

LC³: reducing CO₂ emissions of
cementitious materials
fast and at scale

LC³: 一个可以快速和大规模减少二氧化碳
排放的水泥基材料方案

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Main messages || 主要信息

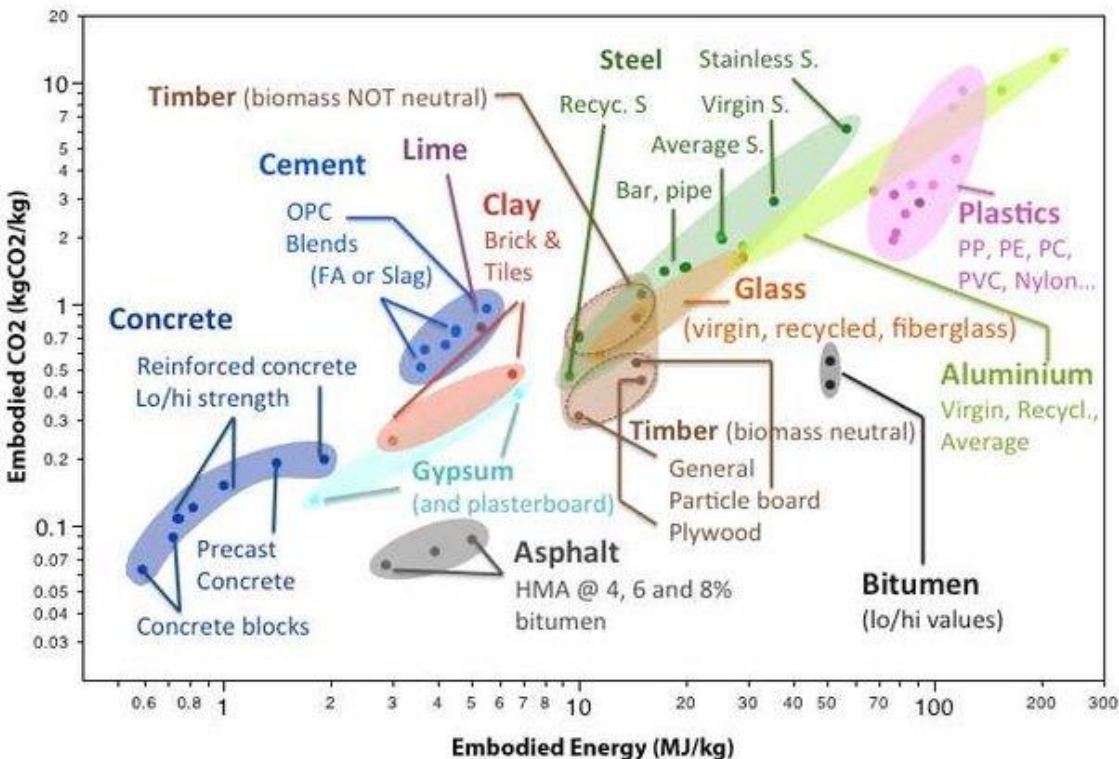
- There is no magic bullet
没有万能的解决办法
- We can do a lot applying multiple solutions, mostly already known
在已知范围内，我们可以做很多事情，应用多种解决方案

Cementitious Materials: Concrete, Mortar || 水泥材料：混凝土、砂浆

Cementitious materials make up >50% of everything we produce
水泥基材料占有生产产品的50%以上

It is only for this reason they account for 8% of CO₂ annually.
仅出于这个原因，它每年造成8%的碳排放

Low intrinsic environmental impact
但本质上对环境影响较小



To replace 25% of cementitious with timber would require planting a forest 1,5 x the size of India
如果想用木材取代25%的水泥，需要再种植印度国土面积1.5倍的森林

铜 copper
沥青 asphalt
铝 aluminium
瓷砖 ceramic tiles
石灰 lime
木材 timber
钢铁 steel
粘土烧制的砖块 clay fired...
cementitious 水泥

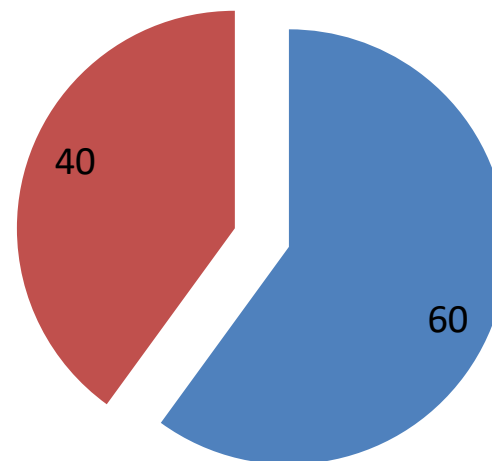
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Origins of CO₂ emissions in clinker production:

熟料生产中二氧化碳排放的来源:

CO₂ from the clinker remains around 75% through to the Concrete

熟料中的二氧化碳在混凝土中仍占75%左右



1 tonne of clinker leads to the emission of 750 – 900 kg CO₂
Average 850kg/t
1吨熟料可排放750 – 900公斤CO₂
平均850公斤/吨

■ CaCO₃ CaCO₃ 分解 (化学)
decomposition
(CHEMICAL)
■ Fuel 燃料



Limestone
80% of
raw material

石灰石
80%
原料

The production process is highly optimised up to around 80% of thermodynamic limit.

生产过程经过高度优化，最高可达热力学极限的80%左右。

It is estimated that < 2% further savings can be made here

据估计，这里可以节省< 2%

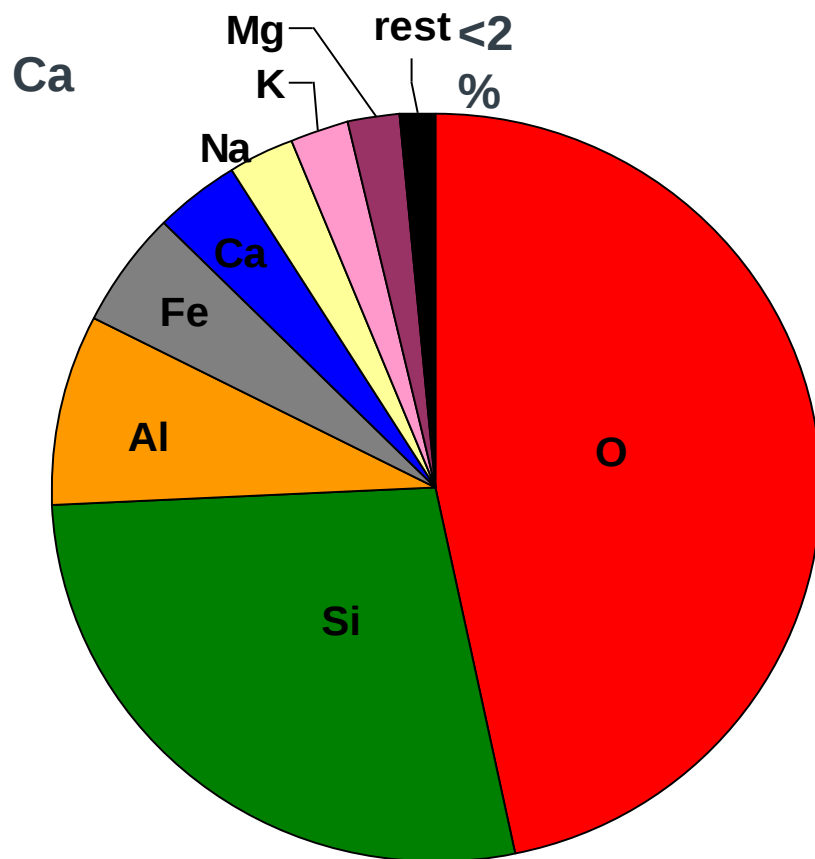
Use of waste fuels, which can be > 80% reduces the demand for fossil fuels

使用废燃料，可减少超过80%对化石燃料的需求

Can we make cement with a different chemistry?

我们可以用不同的化学成分制造水泥吗？

What is available on earth? 土壤中有什么可用的?



**8 elements make up
more than 98%
of the earth's crust**

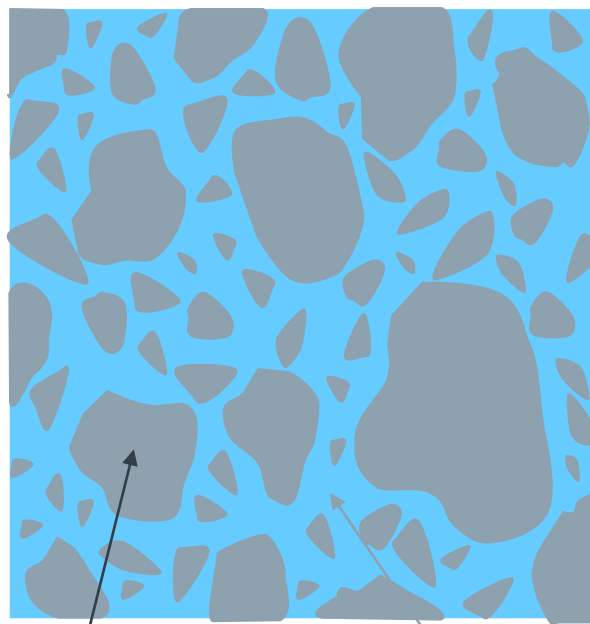
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How does cement work?

水泥是如何工作的？

How cement works: ||水泥是如何工作的:



Cement grain

水泥微粒

water
水

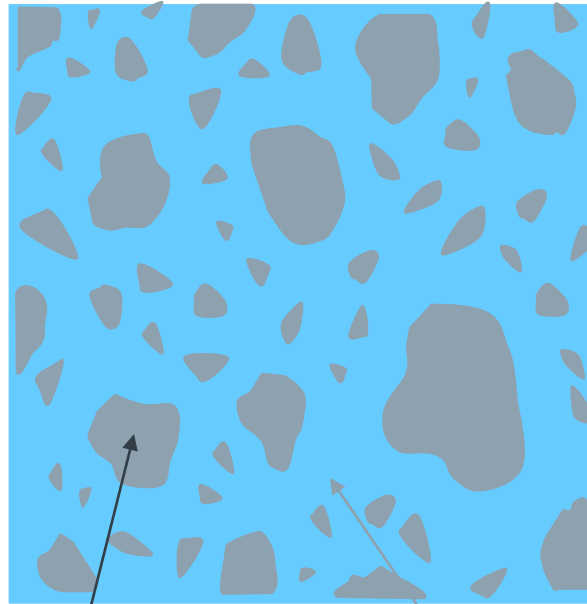
We mix the grey cement powder with water.

我们将灰水泥粉与水混合

To start with the grains are just floating about in the water and we can cast the concrete into moulds

首先，颗粒只是漂浮在水中，我们可以将混凝土浇筑进模具

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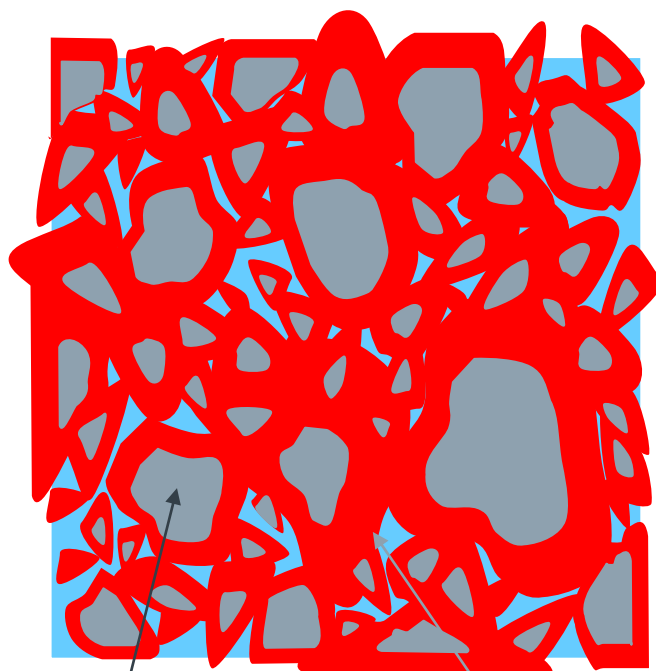


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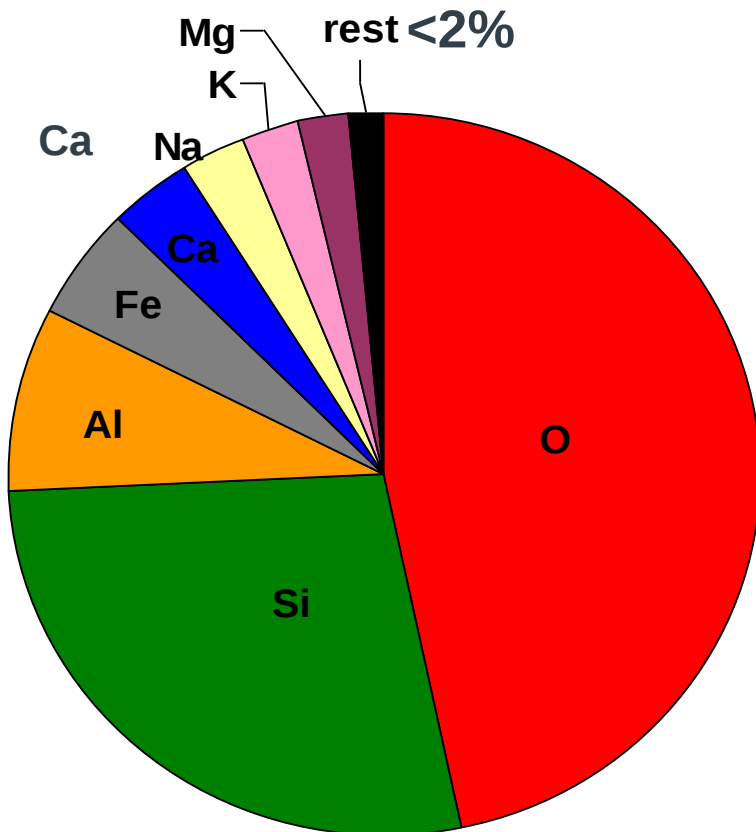
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水泥颗粒溶于水

And then precipitate
Hydrates – new solids
which have higher
volume and hold the
grains together:
creating a rigid solid

然后沉淀水合物 –
具有更高体积并将
颗粒聚合在一起形
成新固体:
刚性固体

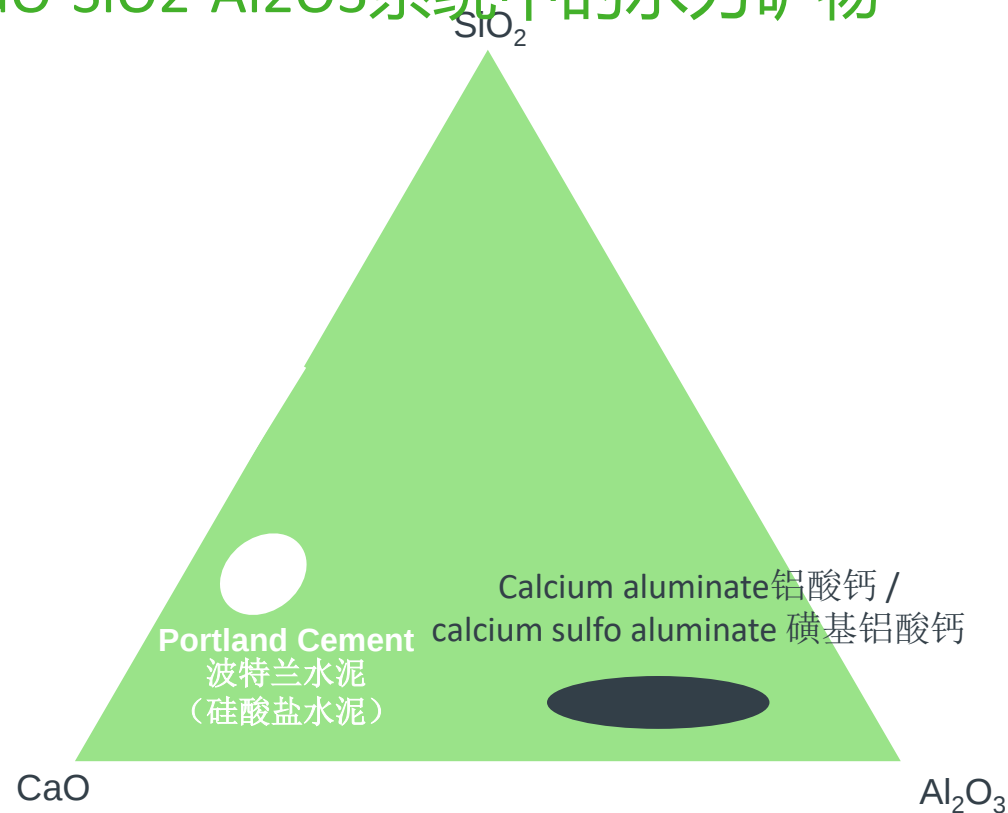
What is available on earth? 泥土中有什么可用的?



Na ₂ O	}	Too soluble 极易溶解
K ₂ O		
Fe ₂ O ₃	}	Too insoluble in alkaline solutions 不易溶于碱性溶液
MgO		
CaO	}	The most useful 最有用
SiO ₂		
Al ₂ O ₃		

Hydraulic minerals in system $\text{CaO-SiO}_2\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$

$\text{CaO-SiO}_2\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$ 系统中的水力矿物



Less CaO > less CO_2

更少的 CaO > 更少的 CO_2

BUT, what sources of minerals are there which contain Al_2O_3 >> SiO_2 ?

但是，含有 Al_2O_3 >> SiO_2 的矿物质来源是什么？

Bauxite – localised, under increasing demand for Aluminium production, EXPENSIVE

铝土矿 – 本地化，铝生产需求不断增加，**价格昂贵**

Even if all current bauxite production diverted would still only replace 10-15% of current demand.

即使目前所有铝土矿生产都转移，仍然只能取代当前需求的10-15%

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Even after nearly 50 years CSA production in China is <0.1% of OPC

and falling

即使经过近50年，中国的CSA产量仍<OPC的0.1%，并且正在下降

Portland based cements
are an inevitable consequence of
the chemistry and geology of the earth
波特兰水泥（硅酸盐水泥）是化学和地质学的必然结果

Blended cements are the most realistic options to reduce CO₂
and extend resources

混合水泥是减少二氧化碳和扩大资源最现实的选择

Availability of SCMs || SCMs的可用性



There is no magic solution 没有万能的解决方案

- Blended with SCMs will be best solution
for sustainable cements for the foreseeable future
在可预见的未来，与SCMs的拌合将是可持续水泥的最佳解决方案
- **The only material available in viable quantities is calcined clay.**
唯一真正有潜力大量供应的材料是煅烧粘土
- **Synergetic reaction** of calcined clay and limestone
allows high levels of substitution
煅烧粘土和石灰石的协同反应允许大范围的取代

EPFL led LC³ project supported by SDC. **Started in 2013**
洛桑联邦理工学院领导的LC3项目始于2013年。



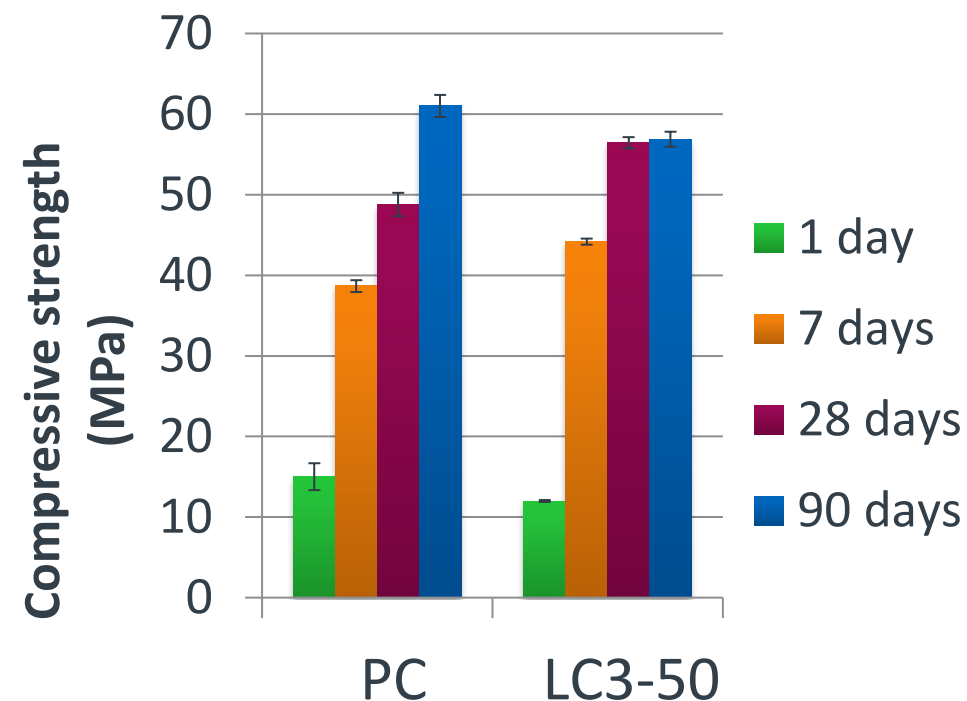
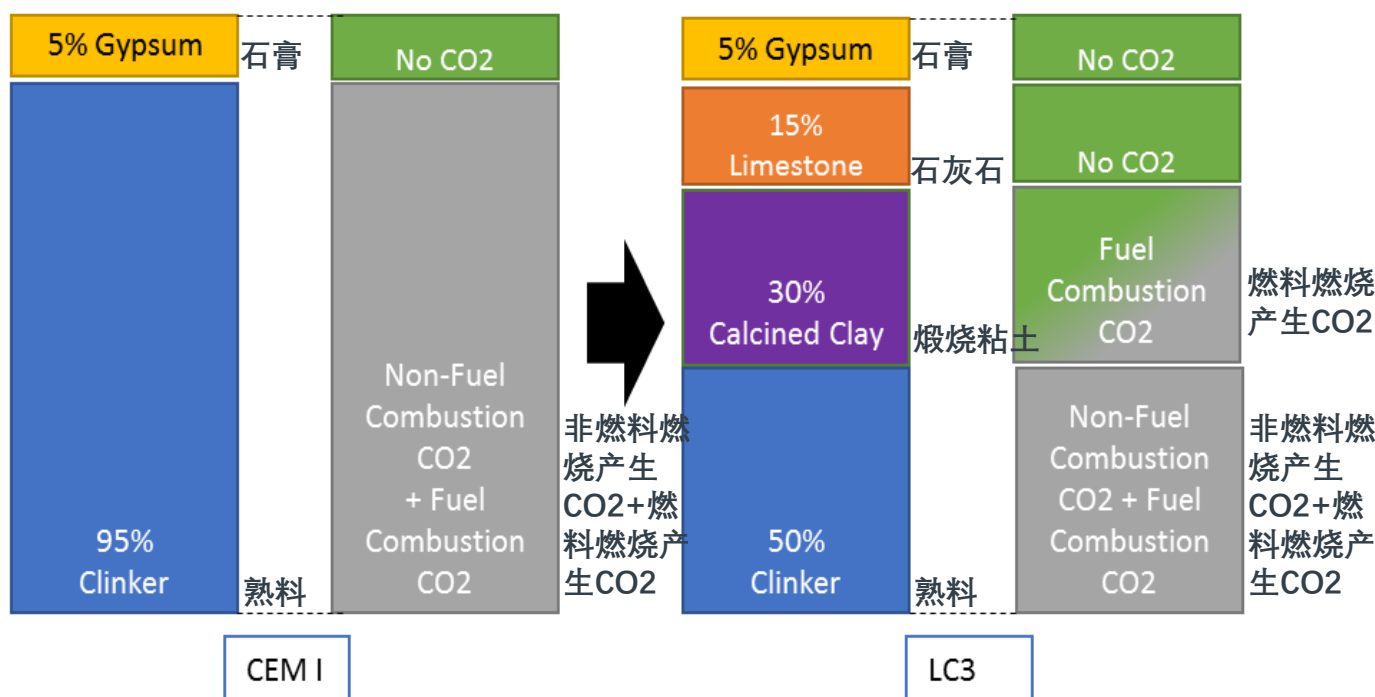
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Swiss Agency for Development
and Cooperation SDC

Limestone
Calcined
Clay
Cement



What is LC³ 什么是LC³ ?



- 50% less clinker 减少50%熟料
- 40% less CO₂ 减少40%CO₂排放
- Similar strength 相同强度
- Better chloride resistance 抗氯性更好
- Resistant to alkali silica reaction 抑制碱与硅石的反应

LC³ is a family of cements, the figure refers to the **clinker** content

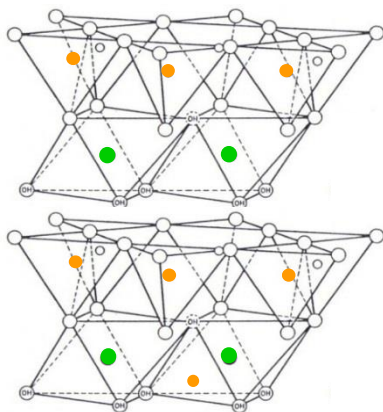
LC³是水泥家族的成员, 图片中表明熟料的成分

What kinds of clay are
suitable?

哪种粘土适合呢？

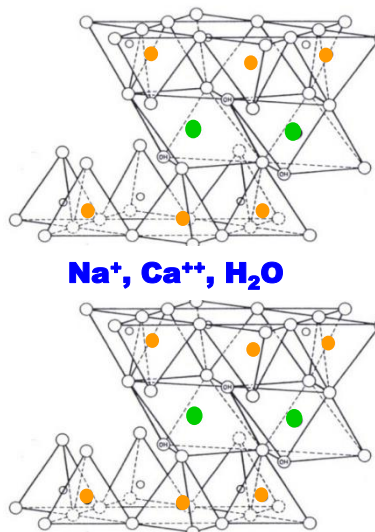
Three basic clay structures 三种基本的粘土结构

Kaolinite (1:1) 高岭土



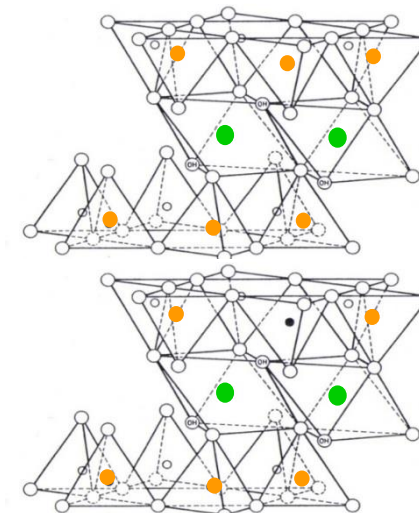
- aluminium
- silicon

Montmorillonite (2:1)
(Smectites) 蒙脱石



Na⁺, Ca²⁺, H₂O

Illite (Micas) (2:1)
伊利石 (云母)



“Metakaolin”, sold as high purity product for paper, ceramic, refractory industries

Requirements for purity, colour, etc, means expensive cement (3-4x price)

偏高岭土作为高纯度产品出售，用于制造纸、陶瓷、耐火材料工业，对纯度、颜色等均有要求。一般是水泥价格的3至4倍

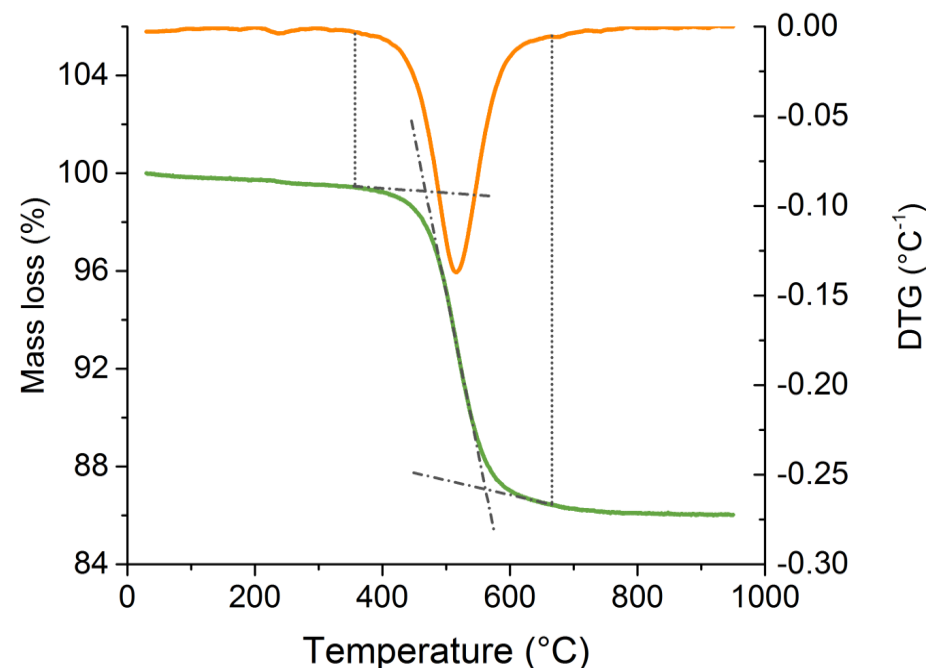
Clays containing metakaolin available as wastes 低偏高岭土含量的粘土很多被当作废料

– over or under burden NOT agricultural soil 非农业土壤

Much less expensive and often available close to cement plants 价格便宜得多，且离水泥厂近

Over 70 clays studied from around the world 研究来自世界各地的70多种粘土

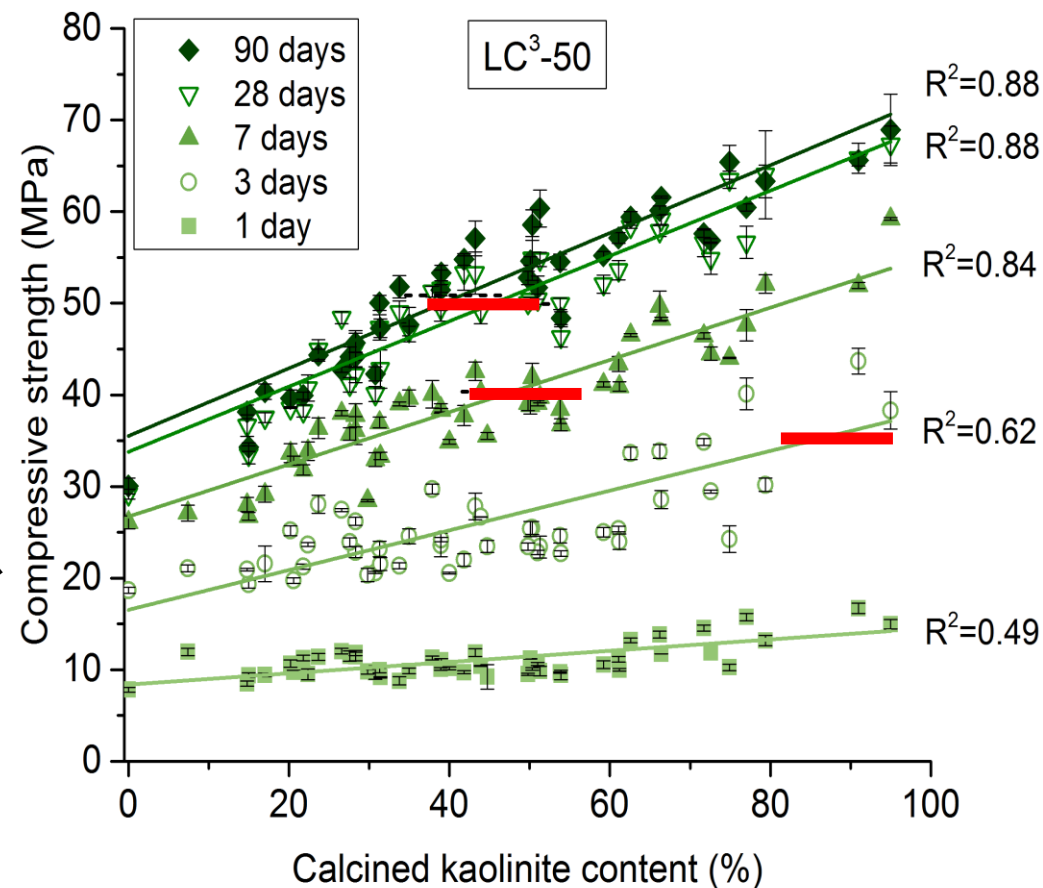
- Different calcination conditions
不同的煅烧条件
- Different compositions, impurities
不同的成分，杂质
- Different physical properties
不同的物理性质



Benchmark test of clay strength

粘土强度基准测试

- Compressive strength EN 196-1 at 1, 3, 7, 28, 90 d
基于标准EN 196-1分别在1, 3, 7, 28, 90天的抗压强度
- Linear increase of strength with the MK content of calcined clays
强度随煅烧粘土的MK含量线性增加
- Similar strength to PC for blends containing 40% of calcined kaolinite from 7d onwards
第7天开始, 含有40%煅烧高岭土的混合物的强度与PC相似
- At 28 and 90 days, little additional benefit >60%
在 28 天和 90 天时, 少量额外的好处 >60%
- Minor impacts of fineness, specific surface and secondary phases
细度、表面和二次相的轻微影响



Calcined kaolinite overwhelming parameter

煅烧高岭土成分具有压倒性优势

Ideal kaolinite content 30-60% 理想的高岭土含量为30-60%

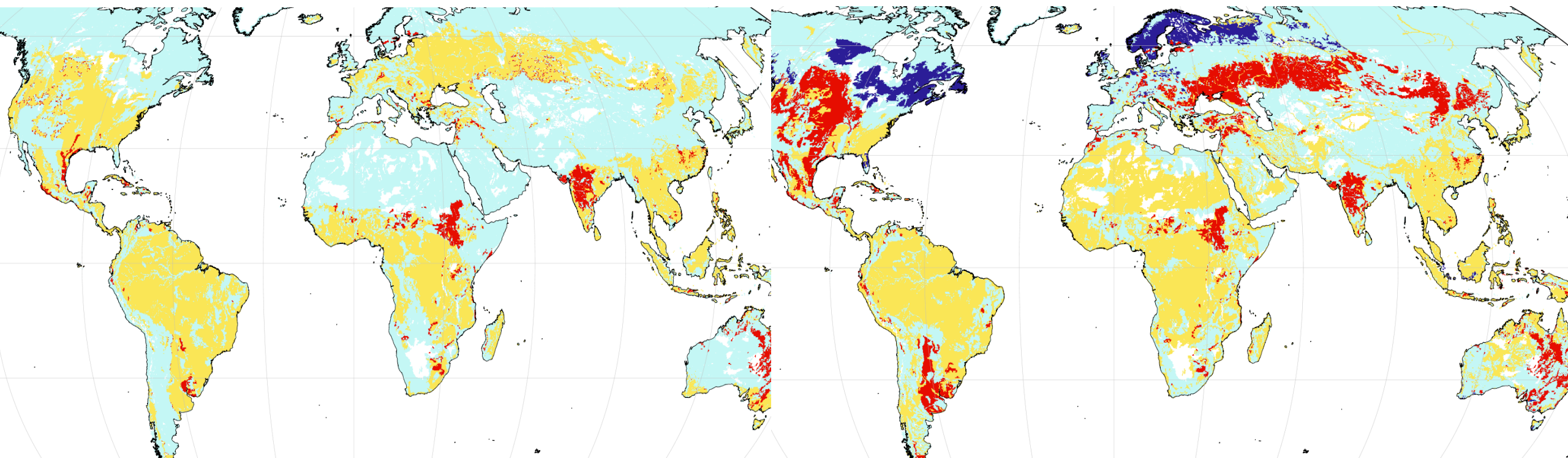
- Higher contents, possible to use more limestone 含量越高，可能会使用更多的石灰石
- *Even better return on investment and climate-friendly* 甚至有更好的经济学和生态学效应
- Lower contents can be enriched by separation 较低的含量可以通过分离达到富集的目的
- *Separated, fine quartz can be sold as a separate product* 分离出来的精细石英可以作为单独的产品出售
- These kind of materials are not documented in official reserves of “kaolin”
这些材料在 “高岭土 ”的官方储备中没有记录
- The amounts of suitable materials 100s of times higher than such reserves
实际上合适粘土材料的总量比这种储备高100多倍

Distribution of Kaolinitic clays 高岭土粘土的分布

Ito and Wagai, Scientific data 2017

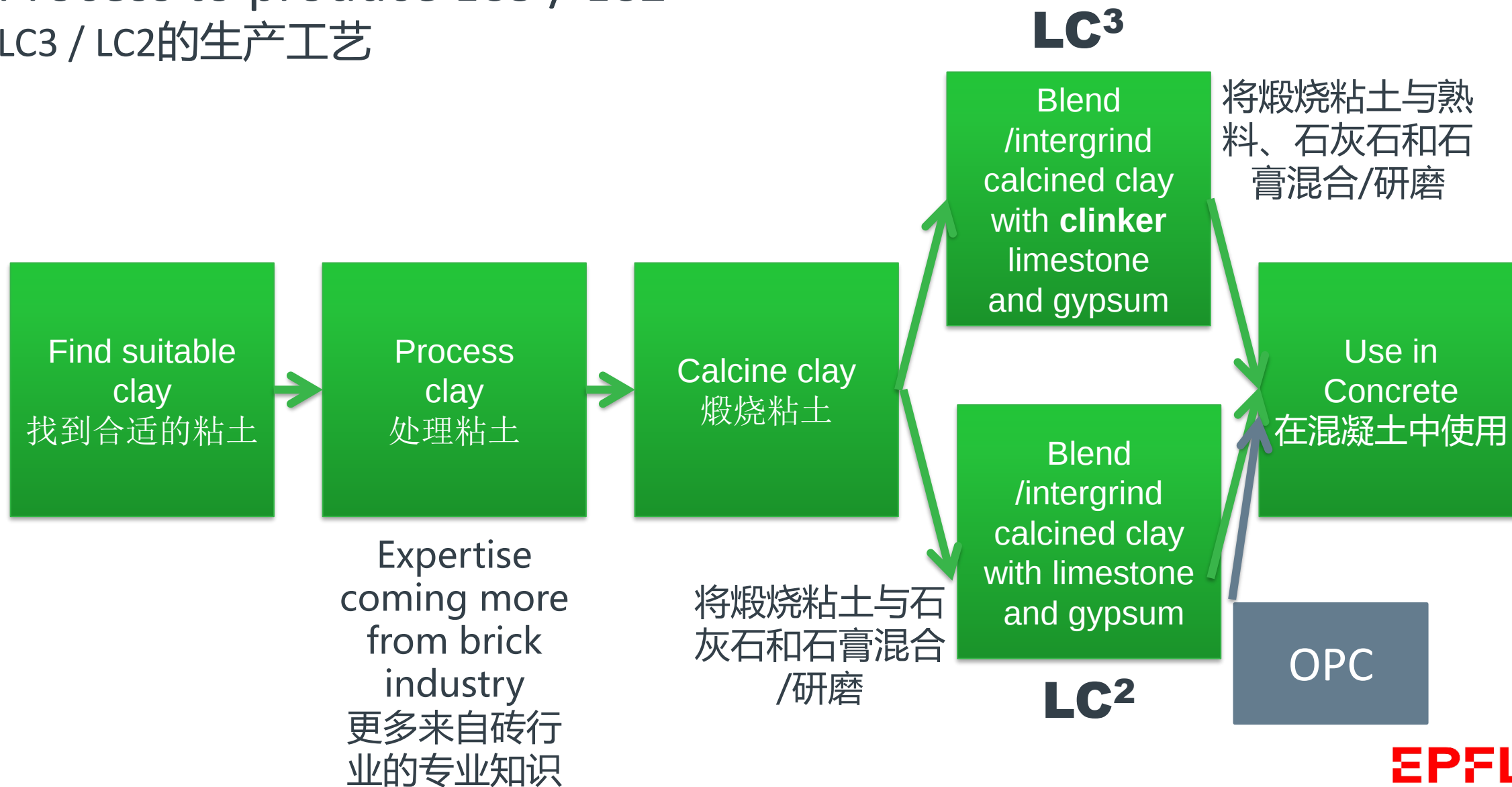
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Process to produce LC3 / LC2

LC3 / LC2的生产工艺

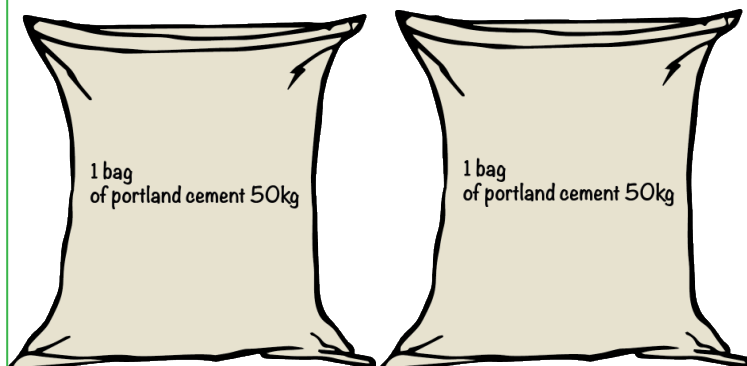


LC3 Blend at cement plant 在水泥工厂混合

Ordinary Portland Cement 100kg = 2 bags

Conventional solution

普通波特兰水泥：100kg=2袋
传统方法

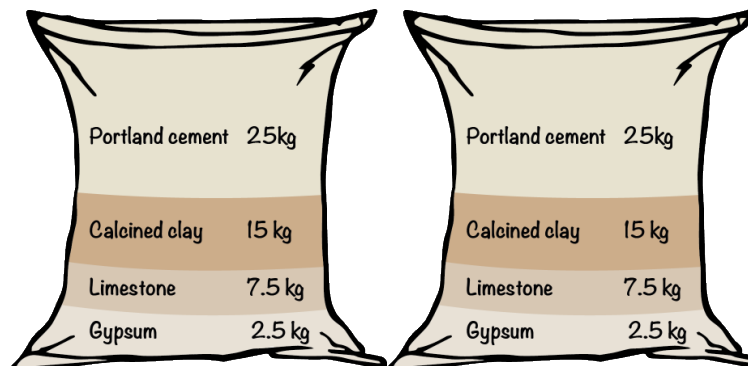


CO₂ emissions
80kg per 100kg

每**100kg**
普通水泥排
放**80kg**二
氧化碳

LC3: 100kg = 2 bags
(pre-mixed at factory) Needs new standards in most countries
Clinker factor = 50%

LC3: 100kg=2袋
(工厂预混) 在大多数国家需要
新的标准；熟料含量50%



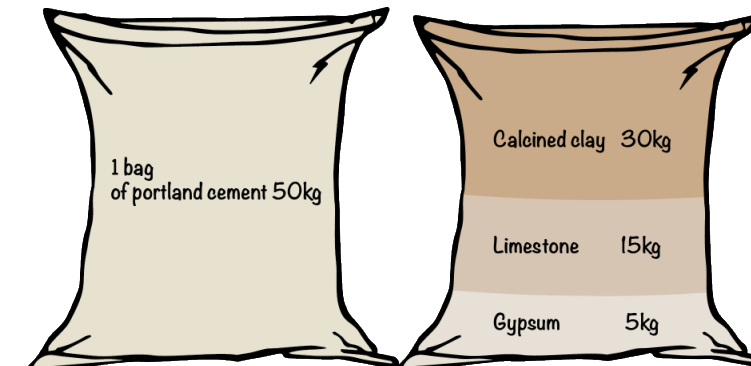
每
100kg LC3
水泥排放
50kg二氧
化碳

CO₂ emissions
50kg per 100kg

LC2 Blend at ready mix plant 在预拌机混合

LC2: 100kg = 1 bag Portland + 1 bag LC2
(mixed at concrete ready mix site) Already possible with existing standards in most countries, Clinker factor also 50%

LC2: 100kg=1袋波特兰水泥+1袋LC2
(在施工现场混合) 在大多数已有标准的
国家可以实现；熟料含量50%



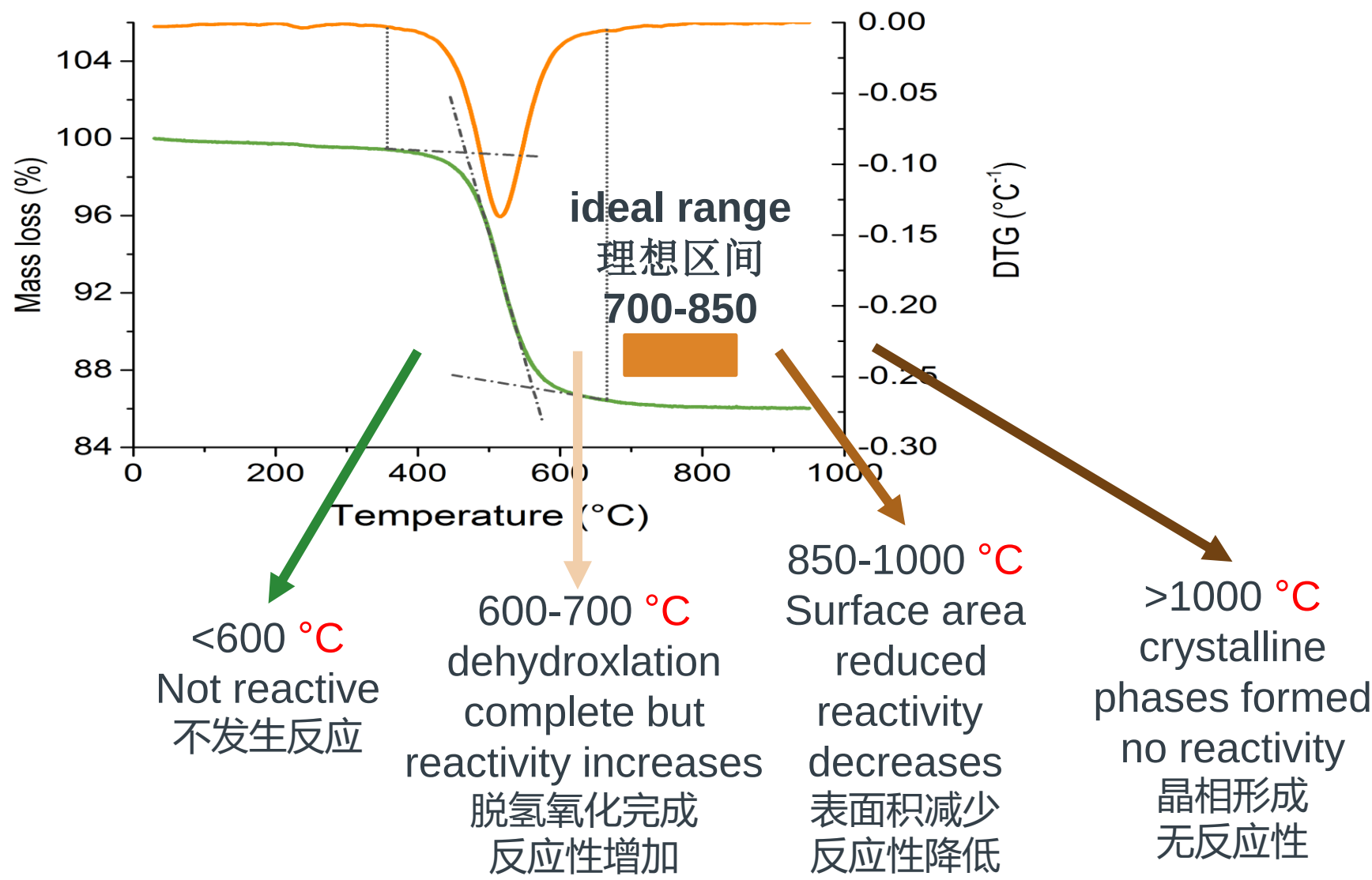
每
100kg LC2
水泥排放
50kg二氧
化碳

CO₂ emissions
50kg per 100kg

Calcination of clay

粘土的煅烧

Temperature window 700-850°C || 温度窗口 700-850°C



Calcination methods: || 煅烧方法:

Rotary kiln 回转窑

» Advantages 优势

- » Robust 结实耐用
- » Tolerant to moisture content up to 20%耐湿含量高达20%
- » Fairly large particles (few mm) can be calcined efficiently 可以有效地煅烧相当大的颗粒（几毫米）
- » Easy colour control technology容易控制颜色

» Disadvantages 劣势

- » Reputed to have higher energy consumption 能耗更高

Flash calcination 快速煅烧

» Advantages 优势

- » Calcination more energy efficient 能效更高
- » Lower opex? 更低的运行成本

» Disadvantages 劣势

- » Very low moisture (<5%) 非常低的耐湿量(<5%)
 - » Dryer and dry storage silo required需要干燥机和干燥储存仓
- » Small particles 小颗粒
 - » crusher 需要使用破碎机

But real kiln built in Ivory Coast has energy of 550

kCal/ kg, 2.3 MJ/kg 但是在象牙海岸建造的真实窑炉的耗能为550 kCal/ kg, 2.3 MJ/kg

To date testing many clays indicates no significant difference in reactivity

迄今为止，对多种粘土的测试表明，反应性能没有显著差异

House built in Santa Clara, Cuba with LC3 在古巴圣克拉拉用LC3建造的房子



Demonstration structure 示范结构



Around 14 tonnes of CO₂ saved
Compared to existing solutions
与现有解决方案相比，减少约 14 吨CO₂排放

New Calcination plant Ivory Coast 象牙海岸新煅烧厂



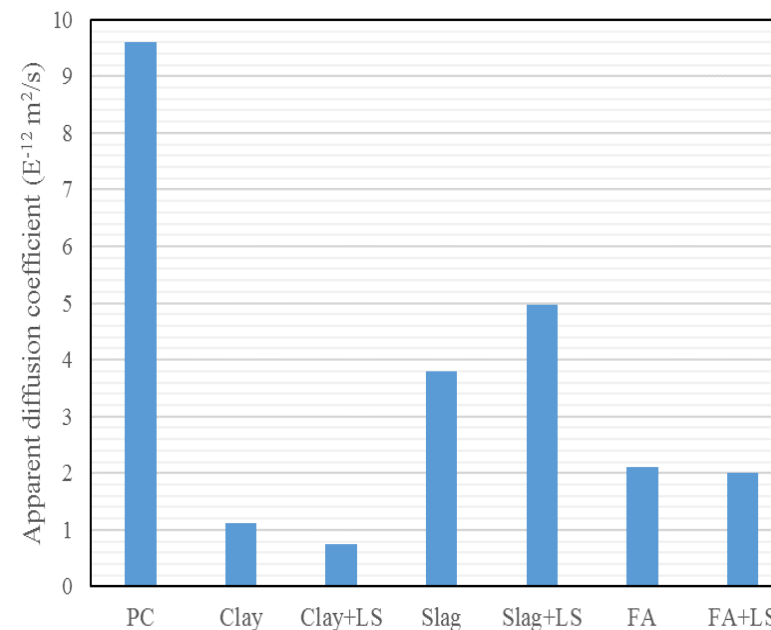
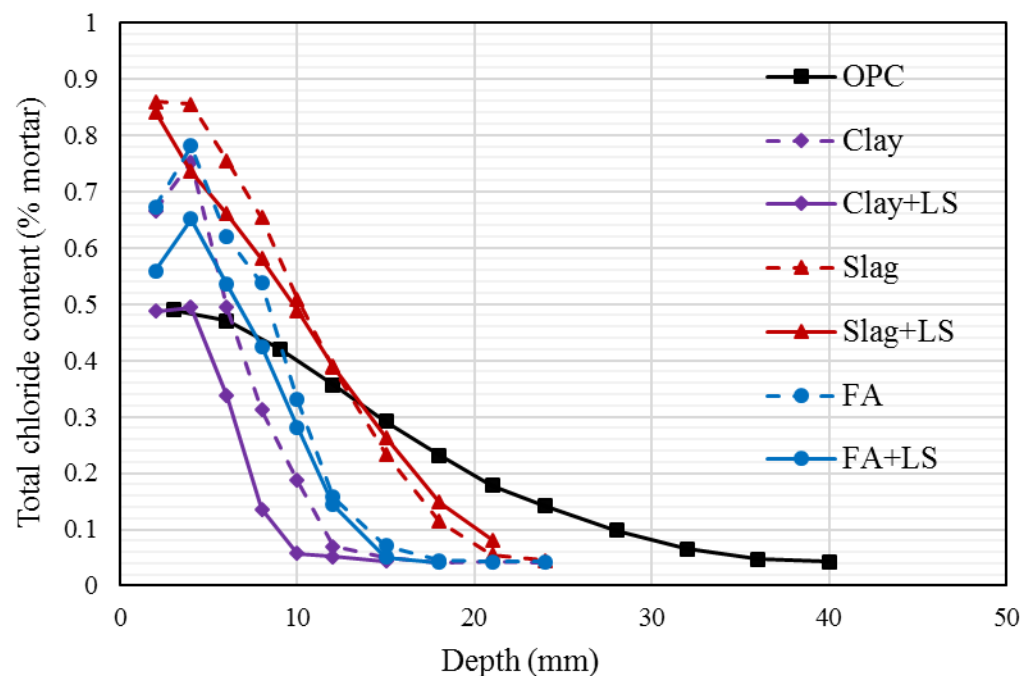
Colour control at Ivory Coast plant 象牙海岸工厂对颜色的控制



Key Advantages 关键优势

- Chloride resistance 耐氯性
- Suppression of alkali silica reaction
抑制碱与硅石的反应

Chloride ponding ASTM 氯化物沉积 ASTM



Apparent diffusion coeffs.
明显的扩散系数

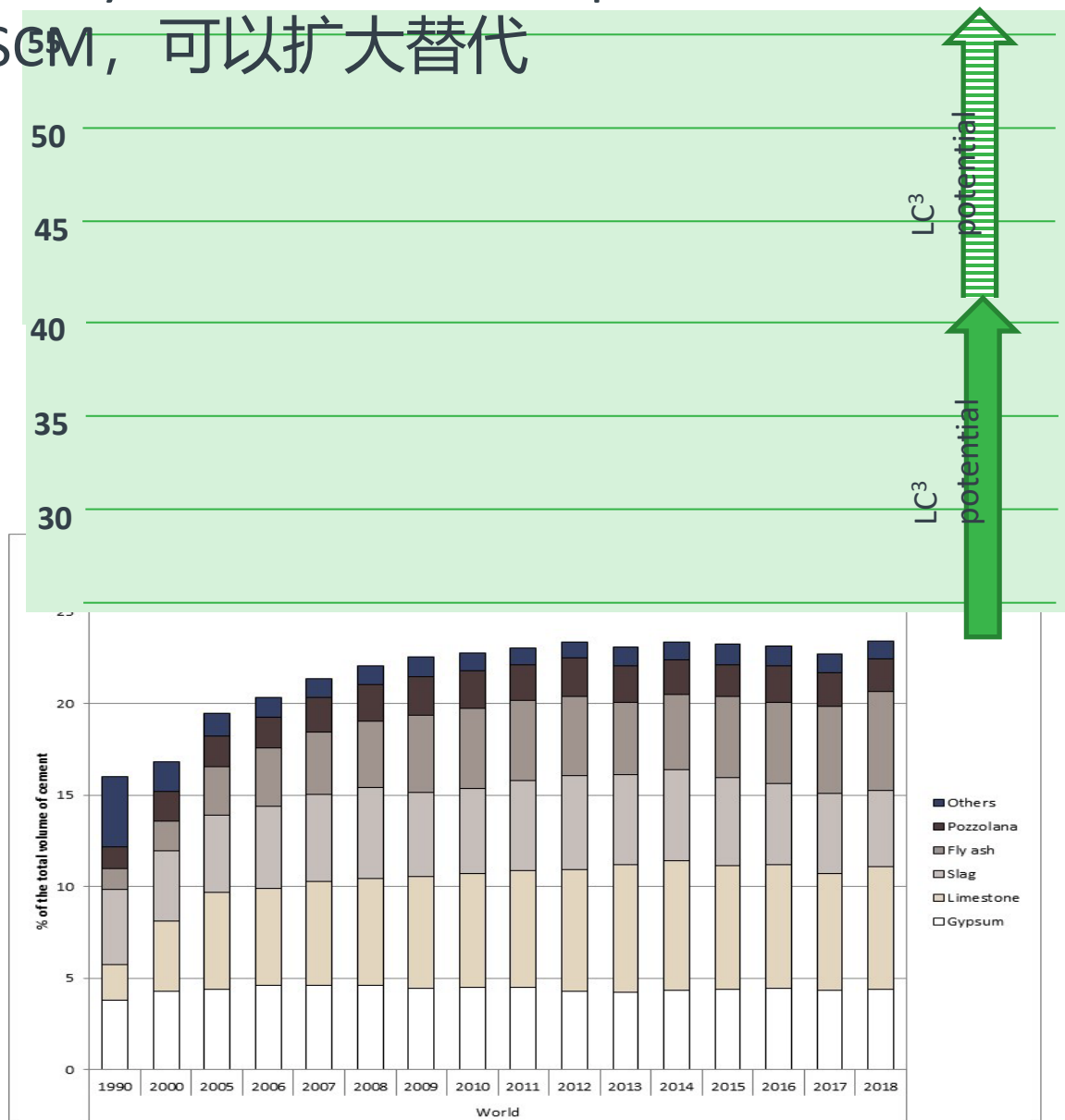
Workability 工作性能

- Workability, good properties can be controlled by admixtures
可通过外加剂控制获得良好的工作性能
- New admixtures coming on the market
新外加剂即将上市
- Good cohesion, well suited for SCC
粘聚力好，很适合自密实混凝土



Calcined Clay only SCM which can expand substitution

煅烧粘土仅SCM，可以扩大替代



> 800 million
Tonnes CO₂/yr

> 800 百万吨 CO₂/年

> 400 million
Tonnes CO₂/yr

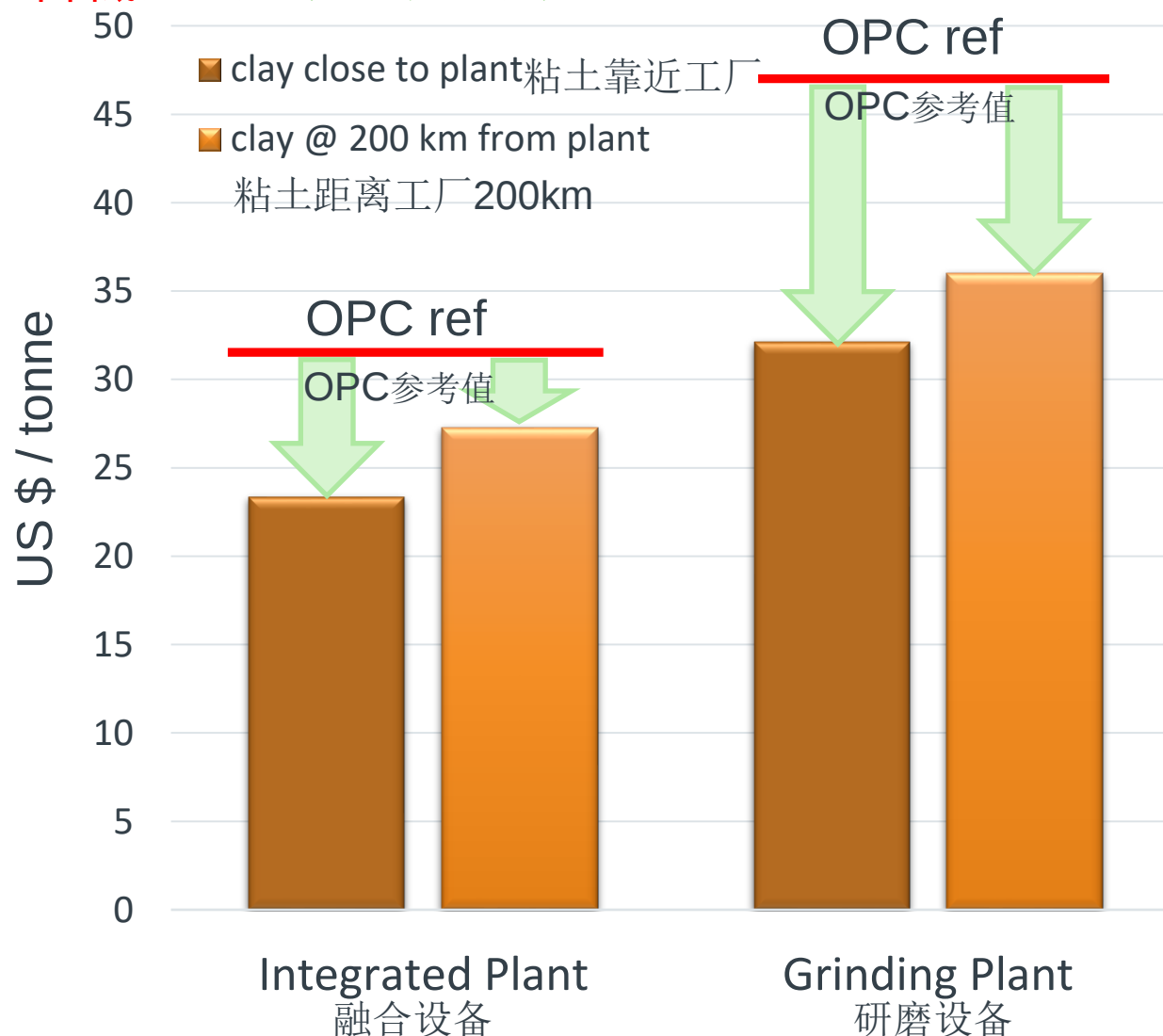
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Financial Feasibility

财务可行性

Lower Reduced cost: Cementis study

降低减少成本：水泥研究



Financial Attractiveness of LC3



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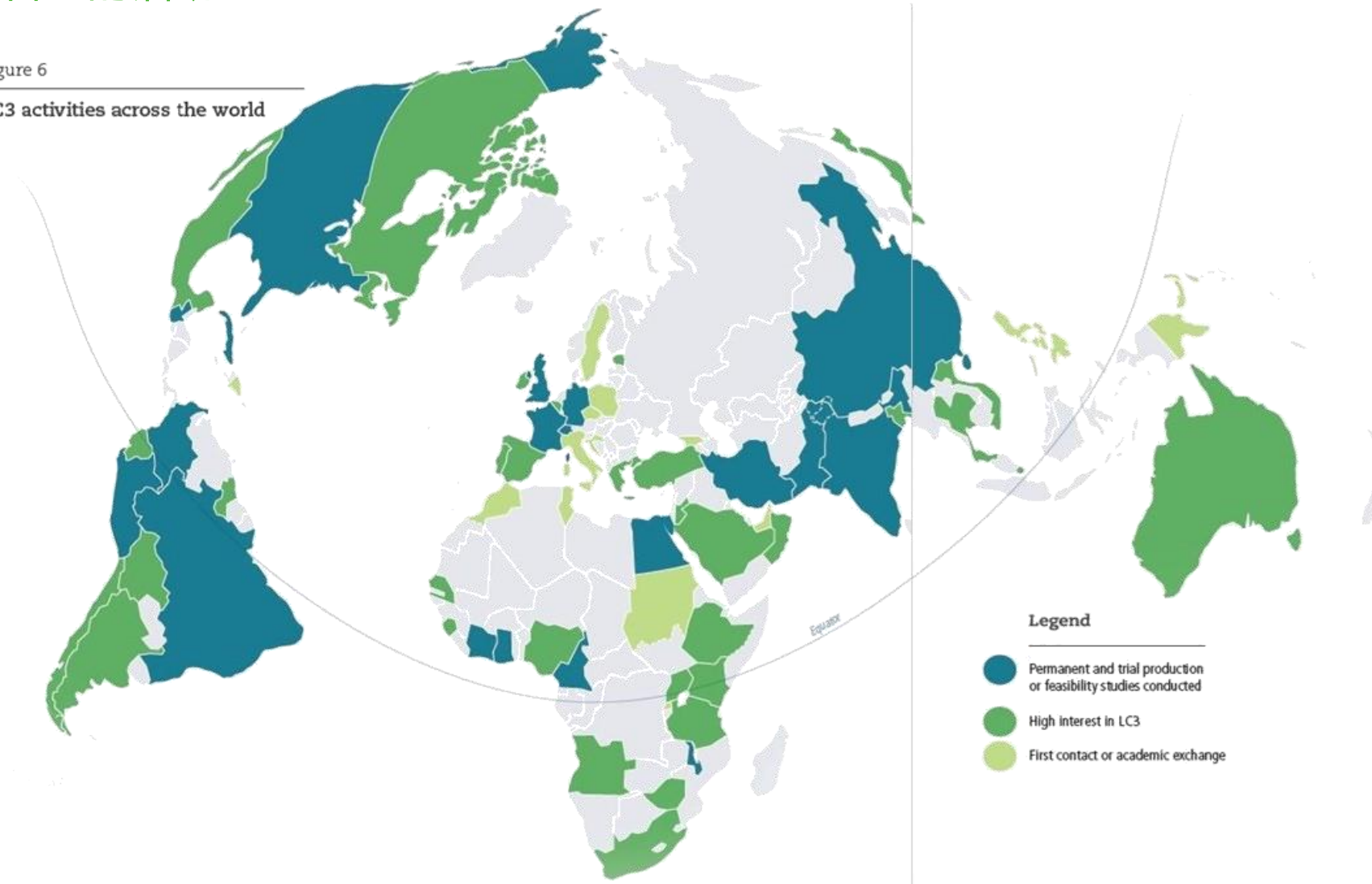
<https://lc3.ch/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/2019-LC3FinancialAttractiveness-WEB.pdf>

LC3 activities across the world

LC3在世界各地的活动

Figure 6

LC3 activities across the world



Many projects announced around the globe 全球宣布的众多项目

CONCRETE FUTURE

Nebraska USA –
Calcined Clay Plant –
In Production Ash
Grove

美国内布拉斯加州 – 煅烧粘土厂 – 生产中 灰树林

Abidjan – 0.3 MTA
Calcined Clay Plant
– In Production

阿比让 – 0.3 MTA 煅烧粘土厂 – 生产中

Denmark - 800,000
tones Plant – In
Production

丹麦-800,000吨工厂-生产中

France –

- Vicat - 400 tpd Commissioning to be completed by the end of 2023
- Holcim plant to be commissioned by 2024

法国 –

- 维卡 - 400 吨/天 调试将于 2023 年底完成
- 豪瑞工厂将于2024年投产

Spain - 4tpd Plant –
In Production

西班牙 - 4tpd 工厂 – 生产中

Colombia – 0.45
MTA Calcined Clay
Plant – In
Production

哥伦比亚 – 0.45 MTA 煅烧粘土厂 – 生产中

1) Ghana - 1.32 MTA –
The new plant expected to
start operations in 2024

2) Ghana – 1.5 MTA - The
plant is scheduled to be
commissioned in the 1st
Q23.

- 1) 加纳 - 1.32 MTA – 新工厂预计将于 2024 年开始运营
- 2) 加纳 – 1.5 MTA - 该工厂计划于23年第一季度投产。

Angola –Cimangola
plant in Angola
– In Production

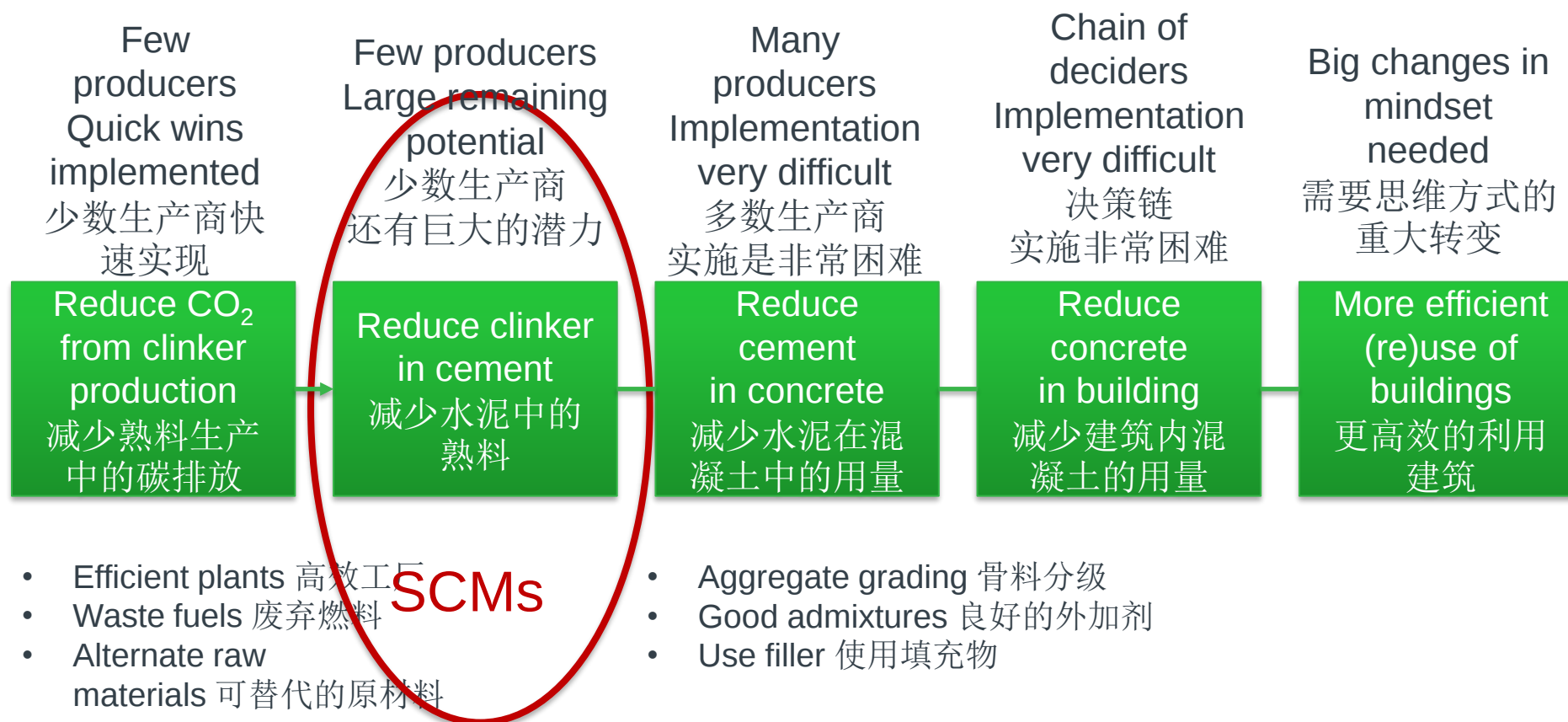
安哥拉 – 安哥拉西曼戈拉工厂 – 生产中

Mumbai - In India ACC
and Ambuja are at the
forefront of calcined
clay development and
have begun a project
with the Indian
Institute of Technology
Delhi to develop
calcined clays.

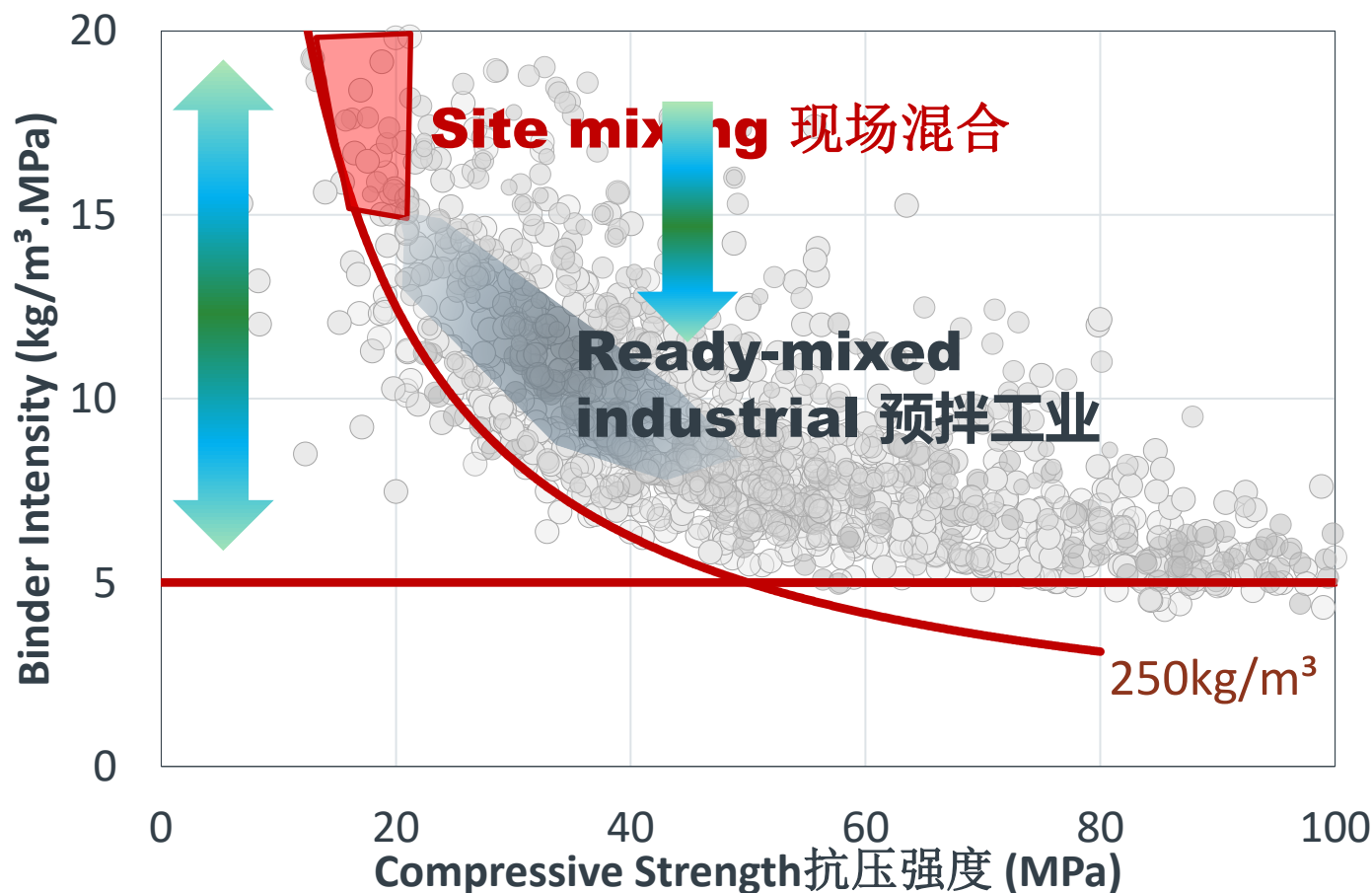
孟买 - 在印度，ACC和Ambuja 处于煅烧粘土开发的前沿，并已与德里印度理工学院开始开发煅烧粘土的项目。

Substantial reductions in emissions ~80% could be achieved by working through the whole value chain

通过整个价值链的工作，可以实现约80%的大幅减排



Efficiency of binder use (29 countries) 粘合剂使用效率 (29个国家)



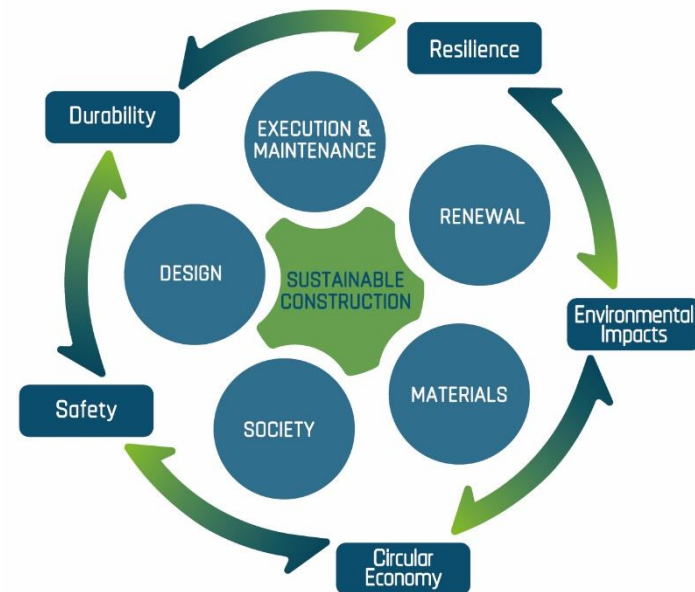
DAMINELI, et al.
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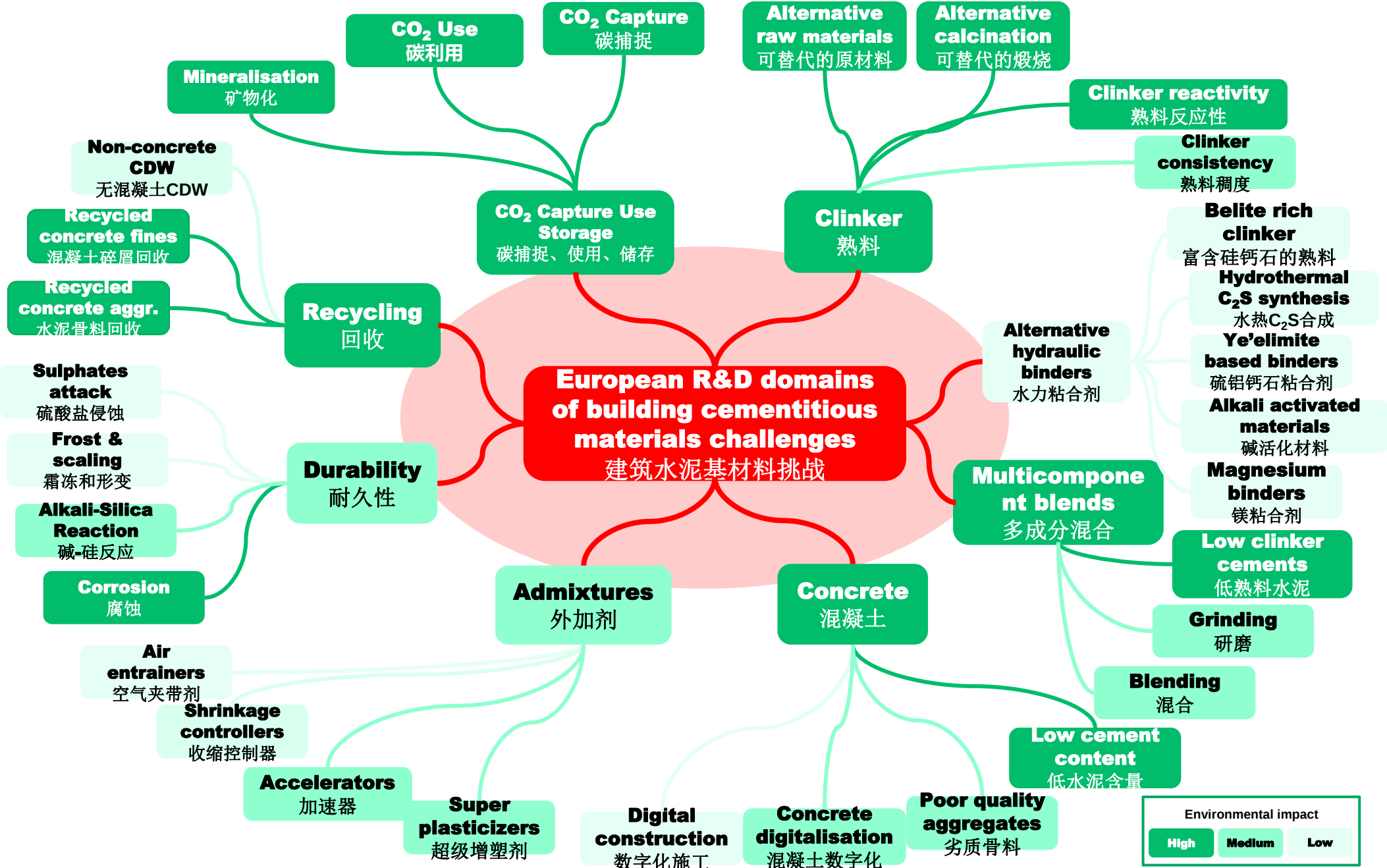
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Concluding remarks 综上所述

- Substantial reductions in CO₂ possible 大幅度减少二氧化碳排放
 - At cement level by increasing SCM substitution 在水泥层面，提高SCMs的替代量
 - At concrete level by minimising cement content 在混凝土层面，尽量减少水泥含量
 - At structure level 在建筑层面
- All of the above will also lower cost 上述所有措施也将降低成本
- Remainder CO₂ can only be dealt with by carbon capture and storage
high cost, infrastructure not in place. 剩余的二氧化碳只能通过碳捕捉和存储来处理。
但成本高，且基础设施还不到位。
- Calcined clays are the only realistic option for extending the use SCMs
煅烧粘土是延长SCMs使用的唯一现实的选择
- Can be done **FAST** and at **SCALE** 能快速并大规模的实现

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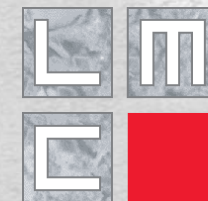
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