

Proxxima™

**Proxxima™ thermoset polyolefins
for GFRP bars**

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Materia, Inc. joins the ExxonMobil family



Materia™ brings:

- Technology company emanating from Caltech
- Advanced thermoset resin technology based on Grubbs catalyst
- Proven application base

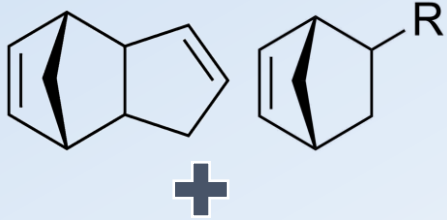
ExxonMobil brings:

- Global marketing capability
- Capital to invest in scaling a business
- Access to feedstocks

... a love and heritage in all things polyolefin

Proxima™ resin systems

CYCLIC OLEFIN RESINS

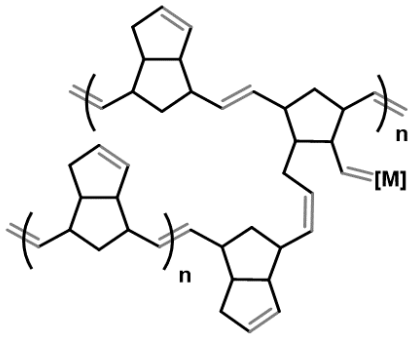


GRUBBS CATALYST



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THERMOSET POLYOLEFINS



Fast processing
Tunable snap-cure
Ultra-low viscosity

Durable

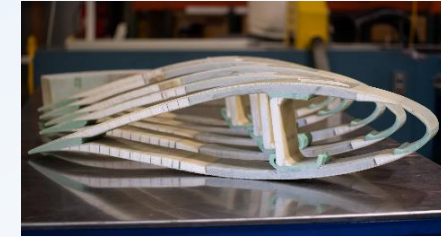
Ultra tough
Chemical resistant
Water resistant

Sustainability Benefits

Enables re-thinking of manufacturing process



Rebar



Wind



Coatings

Corrosion resistance in harsh environments



Chlor-alkali cell tops



Subsea insulation & CUI coatings

Ultra tough



Ballistics panel



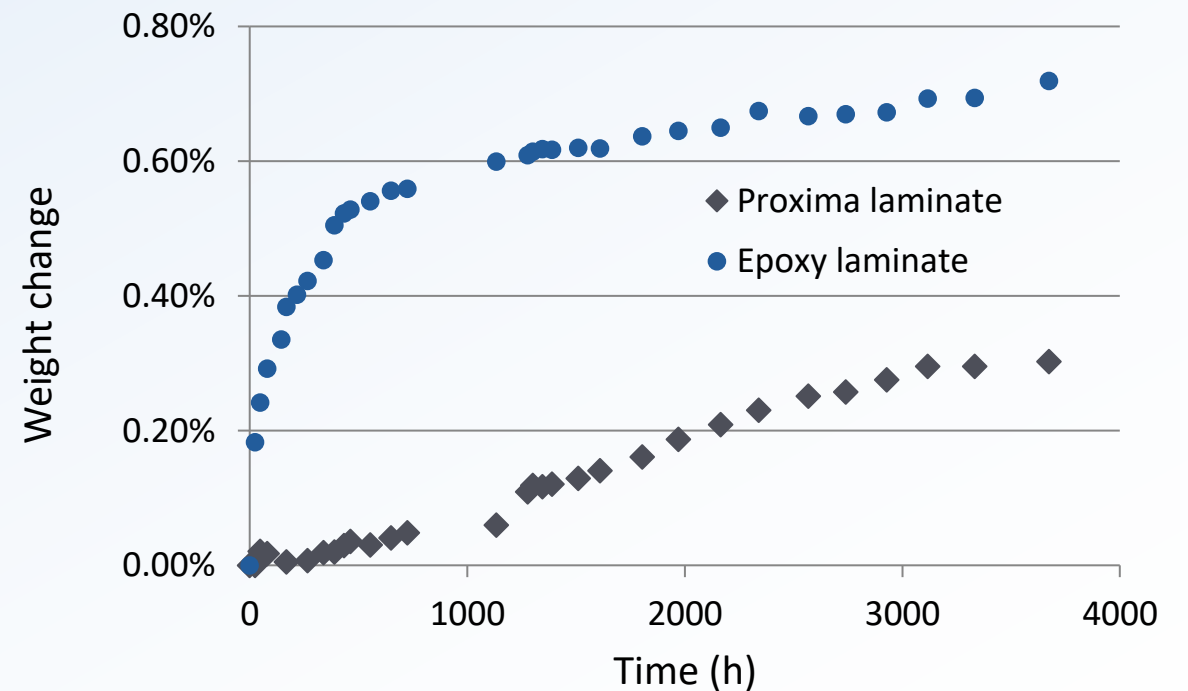
Downhole tools

Water resistance vs. epoxy



Proxima™ resin selected as insulation material for high temperature subsea pipeline applications

Proxima™ polymers exhibit low water uptake with strong hot/wet performance¹



¹Hu, Y.; Li, X.; Lang, A.W.; Zhang, Y.; Nutt, S.R. Water immersion aging of polydicyclopentadiene resin and glass fiber composites. *Polymer Degradation and Stability* 2016, 124, 35-42.

Chemical resistance

Proxima™ polymers have excellent chemical and corrosion resistance

| Chemical | Temperature | 12 Month |
|---------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Sulfuric Acid (50%) | 60 °C | Pass |
| Sodium Hypochlorite (15%) | 60 °C | Pass |
| Chlorine Dioxide (3 g/L) | 60 °C | Pass |
| Phosphoric Acid (70%) | 90 °C | Pass |
| Sodium Hydroxide (50%) | 90 °C | Pass |
| Hydrochloric Acid (30%) | 90 °C | Pass |
| Propylene Glycol | 90 °C | Pass |

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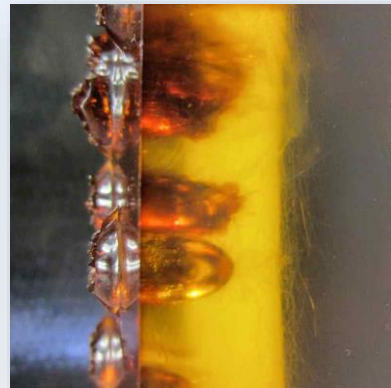
Polymer performance
Test method: ASTM C581-15
Pass: <5% decrease in properties



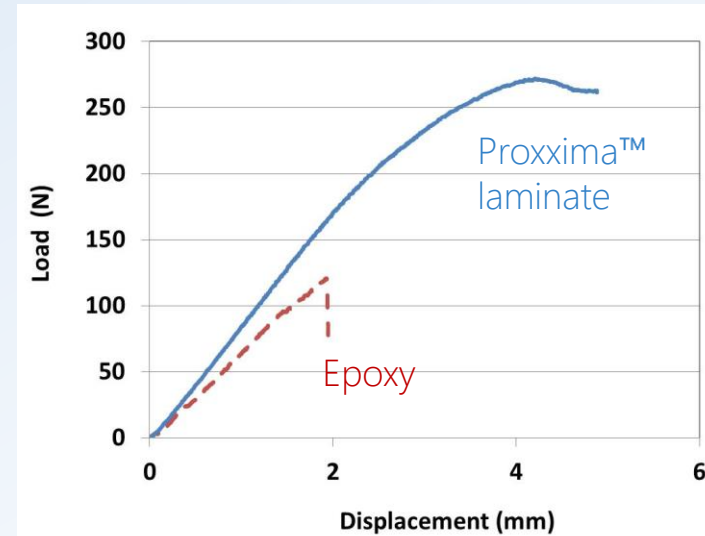
Proxima™ cell tops provide 9+ year service life in caustic environment of chlor-alkali electrolysis

Toughness vs. epoxy

~5x better crack resistance + ductile failure mode
~50% smaller impact zone
Enables wider manufacturing tolerances



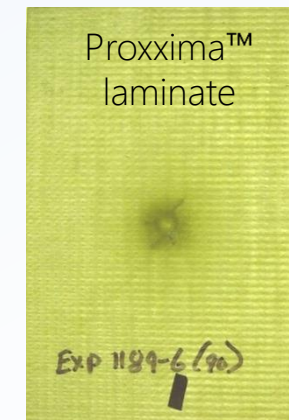
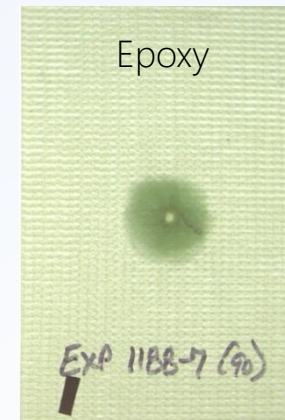
Proxima™ polymer absorbing 9mm projectile



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Crack Resistance
via G1c

ASTM D5528
Data treatment per Reeder and
Crews (NASA)

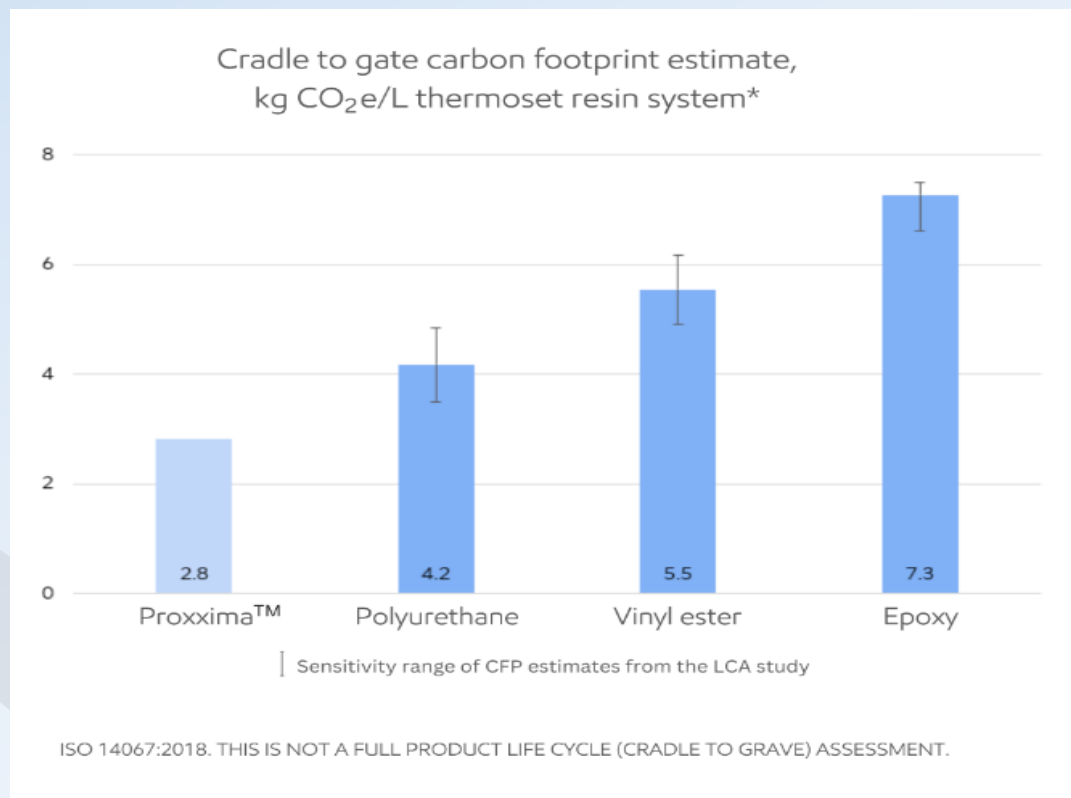


Impact Strength via
Falling Weight Impact

Tested by Delsen Testing
Laboratories per ASTM D7136-07

Cradle to gate carbon footprint estimate*

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Proxima™ resin system has a carbon footprint of product (CFP) estimate ~60% lower than comparable epoxy resin**

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*Source: Comparative Carbon Footprint of Product - ExxonMobil's Proxima™ Resin System to Alternative Resin Systems, June 2023, prepared by Sphera Solutions, Inc. for ExxonMobil Technology and Engineering Company. The study was confirmed to be conducted according to and in compliance with ISO 14067:2018 (Greenhouse gases - Carbon footprint of products - Requirements and guidelines for quantification) by an independent third party critical review panel.

**All resins assessed in this Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) study were of the type used in molding applications. Specifically, the epoxy resin system was of the type used in VARTM wind blade production. The resin systems are representative of formulated resin systems and include any required curing hardeners or catalysts. Sensitivity ranges of CFP estimates from the LCA study for polyurethane, vinyl ester, and epoxy systems are based on literature review and data from Sphera Solutions, Inc.

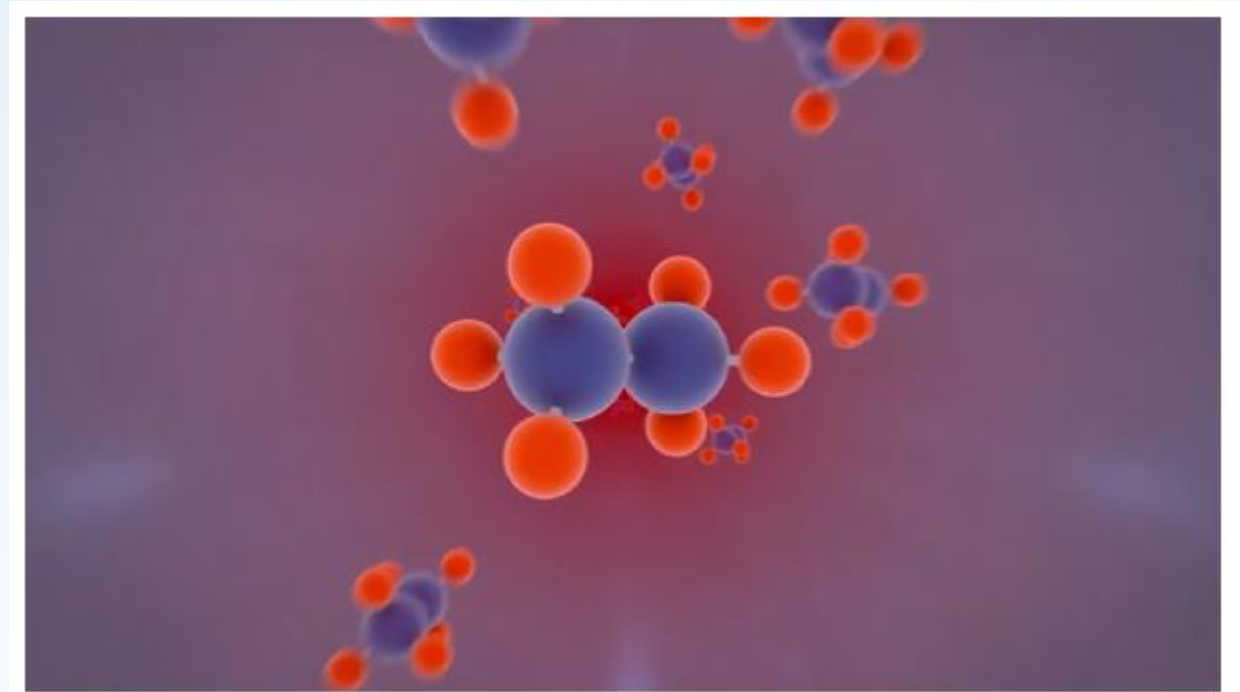
For additional information, please refer to the LCA study summary here.



Advancing plastics circularity

Proxima™ polymer & infusion mixed plastic scrap are being evaluated for their compatibility with Exxtend™ technology for advanced recycling.

ExxonMobil has ambitions for up to 500kta of additional advanced recycling capacity to be added by year-end 2026 across multiple sites globally.



GatorBar® FRP rebar w/ Proxxima™ resins



GatorBar®
Rebar
at ExxonMobil

Low-cost rebar

Proprietary innovative manufacturing process
Line speed over 75 m/min (250 ft/min)
Meets US building code standard (ICC-ES AC 454 certification)

Low-risk opportunities to discover constructability and sustainability benefits

Lightweight + corrosion resistance offer constructability & sustainability
Lower cost enables low-risk non-structural flatwork applications

Scalability



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Test methods

Test Methods

- G₁C – ASTM D5528
- Falling Weight Impact – ASTM D7136-07
- Water uptake¹
- Chemical Resistance – ASTM C581-15

¹Test method used by Steve Nutt et al. in: Hu, Y.; Li, X.; Lang, A.W.; Zhang, Y.; Nutt, S.R. Water immersion aging of polydicyclopentadiene resin and glass fiber composites. Polymer Degradation and Stability 2016, 124, 35-42

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FOURTH INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON FRP BARS FOR CONCRETE STRUCTURES

“Advances in concrete reinforcement”

August 8-9, 2024 - Toronto, Ontario

Unanswered Questions About GFRP Bars

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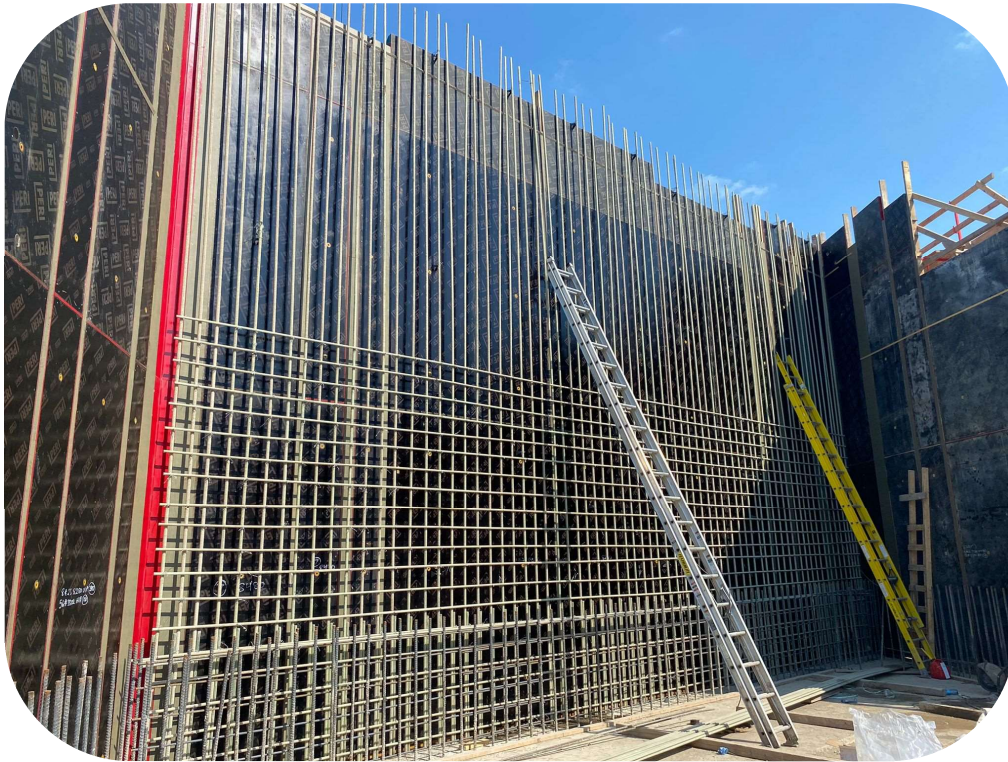
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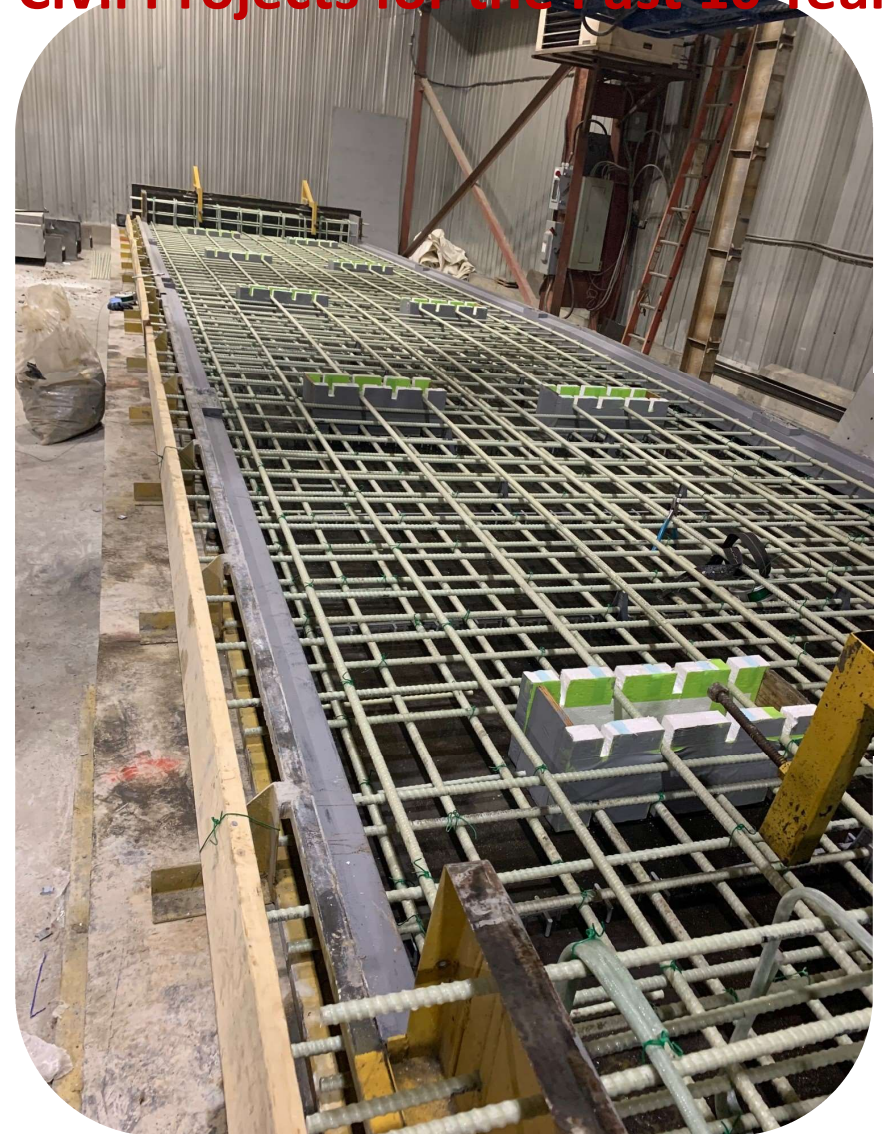
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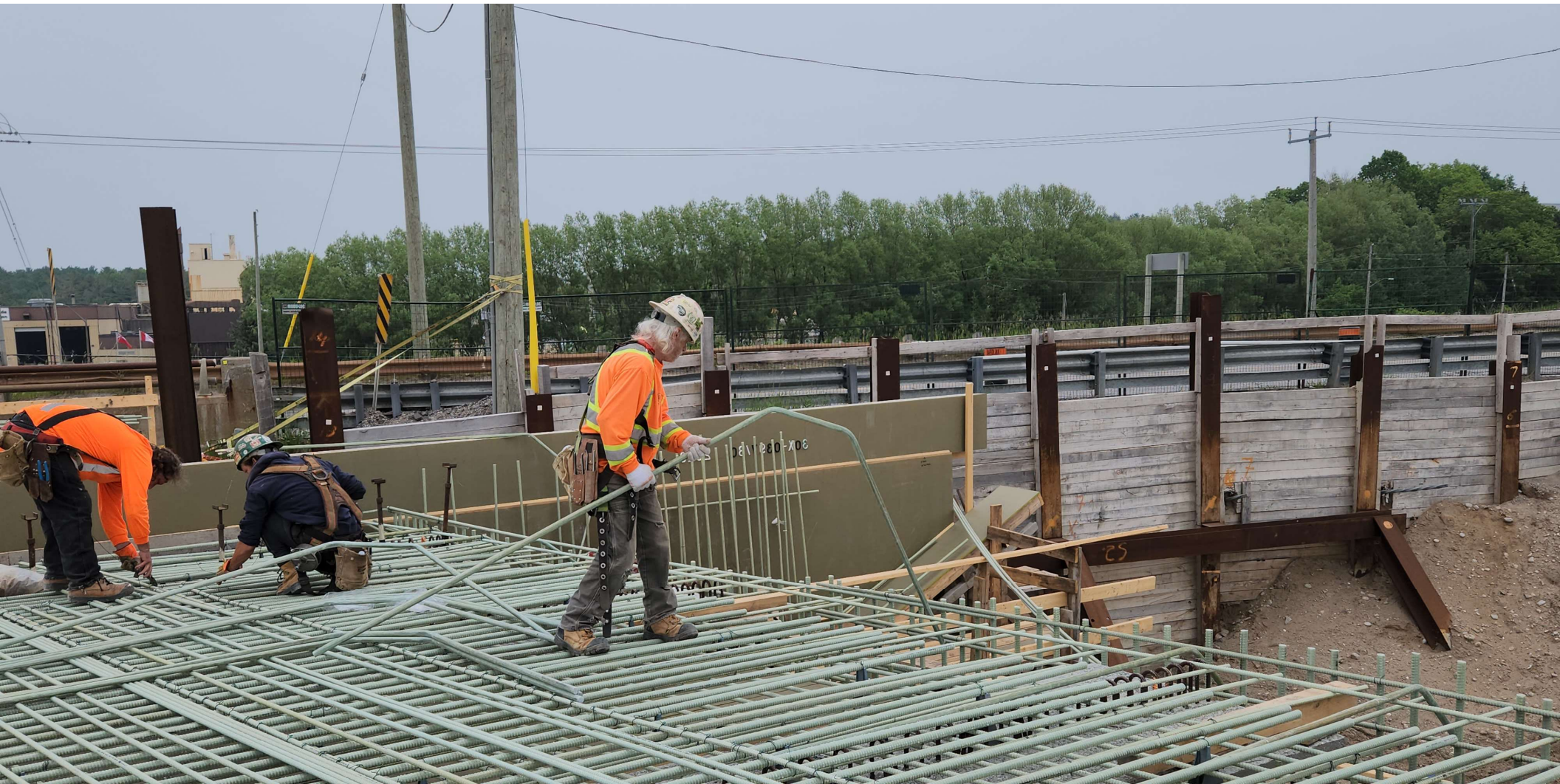
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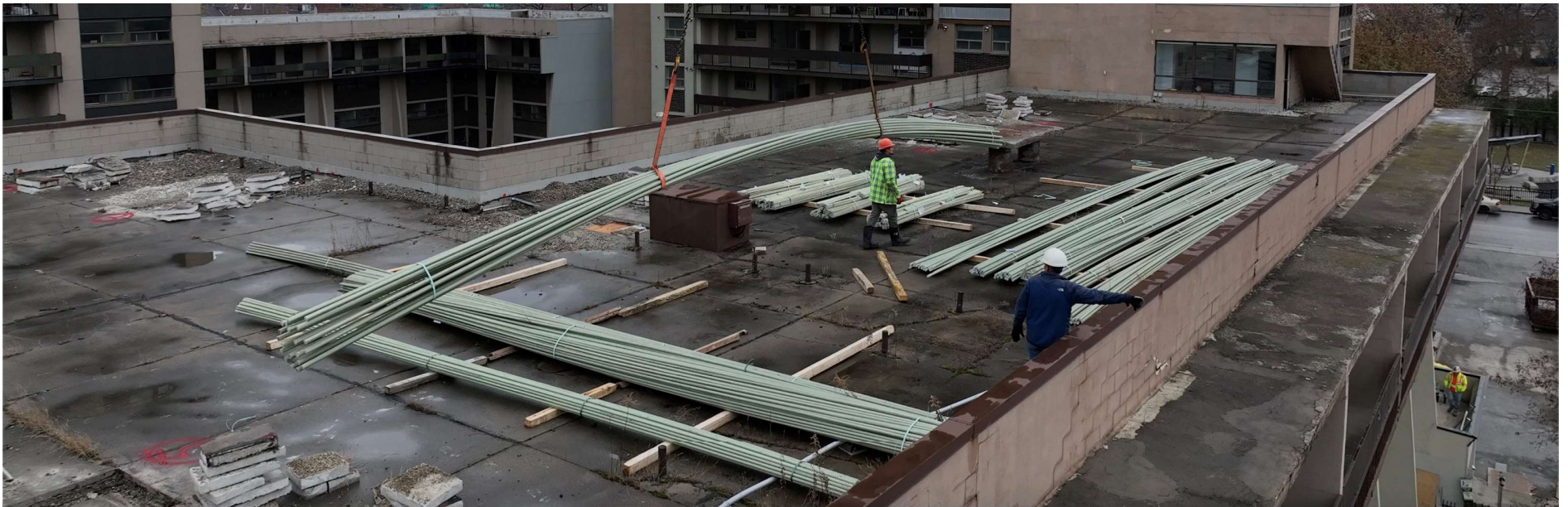
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Alkali Resistance in High pH Solution with and without Load

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Certification of MSTBAR Glass Fibre-Reinforced Polymer (GFRP) Rebars of Size 15 mm (Production Lots No 1, No 2, and No 3): Alkali Resistance in High pH Solution with Load

Technical Report No 35



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Alkali Resistance in High pH solution without Load of MST GFRP Bars of Size No. 4 (13 mm Diameter): (Three Production Lots)

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Alkali Resistance of MST-BAR Glass Fibre-Reinforced Polymer (GFRP) Bars of Size No.3 in High pH Solution without Load: (Three Production Lots)

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Alkali Resistance in High pH Solution with and without Load

Tensile strain of 3000 micro-strain.

Tested part is inside PVC containers
filled with an **alkaline solution** with a
pH of 13

Conditioned in an environmental
chamber at a **temperature of 60°C**
(140°F) for a period of **three months**.



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Alkali Resistance in High pH Solution with and without Load

| Lot # | Specimens | Average Tensile Capacity (MPa) | Tensile Capacity Retention <i>R_{et}</i> | Average Elastic Modulus (GPa) | Elastic Modulus Retention <i>R_{et}</i> |
|-------|-----------------------|---|---|--|--|
| #1 | Reference specimens | 1077 | 89% | 69.0 | 101% |
| | Conditioned specimens | 960 | | 69.5 | |
| #2 | Reference specimens | 1084 | 91% | 69.5 | 100% |
| | Conditioned specimens | 982 | | 69.4 | |
| #3 | Reference specimens | 1067 | 92% | 69.2 | 101% |
| | Conditioned specimens | 981 | | 69.6 | |

#5 with Load

The average strength retention of 91%.

CSA S807 limit = 75%

The average modulus retention of 100%.

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Creep Rupture Strength

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Creep Rupture Strength of MST-BAR (GFRP) Bars Size No. 3 (10 mm) (24 Tests from 3 Production Lots)

Final Report



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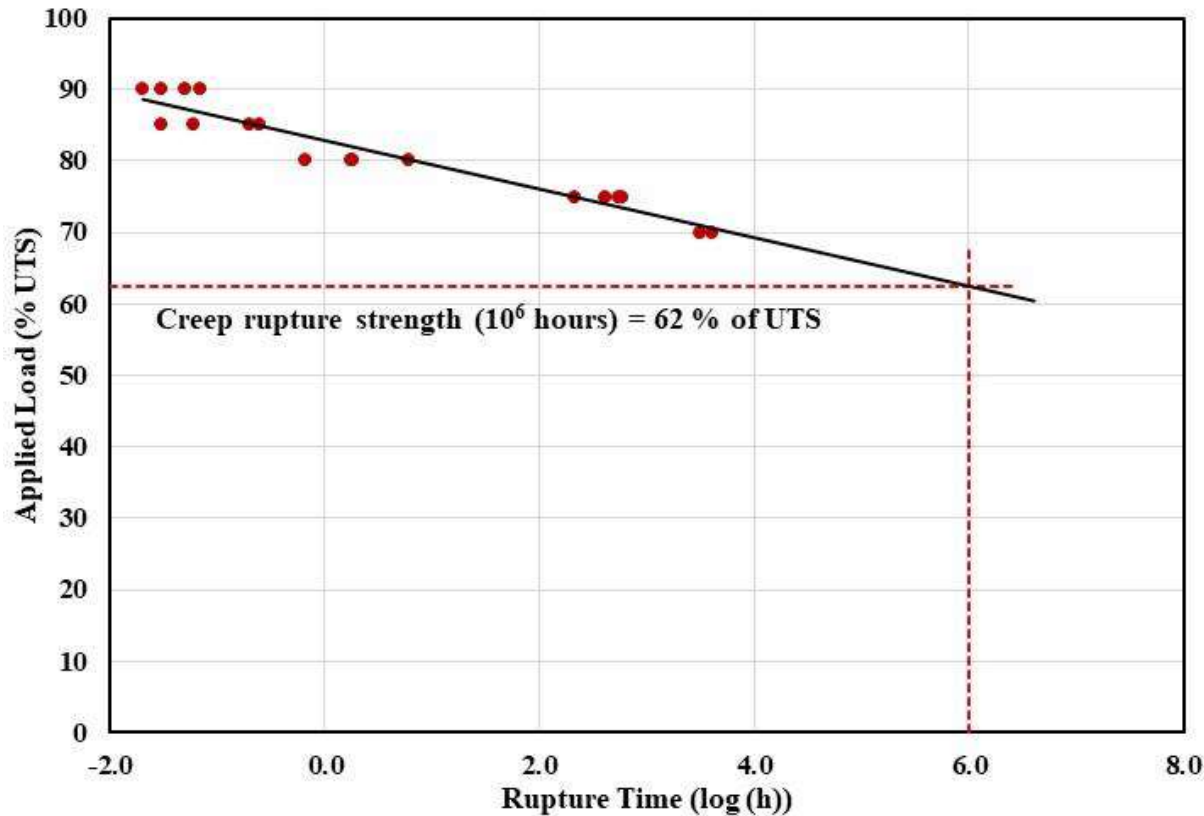
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Creep Rupture Strength



Creep rupture strength, at 1 million hours (114 years), of 62% of Ultimate Tensile Strength.

CSA S807:19 Limit = 35%

ACI 440.11-22 Code Limit = 30%

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Strength of Bent Portion



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Table 2 - Tensile Strength of Bent Portions of MST GFRP Bent Bars #6
(Nominal Area 284 mm²)

| Specimen | Lot # | Maximum load (kN) | Ultimate tensile strength (MPa) |
|----------|-------|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | 1 | 254 | 894 |
| 2 | | 262 | 923 |
| 3 | | 278 | 979 |
| 4 | | 258 | 908 |
| 5 | | 251 | 884 |
| 6 | | 243 | 856 |
| 7 | | 267 | 940 |
| 8 | | 251 | 884 |
| Average | | 258 | 908 |
| SD | | 10.9 | 38.5 |
| COV % | | 4.2 | 4.2 |
| 1 | 2 | 263 | 926 |
| 2 | | 241 | 849 |
| 3 | | 250 | 880 |
| 4 | | 233 | 820 |
| 5 | | 229 | 806 |
| 6 | | 231 | 813 |
| 7 | | 248 | 873 |
| 8 | | 242 | 852 |
| Average | | 242 | 853 |
| SD | | 11.4 | 40.2 |
| COV % | | 4.7 | 4.7 |

132 ksi

124 ksi



Figure 2 – Typical failure of bent portions the tested MST GFRP bent bars of #6

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UV EXPOSURE



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Summary of Test Results of #3 MSTBAR GFRP Bars Exposed to UV Waves

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Reference (UV Protection)



Reference (Non-UV Protection)



1500 hrs (UV Protection)



1500 hrs (Non-UV Protection)



3000 hrs (UV Protection)



3000 hrs (Non-UV Protection)

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Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM)

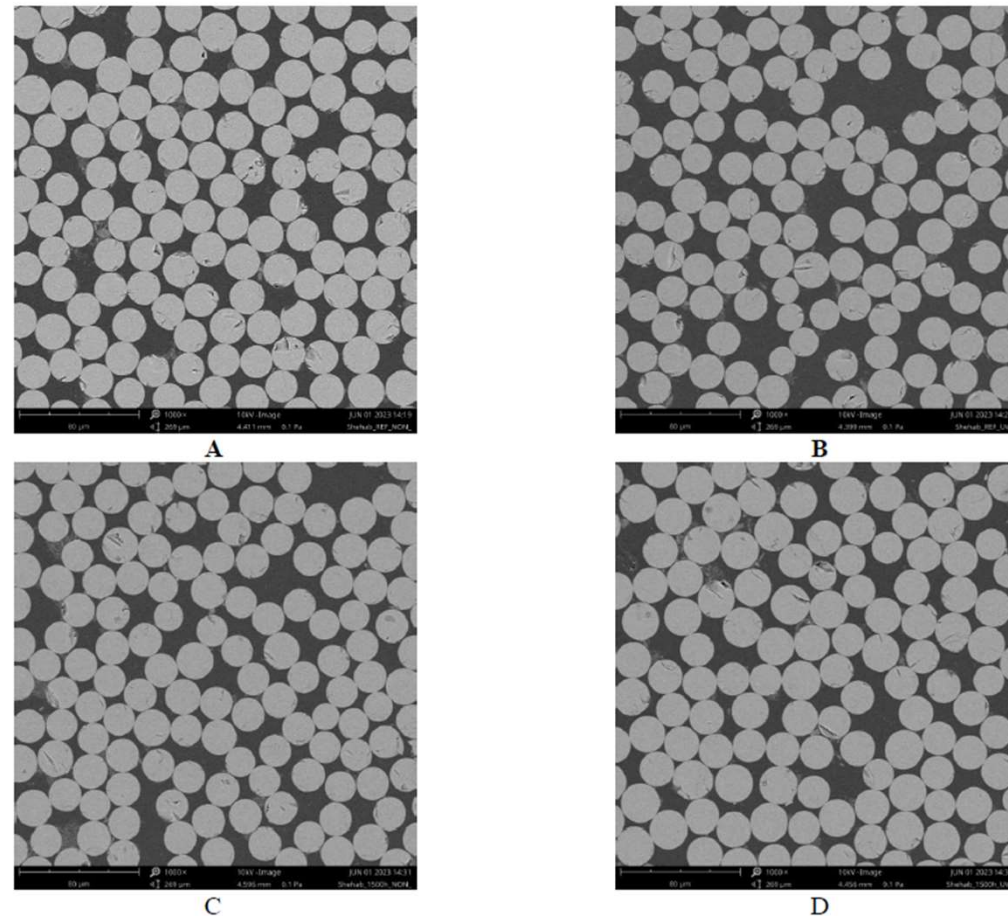


Fig. 3. SEM of bar #3: A: Ref (Non-UV Protection); B: Ref (UV Protection); C: 1500 hrs conditioning (Non-UV Protection); D: 1500 hrs conditioning (UV Protection).

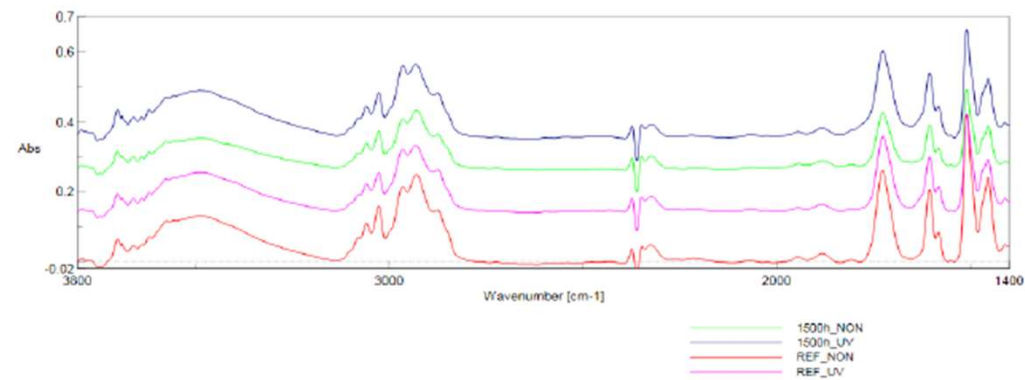


Fig. 2. FTIR spectra of the GFRP specimens.

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UV EXPOSURE

Test results of #3 MSTBAR GFRP bars (Reference bars)

| Specimen | Condition | Maximum load (kN) | Bar Diameter | Inter-laminar shear strength (MPa) |
|----------|-------------------------|-------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 | Ref (UV Protection) | 6.9 | 9.5 | 65.0 |
| 2 | | 6.0 | 9.5 | 56.3 |
| 3 | | 6.6 | 9.5 | 62.0 |
| 4 | | 6.2 | 9.5 | 58.7 |
| 5 | | 6.9 | 9.5 | 65.0 |
| Average | | 6.5 | | 61.4 |
| SD | | 0.4 | | 3.9 |
| COV (%) | | 6.3 | | 6.3 |
| 1 | Ref (Non-UV Protection) | 6.0 | 9.5 | 56.4 |
| 2 | | 6.1 | 9.5 | 57.3 |
| 3 | | 5.8 | 9.5 | 54.9 |
| 4 | | 5.0 | 9.5 | 47.0 |
| 5 | | 6.1 | 9.5 | 57.1 |
| Average | | 5.8 | | 54.6 |
| SD | | 0.5 | | 4.3 |
| COV (%) | | 7.9 | | 7.9 |

Test results of #3 MSTBAR GFRP bars exposed to UV waves for 1500 hrs

| Specimen | Condition | Maximum load (kN) | Bar Diameter | Inter-laminar shear strength (MPa) |
|----------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 | 1500 hr (UV Protection) | 7.3 | 9.5 | 68.3 |
| 2 | | 7.4 | 9.5 | 69.4 |
| 3 | | 7.1 | 9.5 | 66.4 |
| 4 | | 7.3 | 9.5 | 68.9 |
| 5 | | 6.7 | 9.5 | 63.1 |
| Average | | 7.1 | | 67.2 |
| SD | | 0.3 | | 2.6 |
| COV (%) | | 3.8 | | 3.8 |
| 1 | 1500 hr (Non-UV Protection) | 6.2 | 9.5 | 57.9 |
| 2 | | 6.3 | 9.5 | 59.0 |
| 3 | | 6.2 | 9.5 | 57.9 |
| 4 | | 6.6 | 9.5 | 61.7 |
| 5 | | 6.1 | 9.5 | 57.6 |
| Average | | 6.3 | | 58.8 |
| SD | | 0.2 | | 1.7 |
| COV (%) | | 2.9 | | 2.9 |

Interlaminar Shear Strength (MPa)

| With UV Protection | | | W/O UV Protection | | |
|--------------------|----------|----------|-------------------|----------|----------|
| Ref | 1500 hrs | 3000 hrs | Ref | 1500 hrs | 3000 hrs |
| 61.4 | 67.2 | 70.2 | 54.6 | 58.8 | 58.4 |

Approximately 10% increase in interlaminar shear strength

Test results of #3 MSTBAR GFRP bars exposed to UV waves for 3000 hrs

| Specimen | Condition | Maximum load (kN) | Bar Diameter | Inter-laminar shear strength (MPa) |
|----------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 | 3000 hr (UV Protection) | 7.3 | 9.5 | 68.7 |
| 2 | | 7.9 | 9.5 | 74.3 |
| 3 | | 7.6 | 9.5 | 71.5 |
| 4 | | 7.3 | 9.5 | 68.7 |
| 5 | | 7.2 | 9.5 | 67.7 |
| Average | | 7.5 | | 70.2 |
| SD | | 0.3 | | 2.7 |
| COV (%) | | 3.9 | | 3.9 |
| 1 | 3000 hr (Non-UV Protection) | 5.9 | 9.5 | 55.5 |
| 2 | | 6.1 | 9.5 | 57.4 |
| 3 | | 6.2 | 9.5 | 57.9 |
| 4 | | 6.3 | 9.5 | 59.3 |
| 5 | | 6.6 | 9.5 | 62.1 |
| Average | | 6.2 | | 58.4 |
| SD | | 0.3 | | 2.5 |
| COV (%) | | 4.2 | | 4.2 |



Conclusions

UV EXPOSURE

According to the test results, UV conditioning of the #3 MSTBAR GFRP bar samples has no influence/effect on the horizontal shear strengths- results.

Moisture absorption tests showed good behavior of the tested GFRP bars when immersed in water for 24 hrs. The water absorption values were well below the limits provided by CSA S807-19 and ASTM spec.

The mean glass transition temperature was above 100°C for both unconditioned and UV-conditioned GFRP bars, meeting the 100°C limit of CSA S807-19 and ASTM spec.

FTIR analysis confirmed that the GFRP bars had not been chemically degraded by UV conditioning.

The Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM) analysis of unconditioned and conditioned GFRP bars exposed to UV showed that no defects in polymer matrix, fibers, or interfaces were observed.

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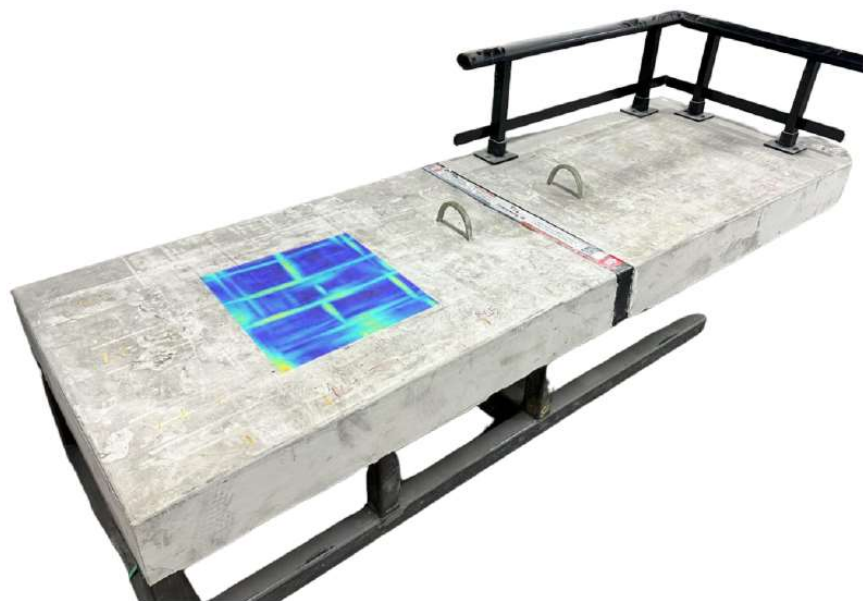
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GPR Scan of GFRP Reinforced Concrete

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GPR Scanning



Figure 3 - GPR Scanning using Conquest 100 System.

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Figure 4 - GPR Scanning using GS8800 system.

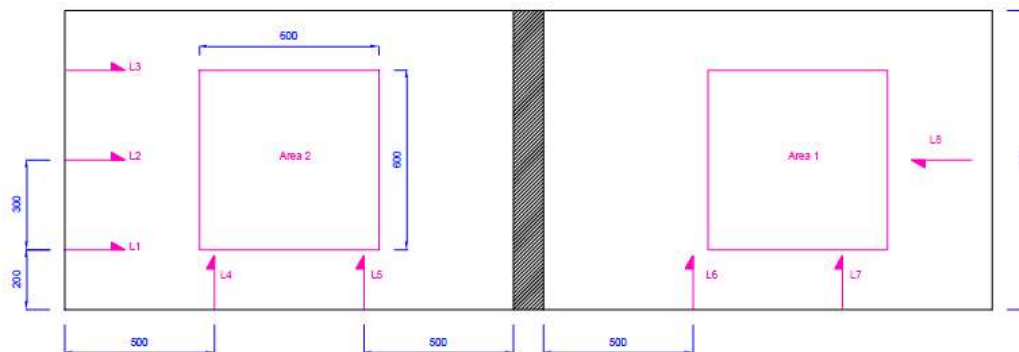


Figure 5 - Approximate location of GPR line and Area Scans.

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GPR Scanning

Table 1 - Key observations from the GPR scans.

| | Conquest 100 by Sensors and Software | | GP8800 by Proceq | |
|----------------------------|---|--------------|---------------------|--------------|
| | Depth (mm) | Spacing (mm) | Depth (mm) | Spacing (mm) |
| Top Transverse Rebars | 90 | 250 | 50 | 250 |
| Top Longitudinal Rebars | 60 | 150 | 50 | 150 |
| Bottom Transverse Rebars | 150 | 250 | 150 | 250 |
| Bottom Longitudinal Rebars | 150 | 250 | 150 | 150 |

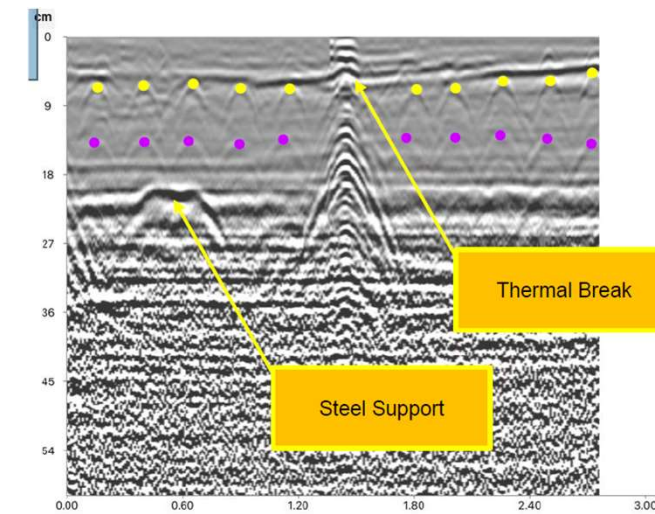


Figure B 1 – Line Scan 1.

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BOND STRENGTH



| Specimen | Failure Load <i>kN</i> | Bond Strength <i>MPa</i> | Failure Mode |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | 113 | 29 | Concrete Splitting |
| 2 | 103 | 26 | Concrete Splitting |
| 3 | 105 | 26 | Concrete Splitting |
| 4 | 106 | 27 | Test Stopped |
| 5 | 105 | 26 | Test Stopped |
| Average | 106.5 | 27 | |
| Standard Deviation | 3.93 | 1.0 | |
| Coefficient of Variation (%) | 3.7 | 3.7 | |



CSA S807:19 Limit = 10 MPa (1450 PSI)

ASTM D7957 Limit= 9MPa (1300 PSI)

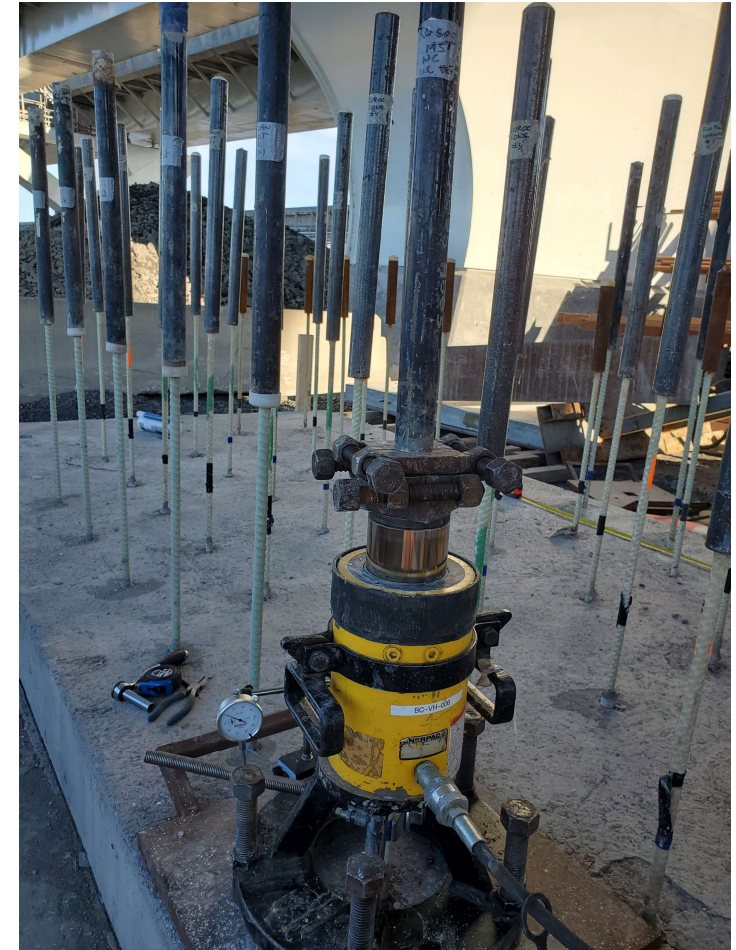
Failure Load #5 MST: 23.8 Kips (Concrete Splitting)

**Yield strength of Steel #5 Grade 60: 60 KSI x 0.31in²
= 18.6 Kips**

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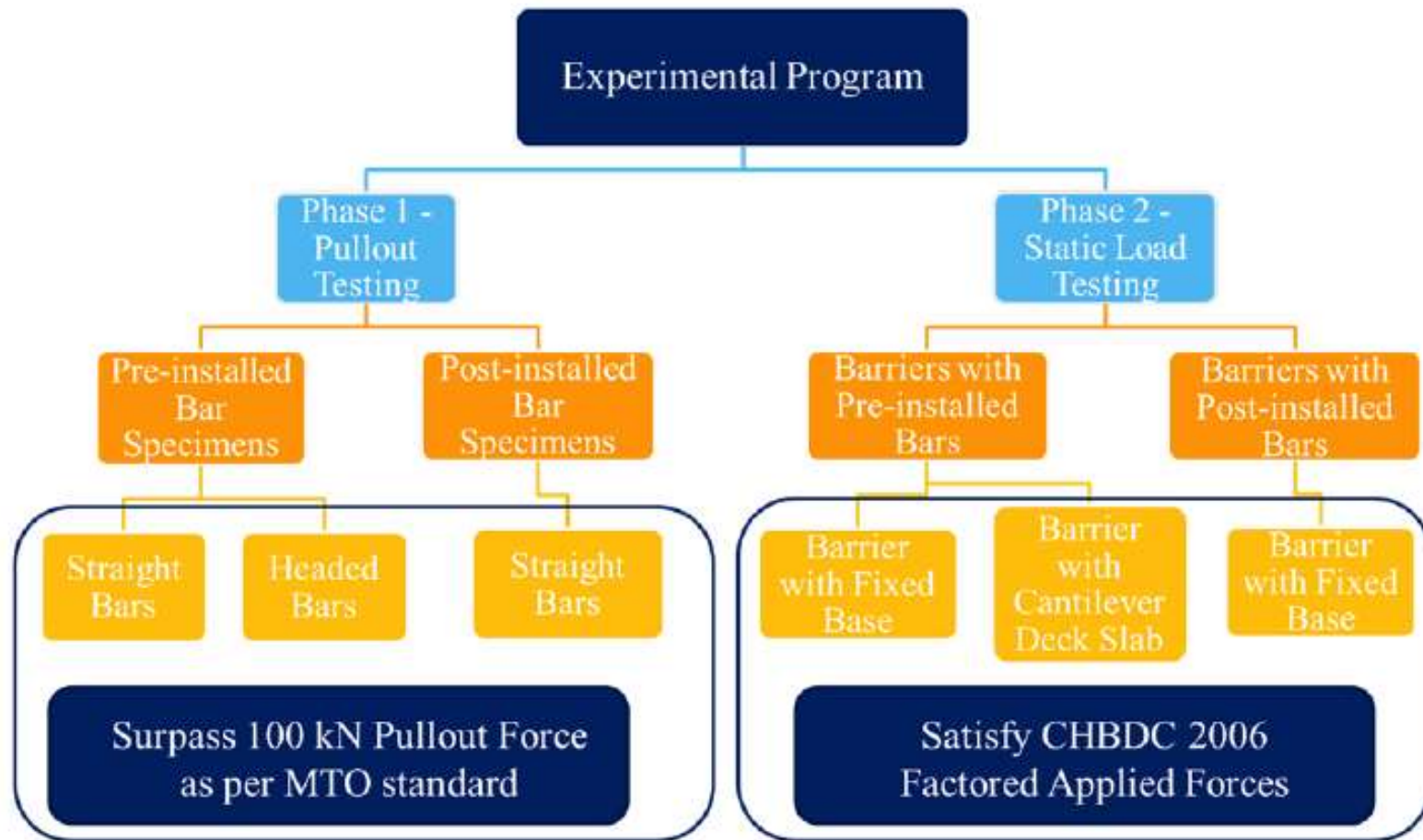
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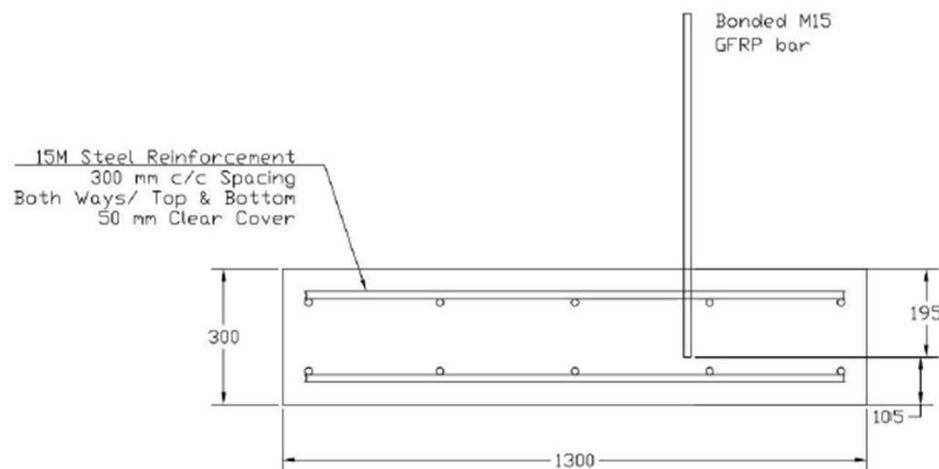


Figure 3.6: Group 1 - Straight fully-bonded GFRP bar in concrete

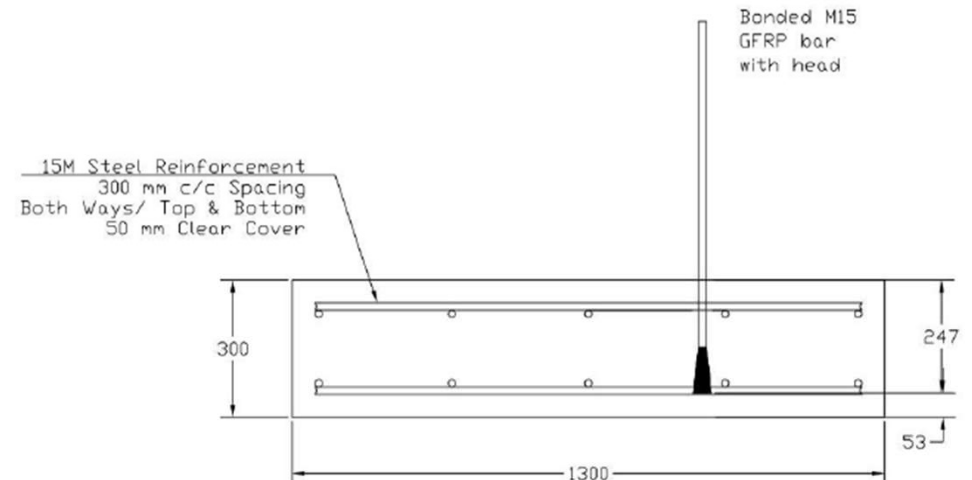


Figure 3.7: Group 2 – Headed-end GFRP bar with fully-bonded straight length in concrete

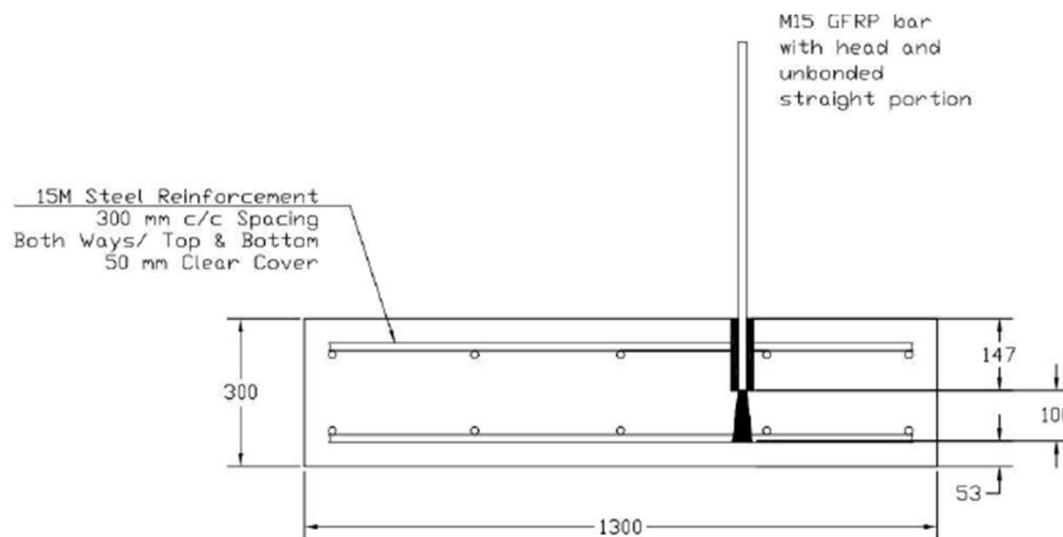


Figure 3.8: Group 3 – Headed-end GFRP bars with unbonded straight portion in concrete

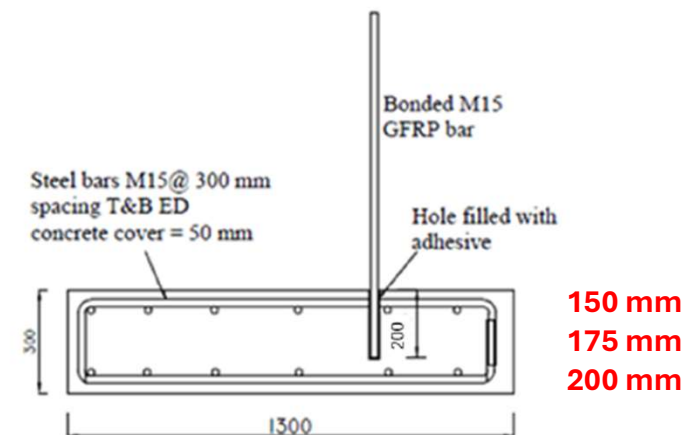


Figure 3.12: Post-installed GFRP bar in concrete slab

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| Type of construction | Group | Sample | Failure load (kN) | Type of failure | Group average failure load (kN) |
|----------------------|-------|--------|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Pre-Installed bars | 1 | A | 150.88 | Bar crushing at grip | 145.48 |
| | | B | 146.02 | Bar crushing at grip | |
| | | C | 140.35 | Bar crushing at grip | |
| | | D | 144.67 | Bar crushing at grip | |
| | | E | 145.48 | Bar crushing at grip | |
| | 2 | A | 157.89 | Bar crushing at grip | 148.34 |
| | | B | 127.67 | Bar crushing at grip | |
| | | C | 161.94 | Bar crushing at grip | |
| | | D | 151.69 | Bar crushing at grip | |
| | | E | 142.51 | Bar crushing at grip | |
| | 3 | A | 137.38 | Bar slip from head | 131.04 |
| | | B | 122.00 | Bar slip from head | |
| | | C | 137.38 | Bar slip from head | |
| | | D | 127.40 | Bar slip from head | |
| Post-Installed bars | 1 | A | 158.70 | Bar crushing at grip | 152.49 |
| | | B | 194.87 | Bar slip | |
| | | C | 146.83 | Bar crushing at grip | |
| | | D | 158.97 | Bar slip | |
| | | E | 103.10 | Bar slip | |
| | 2 | A | 134.68 | Bar slip | 112.82 |
| | | B | 96.09 | Bar slip | |
| | | C | 120.38 | Bar slip | |
| | | D | 89.61 | Bar slip | |
| | | E | 123.35 | Bar slip | |
| | 3 | A | 163.56 | Bar slip, concrete cone | 144.83 |
| | | B | 116.60 | Bar slip | |
| | | C | 153.58 | Bar crushing at grip | |
| | | D | 156.01 | Bar crushing at grip | |
| | | E | 134.41 | Bar slip | |



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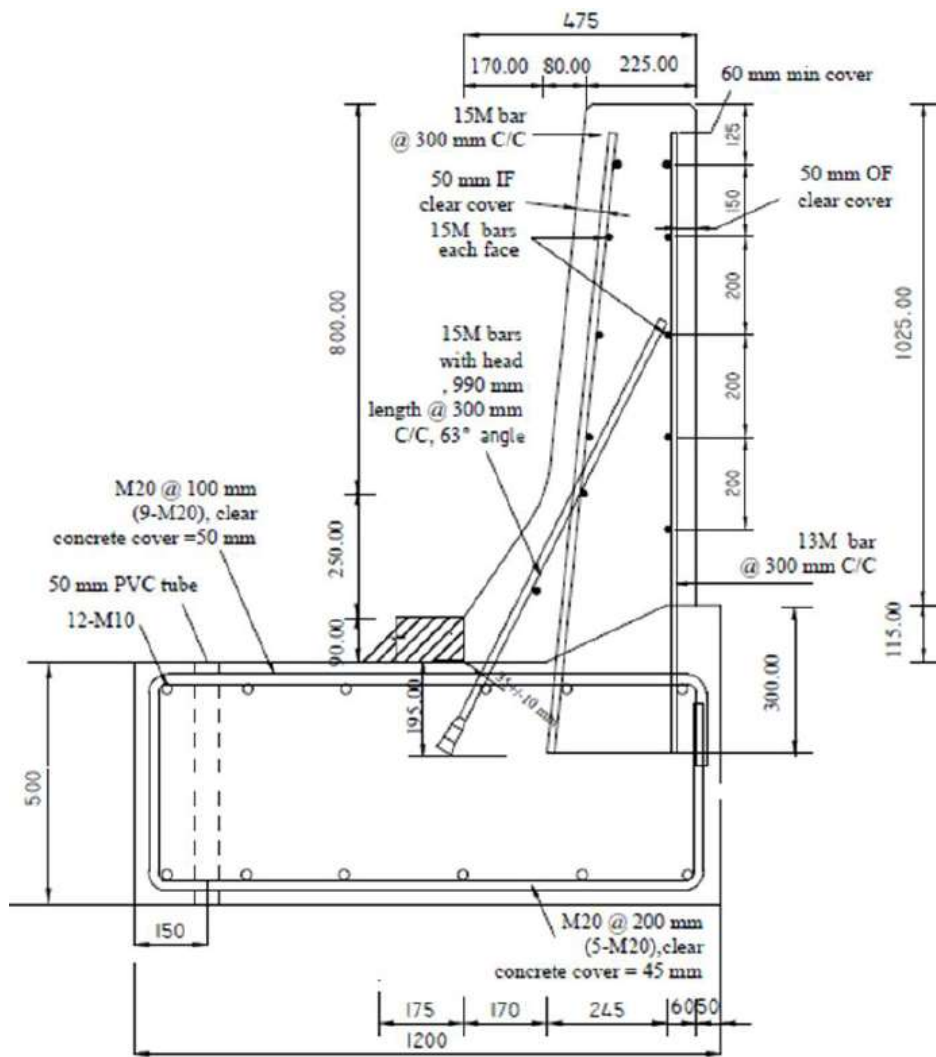


Figure 4.1: Barrier specimen B-1 details (Interior Location - No Cantilever)

B-1

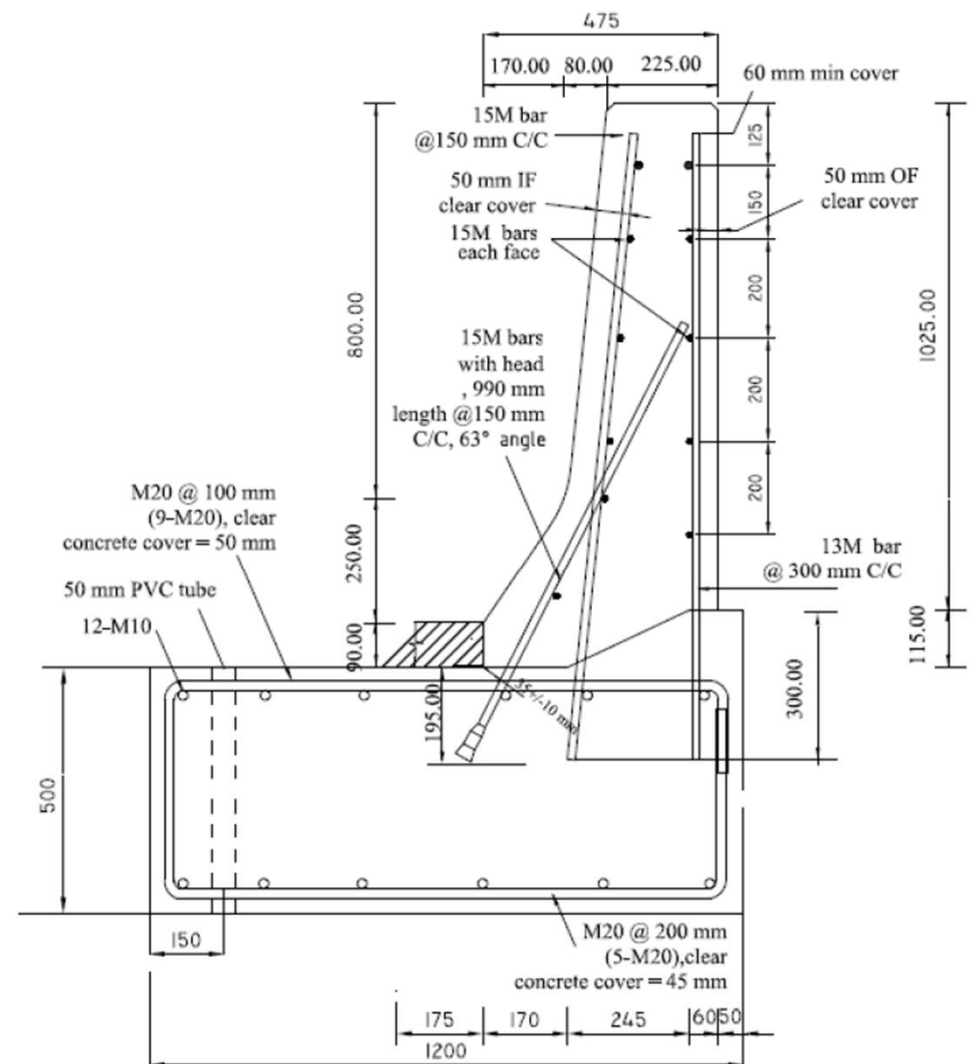


Figure 4.2: Barrier specimen B-2 details (Exterior Location - No Cantilever)

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B-3



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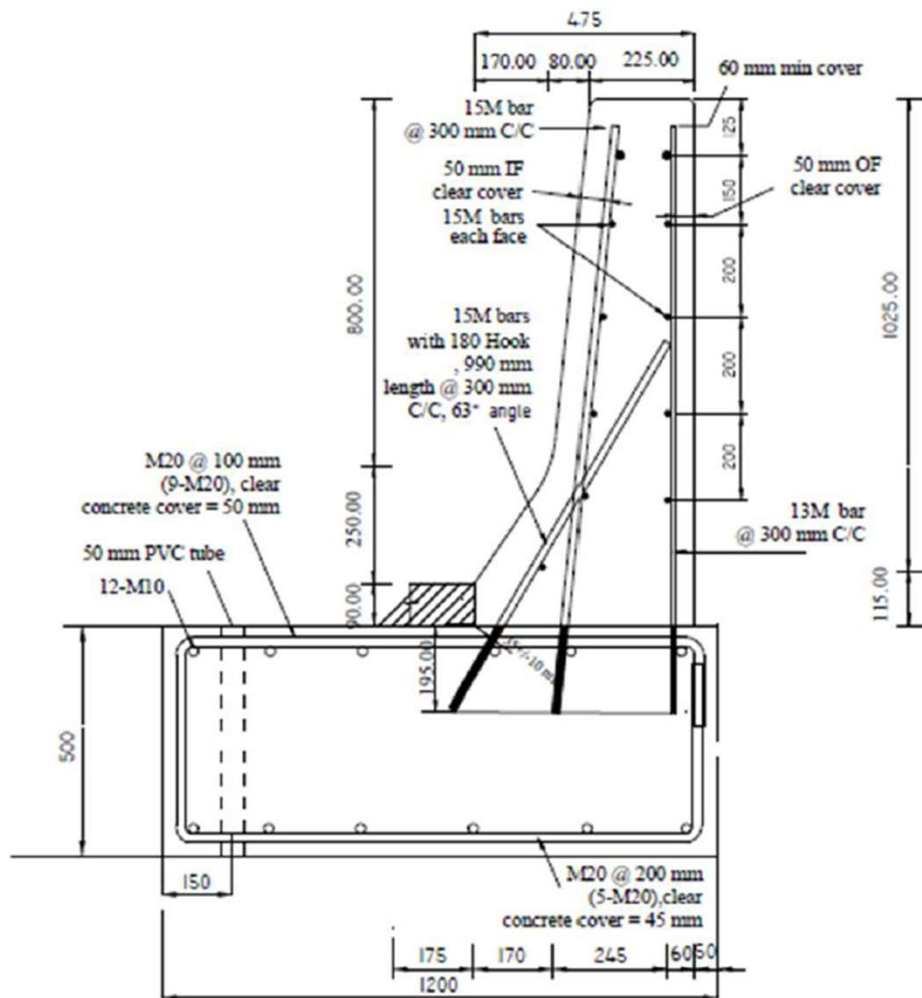


Figure 4.5: Barrier specimen B-5 details (Interior Location - No Cantilever - Post-Installed)

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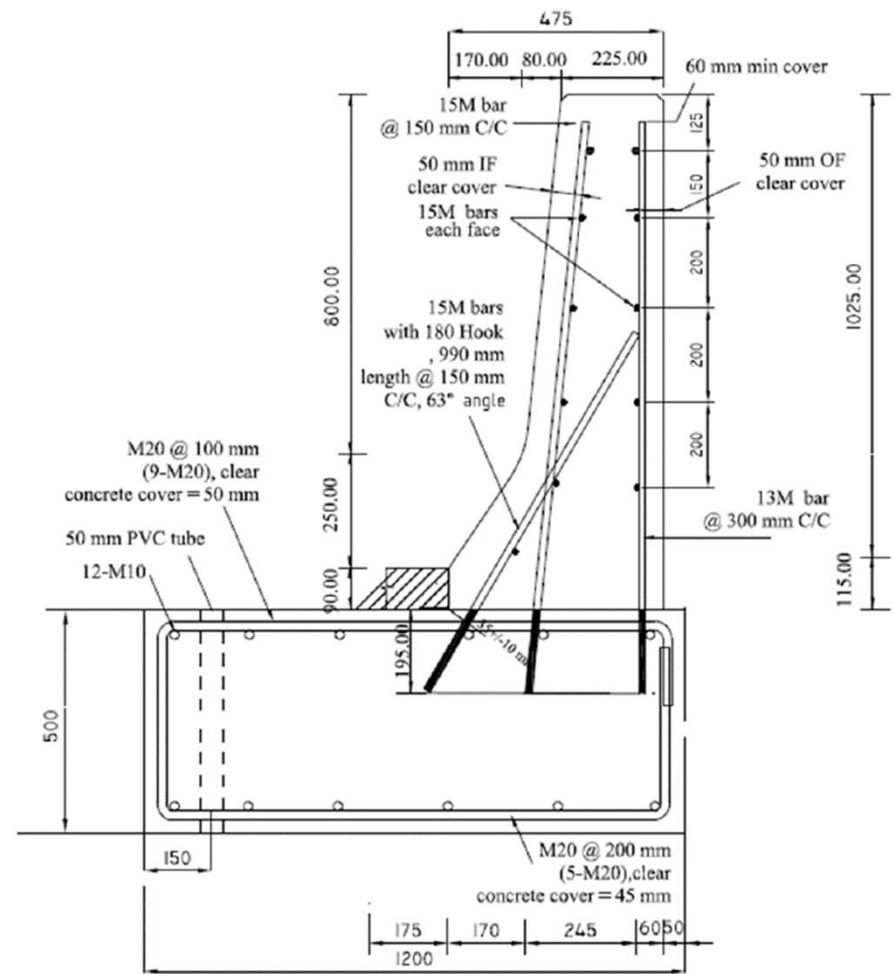


Figure 4.6: Barrier specimen B-6 details (Exterior Location - No Cantilever - Post-Installed)

B-6

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Figure 4.14: Typical GFRP wall mesh at exterior location



e) Barrier with rigid base



f) Barrier with deck cantilever



g) Barrier handling

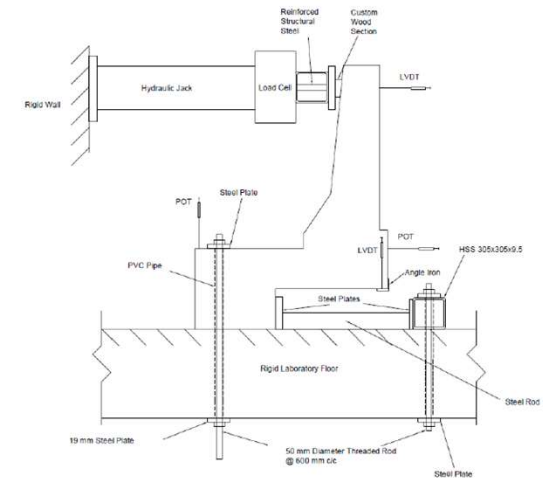
Figure 4.15: Views of typical barriers after removal of formwork and while transporting it to the test rig

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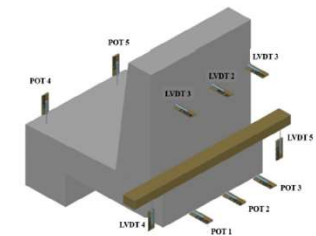
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Table 4.6: Barrier Labeling Legend

| Name | Description |
|------|--|
| B-1 | No cantilever; Interior location (300 mm spacing of front bars) |
| B-2 | No cantilever; Exterior location (150 mm spacing of front bars) |
| B-3 | Cantilever; Interior location (300 mm spacing of front bars) |
| B-4 | Cantilever; Exterior location (150 mm spacing of front bars) |
| B-5 | Post-Installed; No cantilever; Interior location (300 ¹⁵⁰ mm spacing of front bars) |
| B-6 | Post-Installed; No cantilever; Exterior location (300 mm spacing of front bars) |



(a) Test setup showing the tie-down system to stabilize the deck slab during testing



(b) Locations of potentiometers (POTs) to measure displacements

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Table 4.14: Experimental results benchmarked against CHBDC requirements and safety factors

| Criteria | Specimen | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | Fixed base - interior | Fixed base - exterior | Cantilever - interior | Cantilever - exterior | Post- installed -interior | Post- installed - exterior |
| | B-1 | B-2 | B-3 | B-4 | B-5 | B-6 |
| Experimental failure load (kN) | 168.63 | 182.63 | 129.64 | 163.41 | 159.74 | 186.74 |
| Experimental failure load (kN/m) | 187.37 | 202.92 | 144.04 | 181.57 | 177.49 | 207.49 |
| Experimental resisting moment (kN.m/m) | 185.49 | 200.89 | 142.60 | 179.75 | 175.71 | 205.41 |
| 2006 CHBDC design moment (kN.m/m) | 83.00 | 102.00 | 83.00 | 102.00 | 83.00 | 102.00 |
| Factor of safety (experimental failure moment/ CHBDC design moment) | 2.23 | 1.97 | 1.72 | 1.76 | 2.12 | 2.01 |
| Factor of safety (experimental failure moment/ CHBDC design moment) with 0.75 durability factor | 1.68 | 1.48 | 1.29 | 1.32 | 1.59 | 1.51 |
| Top front displacement (mm) | 26.32 | 23.74 | 44.75 | 66.76 | 8.92 | 11.28 |
| Bottom back displacement (mm) | 3.81 | 4.27 | 8.43 | 13.42 | 0.73 | 3.46 |
| Overhang (mm) | - | - | 17.57 | 27.88 | - | - |
| Front uplift (mm) | 0.39 | 1.62 | 3.66 | 5.30 | 0.97 | 0.96 |
| GFRP micro strain | 6503.93 | 3914.80 | 7198.86 | 5494.50 | 16268.69 | 7225.97 |
| Concrete micro strain | -818.33 | -868.00 | -784.67 | -1735.00 | -893.33 | -701.33 |
| Observed failure mechanism | GFRP-concrete anchorage | Diagonal shear in the wall | GFRP-concrete anchorage | GFRP-concrete anchorage | Concrete breakout | Diagonal shear in the wall |



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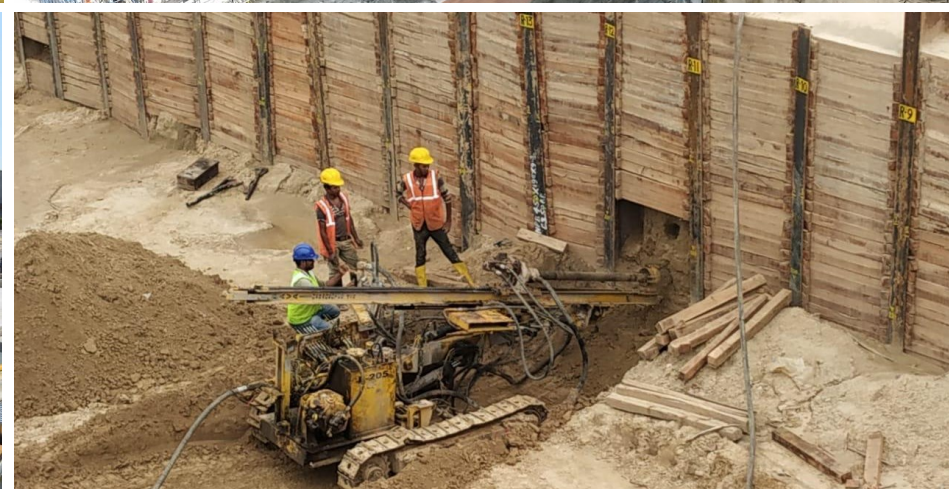
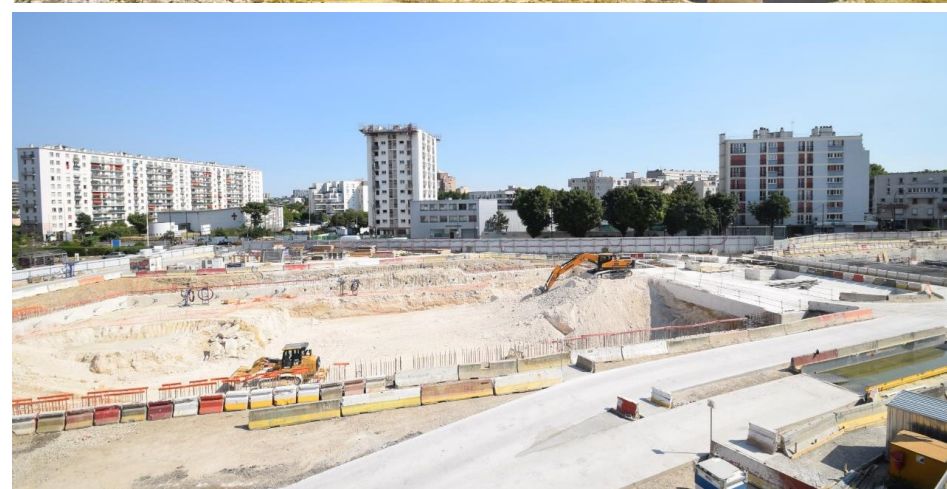
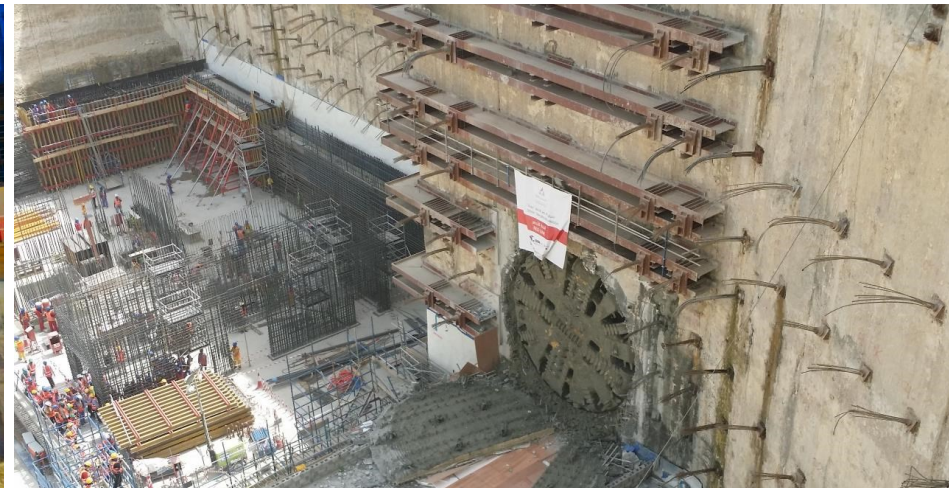
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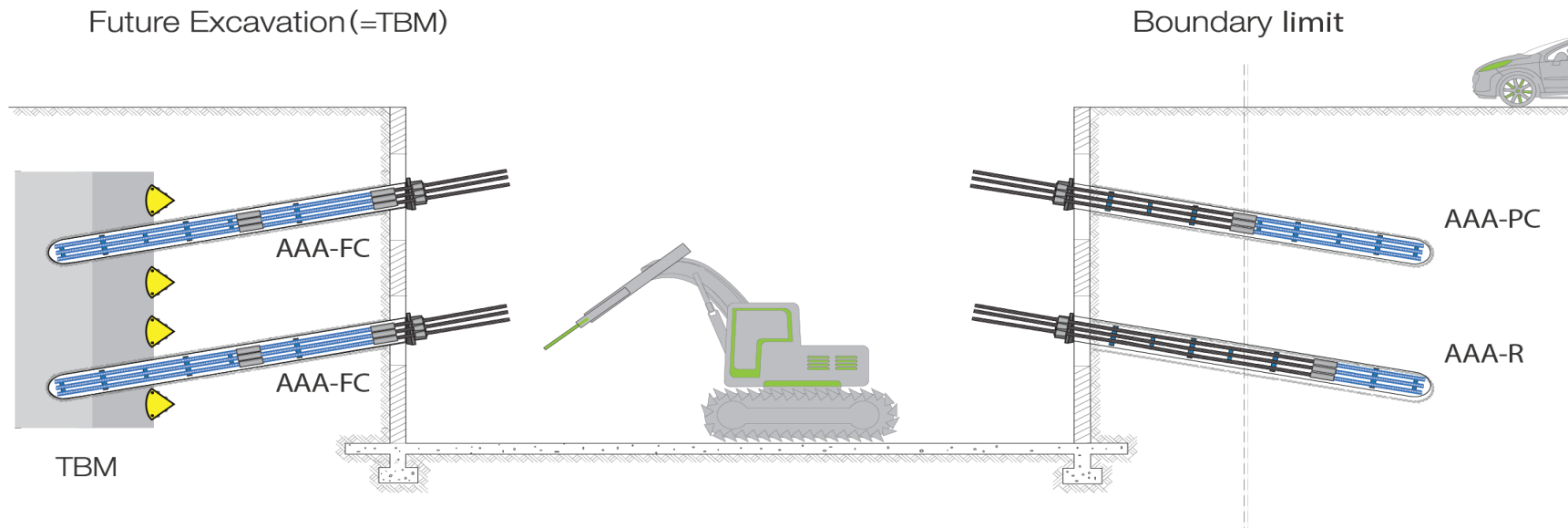
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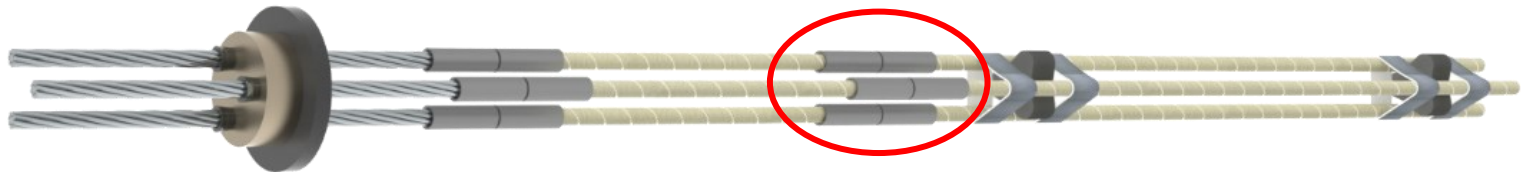
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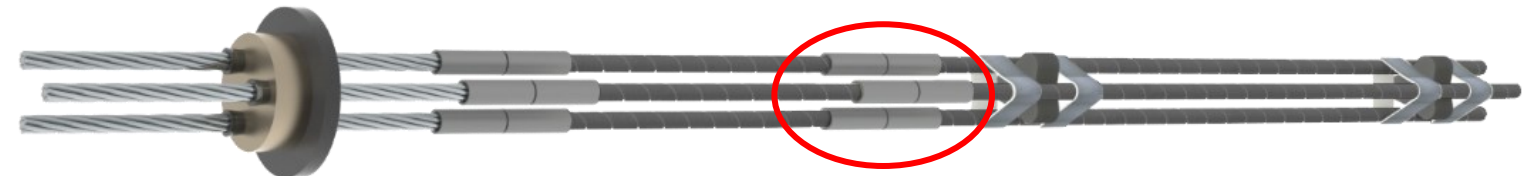
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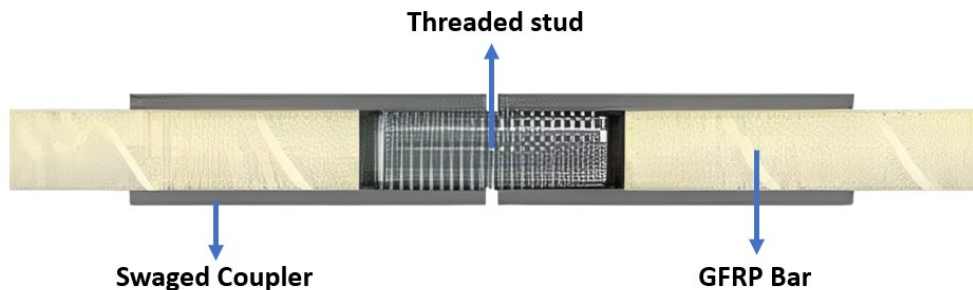


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GFRP Bar Splicing System

- The GFRP bar splicing system is a designed solution for the connection of 2 high performance GFRP bars.
- The Dextra couplers are extrusion-swaged onto the GFRP rebar in the factory. The coupler-rebar systems are then installed on-site by threading them together.



GFRP Bar Splicing System

This splicing system can be adjusted to the geometry and finition of the GFRP rebars, such as sand coated, machined threaded and helicoidal rope



Coupler and GFRP rebar before swaging



Coupler and GFRP rebar after swaging

GFRP Bar Splicing System Swaging

The coupler and GFRP rebar is swaged by the automatic swaging machine.



GFRP Bar Splicing System

As displayed by the drawings below, they are various combinations of coupler, bolt and GFRP bar.



GFRP Bar with 1 Swaged Coupler



GFRP Bar with 1 Swaged Coupler + 1 Threaded Stud



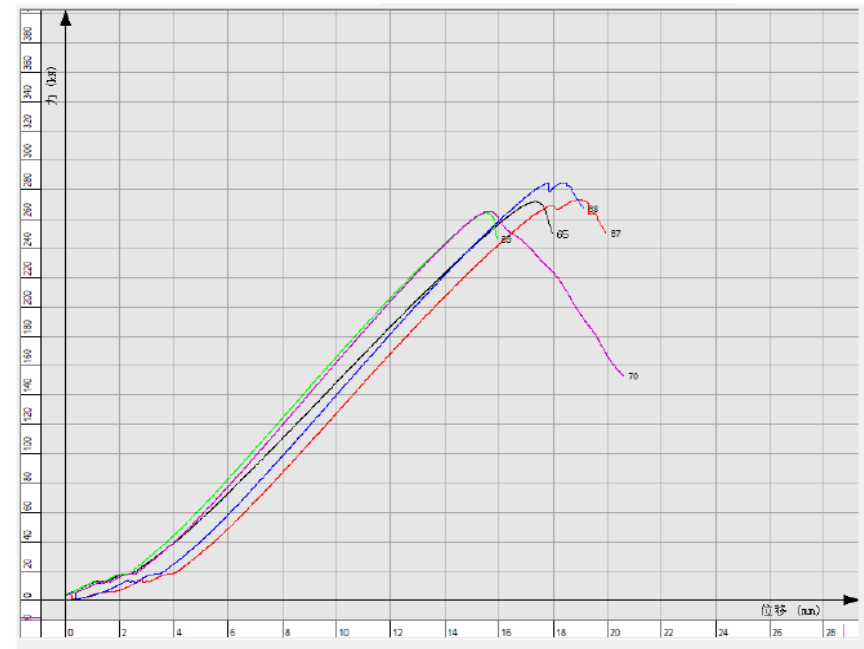
GFRP Bar with 2 Swaged Coupler



GFRP Bar with 2 Swaged Coupler + 1 Threaded Stud

Tensile Tests for the Splicing system

Tensile test for the splicing system as per ASTM D7205M-21.



Technical Data Sheet

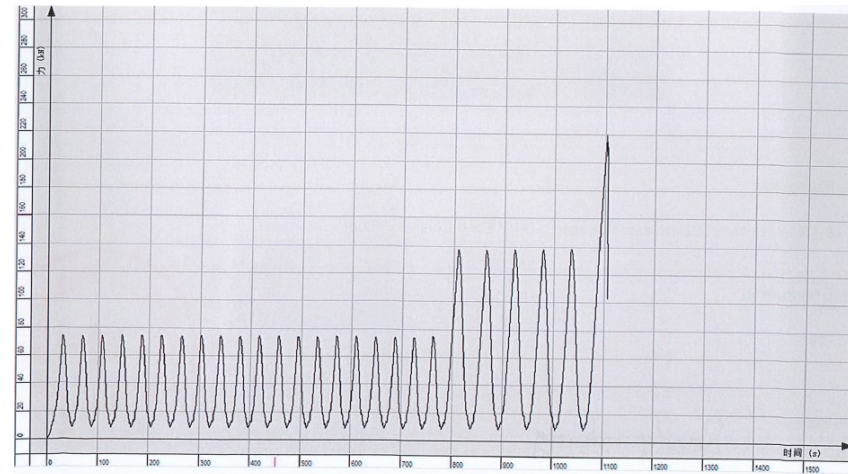
| Dia (mm) | Nominal Dia. (mm) | Ultimate Tensile Strength | | |
|-------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | A - GFRP Bar min. (kN) | B - Coupler min. (kN) | B/A - Retention min. (%) |
| #4 (13mm) | 12.7 | 135 | 125 | ≥90 |
| #5 (16mm) | 15.9 | 186 | 149 | ≥80 |
| #6 (19mm) | 19.1 | 300 | 250 | ≥80 |
| #8 (25mm) | 25.4 | 428 | 343 | ≥80 |

Cycle Tensile Tests for the Splicing system

Cycle tensile test for the splicing system, $0.4f_{fu}$ for 20 cycles, $0.8f_{fu}$ for 5 cycles.



| Stage | Upper Tension | Lower Tension | Cycles |
|-------|--|---------------|--------|
| 1 | $0.40 f_{fu}$ | $0.05 f_{fu}$ | 20 |
| 2 | $0.80 f_{fu}$ | $0.05 f_{fu}$ | 5 |
| 3 | Load in tension to failure, record the failure load and location | | |



Cycle Tensile Test result for the Splicing system

Cycle tensile test for the splicing system, $0.4f_{fu}$ for 20 cycles, $0.8f_{fu}$ for 5 cycles then load in tension to failure.

| Dia (mm) | $0.40 f_{fu}$ 20 cycles | $0.80 f_{fu}$ 20 cycles | Failure load (kN) | Failure mode |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| #4 (13mm) Sand Coated | Passed | Passed | 144.8 | Bar Break |
| #5 (16mm) Machine thread | Passed | Passed | 143.7 | Bar Slip |
| #6 (19mm) Sand Coated | Passed | Passed | 301.2 | Bar Break |

Possibility to delivery in coil up to OD=13mm

Could be used in pre-stressed / precast concrete girders, in replacement of CFRP tendons ?



Corrosion Mitigation



Options considered:

- Carbon steel sleeves + Stainless steel stud
- Stainless steel sleeves & stud
- Cold-spray galvanization
- Heat shrink sleeve



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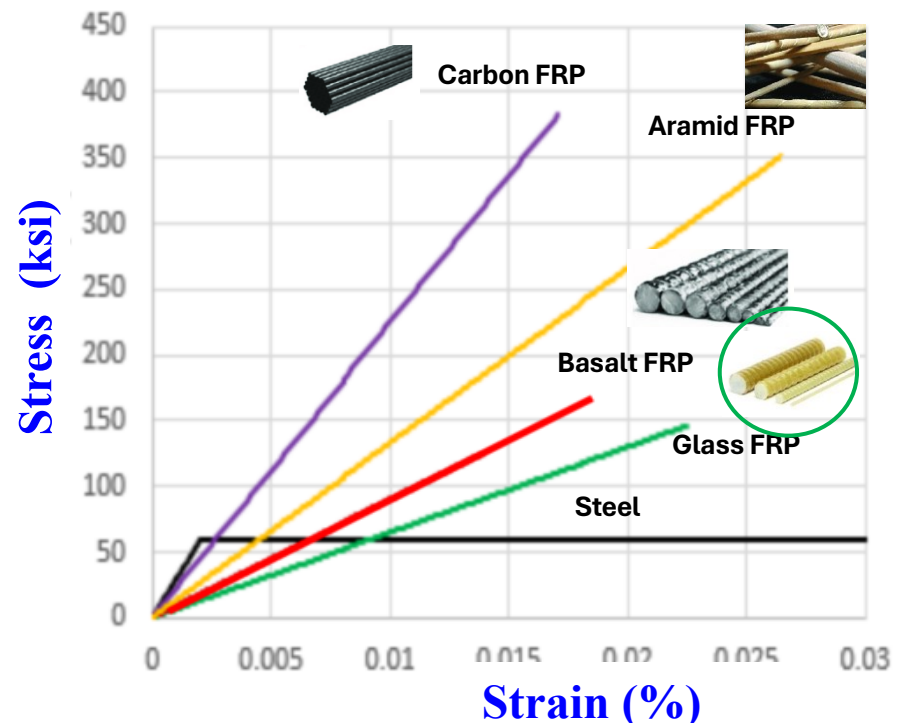
■ FRP Rebar



Introduction

■ Types of FRP Materials

- **Glass** fiber-reinforced polymer (GFRP)
- **Carbon** fiber-reinforced polymer (CFRP)
- **Basalt** fiber-reinforced polymer (BFRP)
- **Aramid** fiber-reinforced polymer (AFRP)



Typical stress strain for steel and FRP Rebars

Introduction

■ GFRP Rebar

| Resistant to corrosion

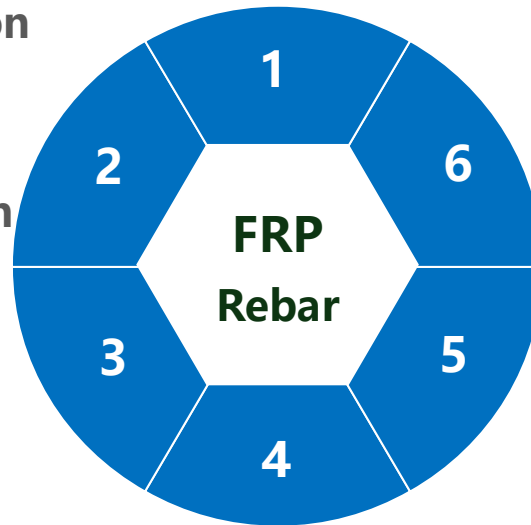
100 years lift span

| High tensile strength

Double to steel

| Low Co2 emissions

45% comparing with steel



| Insulation / heat insulation / electromagnetic wave transmission

| Lighter Weight

¼ comparing with steel

| **Economic**

Initial or/and whole life service span cost

Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

- Qualified product

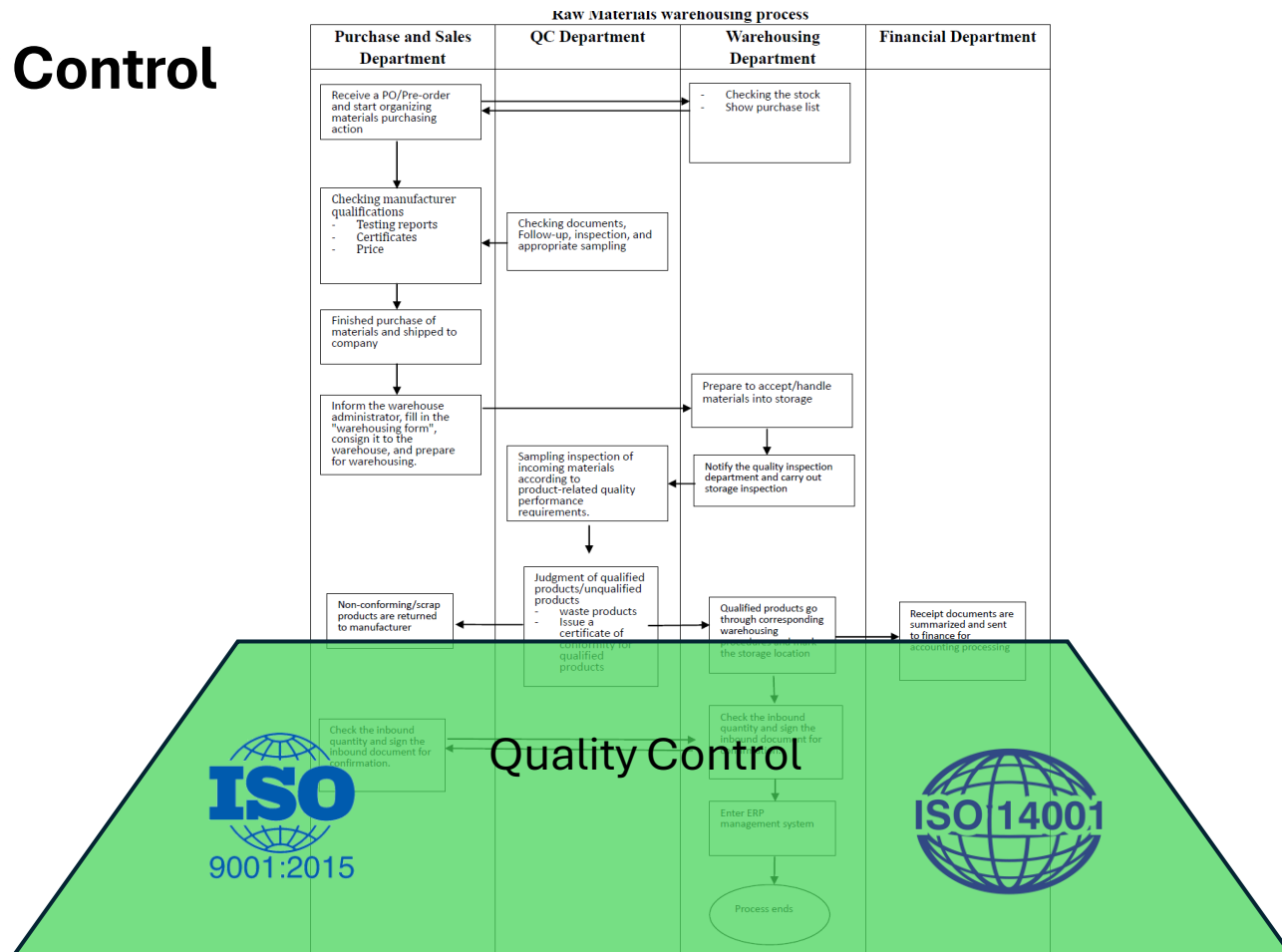


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Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

■ Quality Control



Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

■ Certification

Certificates

- ICC, ECM, ISO etc.

Compliance to specifications (DSM List)

- CSA, ASTM

MTO, MTQ, FODT, MDOT,
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IF all DOTs share the
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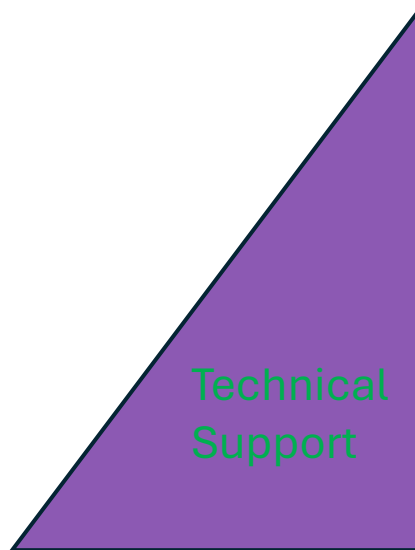


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Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

■ Technical Support



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Engineering Design Support

- Training Engineer
- New design or Translating steel design to GFRP design

Equivalency Evaluation Report

- Single family house/duplexes house

Research & Development

- New products of GFRP rebar
- New applications

Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

- Qualified GFRP rebar



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■ SFT-Bar® Certification (ICC-ES®_ESR-5081)

Scope and Uses

- Compliance with:
 - 2021 and 2018 **International Building code® (IBC)**
 - 2021 and 2018 **International Residential Code® (IRC)**
- SFT-Bar® used as:
 - **Tension reinforcement** (beams, slabs, foundations)
 - **Vertical reinforcement** (columns and walls)



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ICC ES AC454- Acceptance Criteria

- FRP Bars for internal reinforcement of concrete structures
- FRP bar qualification requirements:
 - Physical,
 - Mechanical, and
 - Durability properties

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Qualification Test Plan

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Table 1.2 – Summary of standard test methods for the qualification test program

| AC 454 Specification Section | Test Description | Test Method Report ID | ASTM Standard Test Reference |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| 1.3.16 | Standard Specification | n/a | ASTM D7957/D7957M-17, Standard Specification for Solid Round Glass Fiber Reinforced Polymer Bars for Concrete Reinforcement. |
| 4.1.1 | Fiber mass content | FC | ASTM D2584-18 Standard Test Method for Ignition Loss of Cured Reinforced Resins. |
| 4.1.2 | Glass transition temperature | TG | ASTM E1356-08 (2014), Standard Test Method for Assignment of the Glass Transition Temperatures by Differential Scanning Calorimetry. ASTM E1540-18, Standard Test Method for Assignment of the Glass Transition Temperatures by Dynamic Mechanical Analysis. |
| 4.1.3 | Total enthalpy of polymerization | DC | ASTM E2160-04 (reapproved 2018), Standard Test Method for Heat of Reaction of Thermally Reactive Materials by Differential Scanning Calorimetry. |
| 4.1.5 | Measured cross- sectional area | MXA | ASTM D7205/D7205M-06 (2016), Standard test method for Tensile Properties of Fiber Reinforced Polymer Matrix Composite Bars. ASTM D792-13, Standard Test Methods for Density and Specific Gravity (Relative Density) of Plastics by Displacement. |
| 4.2.1 4.2.2 4.2.4 | Tensile properties | TNS | ASTM D7205/D7205M-06 (2011), Standard test method for Tensile Properties of Fiber Reinforced Polymer Matrix Composite Bars. |
| 4.2.3 | Transverse shear strength | TSS | ASTM D7617/D7617M-11 (2017), Standard Test Method for Transverse Shear Strength of Fiber-Reinforced Polymer Matrix Composite Bars. |
| 4.4.4 | Horizontal shear strength | HSS | ASTM D4475-02(2008) Standard Test Method for Apparent Horizontal Shear Strength of Pultruded Reinforced Plastic Rods By the Short Beam Method. |
| 4.2.5 | Bond strength | BS | ASTM D7913/D7913M – 14, Standard Test Method for Bond Strength of Fiber-Reinforced Polymer Matrix Composite Bars to Concrete by Pullout Testing. ASTM C39-20, Standard Test Method for Compressive Strength of Cylindrical Concrete Specimens. |
| 4.3.2 | Alkaline resistance | AR | ASTM D7705/D7705M-12 (2019), Standard Test Method for Alkali Resistance of Fiber Reinforced Polymer (FRP) Matrix Composite Bars used in Concrete Construction, Procedure A. |
| 4.3.1 | Moisture absorption | MA | ASTM D570-98(2010)e1, Section 7.4 Standard Test Method for Water Absorption of Plastics. |

Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

- **SFT-Bar® Certification (ICC-ES®_ESR-5081)**

SFT-Bar® FRP Bar Characterization

Physical

Cross-sectional area

Fiber mass content

Moisture absorption

Glass transition temperature

Mechanical

Tensile properties

Transverse shear strength

Bond strength

Durability

Resistance to alkaline
environment

Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

■ SFT-Bar® Certification (ICC-ES®_ESR-5081)

SFT-Bar® Glass FRP Bar

- Fiber type: **fiberglass**
- Resin matrix: **Vinyl Ester**
- **Helical wrapped GFRP bar**



#3 (9.5 mm)



#4 (12.7 mm)



#5 (15.9 mm)



#6 (19.1 mm)

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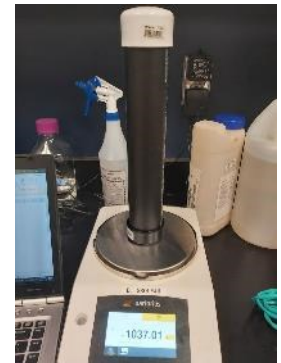
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Physical Properties: Measured Cross-Section Area

- Test Method: **ASTM D7205 and ASTM D792**
- Instrumentation: **Cylinder, water, and weighed with an analytical balance**
- Test specimen: **eight samples from each production lot**
- Test procedure: **Each specimen was weighed and measured. Then, placed in cylinder filled with water and weighed. Finally, cylinder was filled with water and weighed.**
- **Calculations:**

$$D = 0.998 \left[M_s / (M_s + M_w - M_{sw}) \right]$$

$$S_s = \frac{(M_s / D)}{L}$$



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Physical Properties: Fiber Mass Content

- Test Method: **ASTM D2584-18**
- Instrumentation: **Muffle furnace (600 Celsius), desiccator, and weighed with an analytical balance**
- Test specimen: **five samples from each production lot**
- Test procedure: **Heat specimen at 565 Celsius until carbonaceous material disappear. Remaining residue was cool in a desiccator and weighed.**
- Calculations:
$$W_r = \frac{W_1 - W_2}{W_2} \cdot 100$$



Muffle furnace



Desiccator



Balance



GFRP bar before heating



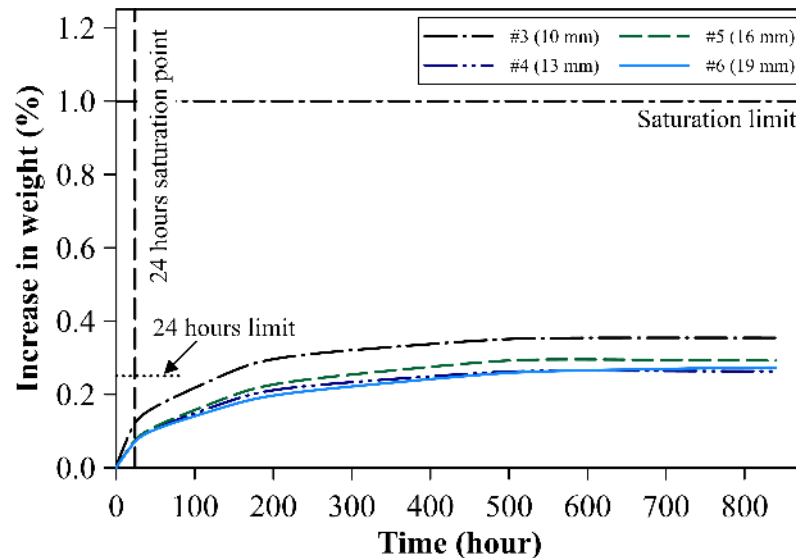
GFRP bar architecture after heating

Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

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Physical Properties: Fiber Mass Content

- Test Method: **ASTM D570-98 (2010), 7.4**



$$\text{Increase in weight, \%} = \frac{\text{wet weight-conditioned weight} - \text{conditioned weight}}{\text{conditioned weight}} \cdot 100$$

Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

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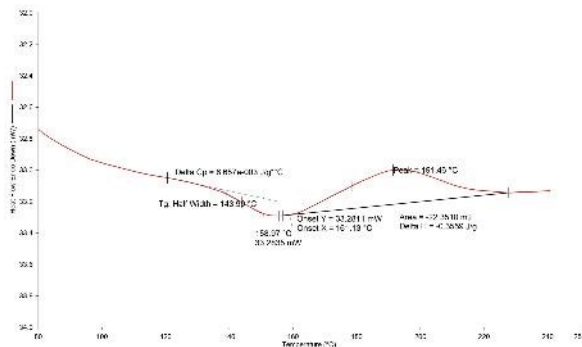
Physical Properties: Glass Transition Temperature (T_g)



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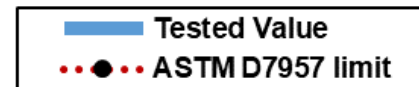
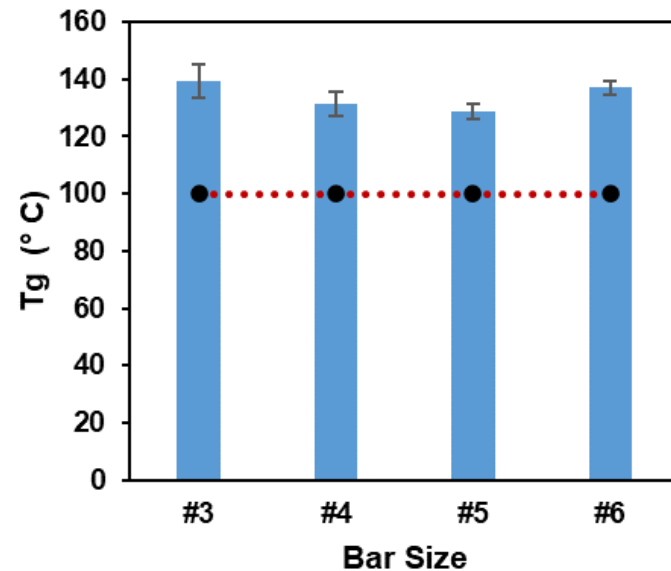


Test specimen



Determination of glass transition temperature

- Test Method: **ASTM E1356-08 (2014)**



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Mechanical Properties: Longitudinal Tensile Properties

- Test Method: ASTM D7205



| Bar designation | | Tensile load, F_u (kN) | Modulus of elasticity, E (GPa) | Tensile strain, ϵ_f (%) | Guaranteed tensile load [ASTM D7957/D7957M] (kN) | Mean modulus of elasticity [ASTM D7957/D7957M] (GPa) | Mean ultimate tensile strain [ASTM D7957/D7957M] (%) |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|
| #3 (9.5 mm)* | Ultimate Mean | 86 | 75 | 1.6 | 59 | ≥ 44.8 | ≥ 1.1 |
| | Guaranteed | 71 | | | | | |
| #4 (12.7 mm) | Ultimate Mean | 149 | 72 | 1.6 | 96 | | |
| | Guaranteed | 124 | | | | | |
| #5 (15.9 mm) | Ultimate Mean | 185 | 60 | 1.5 | 130 | | |
| | Guaranteed | 155 | | | | | |
| #6 (19.1 mm) | Ultimate Mean | 280 | 66 | 1.5 | 182 | | |
| | Guaranteed | 237 | | | | | |

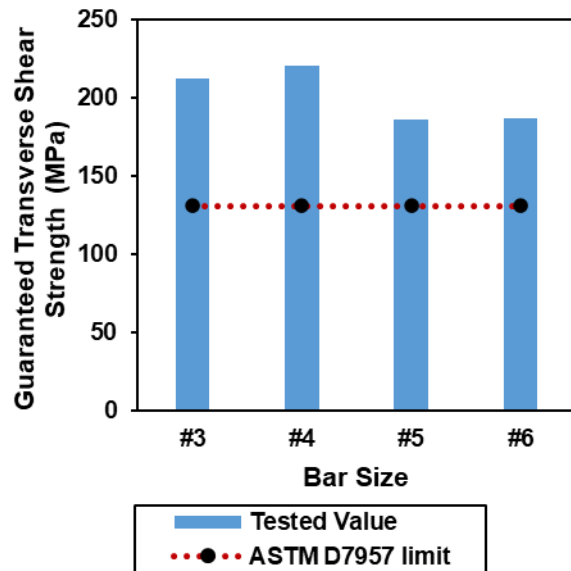
*Value in the parentheses are nominal diameters of the GFRP bars.

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Mechanical Properties: Transverse Shear Strength

- Test Method: **ASTM D7617-11 (2017)**



$$\tau = \frac{P}{2A}$$



Transverse shear test setup



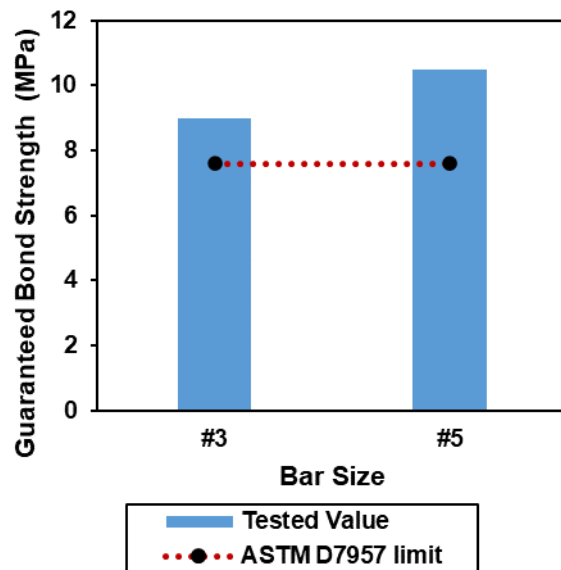
Typical shear failure

Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

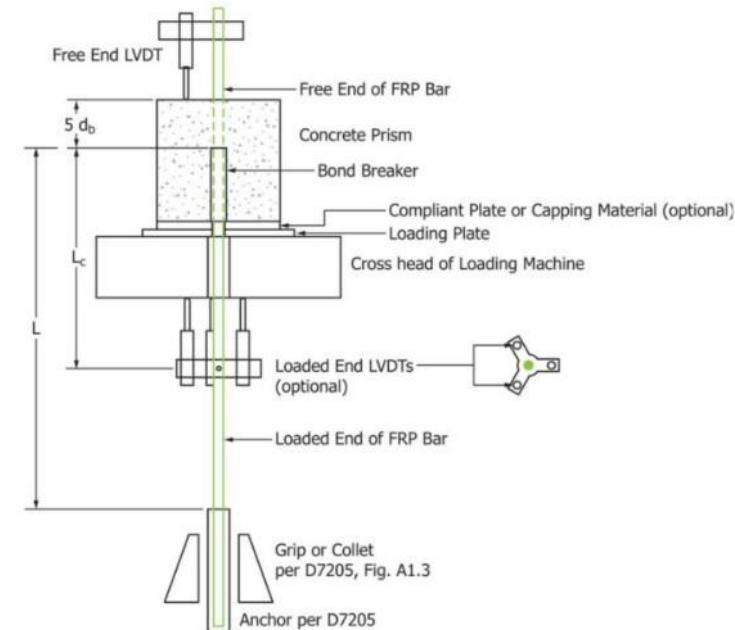
■ SFT-Bar® Certification (ICC-ES®_ESR-5081)

Mechanical Properties: Pull-Out Test

- Test Method: **ASTM D7913-14**



$$u = \frac{F_u}{\pi \times d_b \times l_b}$$



Pull-out test specimen (ASTM D7913)

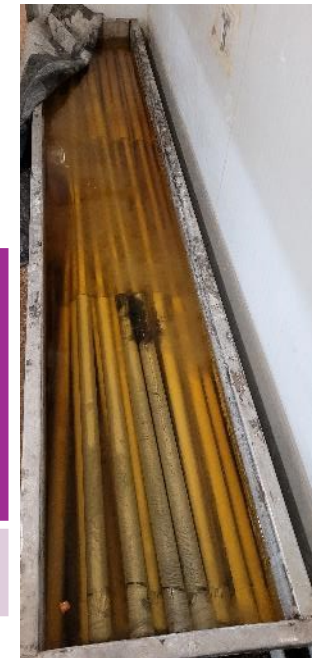
Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

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Durability Property: Alkaline Resistance

- Test Method: **ASTM D7705, Procedure A**

| Bar designation | Mean Tensile load, F_u (kN) | Mean Modulus of elasticity, E (GPa) | Mean Tensile strain, ϵ_f (%) | Tensile Capacity Retention (%) | Mean Alkaline Resistance [ASTM D7957/D7957M] (%) |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| #3 (9.5 mm)* | 73 | 74 | 1.4 | 84 | ≥ 80 |
| #5 (15.9 mm) | 161 | 58 | 1.4 | 87 | |



*3 Months Alkaline
Solution exposure*



*Specimen
preparation*

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Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

- **ICC-ES Equivalency Evaluation Report (IRC)**
 - **ICC-ES® EER-5081**
 - **Using of IRC Report**
- ✓ Applies to the construction of single-family houses.
 - ✓ Applies to the construction of duplexes houses.
 - ✓ Construct buildings of three or more townhouse units, limited to three stories above grade plane.



Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

- ICC-ES Equivalency Evaluation Report (IRC)
- Evaluation of Elements Reinforced with SFT-Bar® GFRP bars.

- ✓ Concrete foundations
- ✓ Flat concrete walls
- ✓ Lintels



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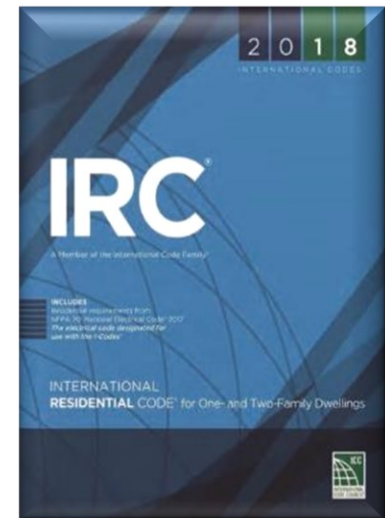
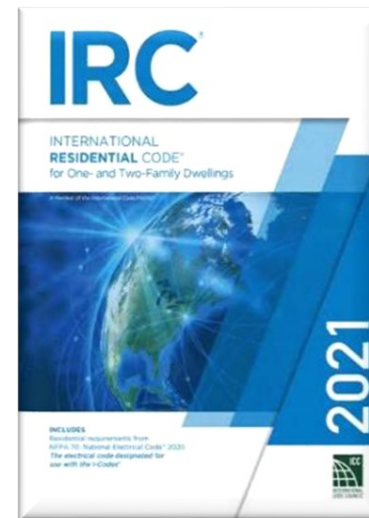
- ICC-ES Equivalency Evaluation Report (IRC)
- What sizes of SFT-Bar® GFRP bars are used in ICC-ES® EER-5081 applications?

- ✓ #3 (10 mm)
- ✓ #4 (13 mm)
- ✓ #5 (16 mm)

All bar sizes characterized based on
AC454 acceptance criteria of ICC

Properties of SFT-Bar® are
presented in ICC-ES® ESR-5081

■ IRC Sections



Sections: R403 and R404,
R506 and R608

Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

- **ICC-ES Equivalency Evaluation Report (IRC)**

- Using Conditions

- ✓ The ICC-ES equivalency evaluation report (IRC) addresses only conformance with the noted IRC sections
- ✓ This report applies only to the design parameters submitted for review by ICC-ES.
- ✓ Insulated concrete forms (ICF), when used, must comply with IRC requirements, or have an ICC-ES evaluation report.

- Design Criteria

- ✓ Risk category: **II**
- ✓ No. of story above grade: **2**
- ✓ Seismic load: **A, B, and C (SDC C for basement walls only)**

Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

- **ICC-ES Equivalency Evaluation Report (IRC)**
- **What are the benefits for engineers/consultants/distributors, etc.?**
 - ✓ **Easy design.**
 - ✓ **Safe design.**
 - ✓ **Using in Canada, USA, and worldwide.**
 - ✓ **Introduced by our expert engineers and top consultant design office.**

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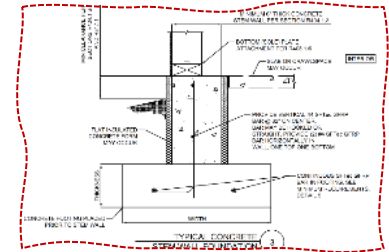
Identify a quality GFRP Rebar

- ICC-ES Equivalency Evaluation Report (IRC)
- Contents of ICC-ES® EER-5081

| Table | Detail |
|-------|--------|
| T. 1 | D. 1 |
| T. 2 | D. 2 |
| T. 3 | D. 3 |
| T. 4 | D. 4 |
| T. 5 | D. 5 |
| T. 6 | D. 6 |
| T. 7 | D. 7 |
| T. 8 | D. 8 |
| T. 9 | D. 9 |
| T. 10 | D. 10 |

Tables

Drawings details



- ✓ Wall designs above grade: T. 2 & 6 & 7
- ✓ Wall designs below grade: T. 1 & 5
- ✓ Lintel designs: T. 3 & 4
- ✓ Plan diagram: D. 1
- ✓ Sections details for typical walls, foundation, and slab: D. 2 through 4

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- ICC-ES Equivalency Evaluation Report (IRC)
- Case study: ➤ Comparison between **Steel** vs. **SFT-Bar®**:

| Reinforcement | Vertical | | | Horizontal | | |
|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------------|-------------|------------|-------------------|
| | Size | QTY (bars) | Total length (ft) | Size | QTY (bars) | Total length (ft) |
| ICF (steel) | M15 | 40 | 320 | 10M | 6 | 360 |
| SFT-Bar® | No.5 | 26 | 205.6 | No.3 | 2 | 120 |

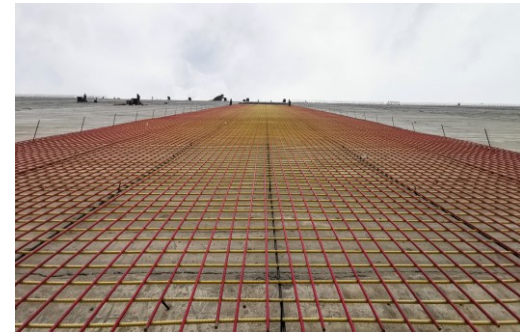
SFTec Products

- **SFT-Bar[®], connectors and rockbolt**



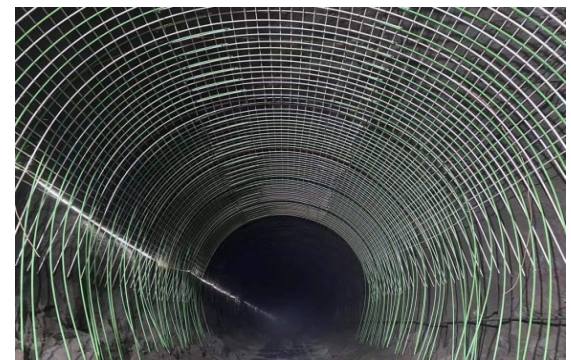
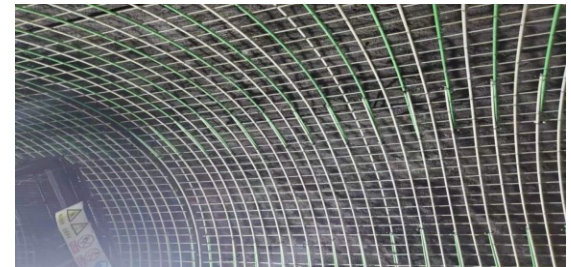
Application

- **SFT-Bar® used in Pumped Storage Dam**



Application

- SFT-Bar[®] used in Tunnel



Application

- SFT-Bar[®] used in Slabs



GFRP -RC Waffle flooring slabs



Application

- SFT-Bar® used in ICF wall



Application

- **SFT-Bar® used in Slab on grade**

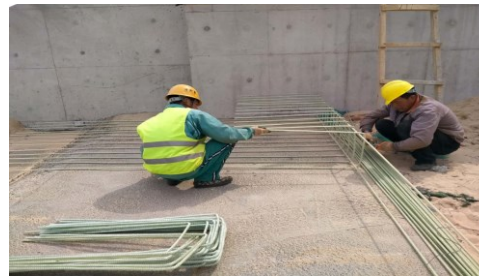


GFRP-RC Slab-on grade



Application

- SFT-Bar® used in Barriers



Application

- SFT-Bar® used in Nonmagnetic room

Geomagnetic Observation Room



Application

- SFT-Bar® used in seaside projects



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Environmental Product Declaration / Product Category Rules

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American Composites Manufacturers Association

Introduction

- **Sustainability in the U.S. composites industry**
- **Importance of quantifying and reporting climate impacts**
- **ACMA programs**

Key Terms

- **Lifecycle Assessment (LCA)**
- **Product Category Rules (PCR)**
- **Environmental Product Declaration (EPD)**

What does an LCA provide

- **An overview of your product's environmental impact for key environmental indicators. Examples include, but are not limited to:**
 - Global Warming Potential (kg CO₂ eq.)
 - Acidification (kg SO₂ eq.)
 - Eutrophication (kg N eq.)
 - Ozone Layer Depletion (kg CFC-11 eq.)
 - Water Consumption (m³)
 - Cumulative Energy Demand (MJ)
 - Ecotoxicity (CTUe) – *(greater uncertainty in human health impacts)*
- **Identifies hot-spots in your product's life cycle**
- **Provides metrics for new product development decisions**
 - Evaluate impacts of material substitutions or process improvements – example: integrating recycled content or biobased content.
- **Carbon footprint data to satisfy customer requests, purchasing requirements, green building standard requirements, etc.**

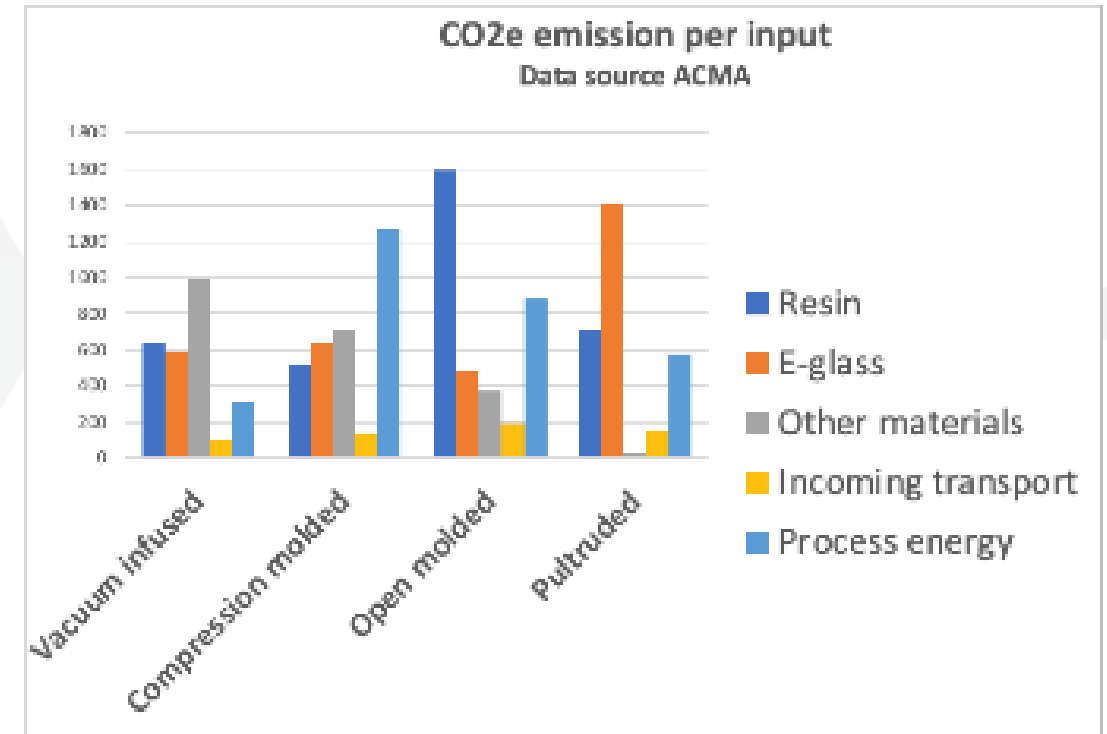
Primary LCA Governing Standards:

LCA is defined by at least two primary International Standards Organization (ISO):

- **ISO 14040: 2006** - Environmental management - Life cycle assessment - *Principles and framework*
- **ISO 14044: 2006** - Environmental management - Life cycle assessment - *Requirements and guidelines*
- **ISO 14025:2011** - Environmental Labels and Declarations – Type III Environmental Product Declarations – Principles and Procedures.
- **ISO 21930:2017** - Sustainability in Buildings and Civil Engineering Works – Core Rules for Environmental Product Declarations of Construction Products and Services.
- **EN 15804:2012+A2:2019** - Sustainability of Construction Works – Environmental Product Declarations – Core Rules for the Product Category of Construction Products.
- **PCR Guidance** -Texts for Building-Related Products and Services,
 - **Part A:** LCA Calculation Rules and
 - **Part B:** Requirements for Product

Lifecycle Assessment (LCA)

- Conducted according to ISO standards
- Estimates climate impact in CO2 equivalents (CO2e)



LCA does not provide

- **Product Performance** - An LCA cannot disclose how material changes will impact the structural integrity or performance attributes of your products.
- **Marketing Content for Competitor Claims** - An LCA is not intended as sole basis to market environmental superiority to external industry competitors.

Product Category Rules (PCR)

- Provide the **rules, requirements, and guidelines** for developing an EPD for a specific product category.
- Developed by **Program Operators** (UL Environment, NSF, ASTM, SCS, International EPD System, IBU, SmartEPD)
- **Engagement** from stakeholders encouraged in the development process
 - Material suppliers, manufacturers, trade associations, purchasers, users, LCA practitioners, etc.
- Typically, **valid for five years** (North America)

A1 – A3 = Production stage (Cradle to Gate)

A4 – A5 = Construction stage

B1 – B7 = Use stage

C1 – C4 = End of Life stage

**Cradle to
Grave**

PCR Structure

- **Part A**
 - Disseminates ISO 21930 requirements along with the individual program operator's requirements into a general product category rule.
- **Part B**
 - Defines what products are covered.
 - Defines the functional unit, technical aspects, functionality of individual categories of products.
 - Defines certain assumptions for consistency

Product Category Rules (PCR)

- **Standardize EPDs for specific product groups**
- **Developed with industry consensus**
- **ISO 14025: Responsibilities of Program Operators:**
 - Preparing, maintaining, and communicating general program instructions.
 - Publishing the names of the organizations involved as interested parties in the program development (not individual names).
 - Ensuring Type III environmental declaration requirements are followed.
 - Publishing PCR documents and Type III environmental declarations within the program.
- **ACMA's role in developing PCRs for composites**

Part B: Product group definition | Utility poles | Part B #23-007

This Part B conforms to the ACLCA PCR Open Standard version 1.0 (May 2022) at the following level:
☑ 1 – Transparency ☐ 2 – Procurement ☐ 3 – Data source

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| Initiated by | American Composites Manufacturers Association (ACMA) - https://acmanet.org/ |
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| Public notices of development/ outreach | • Public notice on the Sustainable Minds website announcing the development of new Part B on June 1, 2023: http://www.sustainableminds.com/transparency-report-program/part-b • Email blast on May 12, 2023 to mailing lists of LCA professionals, building and construction industry and trade associations, concrete manufacturers, and others identified by ACMA as having a potential interest in participating, requesting participation on the PCR committee. • Email blast on November 2, 2023 to the same mailing lists requesting public comment. |
| Non-participating parties | All interested parties who requested participation were invited to join the working group. |
| New Part B? | Yes |
| Publication date | February 7, 2024 |
| Validity period | 02/07/2024 – 02/06/2029 |
| Expected renewal schedule | Sustainable Minds intends to notify the working group and post update/renewal information on its website approximately four months prior to expiration to determine update, extension, or expiration options for this Part B. |

Product group

| | | | |
|-------------------------------|---|---------------------|---|
| Name | Utility poles | CSI MasterFormat® # | 33 71 16 Electrical Utility Poles 33 81 19 Communication Utility Poles |
| Description | Poles used to support overhead electric utilities and related equipment for transmission, distribution, and telecommunications applications. Finishes such as paints and coatings shall be included. Standard hardware accessories such as top caps, base plates, fasteners, and ID tags shall be included if relevant. If the product design requires specific materials to be used for installation, those materials shall be included in the installation stage. | | |
| Exclusions | No exclusions identified | | |
| Geographic representativeness | North America | | |

PCR for FRP Rebar

- **Sponsor: ACMA**
- **Program Operator:
NSF International**
- **Ongoing effort in
2023/2024**



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Scope

- This sub-category product category rules (PCR) addresses fiber reinforced polymer composite products – rebar and dowel, and documents the goal, scope, and other requirements of LCAs for this product category in order to produce EPDs according to **ISO 14025:20061 and ISO 21930:2017.1**
- This PCR includes the **life cycle modules A1-A3**, in order to obtain the raw materials and manufacture discrete reinforcing bars.
- This PCR uses a declared unit on the basis of a cradle-to-gate system boundary instead of a functional unit.

Additional Environmental Information (section 8)

- Annex developed to characterize in-service life expectation
- Laboratory experiments tend to be **more severe** on GFRP bars than real-world environmental conditions.
- It was concluded that the extracted GFRP bar samples exhibited a **reduction in tensile strength of 2.5% after 17 years of service.**
- Extrapolating this result to a 100-year service life, **the predicted tensile strength would be reduced by 12.5%**, which remains within the threshold values specified by the design codes for the rate of degradation of GFRP bars in reinforced concrete.
- **It is evident that GFRP bars can be used for a cradle-to-grave timeline equivalent to 100 years of service life.**

Environmental Product Declaration (EPD)

- **Standardized format for LCA information**
- **Used for construction and infrastructure products**
- **Cradle-to-gate vs. cradle-to-grave EPDs**
- **Valid for five years, EPD presents**
 - Promotes transparency
 - quantified environmental data for products based on information from an LCA.
 - EPDs are developed based on the requirements of ISO 14025 and product category rule (PCR) –
 - ISO 21930:2017 and EN 15804:2012+A2:2019
- **NOT intended for comparative claims to industry competitors.**



Benefits of Composite Construction Products

- **Advantages: lower maintenance, longer service life**
- **Lifecycle emissions comparison: steel vs. composites**

Construction & infrastructure products

| | | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Tanks | CIPP | Railings |
| Pipe | Drainage channels | Concrete forms |
| Rebar | Siding | Fascia/Cladding |
| Panels | Columns | Manhole covers |
| Girders | Piles | ADA tiles (crosswalks) |
| External concrete strengthening | Poles | Bridge decks |
| Grating | Utility poles & crossarms | |
| Utility vaults | | |

Comparison of steel and functionally equivalent FRP composite components

| | CO2e emission per year of service life (kg/yr) | | Ratio (steel/G FRP) |
|--|--|------|---------------------|
| | Steel | GFRP | |
| Concrete bridge deck: steel vs. FRP rebar - Case-1 | 170 | 18 | 9.7 |
| Concrete bridge deck: steel vs. FRP rebar - Case-2 | 1300 | 130 | 10 |
| Concrete columns: steel vs. GFRP rebar | 8.3 | 3.4 | 2.4 |
| Concrete frame with steel. vs. GFRP | 160 | 83 | 1.9 |
| Concrete beam with steel vs. GFRP rebar | 14 | 5.3 | 2.6 |
| Steel beam vs. GFRP beam | 11 | 7.3 | 1.5 |
| Concrete bridge portal frame with steel vs. GFRP | 97 | 37 | 2.7 |
| Roof truss with steel vs. GFRP | 44 | 28 | 1.5 |
| Highway truss with steel vs. GFRP | 240 | 170 | 1.4 |
| Steel signpost vs. GFRP signpost | 28 | 42 | 0.67 |

Comparison of steel and functionally equivalent FRP composite components

Comparison of full lifecycle environmental impacts of a highway bridge built with traditional steel components v. with composite components

[HTTPS://doi.org/10.1520/acem20180113](https://doi.org/10.1520/acem20180113)

| | FULL LIFECYCLE EMISSIONS (CRADLE-TO-GRAVE) | | IMPACTS RATIO (steel/FRP) |
|--|---|-----------|------------------------------|
| | STEEL | FRP | |
| Ozone depletion, kg CFC-11 eq | 0.125 | 0.534 | 0.23 |
| Global warming, kg CO2 eq | 1,480,000 | 1,090,000 | 1.4 |
| Photochemical oxidant creation, kg O3 eq | 83,500 | 71,700 | 1.2 |
| Acidification, kg SO2 eq | 5,680 | 5,390 | 1.1 |
| Eutrophication, kg N eq | 3,510 | 1,760 | 2.00 |

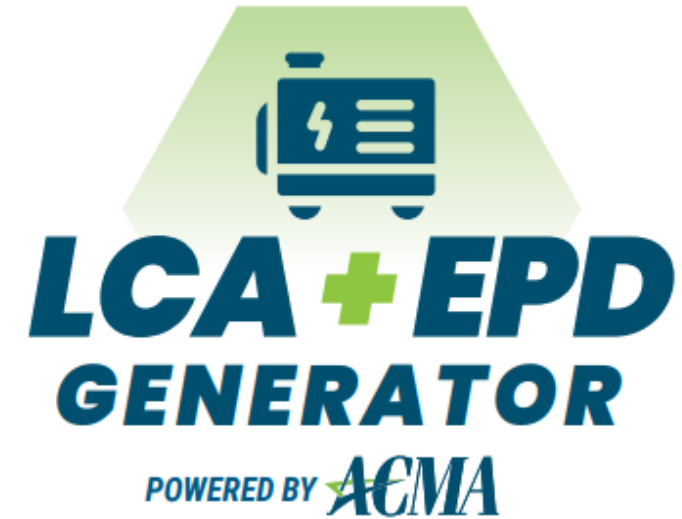
EPA's Role in Sustainability

- 2022 legislation for construction product labeling
- EPA's criteria for sustainability assessment
- Impact on market access for suppliers



ACMA's Sustainability Program

Upcoming LCA/EPD generator



IRA/EPA/EPD grant

ACMA and IACMI were selected to receive a \$6 million grant for programs to support EPD preparation

Conclusion

- **ACMA's sustainability program provides tools and resources for composites manufacturers to prepare LCA and EPD for their products**
- **Outlook for composites industry sustainability**

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Innovative Thermoplastic Bendable GFRP Rebar



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Bendable FRP rebar with Elium[®] resin

- **Thermoset FRP rebars cannot be bent near construction site**

Linear rebar continuous production;
bent thermoset rebar must be
produced batchwise at fixed angles.

- **Thermoplastic Elium[®] resin allows continuous production of straight rebars that can be bent to desired angle**

Elium[®] resin is compatible with
standard FRP pultrusion.

Final shaping can be done locally,
reducing lead time and errors.



Thermoset FRP rebar = custom order
Elium[®] FRP rebar = simplified planning

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Elium® the liquid thermoplastic designed for recycling

*“a unique **liquid thermoplastic** solution
for manufacturing **composite parts**
using standard thermoset processes,
including the major particularity of
design for recycling”*

Liquid

Resin is a liquid polymer and reactive monomer blend with processing additives.

Thermoplastic

Polymer is high strength, high toughness, durable and lightweight. Final parts can be thermoformed, overmolded or welded.

Design for recycling

The high molecular weight thermoplastic FRP is fully recyclable. Elium® resin is styrene free, BPA free and Cobalt salt free.



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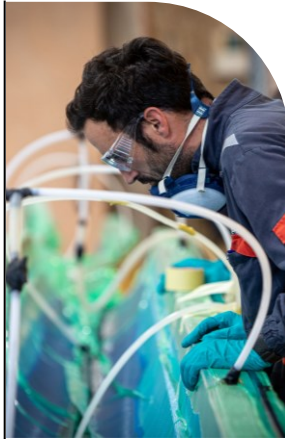
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Elium® applications and markets

Infusion

*Wind
Marine*



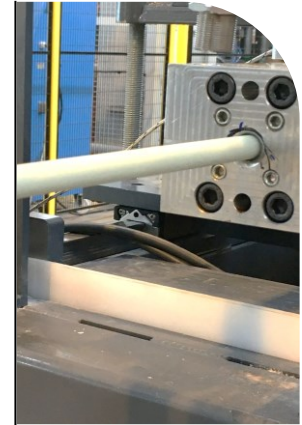
Casting

*Cladding
Sanitary
Industrial
applications*



Pultrusion

*Building
Wind*



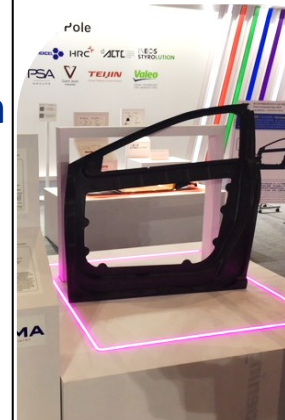
Filament Winding

*Pressure vessel
Tanks
Pipes*



C-RTM & Compression

Automotive



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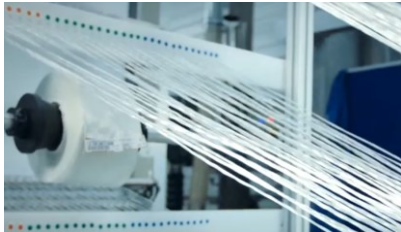
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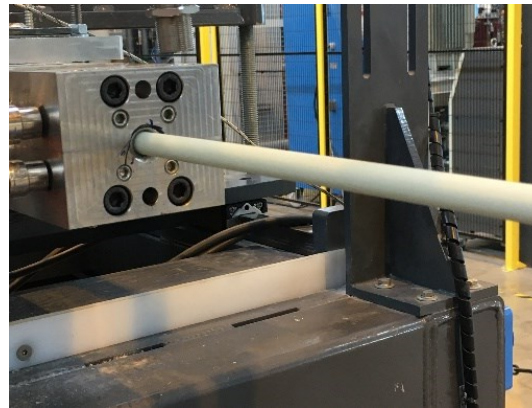
Elium® FRP via standard pultrusion processes

FIBER ROVING



ELIUM®
RESIN

FORMING DIE + HEAT



- Elium® resin is compatible with current pultrusion line of FRP Rebar
- Compatible with resin bath or injection head
- Suitable for Glass, Carbon and Basalt fibers


IRT M2P Institut de Recherche
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Matériaux Métallurgie
et Procédés
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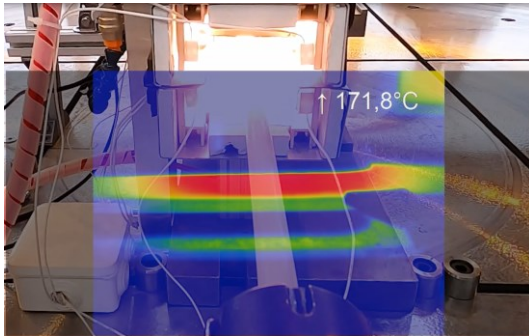
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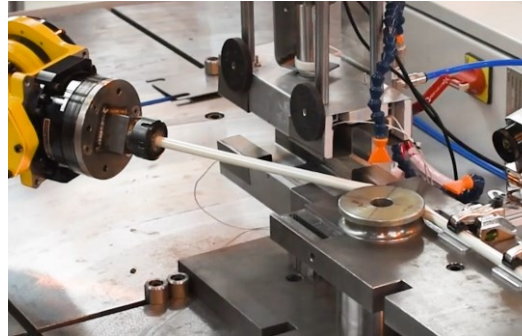
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Bending process with Elium[®] rebars

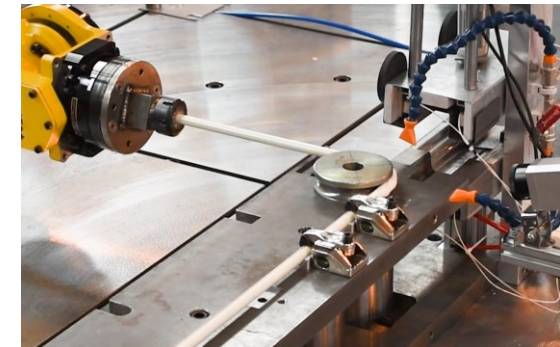
1 Heat locally
to $\approx 180^{\circ}\text{C}$



2 Controlled
deformation



3 Cooling



- Process development in collaboration with **IRT M2P** Institut de Recherche Technologique Matériaux Métallurgie et Procédés
- Requires correct forming process to ensure quality, dimensions stability and safety
- Complete process in less than 2 minutes
- Development of an industrial bending machine on-going at **WAFIOS**

ARKEMA ELIUM[®]

Thermoplastic rebar with Elium[®] resin

- **Elium[®] C599 E for rebar**

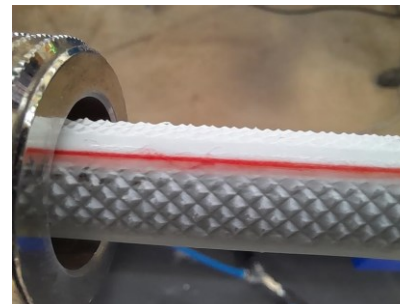
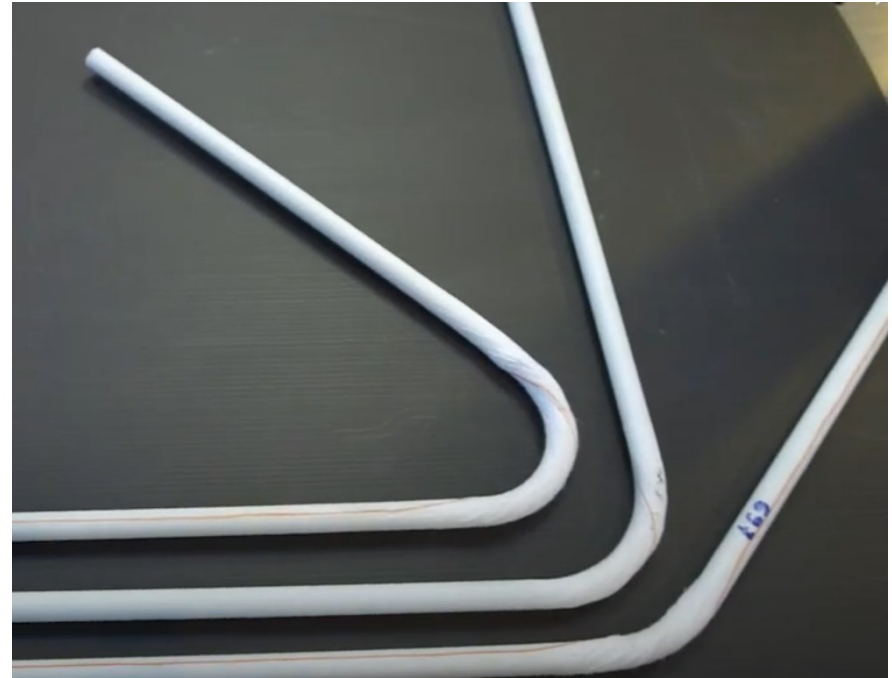
Elium[®] fulfills technical acceptance criteria for rebar applications (ASTM D7957)

- **New bending designs possible**

Smaller bending radius using Elium[®] (3x the rebar diameter)

- **Concrete adhesion**

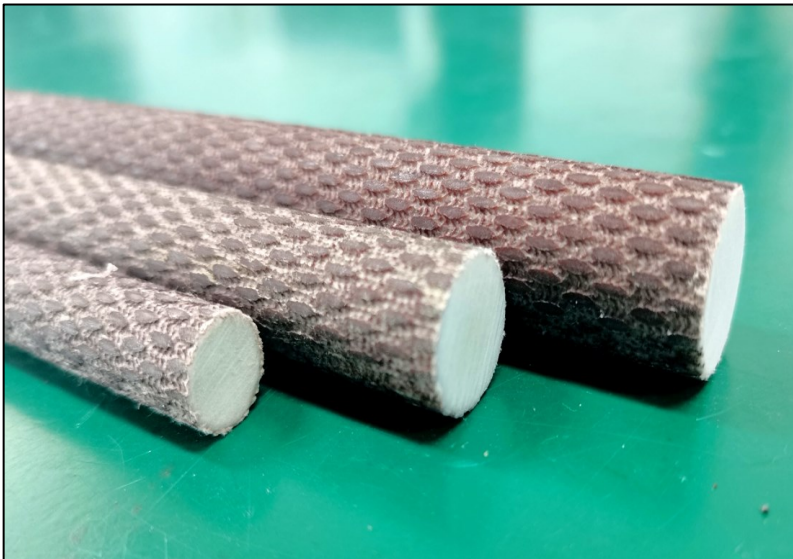
Classical methods (sand-coating, filament winding, machining) or “Thermoplastic” method by calendaring



Background

- The thermoset (vinyl-ester or epoxy) GFRP bars have numerous advantages, but there is a specific drawback that they cannot be reshaped after cured which affects the industry. Therefore, bendable GFRP bars at the construction site is a major challenge.
- To use thermoplastic resins to replace the thermoset resins would be potential solution since it possesses a two-dimensional network microstructure consisting of linear polymeric chains and a tendency to soften at elevated temperature.

- Dextra worked with Arkema develop an Innovative Thermoplastic (TP) Bendable GFRP Rebar.
- Physical & Mechanical Properties and Durability Characteristics of this Thermoplastic Bendable GFRP Rebar have been characterized by Sherbrooke University (Benmokrane, et al. Journal of Composites for Construction 28.4 (2024): 06024001.)



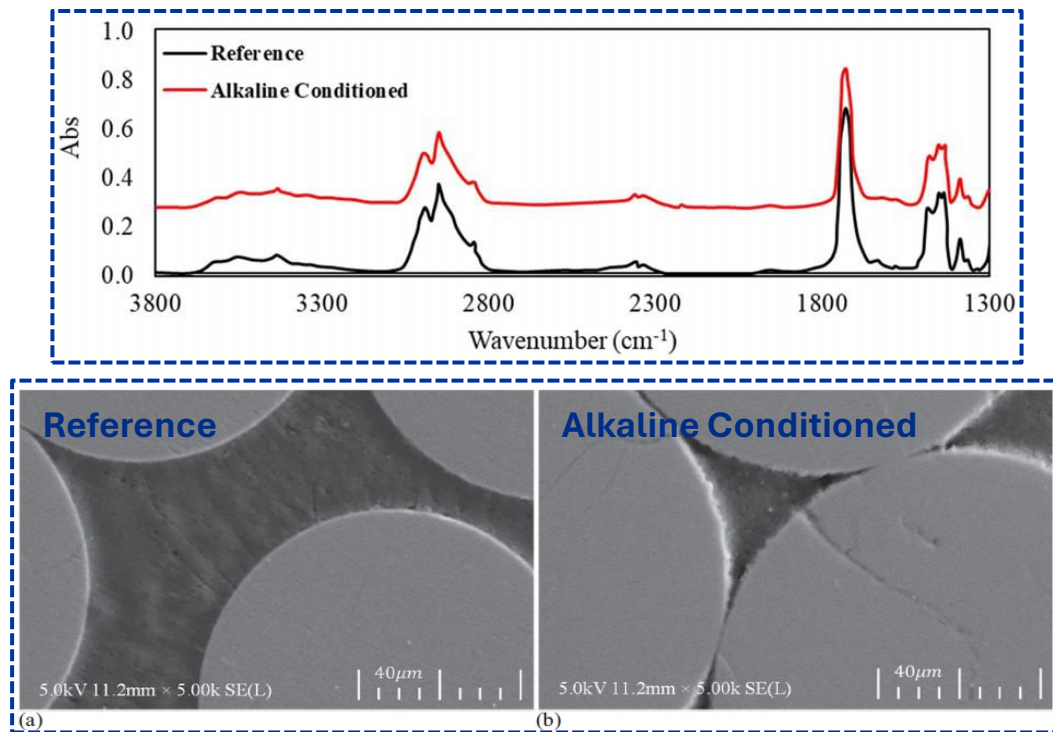
Physical Properties

Dia.16mm (No. #5) Thermoplastic Rebar Physical Properties

| Item # | Property | Result | Specified limits | |
|--------|---|--------|------------------|-----------|
| | | | ASTM D7957 | CSA S807 |
| 1 | Cross-sectional area (mm ²) | 196 | 186 - 251 | 186 - 251 |
| 2 | Fiber content by weight (%) | 85 | ≥ 70 | ≥ 70 |
| 3 | Glass transition temperature, T _g (°C) | 107 | ≥ 100 | ≥ 100 |
| 4 | Water absorption (%) @ 24 h | 0.25 | ≤ 0.25 | ≤ 0.25 |
| 5 | Water absorption (%) at saturation | 0.37 | ≤ 1.00 | ≤ 1.00 |

- All physical properties meet with ASTM D7957 and CSA S807.

Physical Properties



- Both FTIR and SEM results indicate that chemical composition, the integrity and interface remained largely unchanged after alkaline conditioning.

Mechanical Properties - Tensile

Dia.16mm (No. #5) Thermoplastic Rebar Tensile Properties

| No. | Tensile Load (kN) | Tensile Strength (MPa) | Tensile modulus (GPa) | Ultimate strain (%) | Specified Tensile Strength Limits (MPa) | |
|----------------|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--|--------------------|
| | | | | | ASTM D7957 | CSA S807 Grade III |
| 1 | 276 | 1387 | 55 | 2.5 | 653 | 1000 |
| 2 | 276 | 1387 | 56 | 2.5 | 653 | 1000 |
| 3 | 285 | 1432 | 55 | 2.6 | 653 | 1000 |
| 4 | 281 | 1412 | 57 | 2.5 | 653 | 1000 |
| 5 | 259 | 1302 | 55 | 2.4 | 653 | 1000 |
| 6 | 272 | 1367 | 55 | 2.5 | 653 | 1000 |
| 7 | 267 | 1342 | 55 | 2.4 | 653 | 1000 |
| 8 | 287 | 1442 | 54 | 2.7 | 653 | 1000 |
| Average | 275 | 1384 | 55 | 2.5 | 653 | 1000 |
| SD | 9.3 | 47 | 0.9 | 0.1 | | |
| COV (%) | 3.4 | 3.4 | 1.6 | 3.8 | | |

- The TP bars had higher tensile strength and modulus than the TS bars when using with same grade glass fiber. This difference could be attributed to the higher fiber content in TP bars.

Mechanical Properties - Shear

Dia.16mm (No. #5) Thermoplastic Rebar Transverse Shear Properties

| No. | Transverse Shear Load (kN) | Transverse Shear Strength (MPa) | Specified transverse shear strength Limits (MPa) | |
|----------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|--|------------------|
| | | | ASTM D7957 | CSA S807 Grade I |
| 1 | 62 | 156 | 131 | 160 |
| 2 | 67 | 168 | 131 | 160 |
| 3 | 69 | 173 | 131 | 160 |
| 4 | 70 | 176 | 131 | 160 |
| 5 | 67 | 168 | 131 | 160 |
| Average | 67 | 168 | 131 | 160 |
| SD | 3.1 | 8 | | |
| COV (%) | 4.6 | 4.6 | | |

- The TP bars meet the requirements for transverse shear strength for CSA S807 Grade I and ASTM D7957.

Mechanical Properties - Bond Strength

Dia.16mm (No. #5) Thermoplastic Rebar Bond Strength Properties

| No. | Failure Load (kN) | * Bond Strength (MPa) | Specified Bond Strength Limits (MPa) | |
|---------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|----------|
| | | | ASTM D7957 | CSA S807 |
| 1 | 60.6 | 15.3 | 7.6 | 10.0 |
| 2 | 70.1 | 17.7 | 7.6 | 10.0 |
| 3 | 61.9 | 15.6 | 7.6 | 10.0 |
| Average | 64.2 | 16.2 | 7.6 | 10.0 |

Remark: * Bond length = 5*Bar Diameter.

- The TP bars meet the requirements for Bond strength for CSA S807 and ASTM D7957.

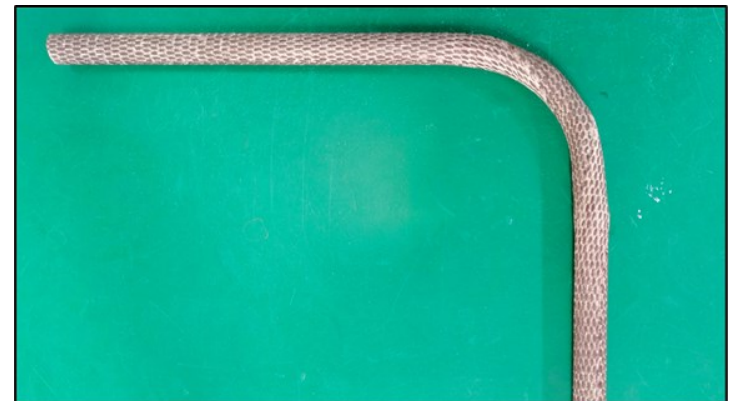
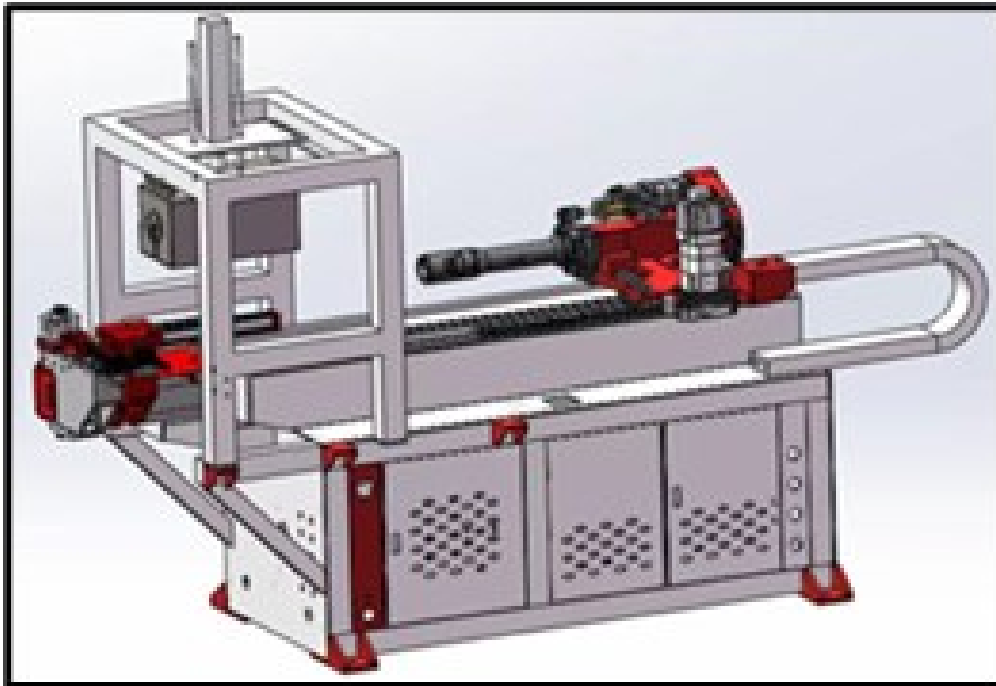
Durability Properties - Alkaline Resistance

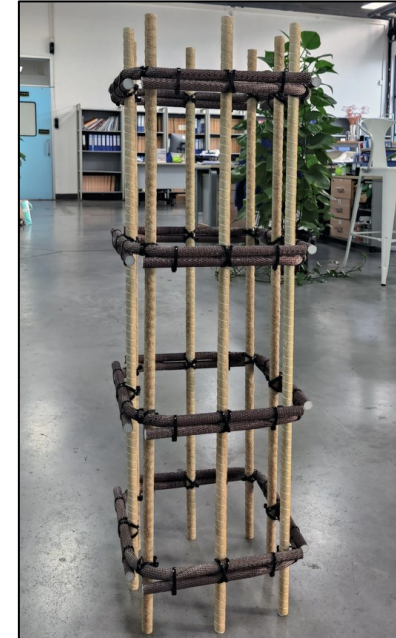
Dia.16mm (No. #5) Thermoplastic Rebar Durability Properties

| Item # | Tensile Strength (MPa) | Tensile modulus (GPa) | Ultimate strain (%) | Tensile Strength Retention (%) | Specified Tensile Strength Retention limit (%) | |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|--|-------------|
| | | | | | ASTM D7957 | CSA S807 D1 |
| 1 | 1261 | 55 | 2.3 | 91.1 | 80 | 85 |
| 2 | 1265 | 55 | 2.3 | 91.4 | 80 | 85 |
| 3 | 1251 | 53 | 2.4 | 90.4 | 80 | 85 |
| 4 | 1277 | 54 | 2.4 | 92.3 | 80 | 85 |
| 5 | 1247 | 54 | 2.3 | 90.1 | 80 | 85 |
| 6 | 1260 | 54 | 2.3 | 91.0 | 80 | 85 |
| 7 | 1298 | 55 | 2.4 | 93.8 | 80 | 85 |
| 8 | 1299 | 56 | 2.3 | 93.9 | 80 | 85 |
| Average | 1270 | 55 | 2.3 | 91.7 | 80 | 85 |
| SD | 20 | 0.9 | 0.03 | | | |
| COV (%) | 1.6 | 1.7 | 1.2 | | | |

- The TP bars showed good alkaline resistance property. The tensile strength retention after 90 days at 60°C of alkaline conditioning was about 92% which meet both CSA S807 D1 and ASTM D7957 requirement.

Properties - Bending Strength





- This Innovative Thermoplastic Bendable GFRP Rebar will be as a new solution to conventional reinforcement materials.
- It will better promote the application of composite rebar, while solving the problem of its recycling, making it more sustainable and environmentally friendly.

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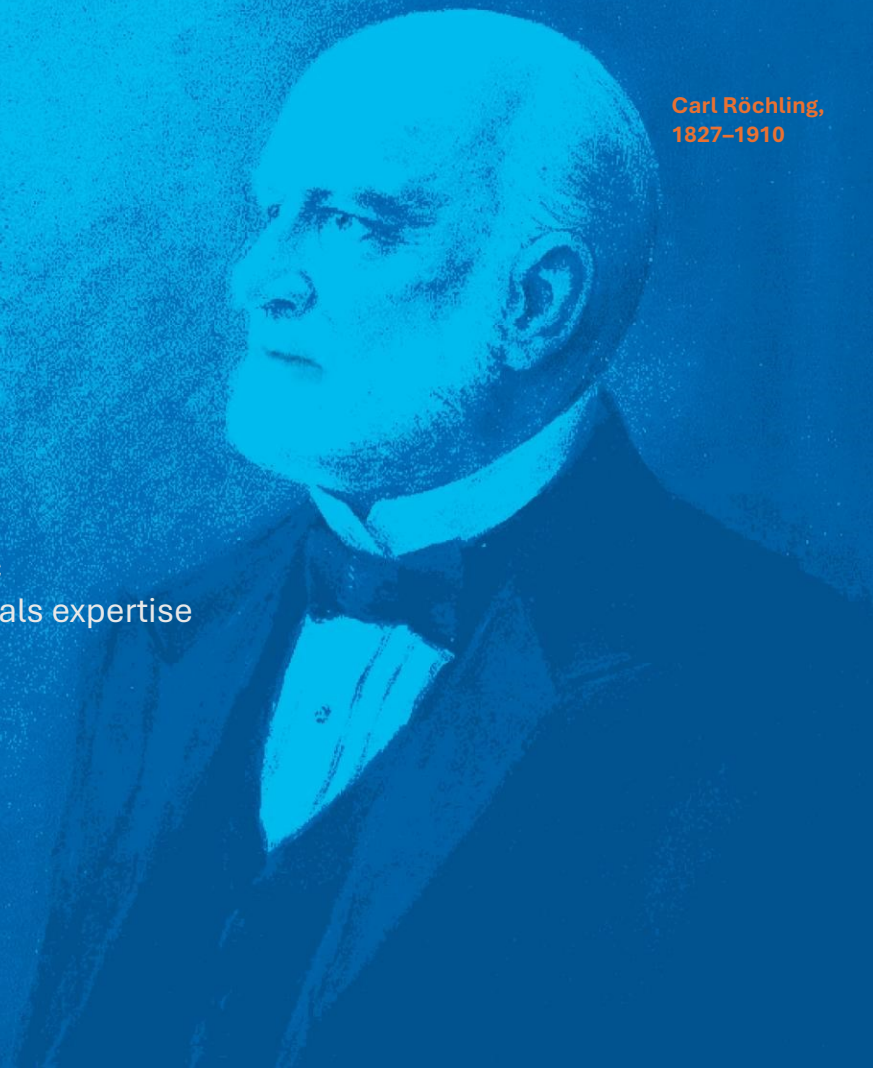


200 Years Röchling
Pioneering Ever Since
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100 years of plastic
200 years of materials expertise

**Carl Röchling,
1827–1910**

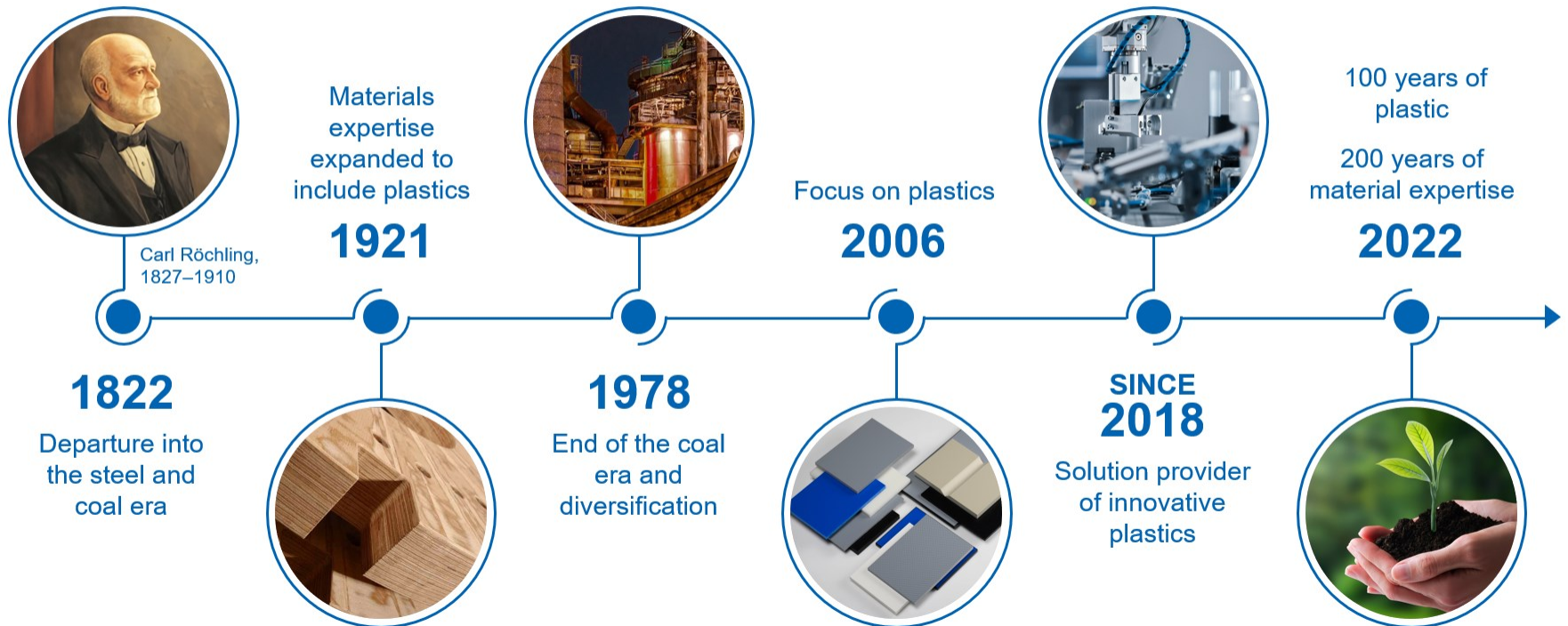


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Röchling through the ages

change and progress are part of our DNA.



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2023 Figures



2,723
million euro in
sales
in 2023



11,988
employees



90
locations



25
in
countries

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Close to our customers

Offering high quality and solutions.

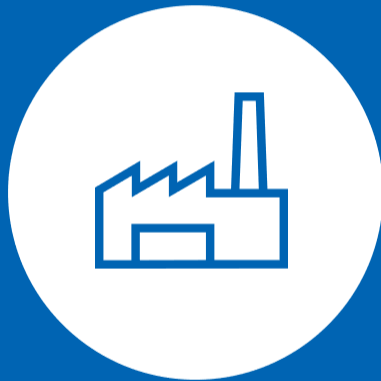


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Three strong company divisions.



Industrial



Automotive



Medical

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2023 Figures



1,206
million euro
sales
in 2023



4,515
employees



43
locations



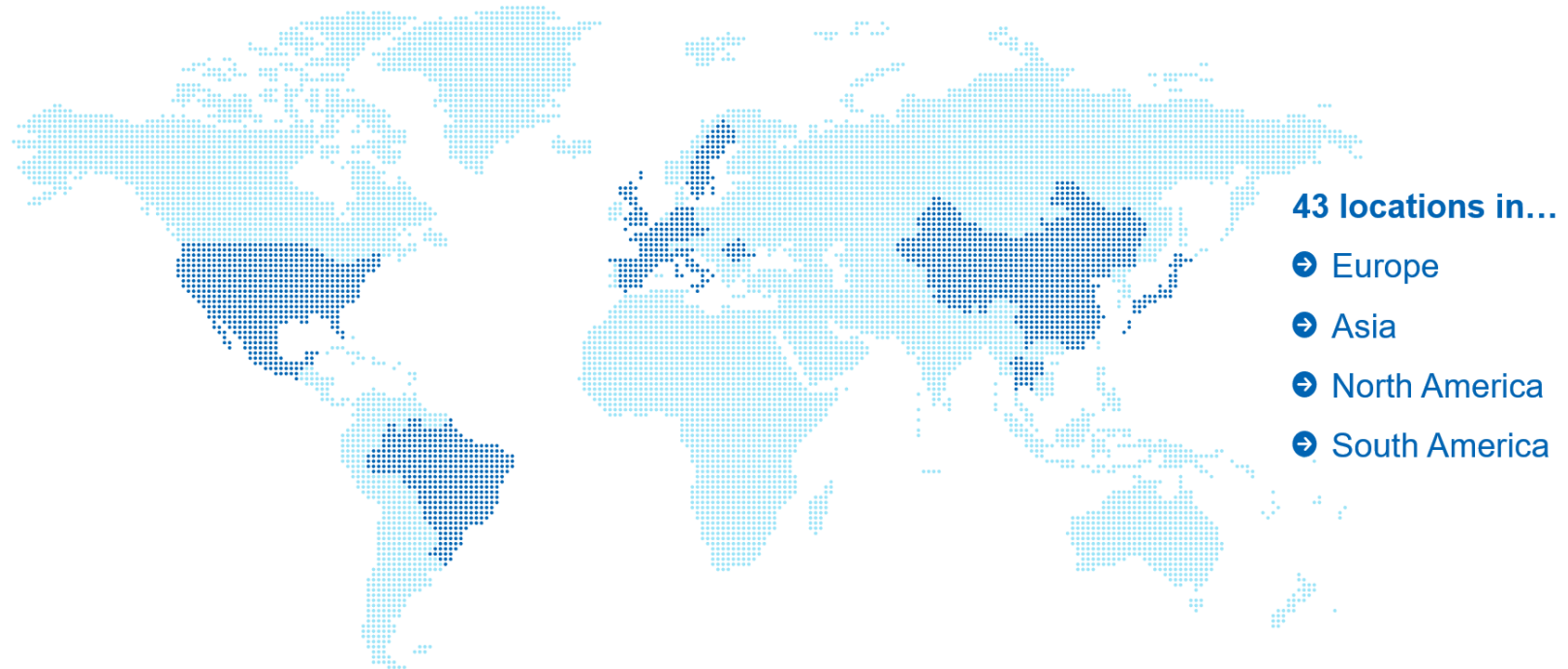
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Global presence

43 Röchling Industrial locations worldwide.



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Röchling Industrial

Parent company based in Haren.

- ➔ Over 100 years of experience
- ➔ Process and innovation expertise on more than 320,000 square metres
- ➔ Bundling of research and development activities
- ➔ High-tech materials testing with more than 370 test methods
- ➔ Over 170 modern production facilities
- ➔ Thermoplastics, composites, and finished parts
- ➔ Largest location within the Industrial Division

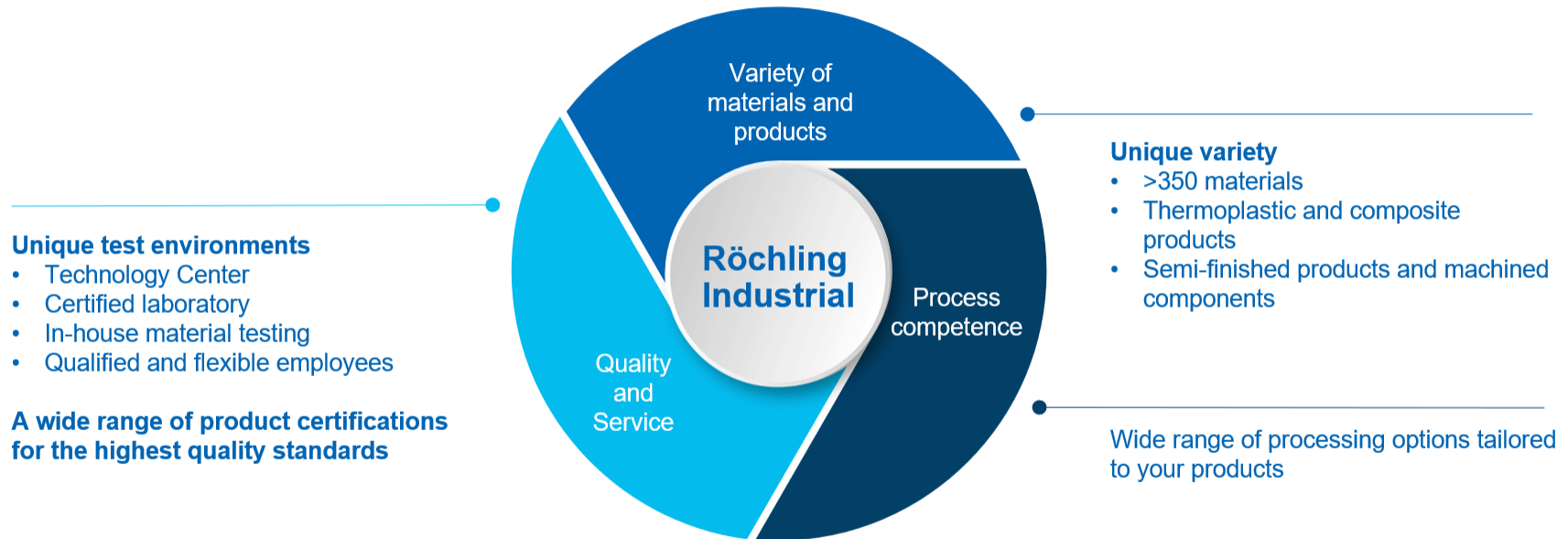


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Our services

capabilities at a glance.

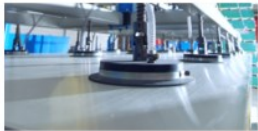


= Innovative products & competitive advantages

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**Compression
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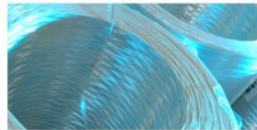
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Machining



Extrusion



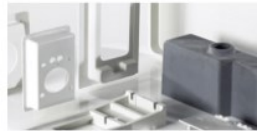
**Filament
winding**



**Selective laser
sintering**



Polymerisation



Press forming



Assembling

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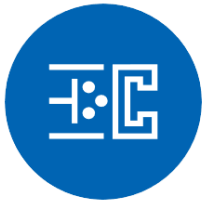
Sheets



Round rods



Special &
custom cast
parts



Extruded
Profiles



Machined
Components



Additive
manufactured
parts

Composites



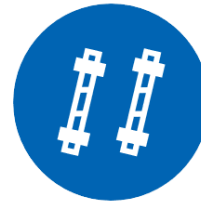
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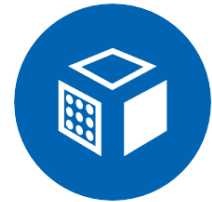
Wound cones
and parts



Fasteners



Machined
components



Kit-supply

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Composite Materials



Fibre reinforced plastics

Fibres

Glas- (GFK), Basalt-, Carbonfibre (CFRP)

Resin systems

Polyester-, Vinylester-, Epoxy, Methacrylat- and Polyurethane resin (UP, UP-Iso, VE, EP, A, PU)

Brand names:

| | |
|------------|--------------|
| Durostone® | Durolight® |
| Glastherm® | DuroProtect® |
| Permaglas® | Glastic® |



Laminated densified wood

Beech veneers

(Fagus sylvatica) phenolic glue

Brand names:

| | |
|------------------|-----------------------|
| Lignostone® | Lignostone® cryogenic |
| Transformerwood® | LignoProtect® |



Laminated pressboard

Pure cellulose

(IEC 60641) phenolic glue

Brand name:

Trafoboard®

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Composite Materials

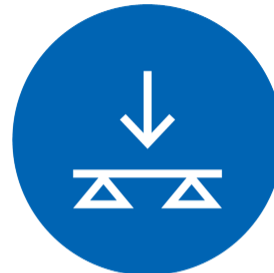
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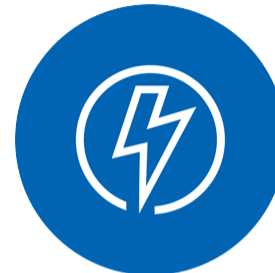
Weight reduction



Corrosion
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Mechanical
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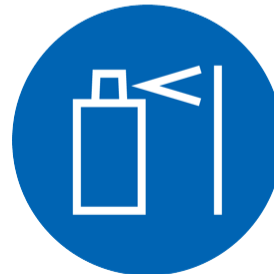
Electrical
insulation



Flame retardant



Thermal
insulation



Easy to paint



Long service life

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Technology Center

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Material analysis

With our own laboratories, we can optimize the composition of our products according to your requirements.

Quality arises from requirements

Unique testing capabilities: over 15 material experts operate in the internal material testing department, producing more than 4,500 material certificates (EN10204-3.1)

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Your industry – Our Know-How

Our focus industries at a glance.



Chemical
Processes



Oil and Gas



Mechanical
Engineering



Mining



Energy



Electronics



Construction



Transportation



Ship &
Boatbuilding



Semiconductor



Water



Healthcare



Sports and
Leisure



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Need & Opportunity



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Collaboration



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Contribution:

- Available production facilities in NA
- Access to the NA construction market
- Sales network
- Experience with thermoplastics and composites
- Synergies



TEAMWORK

Contribution:

- Rebar manufacturing technology
- Sophisticated FRP Rebar R&D know-how
- Patents and Approvals
- Network of Partner Institutes and Universities for swift certifications
- Time to market cut-down

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Durostone® GFRP Rebar



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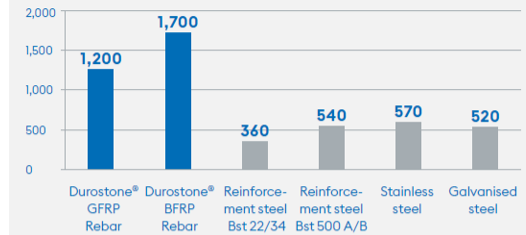
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Advantages of Durostone® FRP Rebar

- High corrosion resistance
- Permanent Alkali & Chemical resistance
- High tensile strength
- + Significant lighter than steel ($\pm 4x$)
- Non-magnetic
- No electric or electromagnetic conductivity
- Thermally non-conductive
- Transparent for radar and radio waves
- Easily machinable
- Reduction of life cycle costs
- Long service life - Sustainable
- Much more environmentally friendly than steel

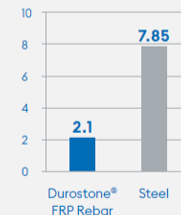
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Tensile strength
MPa

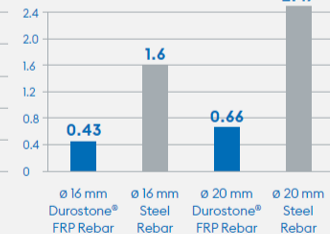


Durostone® FRP Rebars have a tensile strength three to four times greater than conventional reinforcement bars made of unalloyed steel and stainless steel. Tested according to CSA S806/ASTM D7205.

Density
g/cm³



Weight
kg/m



Durostone® FRP Rebars only have around 27% of the weight of steel reinforcement bars. This permits lighter structures with maximum stability and less deadweight as well as much easier handling on building sites.

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STRAIGHT FRP Rebars BENT FRP REBARS

- #3-10 mm – #8-25 mm
- < 10 mm possible



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