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# Developing Multi-functional Pervious Concrete for Pavement

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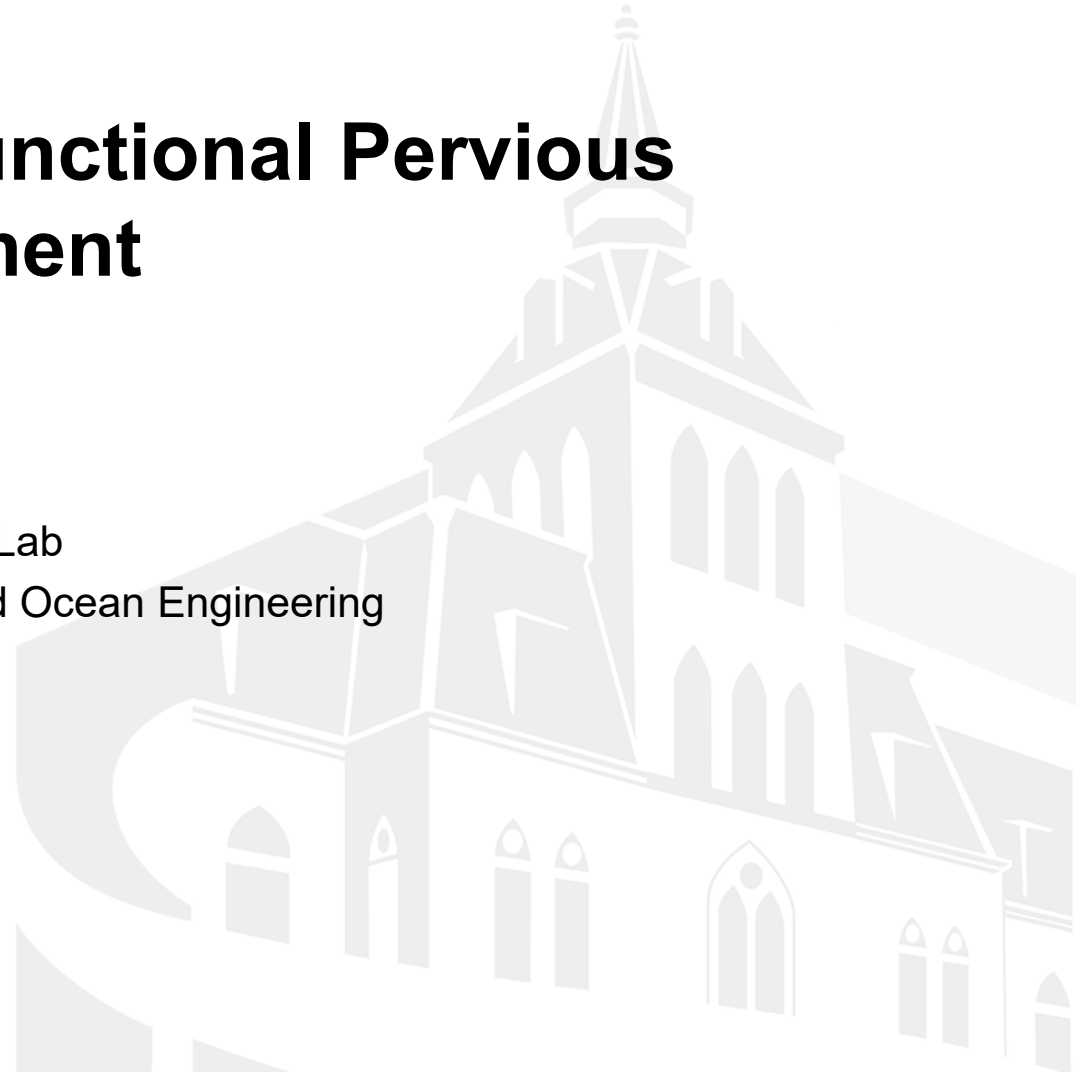
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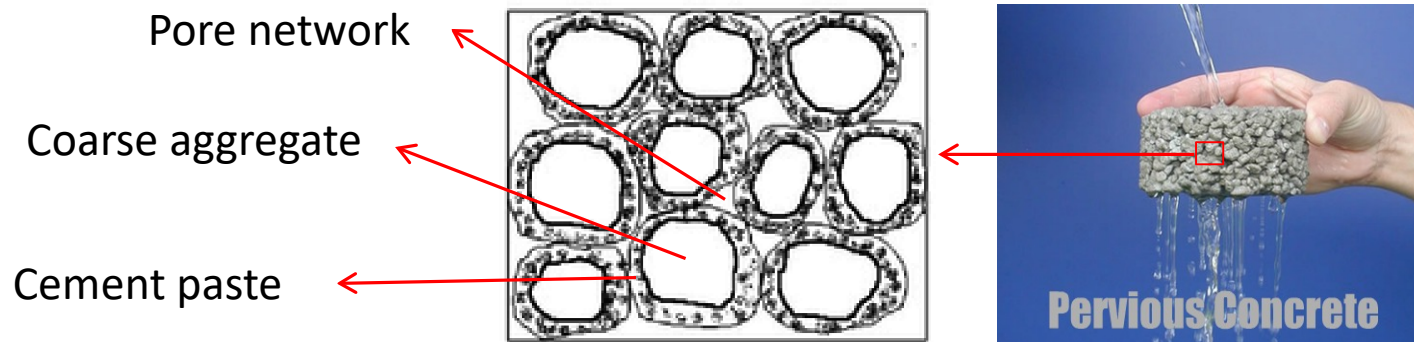


# Outline

- Introduction of pervious concrete**
- Multi-functions Of Pervious Concrete**
- Summary and Future Studies**

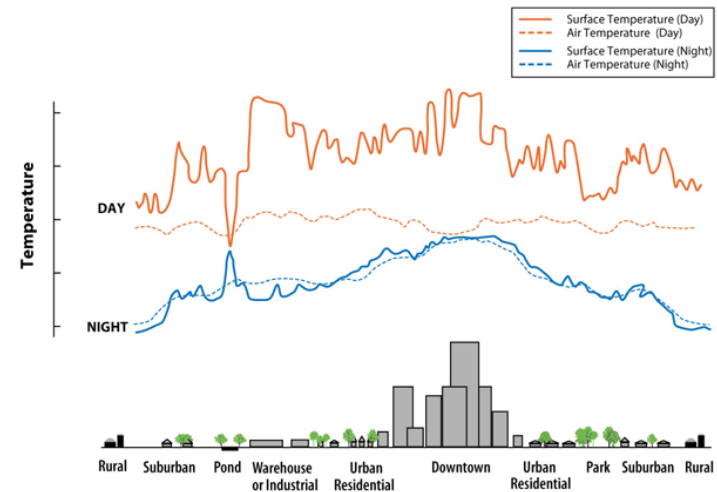
# What is pervious concrete?

- Pervious concrete(PC) is consisted of the same raw materials with conventional concrete(CC), but PC has:
  - little or no fine aggregate
  - narrow graded coarse aggregate
  - 15%-35% porosity and 2-10 mm/s permeability

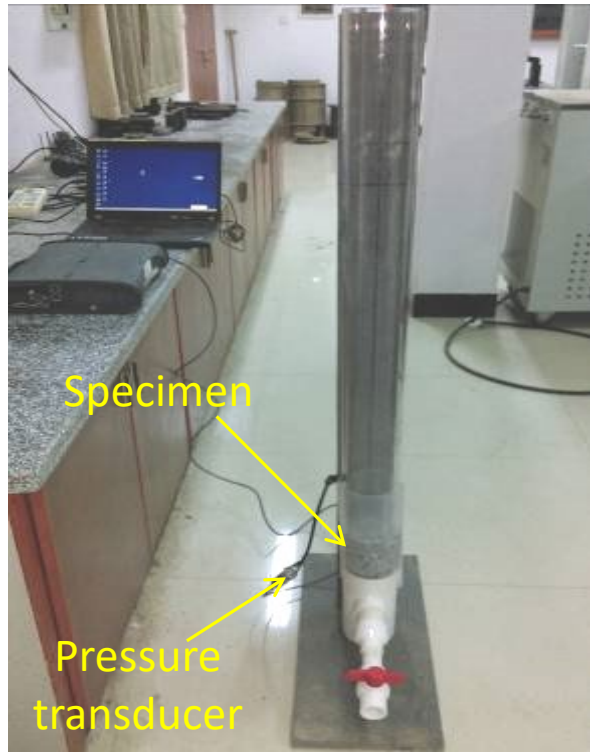


# Benefits of pervious concrete

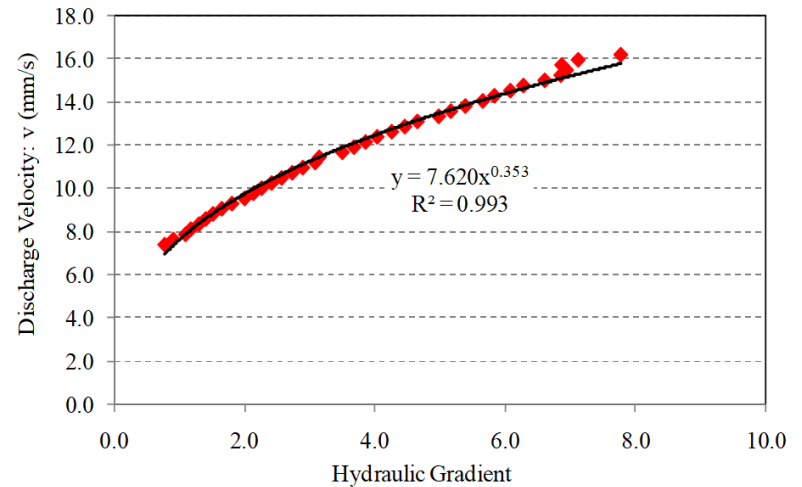
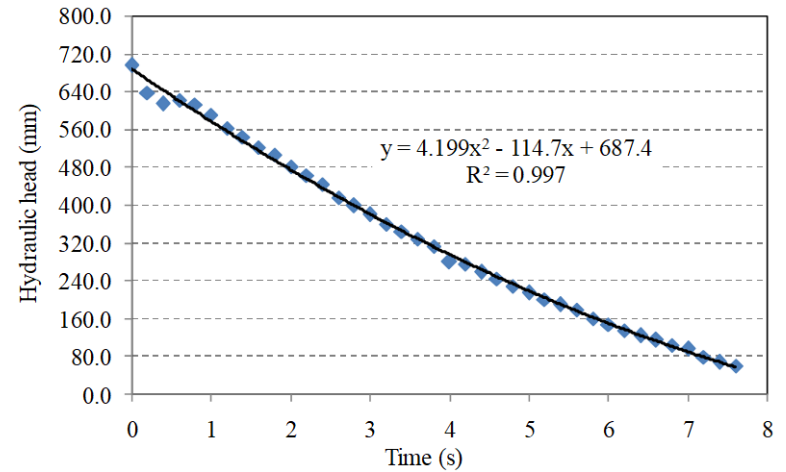
- Avoid waterlogging
- Reduce traffic noise
- Mitigate urban heat island effect
- Reduce storm water runoff
- Improve skid resistance



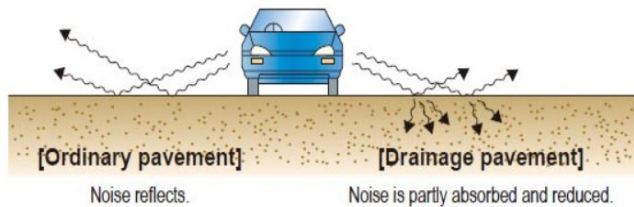
# Function 1: Permeability



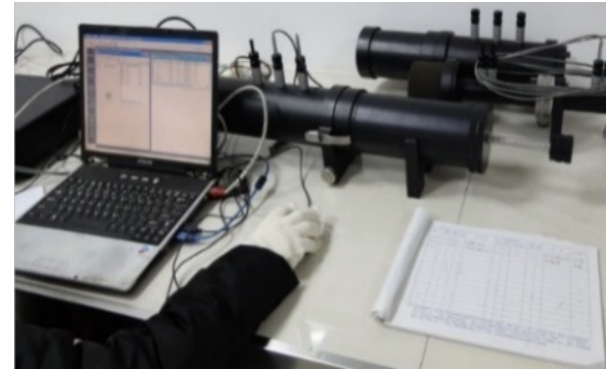
Permeability:  $v = K' \cdot i^m$



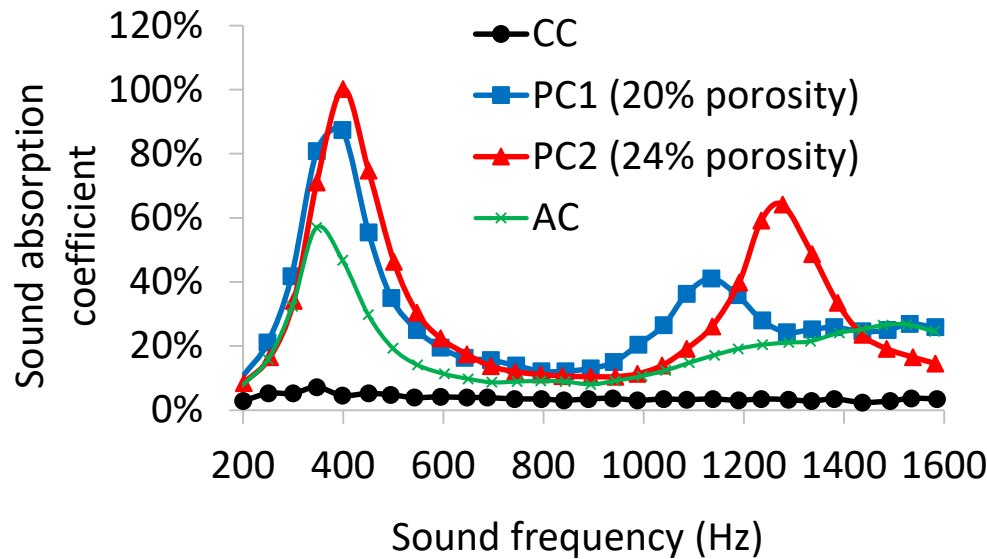
# Function 2: Traffic noise reduction



Noise reduction mechanism

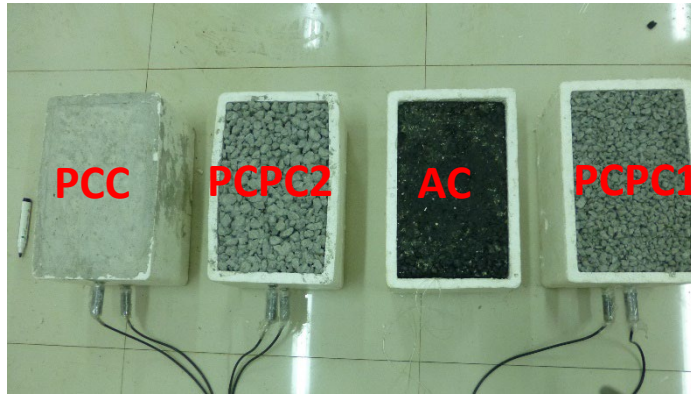


Sound absorption test



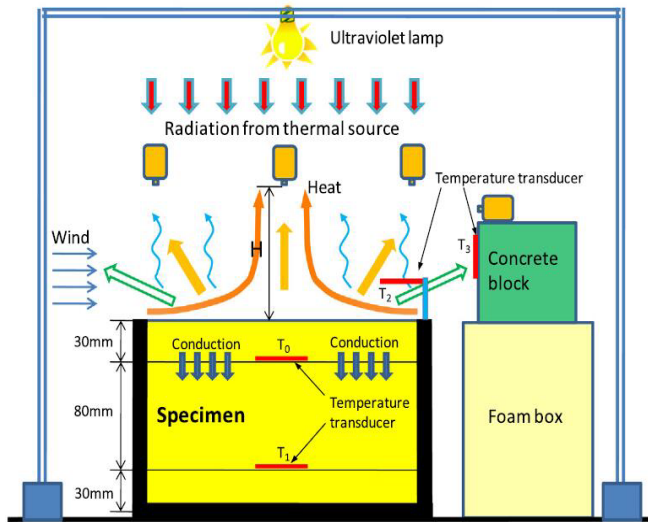
AC=asphalt concrete  
CC= conventional concrete  
PC= pervious concrete

# Function 3: Friendly thermal properties

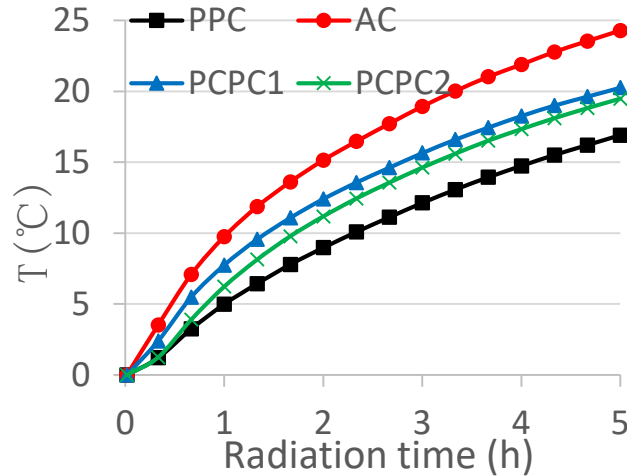


PCC=Portland Cement Concrete  
PCPC=Portland Cement Pervious Concrete  
AC= Asphalt Concrete

Specimens for testing

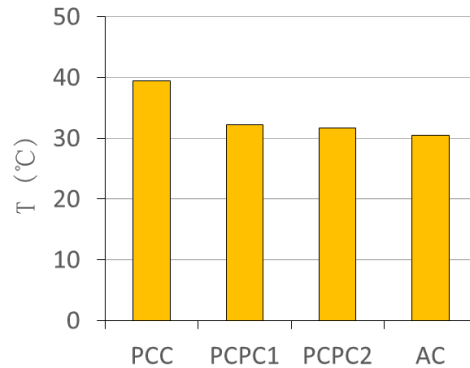


# Temperature response under radiation

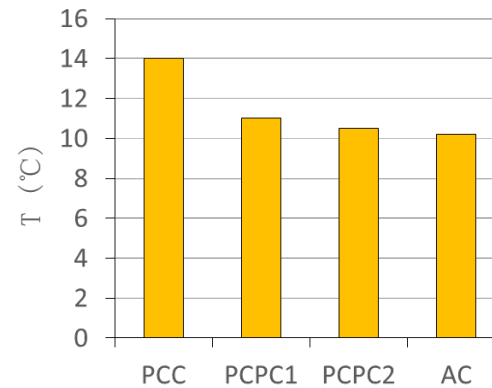


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a) Specimen surface temperature



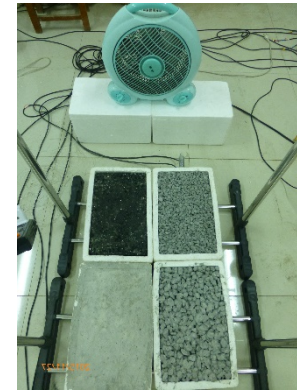
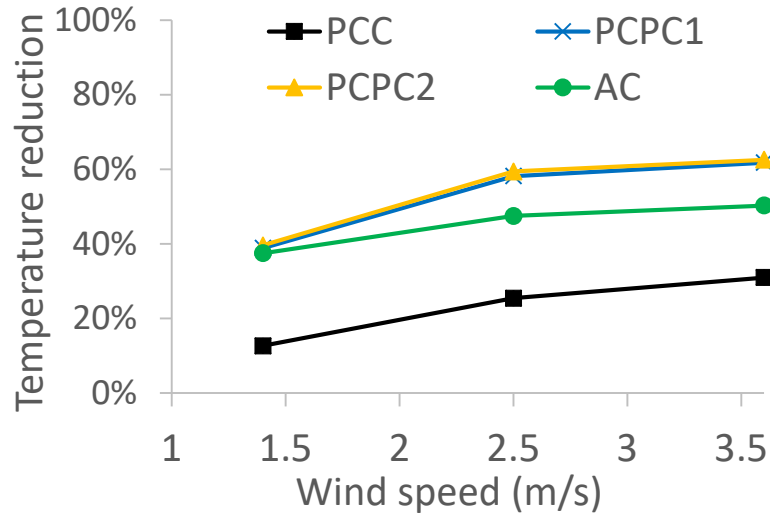
b) Ambient air temperature



c) Ambient concrete block temperature



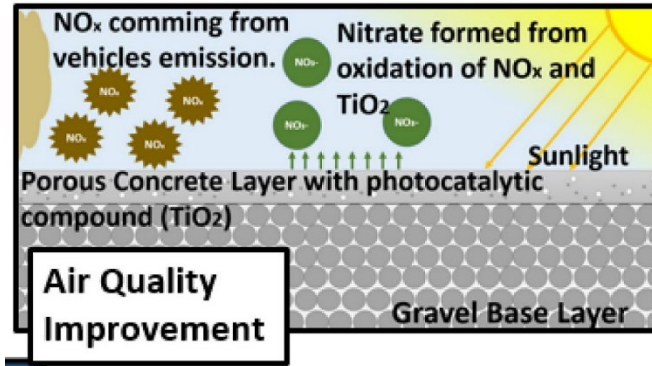
# Temperature response under windy conditions



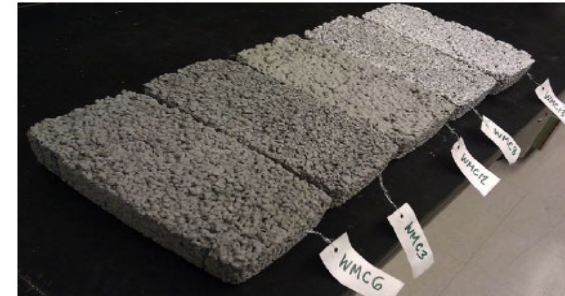
temperature reduction

- **In summary**, compared with PCC, AC pavement, PCPC has
  - lower surface temperature,
  - less thermal impact to ambient environment,
  - better cooling effect under windy conditions.

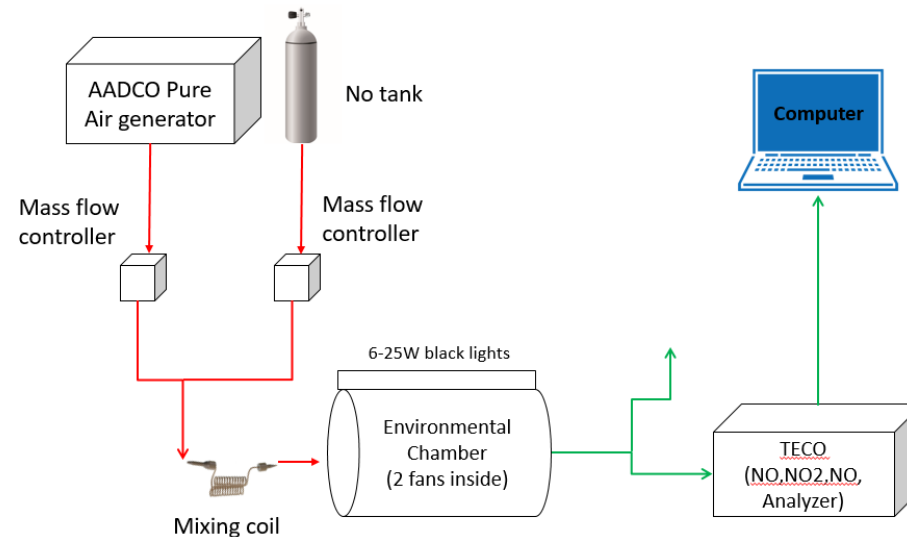
# Function 4: Air scrubbing with Photocatalytic TiO<sub>2</sub>



Mechanism

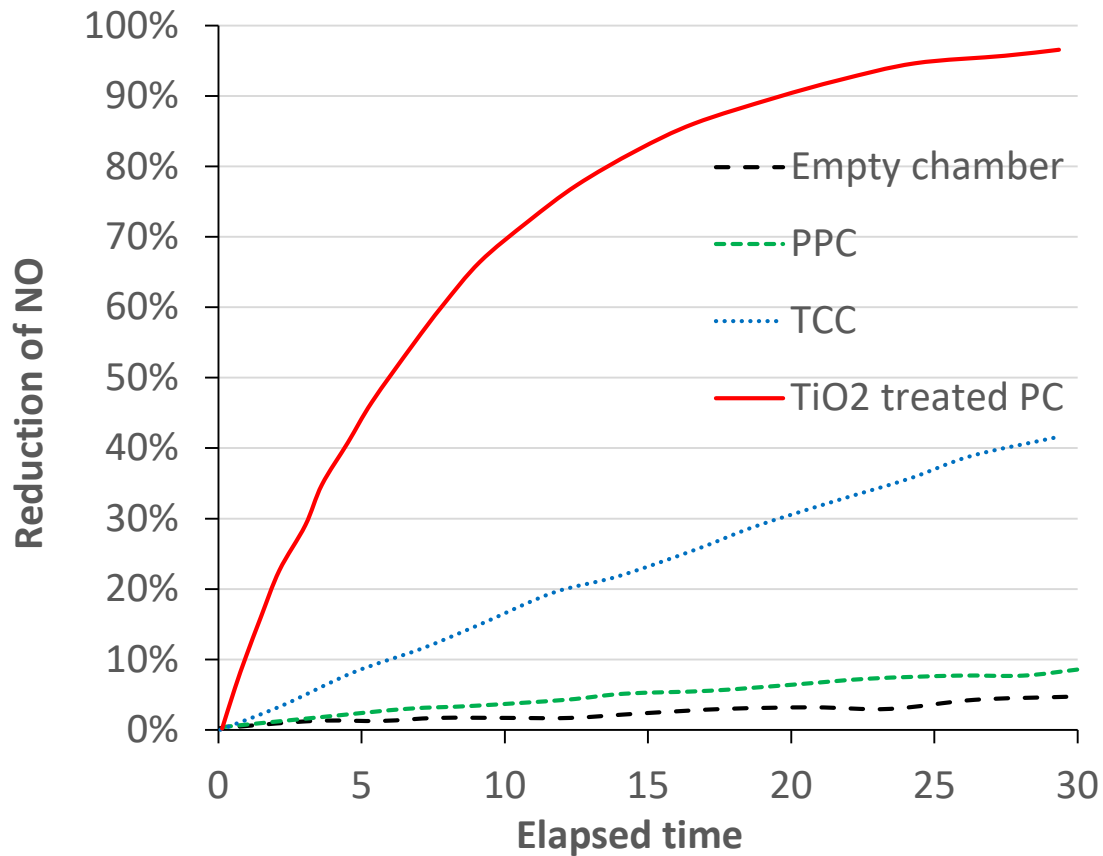


Specimens for testing



Environmental chamber set-up

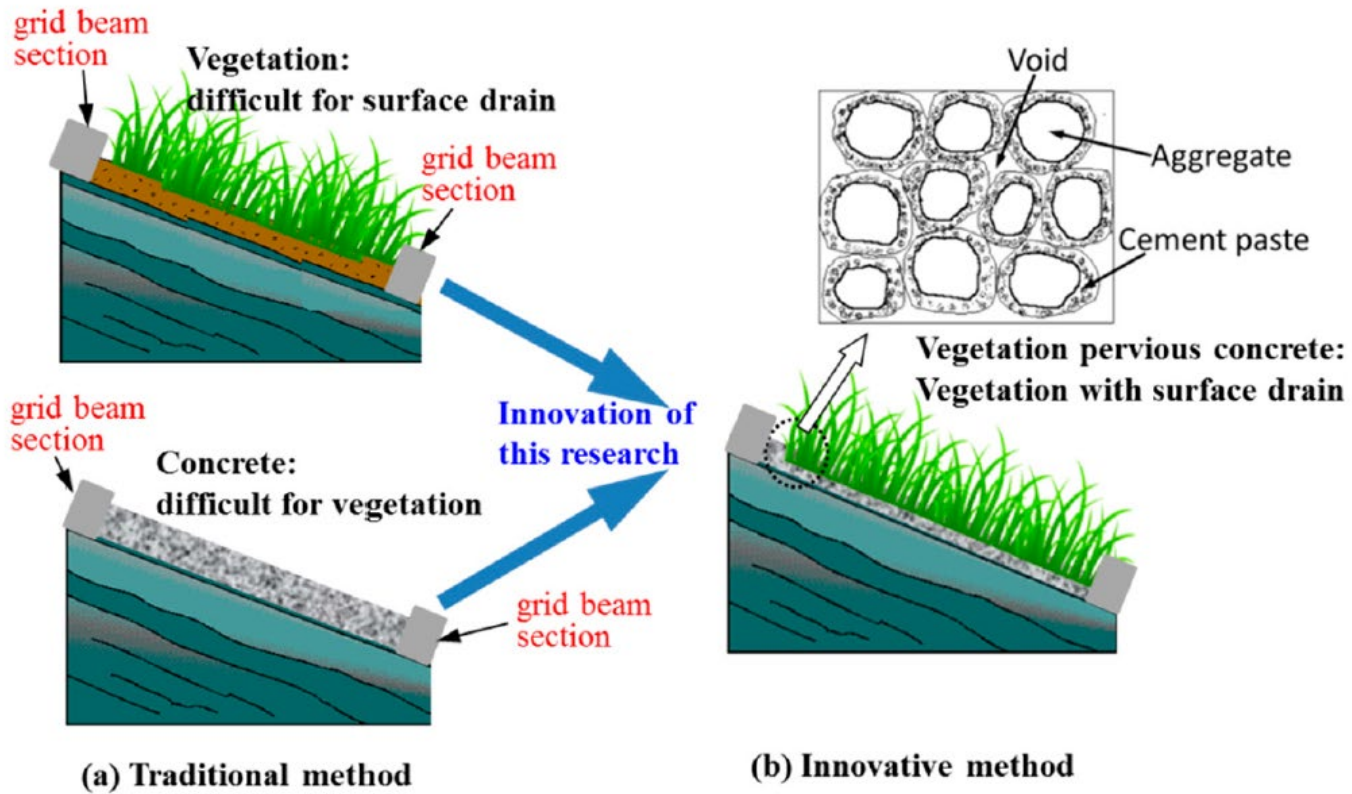
# Reduction of NO



PPC = plain pervious concrete with no  $\text{TiO}_2$

TCC =  $\text{TiO}_2$  treated traditional concrete

# Function 5: Vegetation-growing



# Vegetation-growing pervious concrete



(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)



3.6 % admixture for  
reducing cement  
alkaline is added

Vegetation growth after seeding a) 1 week,  
b) 2 weeks, c) 3 weeks, d) 4 weeks



# Summary and future studies

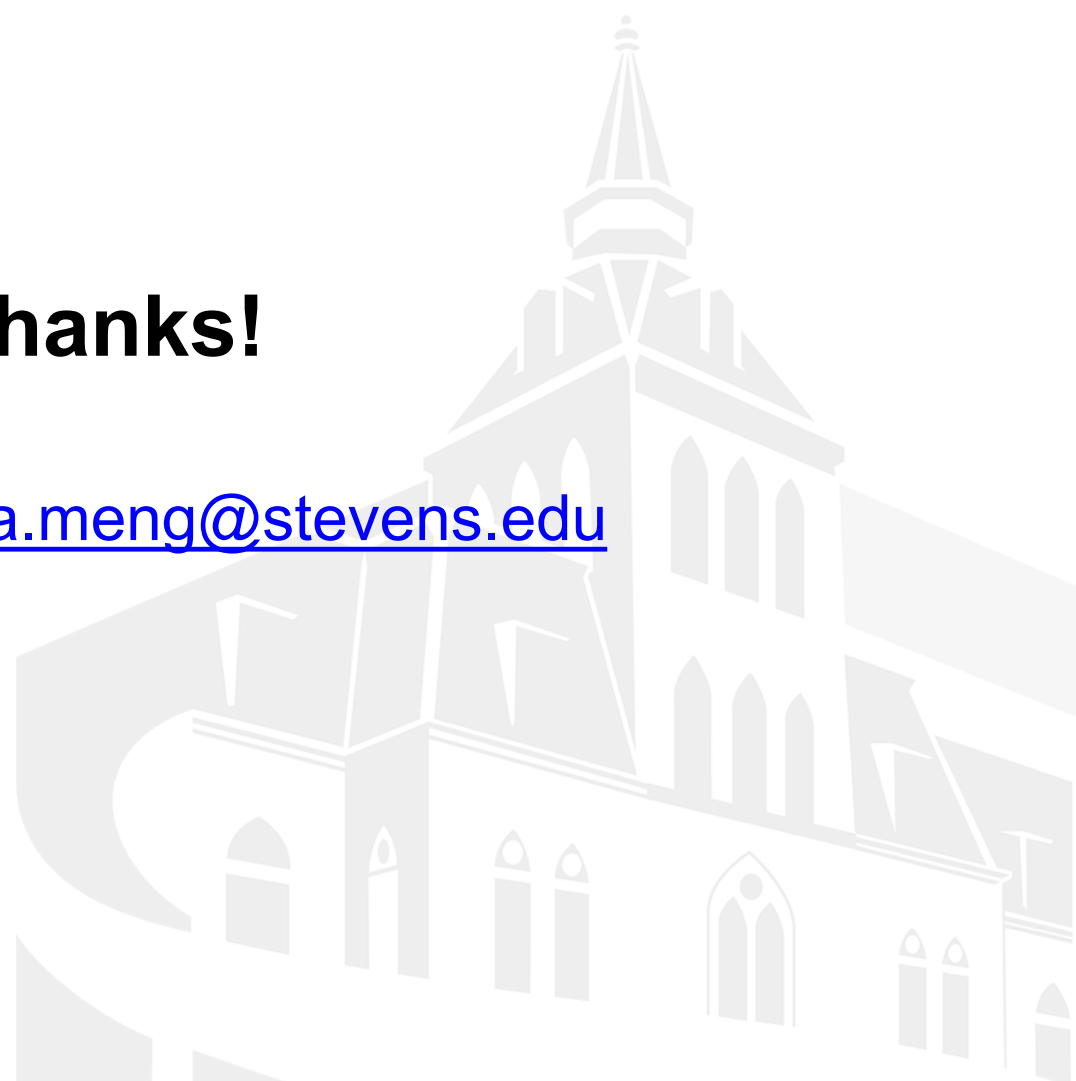
- Compared with the traditional pavement, pervious concrete pavement has
  - good permeability
  - considerable sound absorption property
  - more friendly thermal behavior to environment
  - air scrubbing capability if treated with Photocatalytic TiO<sub>2</sub>
  - potential in growing vegetation
- Future studies will focus on:
  - how to improve strength and durability of pervious concrete?
  - How to deal with the clogging problem of pervious concrete?
  - how evaporation influence the cooling effect of PC pavement?

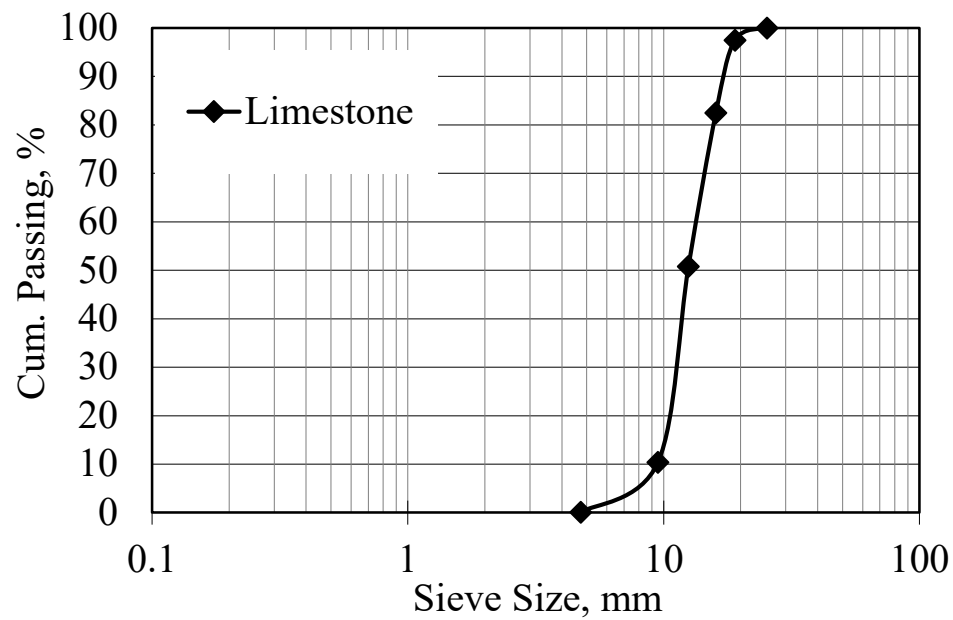


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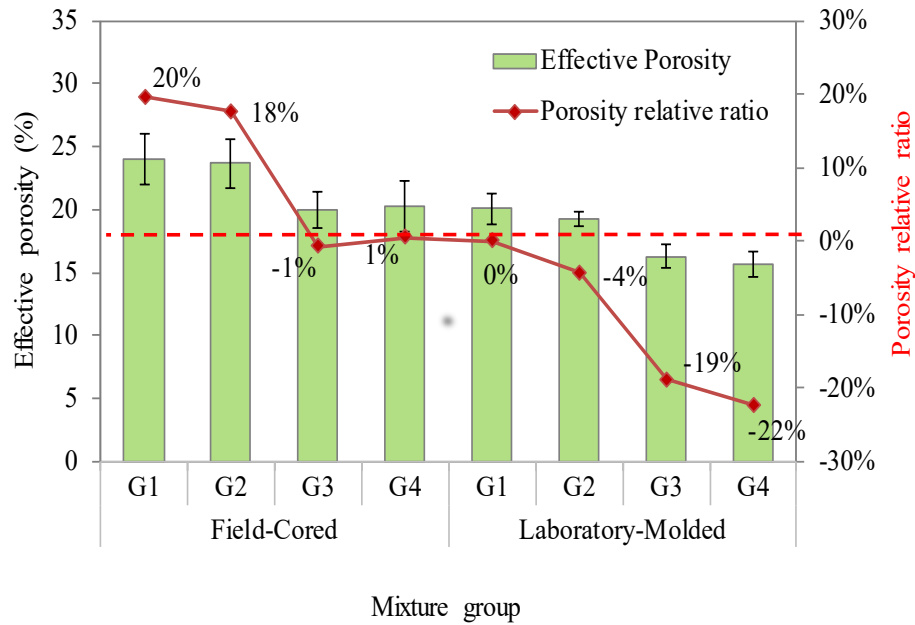
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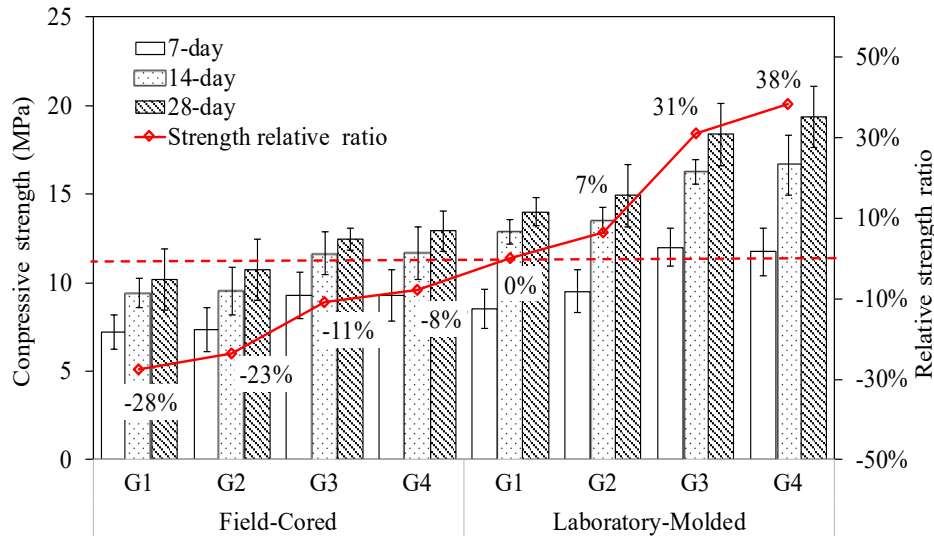




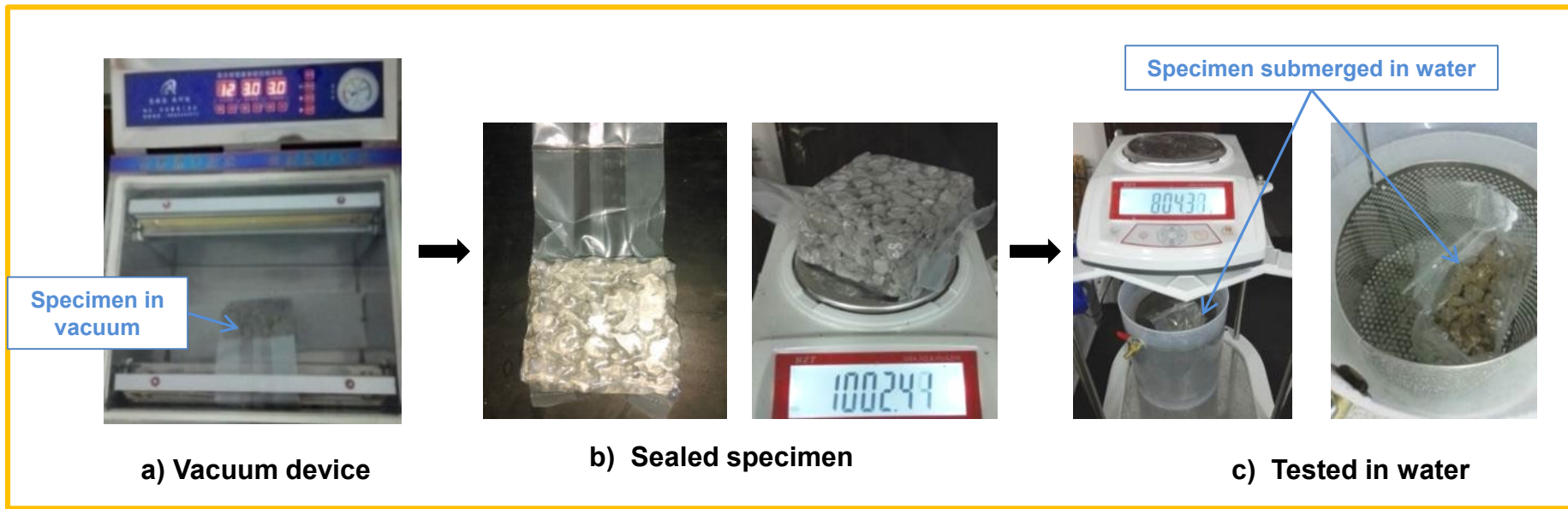




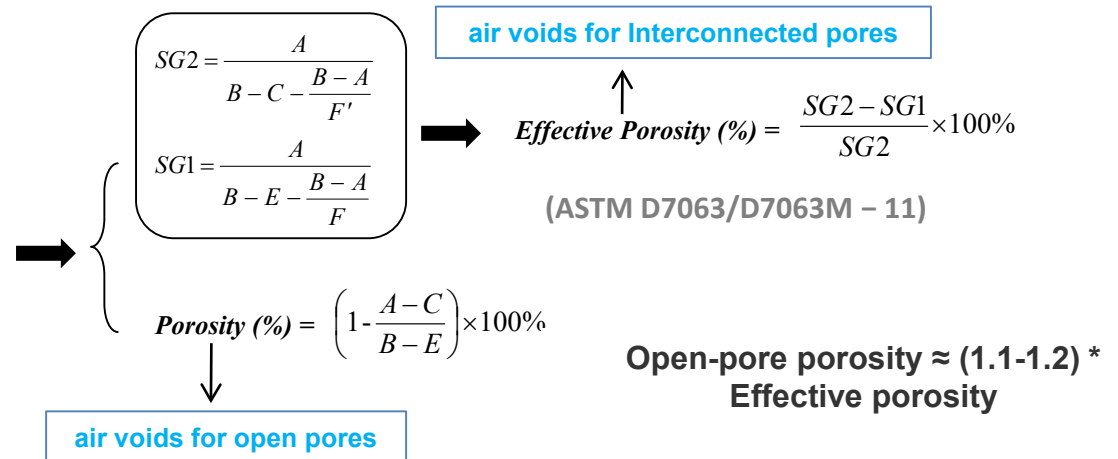
- ◆- G1-Molded (Control)
- ◇- G1-Cored (Control)
- G2-Molded (AEA)
- G2-Cored (AEA)
- ▲•• G3-Molded (EVA)
- △•• G3-Cored (EVA)
- G4-Molded (EVA+Fiber)
- G4-Cored (EVA+Fiber)



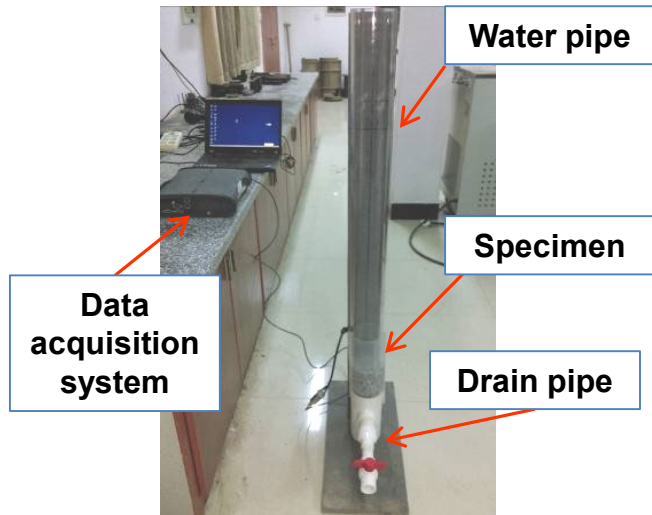
# Porosity test: Vacuum-submersion method



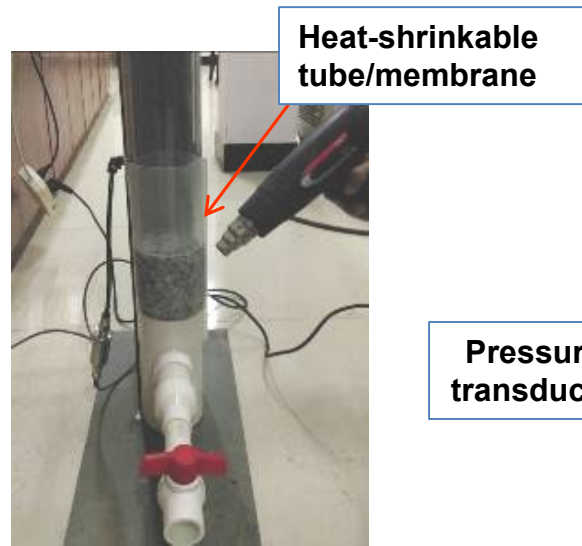
$SG1$  = Bulk Specific Gravity ;  
 $SG2$  = Apparent Specific Gravity ;  
 $A$  = mass of dry specimen in air ;  
 $B$  = mass of dry and sealed specimen;  
 $C$  = mass of unsealed specimen underwater;  
 $E$  = mass of sealed specimen underwater;  
 $F$  = apparent specific gravity of plastic sealing material when sealed;  
 $F'$  = apparent specific gravity of plastic sealing material when opened under water.



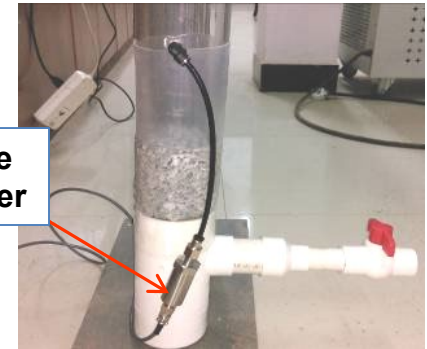
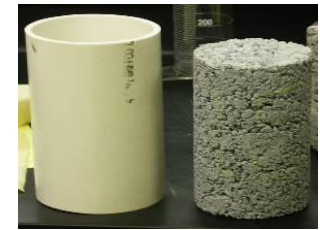
# Permeability test: Falling head method



a) test setup



b) Specimen installation



c) side view

**General permeability for laboratory tests**

$$h = a_0 + a_1 t + a_2 t^2$$

$$\frac{dh}{dt} = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 t$$

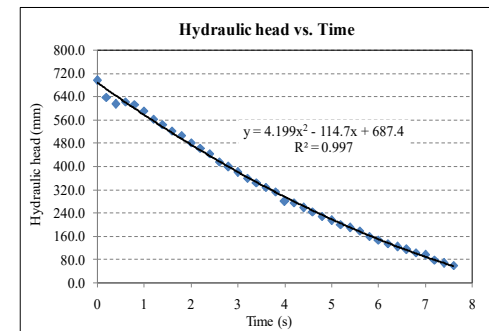
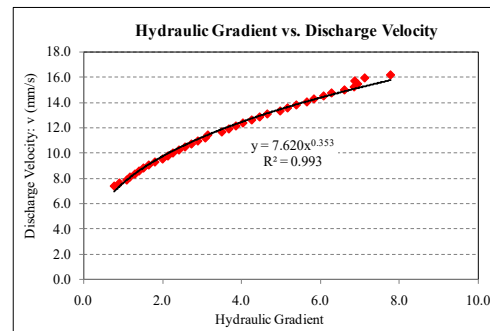
$$i = \frac{\Delta h}{l}$$

$$v = \frac{dQ}{A_2 dt} = \frac{A_1}{A_2} \frac{dh}{dt} = \frac{r_1^2}{r_2^2} \frac{dh}{dt}$$

$$v = K' \cdot i^m$$

$$k = \frac{r_1^2}{r_2^2} \cdot \frac{l}{t} \ln(h_1/h_2)$$

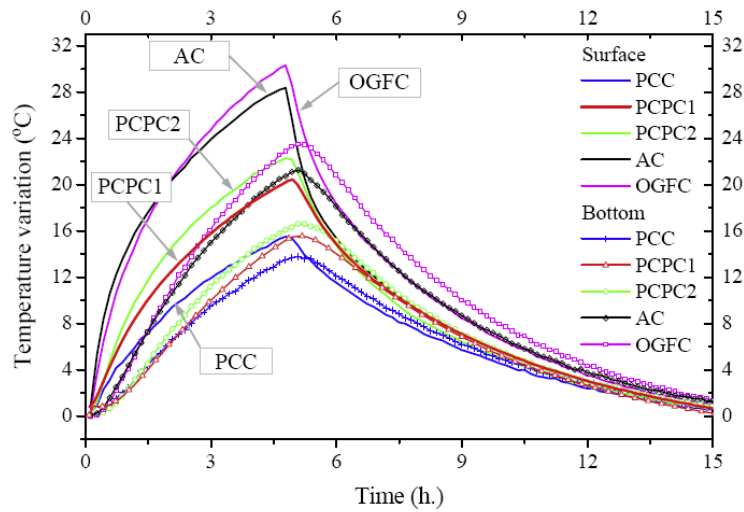
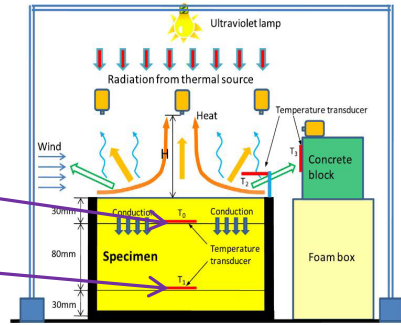
**permeability for field tests**



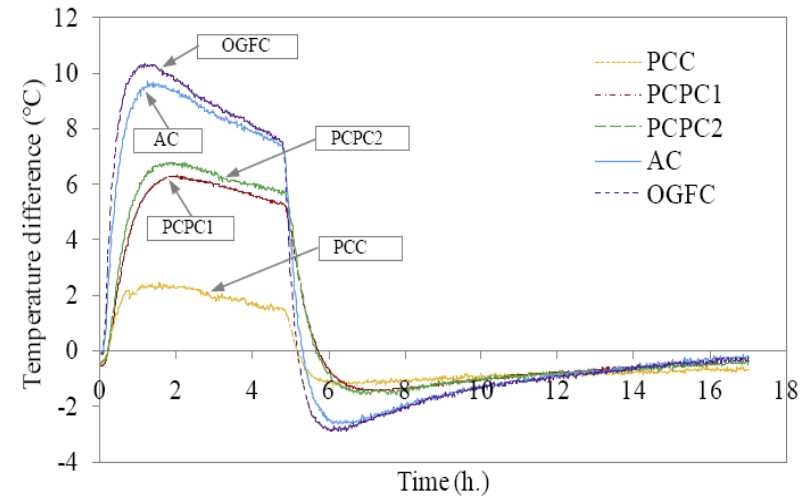
# Thermal behaviors of specimens

Surface temperature

Bottom temperature



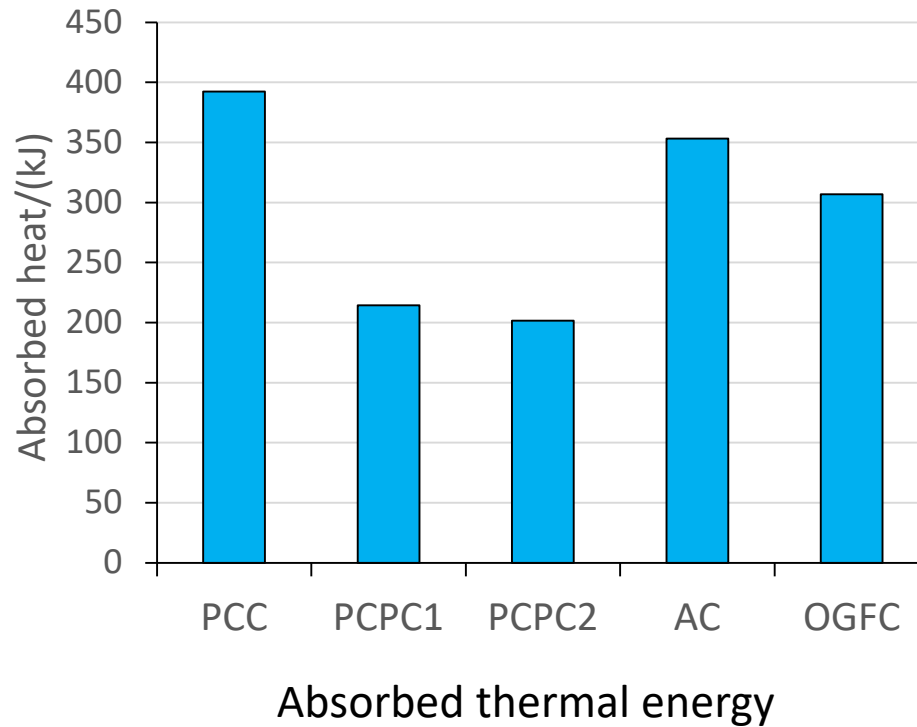
Surface and bottom temperature variations



Temperature difference

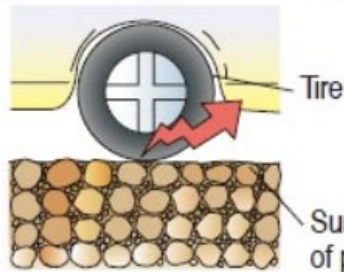
**Specific heat capacity of pavement materials at 30 °C, unit: J/(kg·°C)**

Materials	Water	Cement	Coarse	River	PCC	PCPC1	PCPC2	AC	OGFC
			Aggregate	Sand					
Specific heat capacity	4175	838	745	757	1025	916	904	793	790



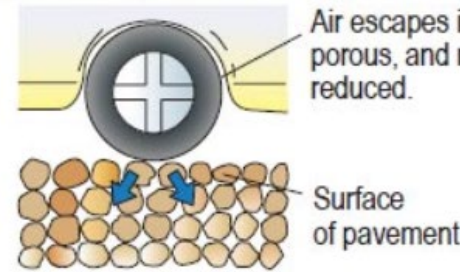
# Traffic noise reduction: mechanisms

[Ordinary pavement]

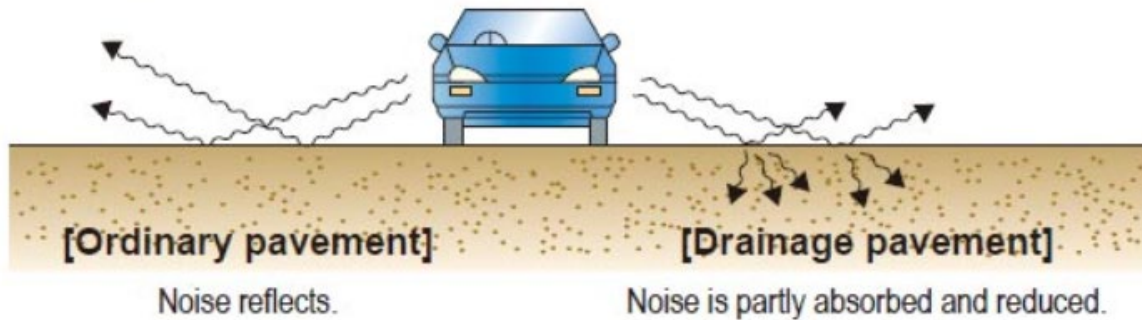


Air is trapped between tire and pavement surface and produces noise.

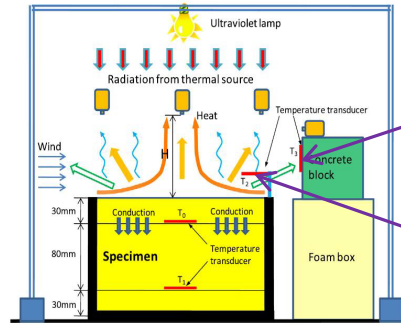
[Drainage pavement]



Air escapes into porous, and noise is reduced.

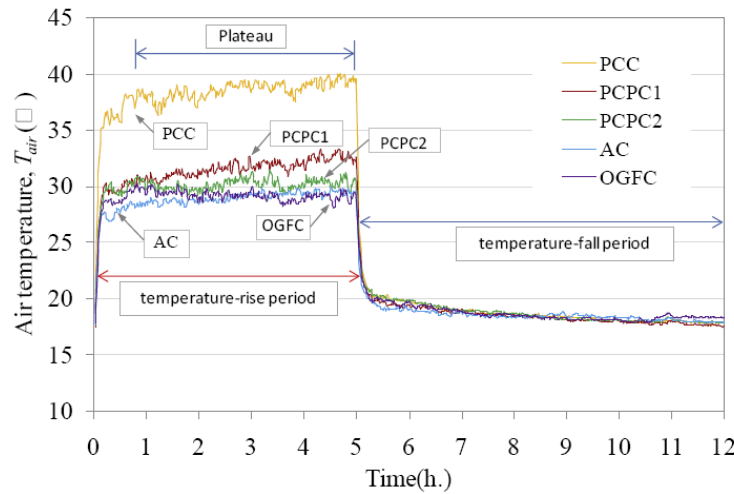


# Thermal impacts on ambient environment

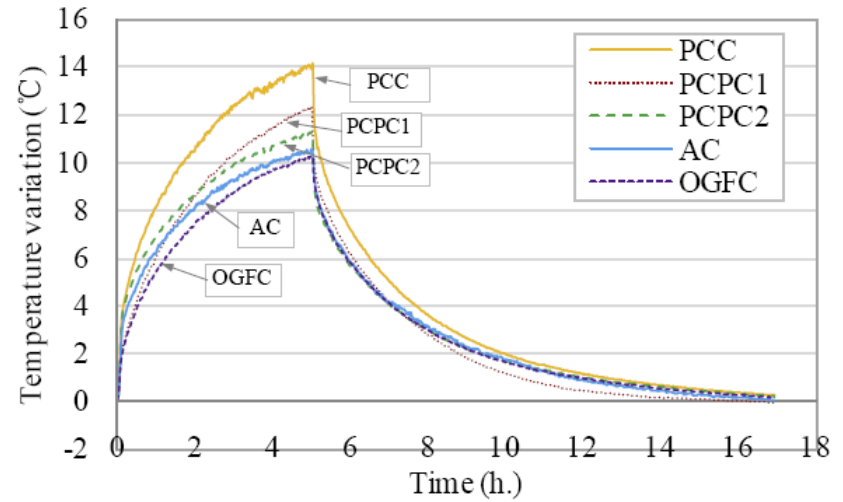


Ambient concrete block temperature

Ambient air temperature



Air temperature above specimens



Temperature variation on sideward concrete