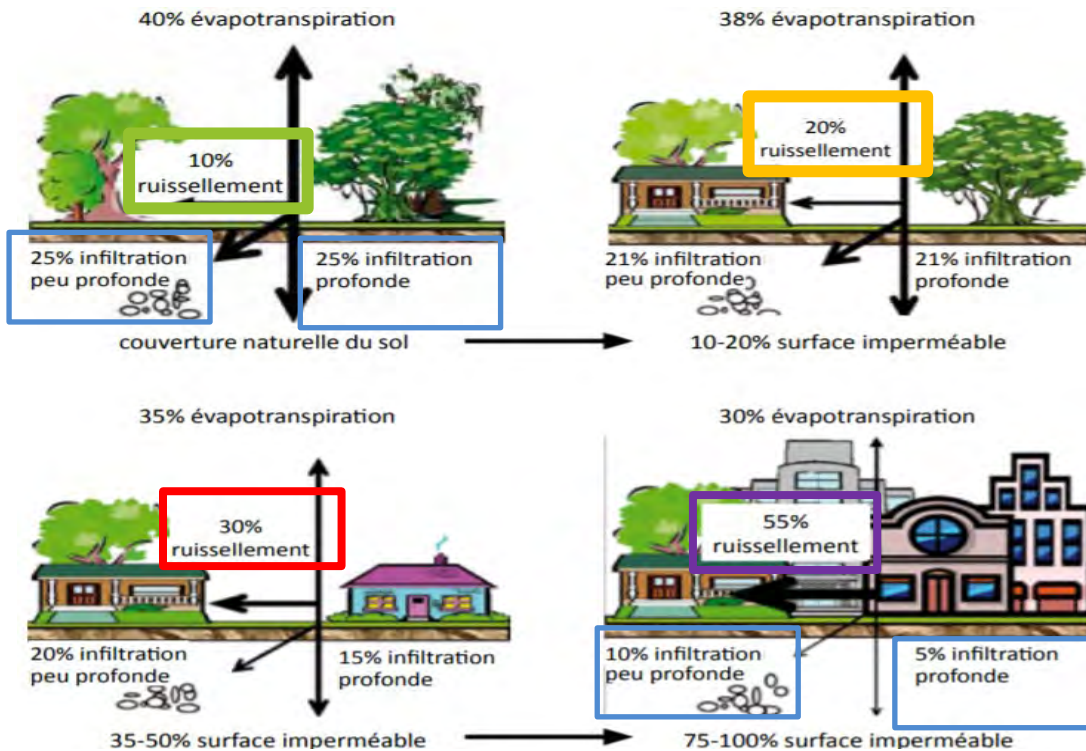
2016, China: floodings killed more than 180 people, affecting 32 million people across 26 provinces and led to losses of 50 billion yuan (about \$7 billion)



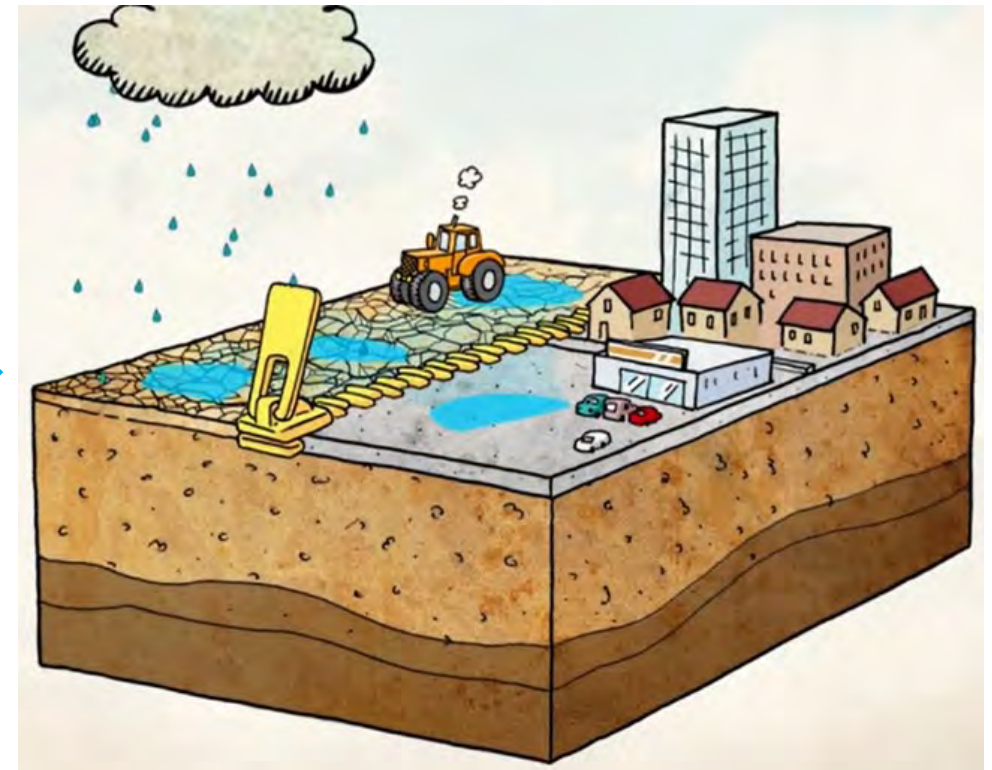
# Flooding: Causes and Solution

Climate change but also Soil waterproofing in the city

lack of drainage in an urban area



15 to 30% of city total surface which represents roads and parking lots can be made permeable



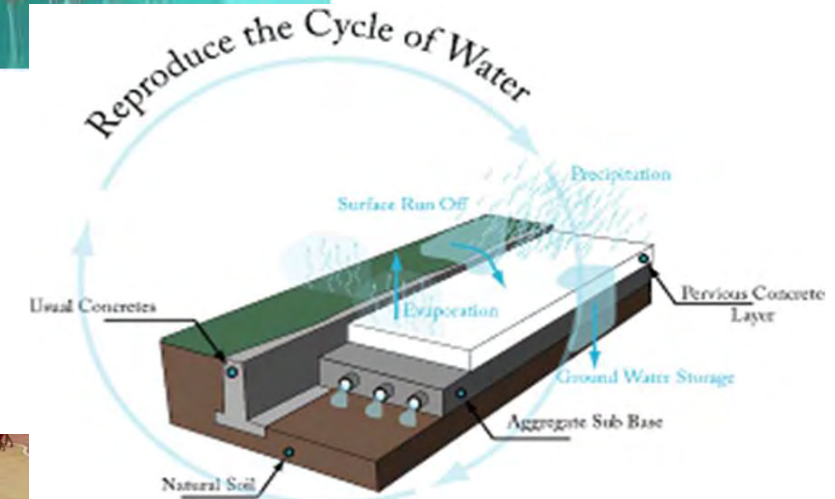
# What is HYDROMEDIA® and Where it can be used?

## Hydromedia is:

- **Engineered material:** a special RMX concrete with a high degree of permeability, which allows a rapid water drainage

## Hydromedia can be used like a :

- **System:** as a front-face of complex drainage systems, which facilitate rapid evacuation of the waters, limiting risk of flash flooding or landslide. These waters can be simply filtered down, retained and driven or recovered for reuse.
- **Construction solution:** as an attractive architectural material and new construction concepts have been developed



# HYDROMEDIA® Construction Solutions

## Water drainage

- Traditional surface/ sub-base
- Standard system design
- **Only drainage functionality**



## Water capture

- Hybrid system approach through partnerships
- **Water draining & capture**
- Sewer system simplification
- RoofTop Duo

# Hydromedia

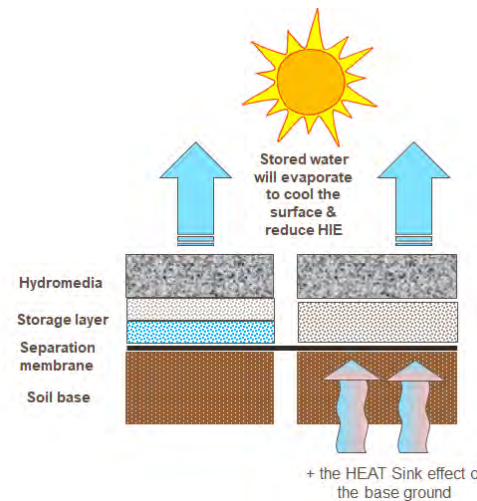
## Future

- Looking into biodiversity concrete
- Fighting air pollution (air cleaning technology)
- **Ongoing feasibility**



## Water use

- Extension of the Sponge City Concept
- Part of rainfall water storage
- Helps fighting HEAT ISLAND EFFECT
- **Ongoing feasibility**





# HYDROMEDIA® The Certification & Min. Specification

- **HYDROMEDIA® is a certified materials!**
- **HYDROMEDIA® received its technical No. 165 certification from French Institute of Roads, Streets and Infrastructure for Mobility (IDRRIM)**

The image shows the cover of a technical specification document. At the top left is the IDRRIM logo (Institut Des Routes, des Rues et des Infrastructures pour la Mobilité). The title is 'AVIS TECHNIQUE N° 165' with a date of 'AVRIL 2017' and a validity of '7 ans'. The main title is 'HYDROMÉDIA® Béton drainant'. The document is categorized under 'CHAUSSEES' and 'BÉTON DRAINANT'. A table of contents on the left lists sections P1 (Présentation par l'entreprise), P2 (Constituants d'hydromédia®), and P12 (Avis du comité). The main text area contains introductory paragraphs about the increasing impermeabilization of soils and the risks of flooding, followed by a list of applications for the product: pedestrian circulation, motorcycle parking, and light vehicles. It also mentions that the document does not cover the use of Hydromédia® SC as a sub-layer and is intended to help users specify the product clearly.

## Minimum Declared Performance

Property*	Performance
Drainability	min. 180 L/m2/min
Porosity	min. 15 %
Compressive strength after 28 days	min. 10 MPa
Flexural strength after 28 days	min. 1.0 MPa
* Test methods available in the Technical specification No.165	

# HYDROMEDIA® Product Range (Wearing layer)

Hydromedia pedestrian		No traffic applications
Applications	Characteristics	Placing method
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Urban jobs (plazas, podiums, etc.)</li> <li>• Alleyways/pedestrian alleys</li> <li>• School yards</li> <li>• Cycleways</li> <li>• Sport or recreational areas</li> <li>• Residential jobs (terrasses, swimming pool decks, etc.)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Compressive strength ~10MPa</li> <li>• Porosity from 15 à 35 % depending on placing technique</li> <li>• High aesthetical expectations, product possibly coloured</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manual screeding</li> <li>• Manual roller</li> <li>• Vibrating plate on wooden plank</li> <li>• Motorised roller</li> <li>• Possible use of pan float finish</li> </ul>



Hydromedia car park		Very light traffic conditions
Applications	Characteristics	Placing method
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Light vehicle car parks (&lt; 3,5T)</li> <li>• Side walks</li> <li>• Residential driveways</li> <li>• Occasional traffic &gt;3.5T (max 10/day), only after validation by Commercial Performance and/or Country central lab</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Compressive strength ~15MPa</li> <li>• Porosity from 15 à 35 % depending on placing technique</li> <li>• Average to high aesthetical expectations, product possibly coloured</li> <li>• Prevention of ravelling (use relevant mix design &amp; placing technique)</li> </ul>	<p>→ <b>Compaction required :</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heavy manual or mechanical roller</li> <li>• Vibrating plate on wooden plank</li> <li>• Possible use of pan float</li> </ul>



# HYDROMEDIA® Product Range (Base and subbase layers)

Hydromedia – underlayer without traffic		Used as underlayer for non-traffic applications	
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Hydromedia – underlayer with traffic		Used as underlayer with light traffic	
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# HYDROMEDIA® Example Applications

Walkway



Sub-base for paving blocks



Basketball court



Parking



# HYDROMEDIA black : Albigny 2019



# HYDROMEDIA Mineral : Oullins – Berges de l'Yseron

4 000 m<sup>2</sup> - 2018

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# HYDROMEDIA subbase : La Part Dieu Lyon

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# HYDROMEDIA subbase: Lyon Gerland

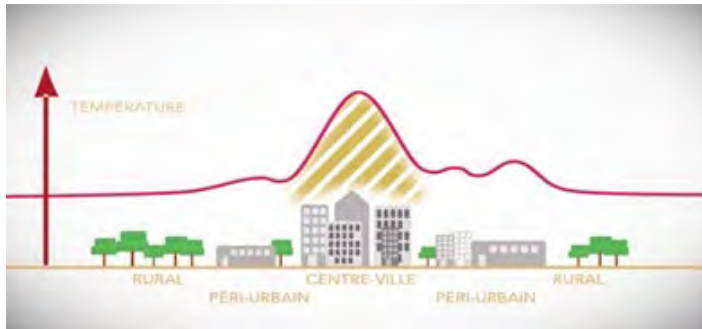




# HYDROMEDIA®RoofTop Duo Concept

## Nightmares of modern cities:

- Unused or non-adapted roofs
- Rainfall water management
- Increasing Heat Island Effect



## Solution:

- Can we adapt unused roof spaces?
- Can we store rainfall water and reuse it?
- Can we simplify design and save money?



# HYDROMEDIA®RoofTop Duo Projects

- Adaptation of roof for playground (2019)
- School Emmanuel d`Alzon in Saint-Medard-en- Jalles (33)
- Estimated area = 430 m<sup>2</sup>



- Sportcomplex de Rueil Malmaison
- School courtyard in Montpellier



# ROOF TOP DUO

Scolar group in Saint Medard ( 33) – 400 m<sup>2</sup>  
August 2019



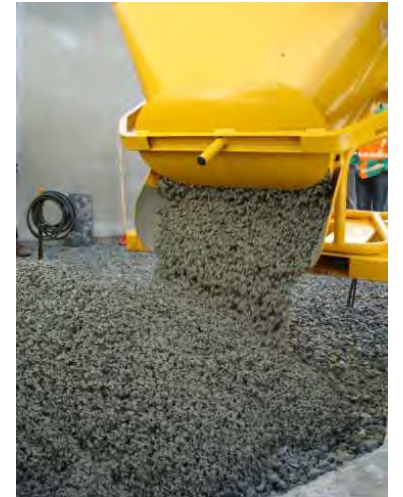
# ROOF TOP DUO : School Restanque Montpellier

1 600 m<sup>2</sup>



# HYDROMEDIA® Take Away Messages!

- High efficiency drainage with high durability
- Easier and faster to cast
- Reduce the impact of urbanization on the natural cycle of water
- Decrease ground impermeability
- Improve urban area comfort: no puddles, roads safety
- Minimize the effect of Heat Island Effect in cities
- Reduce structures and maintenance costs : decrease draining channels
- High aesthetic choice : aggregates, colour and finish aspects
- Contribute to HQE, BREEAM and LEED certifications
- Evolving product with more application & functionalities



# Speaking about pervious ... Concept of Innovative Road Coating

Safer

More comfortable

More durable

Cost-effective

Customized colors



Safe and Comfortable riding | Special semi ultra high performance pervious concrete

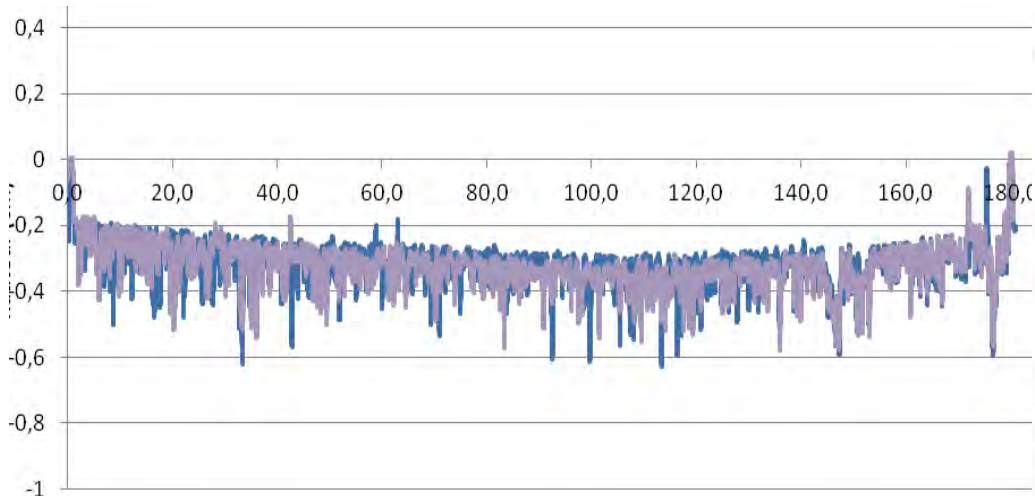
Long service life under high traffic | Ordinary concrete: JPCP, CRCP, RCC

# Durability of IRC

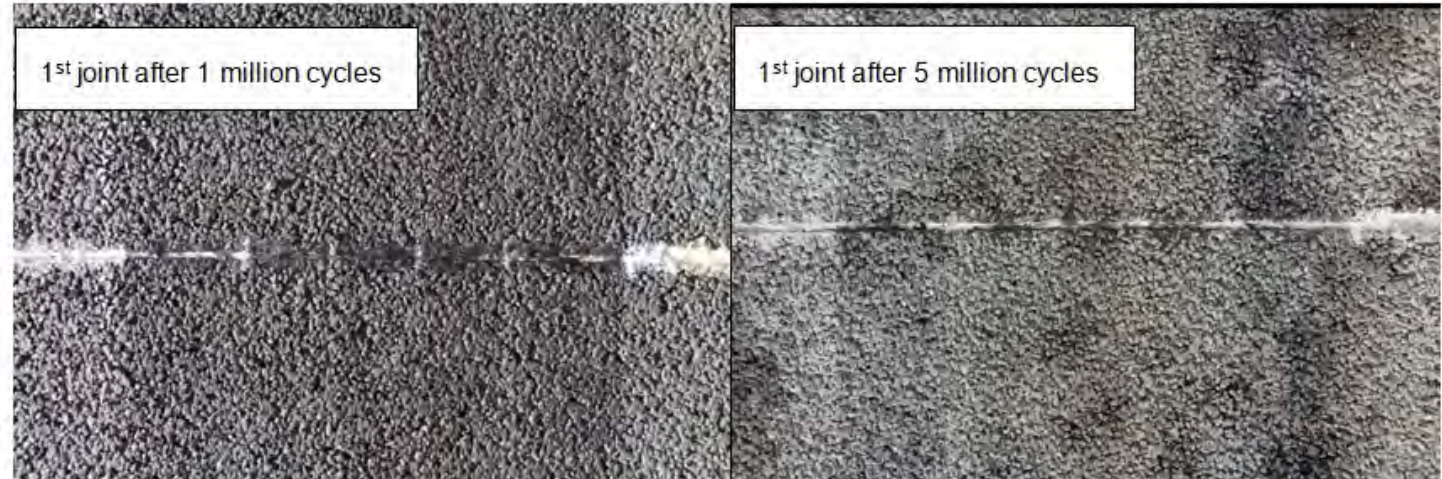
## Long lifespan face to heavy traffic

Test was achieved at 5 million cycles loaded

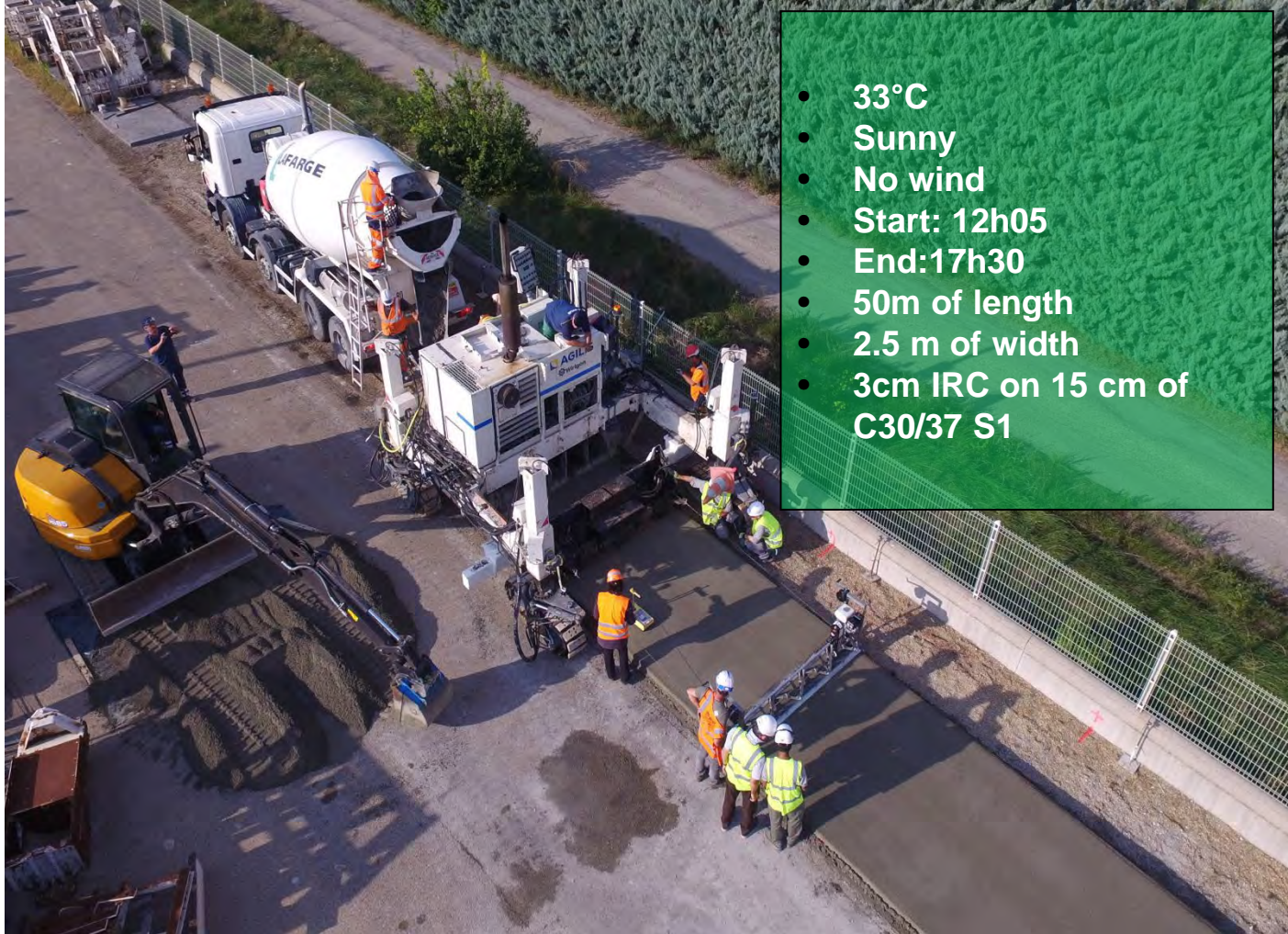
- Slab is in good condition without any damage nor rutting
- Joints are in good condition without any raveling



profile measurement



# Experimental IRC placement (France)



Investigate the feasibility of the IRC placement:

- from the **production in mix plant** with special admixture modified concrete
- to the **transport** then to the **placement** with **good coordination** between mix plant and jobsite to ensure the “wet on wet” placement
- to the placement of **2 layers at the same time** with **modified slip form**



# CONCLUSIONS AND PERSPECTIVES FOR IRC

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- IRC can be used as a durable and safe wearing course for rigid pavement under a high traffic.
- Possible to place the innovative road coating fresh on fresh with the use of a modified slipform (simpler within Asphalt paver on top of RCC ?)
- Lower impact of IRC compared to the standard asphalt or concrete solutions.
- A real section with high traffic speed is planned for end 2021 in UK

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Thank you for your attention !!!  
Waiting for questions...



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