



CONCRETE DURABILITY

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SPEAKER

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Swiss; 52 years old; married; two children 20 & 22 years old

- **Education**

Technical Draftsman, Construction Builder (Mason),
Civil Engineer HTL, Marketing Planer FH

- **Actual position** (23 years with Sika)

Corporate Target Market Manager Concrete

- **Highlights**

Implementation of PCE's admixtures in Sika **Sika® ViscoCrete®**

Development of Concrete Systems for the **Gotthard Base Tunnel**

Build up **Concrete Academy**

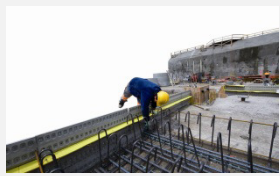
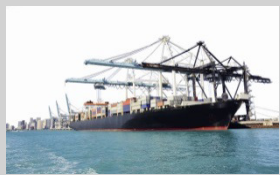



Market introduction of the **Sika® ViscoFlow®** slump retention technology



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CONCRETE REQUIREMENTS

Quality I






	<p>Watertight Concrete Basement & all Infrastructure</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elasticity w/c and binder concept
	<p>Corrosion Resistant Concrete Harbor all structures seaside</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Steel surface protection w/c and binder concept
	<p>Frost & Freeze / Thaw Resistant Concrete Bridge Retention Structures</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Steel surface protection w/c and binder concept
	<p>High Speed Train Resistant Concrete High Speed Train</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Binder concept w/c
	<p>Fire Resistant Concrete Railway Station Underground structure</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expansion Capillary Mix Design (CEM / Aggreg.)

w/c and binder concept

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Quality II

	<p>Alkali-Silica-Reaction Resistant Concrete Airstrip / Highway</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aggregate concept Mix design & binder concept
	<p>Abrasion Resistant Concrete Discharge unit of a dam Gen. Hydro Power</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Surface hardener Mix design & binder concept
	<p>Chemical Resistant Concrete Waste water treatment</p>	<p>Aggregate selection and binder</p>
	<p>Shrinkage Controlled Concrete All types of high durable concrete</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> w/c Binder content and concept
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w/c and binder concept

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FROM SIKA-1 TO SIKA VISCOCRETE

Concrete Porosity

Mix 1: Initial mix design				
		Cement density		3.15 kg/m ³
		Cement content		320 kg/m ³
	173 liter	Water content		0.54 w/c-ratio
		Water demand for Hydration		0.38 w/c-ratio
	51 liter	Difference		0.16 w/c-ratio
		Pore quantity (based on the Concrete volume)		
		5.1%		
		Pore quantity (based on the Cement stone)		
		18.7%		
Mix 2: optimized Water content				
		Cement density		3.15 kg/m ³
		Cement content		320 kg/m ³
		Water reduction by using a WR / HRWR		20%
	138 liter	Water content		0.43 w/c-ratio
		Water demand for Hydration		0.38 w/c-ratio
	17 liter	Difference		0.05 w/c-ratio
		Pore quantity (based on the Concrete volume)		
		1.7%		
		Pore quantity (based on the Cement stone)		
		6.9%		



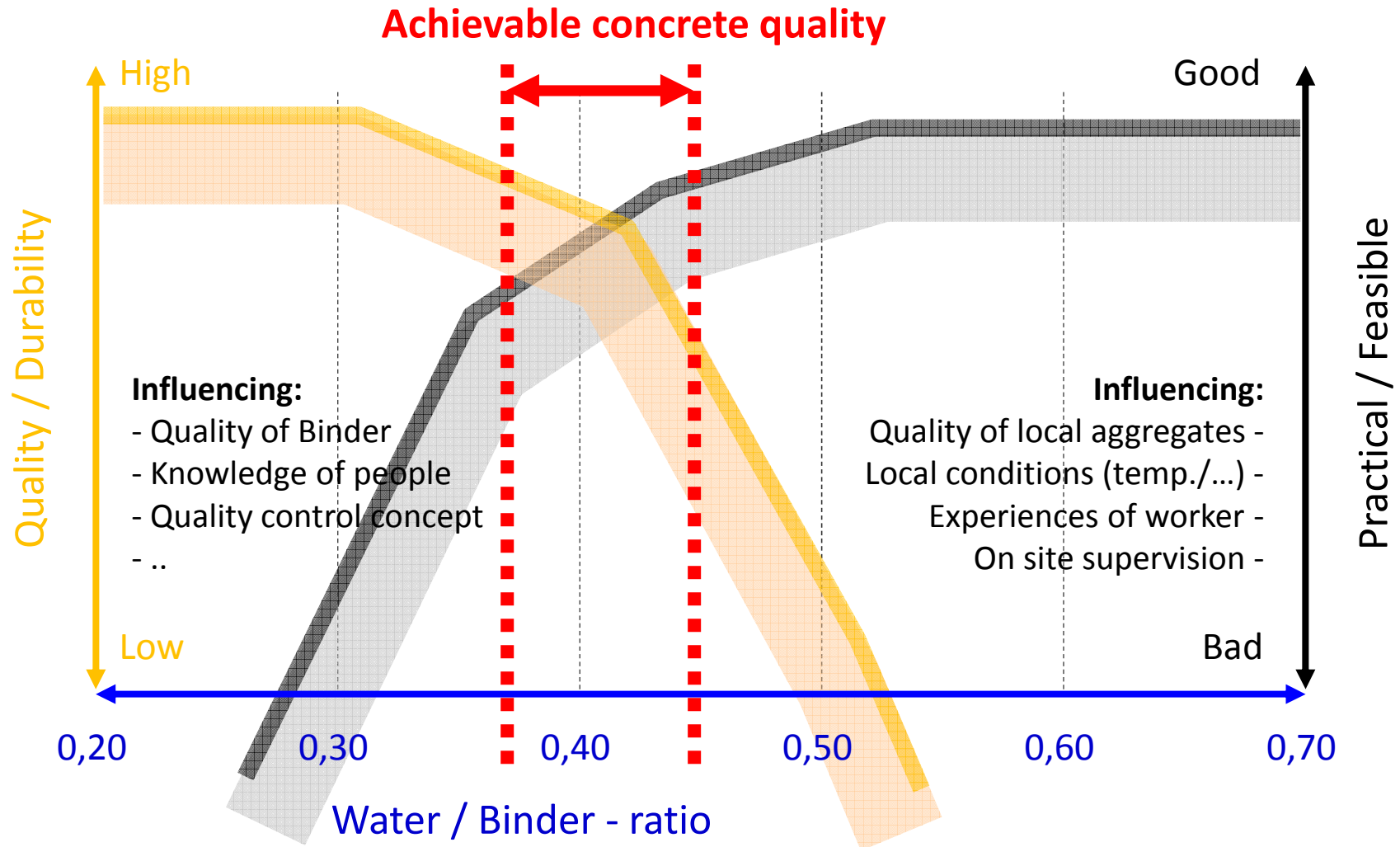
Initial Mix

5.1%

18.7%

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LIMITS OF WATER REDUCTION



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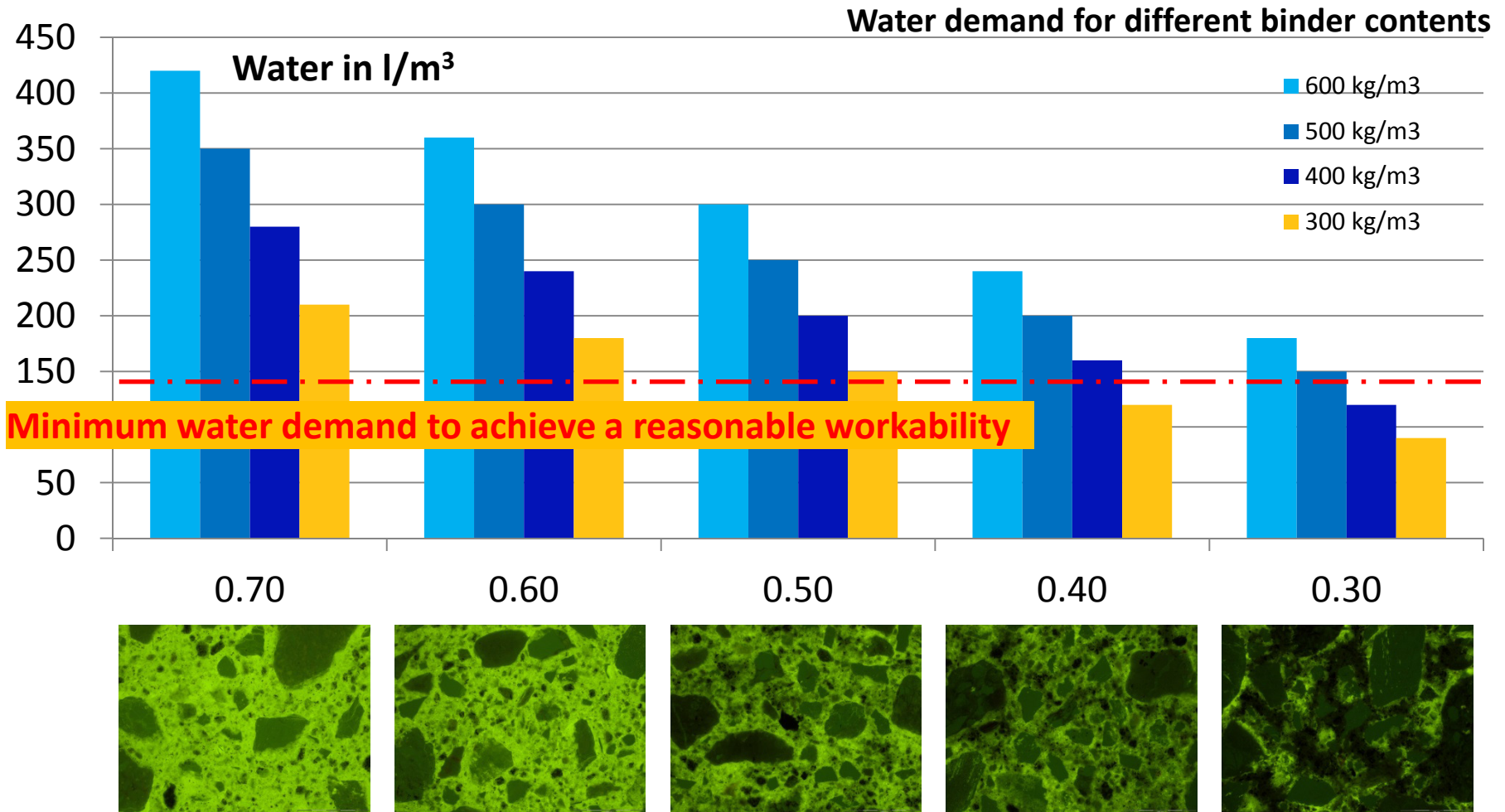
w/c ratio; consequences

Required w/c ratio	Therefore min. Water content	Cement content to achieve	Comments
0.50	approx. 140 l/m ³	≥ 280 kg/m ³	Workability must be ensured Example: Pumped concrete: Total ≤ 0.125mm: ≥ 400 kg/m ³ Self-compacting concrete : Total ≤ 0.125mm: ≥ 500 kg/m ³
0.40	approx. 140 l/m ³	≥ 350 kg/m ³	It must be possible to achieve the required softness (liquefaction) with water reducers (HRWR)
0.30	approx. 140 l/m ³	≥ 450 kg/m ³	Shrinkage may not over-compensate for the benefits of the low W/C, Example: Cement content 500 kg/m ³ : →ε _{cs} (182d): 0.55‰ Cement content 250 kg/m ³ : →ε _{cs} (182d): 0.30‰

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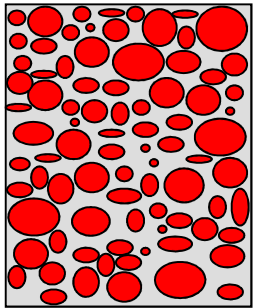
Water reduction limits



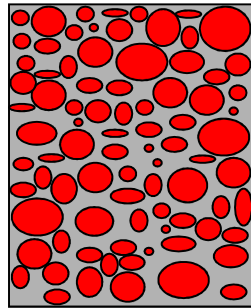
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PASTE VOLUME OPTIMIZATION

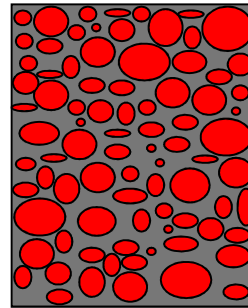
Concrete with different paste quality will have different mechanical strengths.



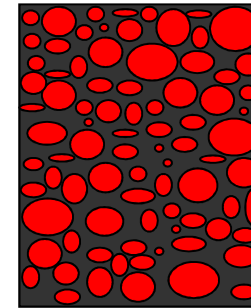
W/C=0.75
350 kg/m³
30 N/mm²



W/C=0.65
350 kg/m³
40 N/mm²



W/C=0.55
350 kg/m³
50 N/mm²

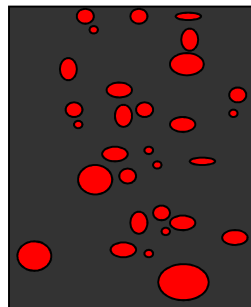


W/C=0.45
350 kg/m³
60 N/mm²

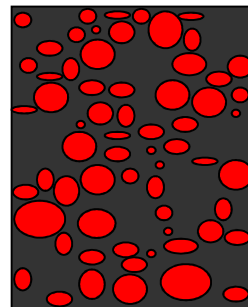
But concrete with different paste volume but same paste quality we will have “same” mechanical strengths.



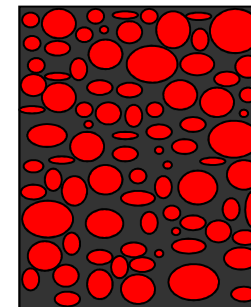
W/C=0.65
1034 kg/m³
40 N/mm²



W/C=0.65
600 kg/m³
40 N/mm²



W/C=0.65
350 kg/m³
40 N/mm²



W/C=0.65
200 kg/m³
40 N/mm²

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PASTE VOLUME OPTIMIZATION

Definition paste volume

- **“Crane & Bucket” Concrete**

280 kg/m³ / w/c= 0.58 / 30% Sand with 10% fines ($\leq 0.125\text{mm}$)

Cement paste 251 liter

Fine paste 273 liter

→ 250l to 280l fine paste

- **Pumped Concrete**

340 kg/m³ / w/c= 0.50 / 40% Sand with 10% fines ($\leq 0.125\text{mm}$)

Cement paste 278 liter

Fine paste 306 liter

→ 280l to 320l fine paste

- **Self Compacting Concrete**

420 kg/m³ / w/c= 0.42 / 50% Sand with 10% fines ($\leq 0.125\text{mm}$)

Cement paste 310 liter

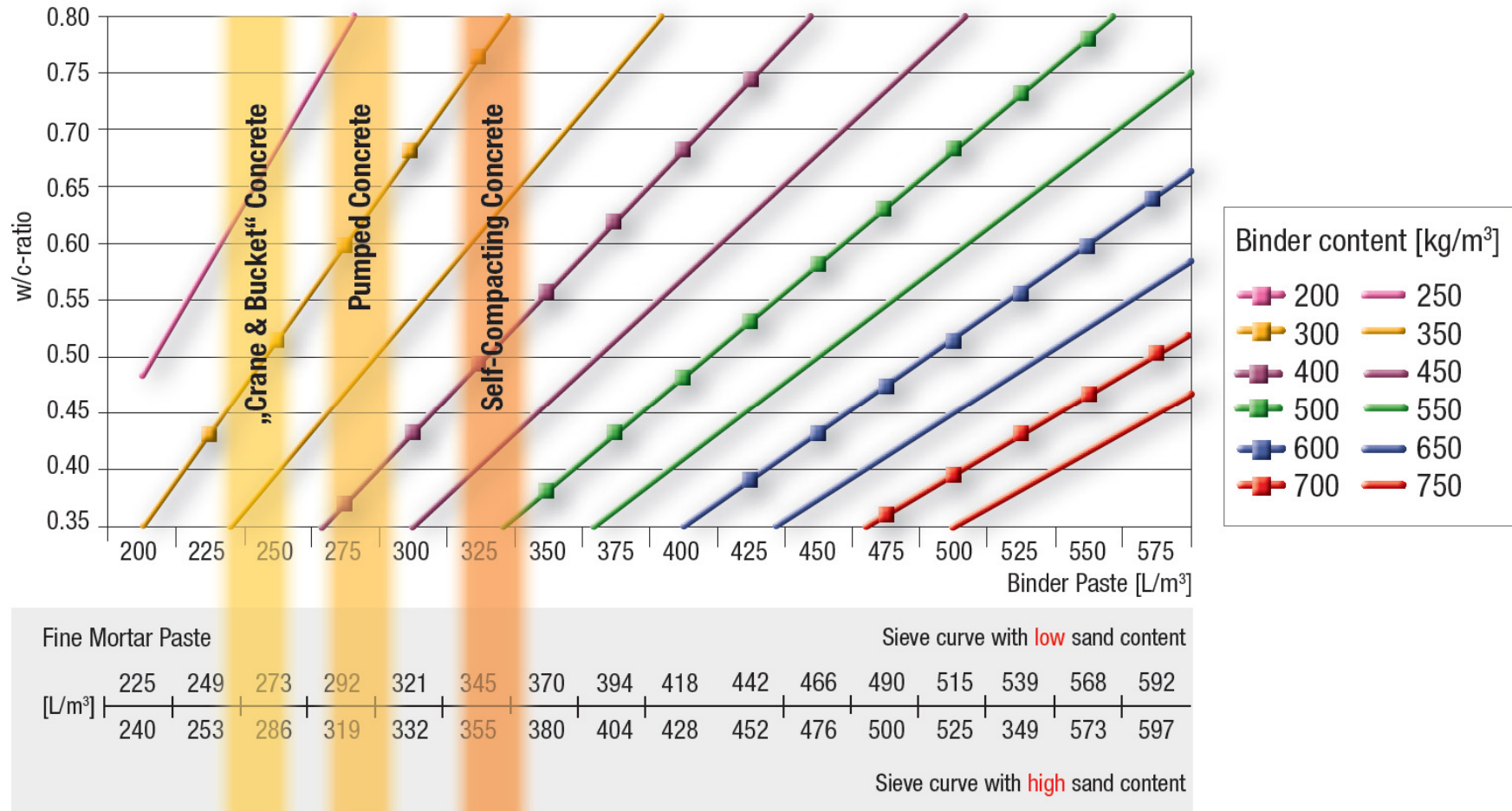
Fine paste 343 liter

→ 320l to 380l fine paste

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Definition paste volume



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Argos Colombia

Paste Volume Optimized Concrete
with **Sika® ViscoCrete®**
Life Cycle Impact Assessment



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COST SAVINGS – SAME PERFORMANCE

Argos Colombia

Life Cycle Impact Assessment

Life Cycle Impact Assessment of two concrete systems to compare the impact of the use of Sika® ViscoCrete®

Concrete Systems		Components				
		Cement	Additive	Sand / Gravel	Water	Concrete Admixture
Cement paste	290 liter	Cement Type I	—	798 kg/m ³	w/c-ratio = 0.57	0.56% traditional Plasticizer
Fina paste	321 liter	327 kg/m ³		916 kg/m ³	187 liter	
Cement paste	242 liter	Cement Type I	—	845 kg/m ³	w/c-ratio = 0.57	0.38% Plastiment® 0.45% Sika® ViscoCrete
Fine paste	275 liter	273 kg/m ³		952 kg/m ³	155 liter	