

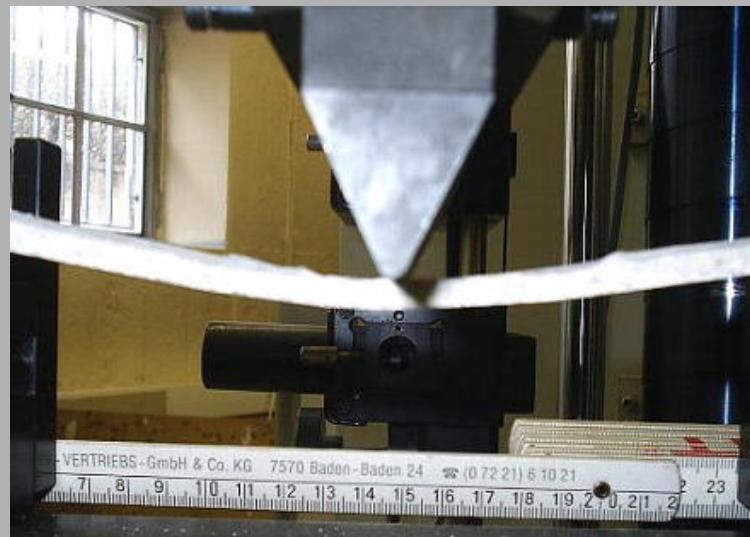


# Fibre reinforced concrete - requests and facts

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## **“DUCTILE CONCRETE”**

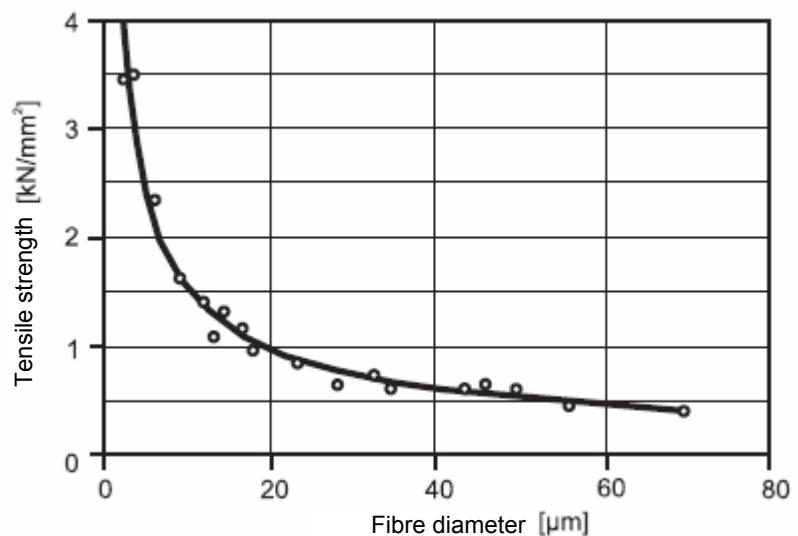


## **CONTENT**

- Fibre composite materials
- Fibres
- Application of fibres
- Testing FRC
- Post tensioning behaviour
- Advantages of multiple cracking
- Flexural creep

## SOME BASICS ON FIBRE-REINFORCED COMPOSITE MATERIALS

- Paradox of solid materials (Zwicky, 1923)
- Paradox of fibre dimensions (Griffith, ca. 1920)
- Paradox of length of fibres
- Paradox of 2-phase composites (Slayter, 1962)

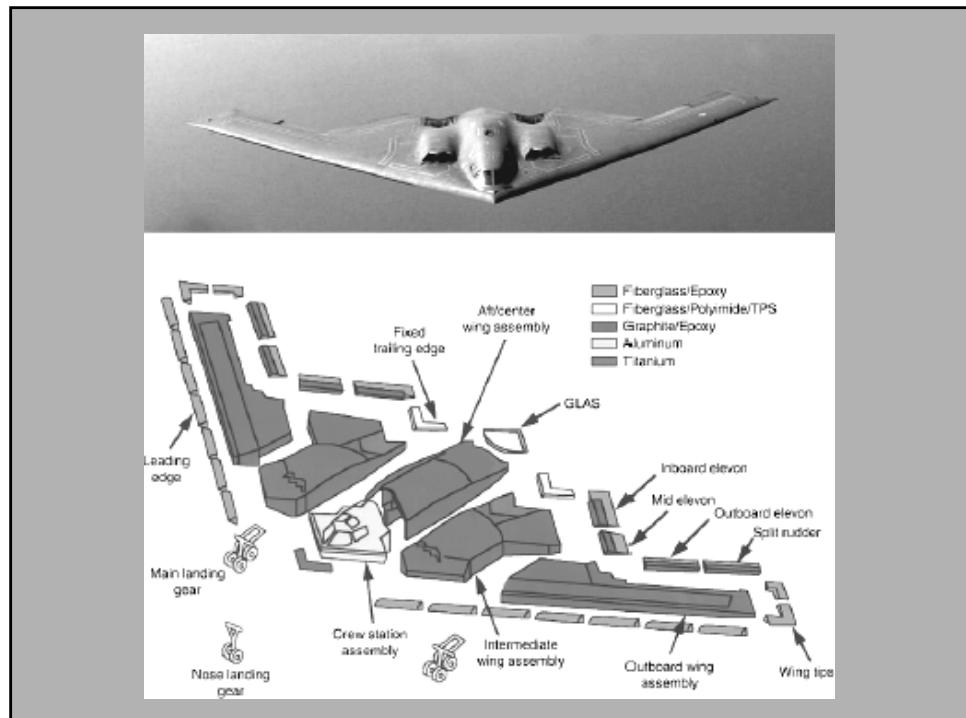


## Requirements for an optimum performance of the composite

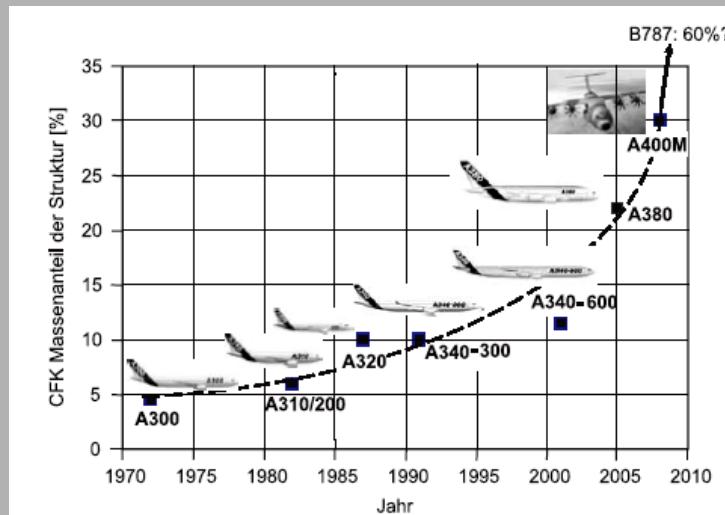
$$E_{\text{fibre}} > E_{\text{matrix}}$$

$$\varepsilon_{\text{rupture, matrix}} > \varepsilon_{\text{rupture, fibre}}$$

$$R_{\text{max, fibre}} > R_{\text{max, matrix}}$$



## CFK use in aircraft industry in % of structure



## TYPES OF FIBRES



## Natural fibres Man-made fibres

- Metall
- Synthetic polymer fibres      PP  
PE  
PVA  
Acrylic polymers  
....
- Carbon
- Glass
- Mineral fibres      asbestos  
basalt
- Natural plant fibres      cotton  
linen  
sisal  
.....
- Wood fibres
- Animal fibres

## Steel fibres

Steel wire fibres  
Slit sheet steel fibres  
Mill cut fibres  
Melt extract fibres  
Corrugated fibres

### Fibre form

Straight  
Hooked ends  
Enlarged ends  
Cottugated  
Crimped  
embossed

### Cross-section

Round  
Rectangular  
Crescent

Glued to bundles

Low carbon, high carbon steel, galvanized, stainless steel



### Polymer micro fibres

Multifilament, monofilament,  
round cross section, extruding procedure



Fibrillated, cut from sheets, rectangular



### Structural synthetic fibres

High strength, high modulus synthetic **macro** fibres

### Glass fibres

AR-glass





### Aspect ratio

Length to diameter ratio

The higher the aspect ratio, the better the performance

Critical fibre length (failure mode: extraction – fibre rupture)

### Performance depends on

Dosage

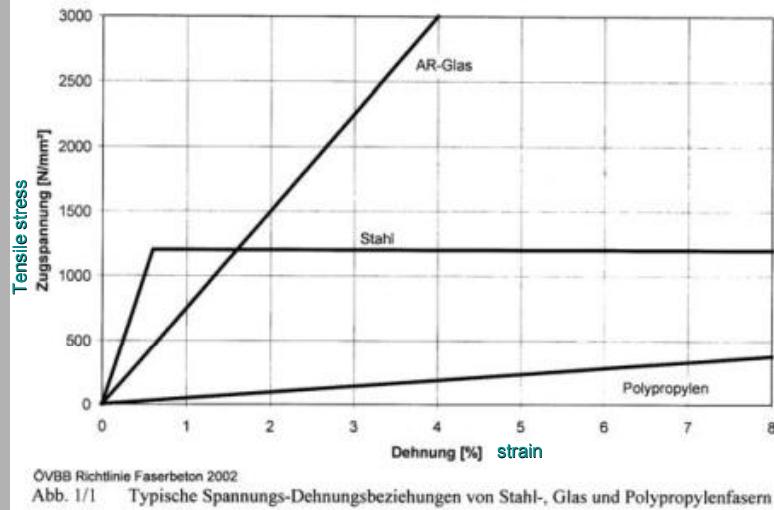
Fibre parameters (Aspect ratio, tensile strengths, anchorage, bond performance, elongation at rupture)

### Homogeneous distribution - fibre balling

Comparison of Different Fiber Types:

	Tensile strength (MPa)	Elongation (%)	Tensile modulus (GPa)	Specific Gravity (g/cm³)	Durability	Affinity to cement	Cost performance	Remarks
PVA-fiber	880-1600	6-10	25-41	1.3	E	E	E	-
PP	600	25	5	0.95	G	N	G	Floats in water
HCPE	2700	5	120	0.98	G	N	N	Expensive
Aramid	3000	4	100	1.4	N	G	N	Expensive
Carbon	3500	0-2	250	1.7	E	N	N	Expensive
Steel	1200	3-4	200	7-8	G	N	G	Heavy, rusts
ARG	2200	0-4	80	2.5	N	N	N	Weak in alkali

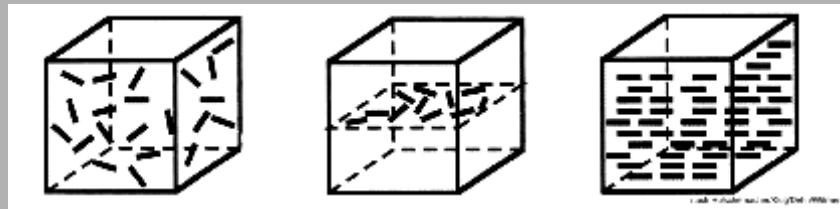
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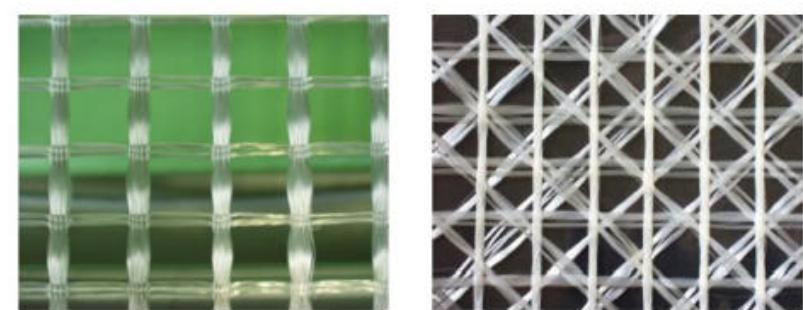
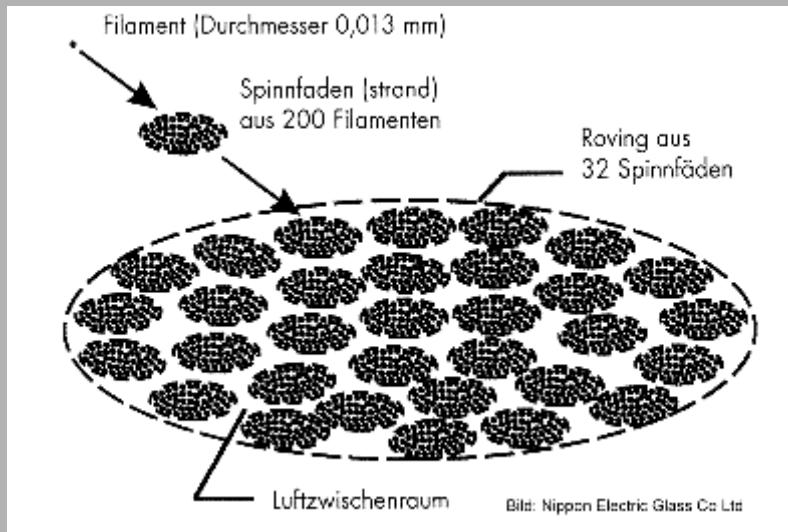
Typical stress-strain relations for steel, glass and PP

## APPLICATION OF FIBRES

Orientation of **Single** Fibres



### Textile reinforcement





CFK –  
reinforcement bars



prestressed CFK- elements

Bild Sika

#### Application areas for fibre reinforced concrete

- reduction of early shrinkage cracks
- reduction of spalling in case of fire
- structural use, reinforcement, „toughness“

## Specific characteristics of FRC

Common fibre content < 1 Vol.-% steel, < 2 Vol.-% polymer

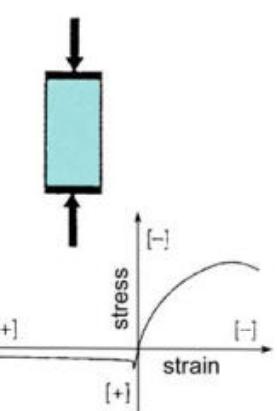
Coarse aggregates

Cement paste (grain size, viscosity, alkalinity)

Brittle matrix in tension

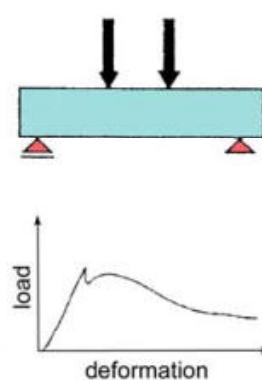
## TESTING OF FIBRE REINFORCED CONCRETE (FRC)

Material



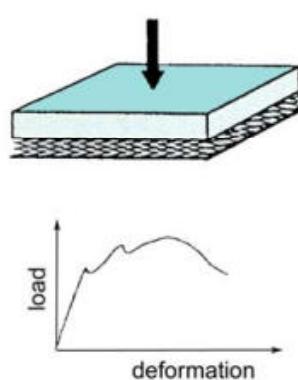
for all sort of design

Cross section



for the design of similar cross-sections

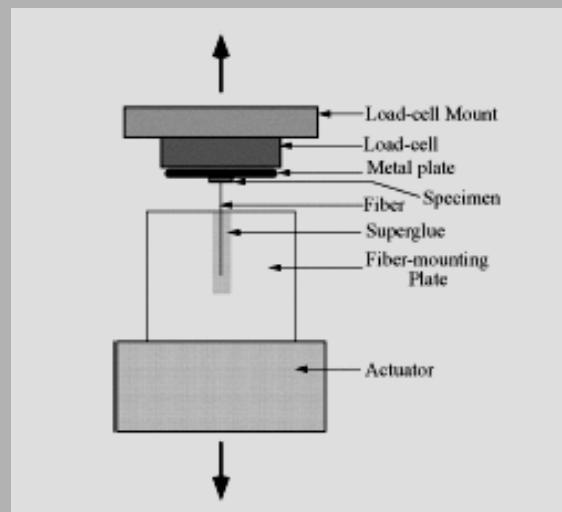
System



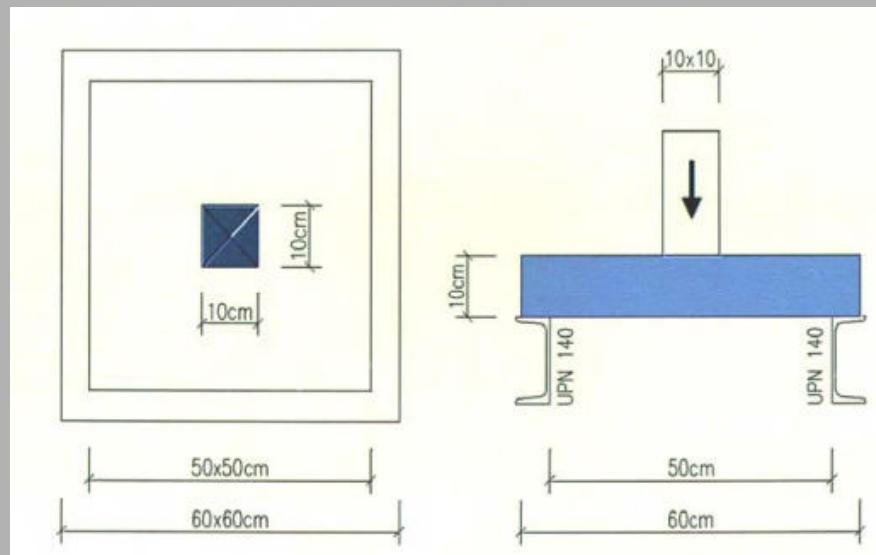
for the design of similar structures

according to Schnürgen

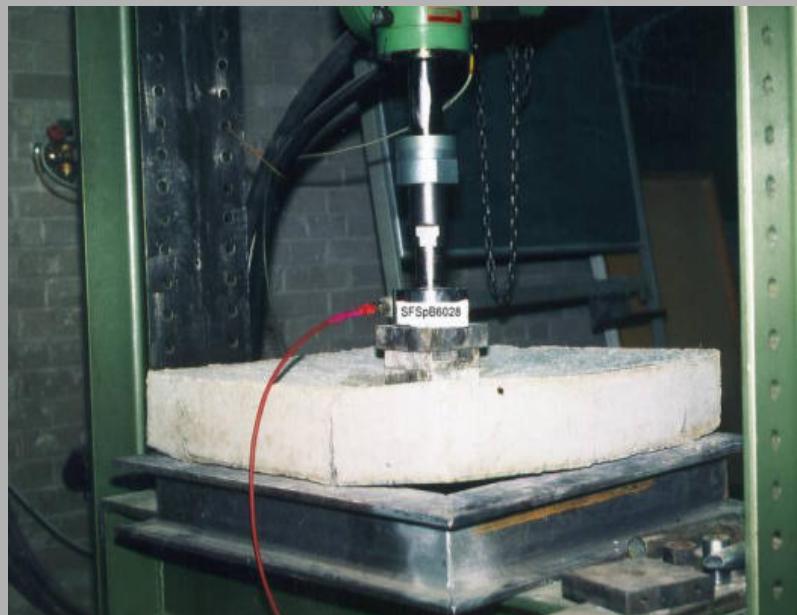
### Pull-out test of single fibre



### Energy absorption capacity of FRC slabs

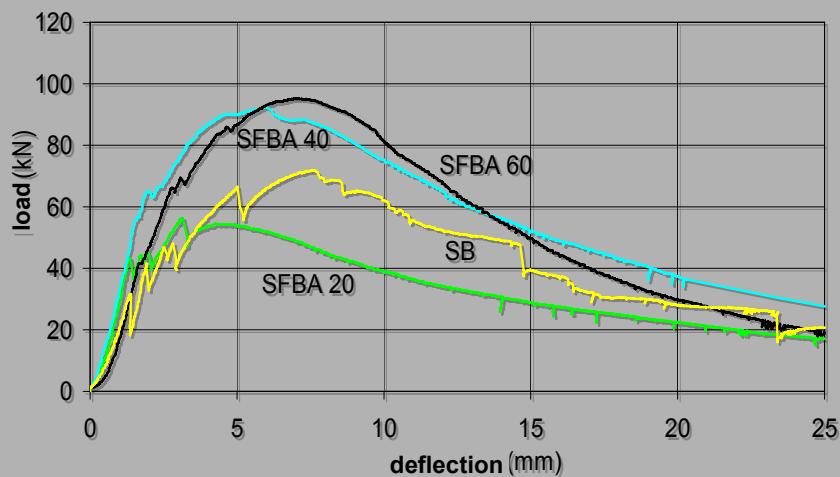


Panel test



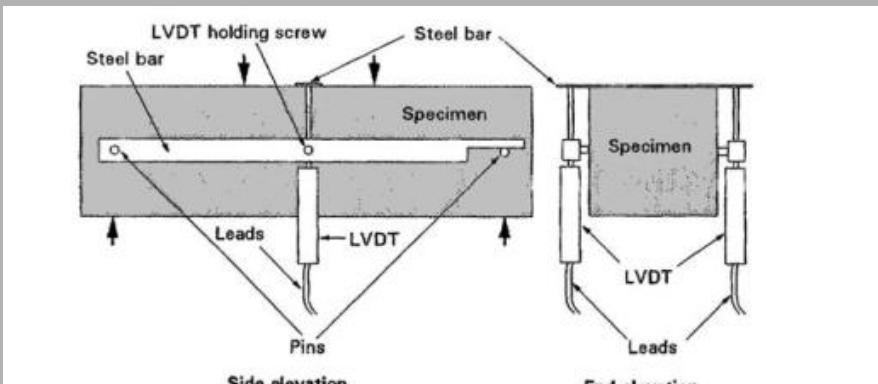


**Results of slab specimen tests with 20 to 60 kg/m<sup>3</sup> of steel fibres (SFBA) and with mesh reinforcement (SB)**

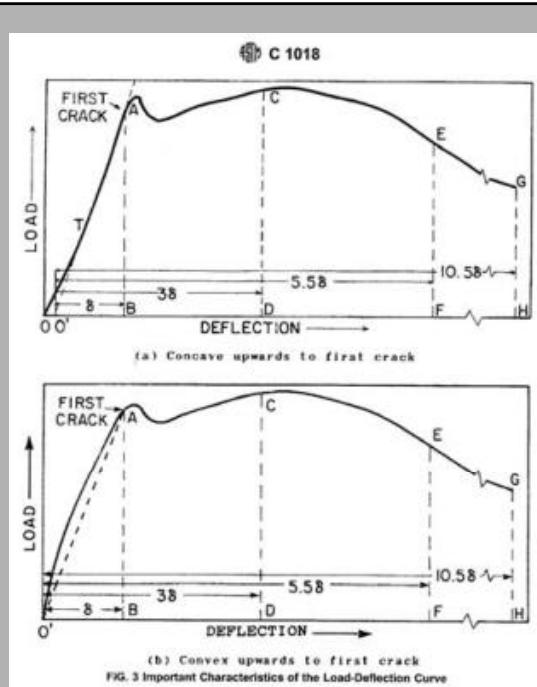
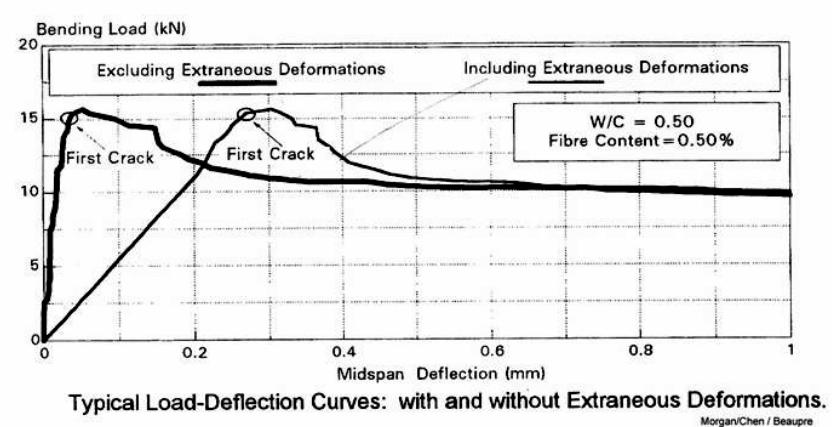


⇒ Calculation of the absorbed energy as a function of the slab deflection

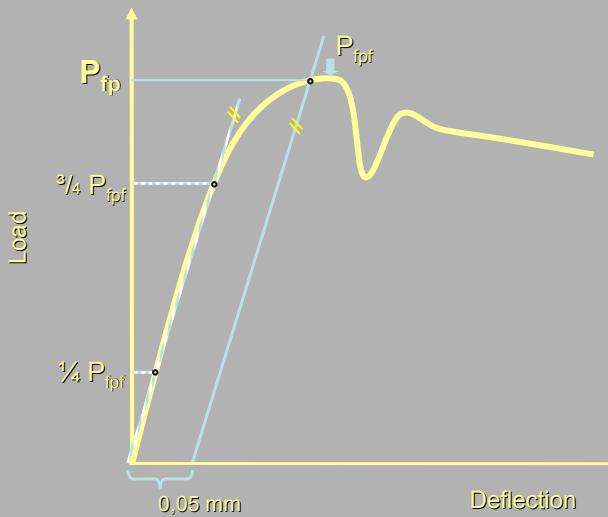
**Flexural strength (toughness test)  
Beam test**



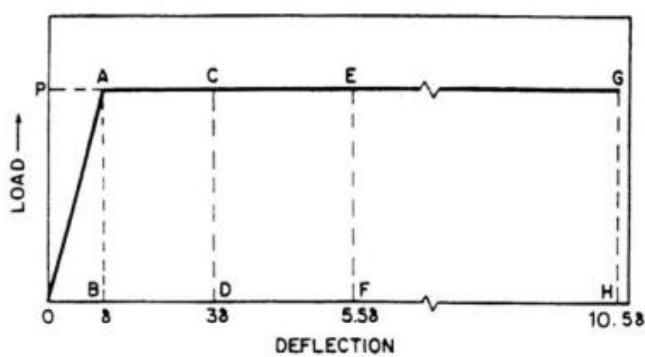
**Schematic Illustration of Japanese Yoke Deflection Measuring System**  
regarding to R. Morgan



### Definition of first crack



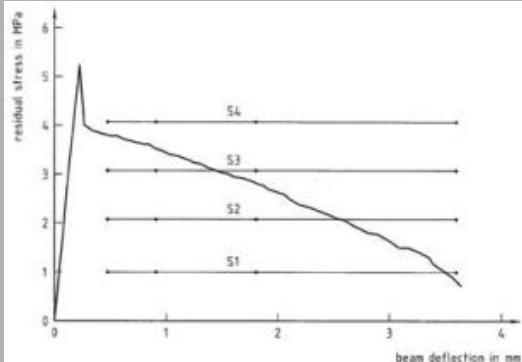
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<sup>a</sup> Indices calculated by dividing this area by the area to the first crack OAB.

**FIG. X1.1 Definition of Toughness Indices in Terms of Multiples of First-Crack Deflection and Elastic-Plastic Material Behavior**

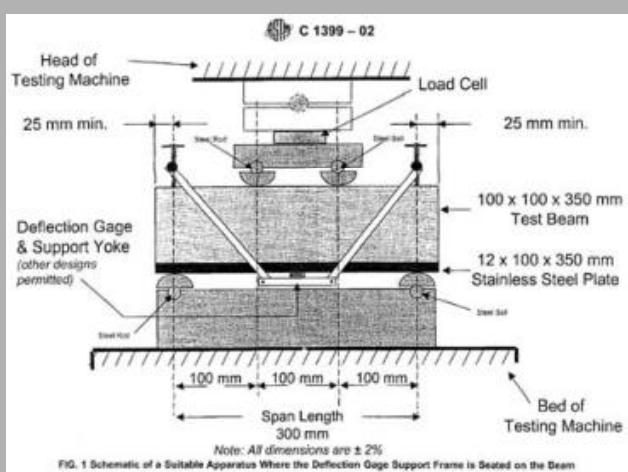
Area Basis <sup>a</sup>	Index Designation	Deflection Criterion	Values of Toughness Indices		
			Plain Concrete	Elastic-Plastic Material	Observed Range for Fibrous Concrete
OACD	$I_8$	8	1.0	5.0	1 to 6
OAEF	$I_{10}$	5.58	1.0	10.0	1 to 12
OAGH	$I_{20}$	10.58	1.0	20.0	1 to 25

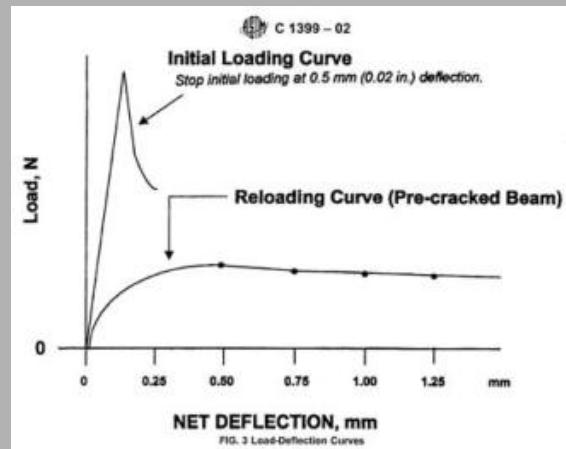


EN 14487-1, Figure A.1 Example of deflection/residual stress curve  
residual strength class D1S3 (as well as D2S2 and D2S1)

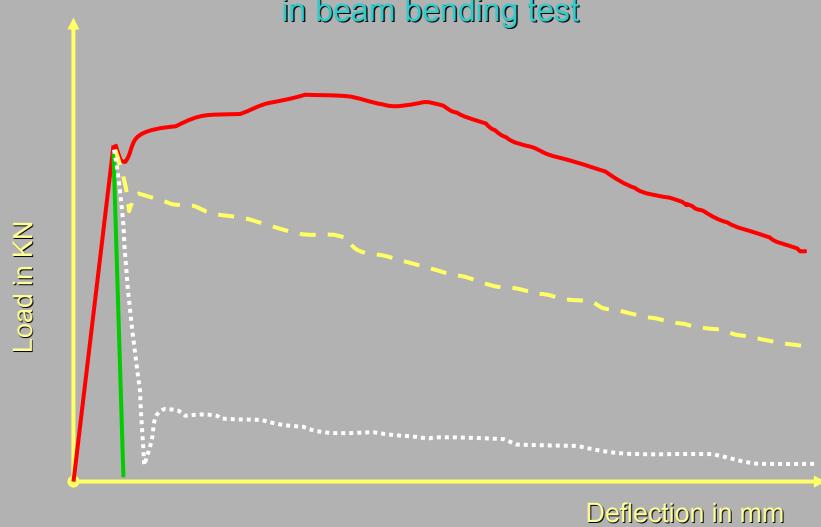
EN 14487-1 Table 2 — Definitions of residual strength classes

	Deflection mm	Strength level (Minimum strength, MPa)			
		S1	S2	S3	S4
D1	0,5–1				
D2	0,5–2				
D3	0,5–4	1	2	3	4

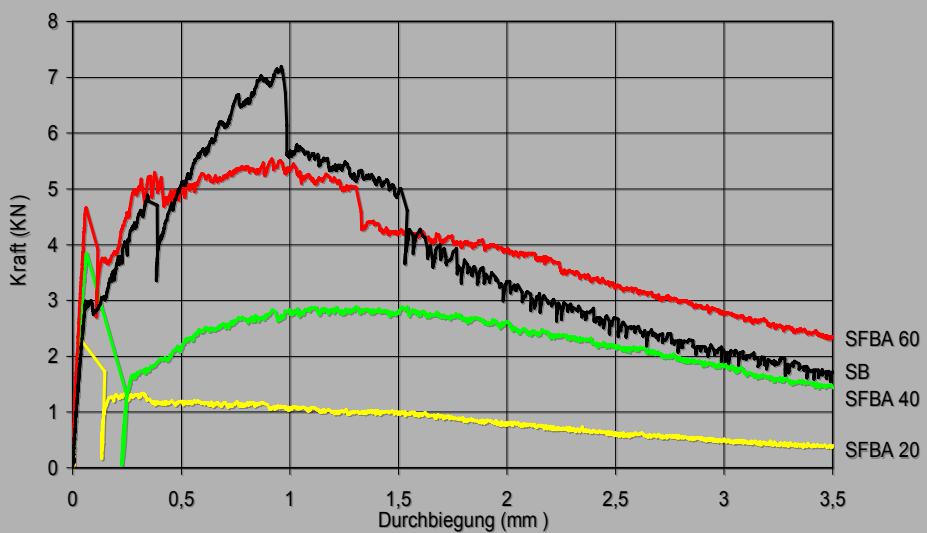




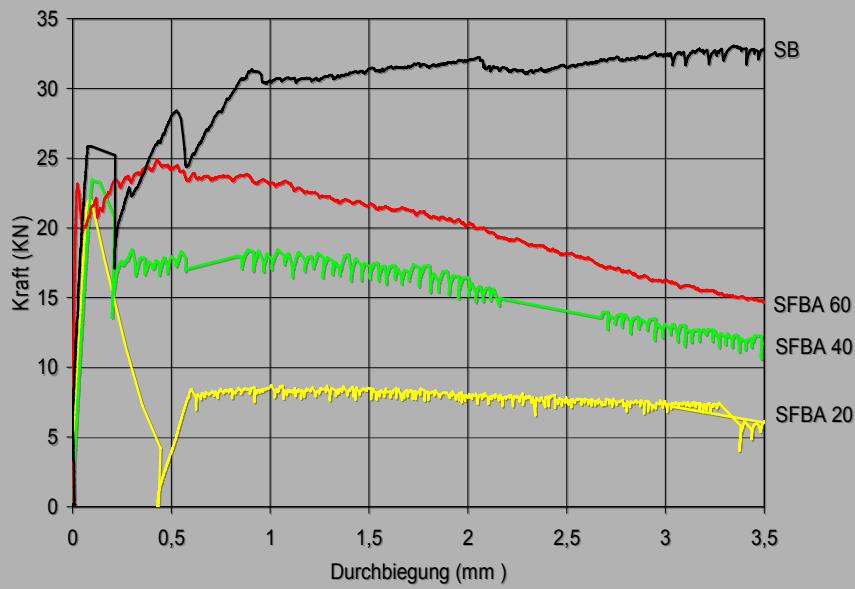
Post crack behaviour of FRC  
in beam bending test



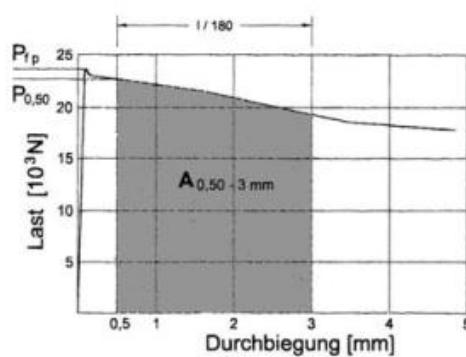
Results of beam tests with 20 to 60 kg/m<sup>3</sup>  
of steel fibres and with bar reinforcement, age 10 hours



Results of beam tests with 20 to 60 kg/m<sup>3</sup>  
of steel fibres and with bar reinforcement, age 72 hours



ÖVBB



#### Gebrauchstauglichkeit (TG)

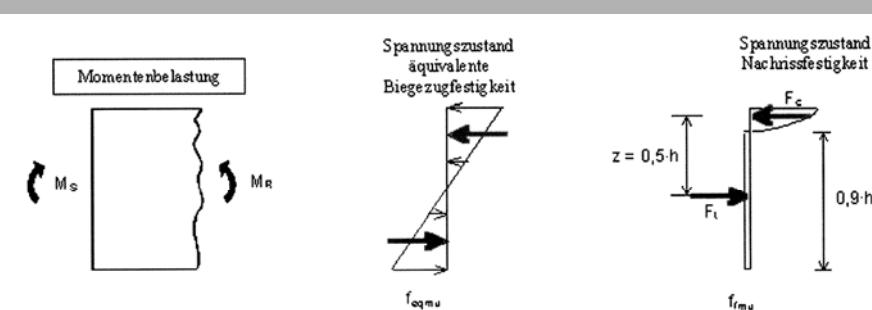
$$f_{eqms} = \frac{P_{0,50} \times l}{b \times h^2} = \frac{P_{0,50}}{7500} [\text{N/mm}^2]$$

#### Tragsicherheit (T)

$$P_{0,50 - 3 \text{ mm}} = \frac{A_{0,50 - 3 \text{ mm}}}{l / 180} = \frac{A_{0,50 - 3 \text{ mm}}}{2,5} [\text{N}]$$

$$f_{eqmu} = \frac{P_{0,50 - 3 \text{ mm}} \times l}{b \times h^2} = \frac{P_{0,50 - 3 \text{ mm}}}{7500} [\text{N/mm}^2]$$

Äquivalente Biegezugfestigkeit (Durchbiegung bei einer Spannweite von 450 )



Umrechnung von äquivalenter Biegezugfestigkeit in die Nachrisszugfestigkeit

Burtscher/Kollegger

$$M_{R,eq} = f_{eqmu} \cdot \frac{b \cdot h^2}{6}$$

$$M_{R,fmu} = f_{fmu} \cdot b \cdot 0,9 \cdot h \cdot 0,5 \cdot h$$

$$f_{fmu} = 0,37 \cdot f_{eqmu}$$

→

$$f_{fmu} = f_{eqmu} \cdot 0,37$$

$$f_{fku} = f_{fmu} \cdot 0,71 \quad \text{statistic}$$

$$( f_{fku} = f_{fmu} \cdot 0,78 )$$

Design:

$$f_{fd} = \frac{f_{fku}}{\gamma_c} = \frac{f_{fku}}{1,5}$$

### Design values regarding ÖVBB guideline FRC, 2002

ÖVBB- Richtlinie Faserbeton 2002

Tab. 7/1 Faserbetonklassen und Bemessungswerte der Nachrisszugfestigkeiten  $f_{fd}$  [N/mm<sup>2</sup>] für den Nachweis der Tragsicherheit

Faserbetonklasse	Mittlere äquivalente Biegezugfestigkeit $f_{eqmu}$ [N/mm <sup>2</sup> ]	Bemessungswert der Nachrisszugfestigkeit $f_{fd}$ [N/mm <sup>2</sup> ]	
		Bauteil b ≤ 10 h	Bauteil b > 10 h
T Sonderklasse	5,00	0,86	0,96
T5	3,50	0,60	0,67
T4	2,75	0,48	0,53
T3	2,00	0,35	0,38
T2	1,25	0,22	0,24
T1	0,50	0,09	0,10

test result

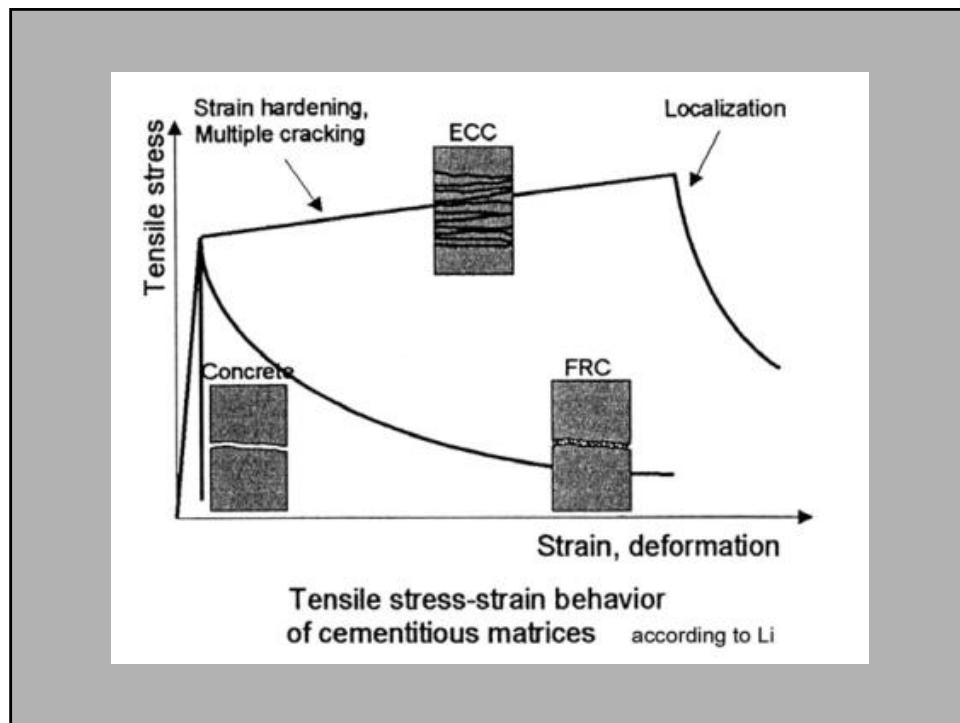
design value

## POST TENSIONING BEHAVIOUR

- Development of a mortar or concrete with multiple-crack pattern in bending test

Crack pattern





### Toughness tests

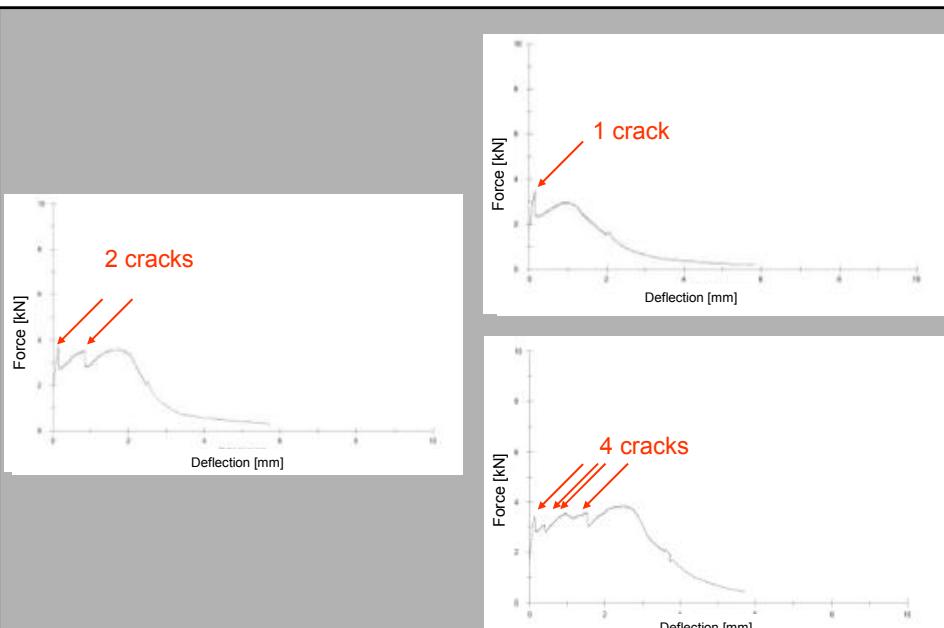
- Age of the samples  
14 days
- Water storage



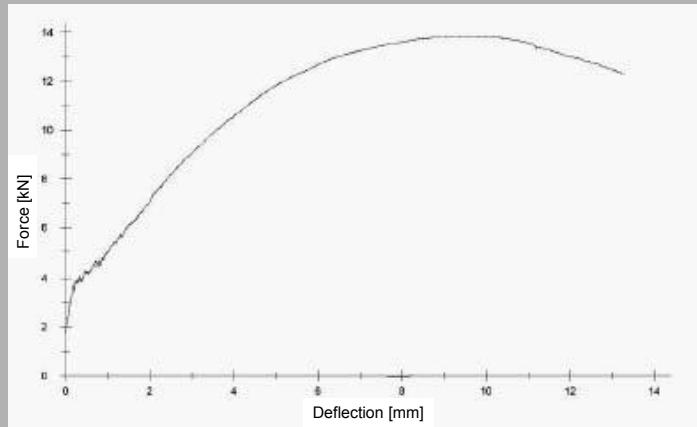
## Toughness tests

### Test procedure

- Measuring yoke is fixed on concrete beam ( $150 \times 50 \times 700$  mm)
- Level the sample axial under the force discharges
  - Distance between supporting rollers = 600 mm
  - Distance between the single force discharges = 200 mm

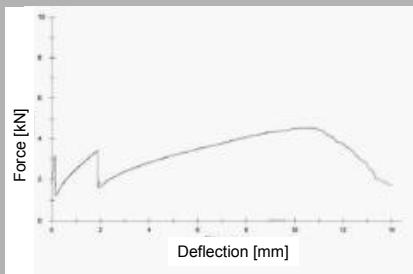


Identification of cracks in load-deflection curve

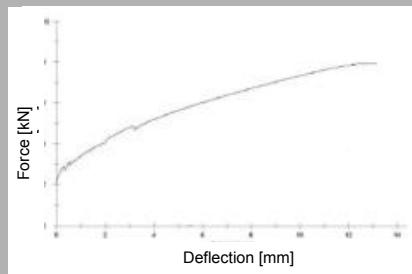


Cement-infiltration-methode: up to 70 cracks

Effect on the post-crack-behavior by using compounds of reinforcing mesh and fibres



mix 23  
5 sheets glass fibre mesh  
**2 cracks**



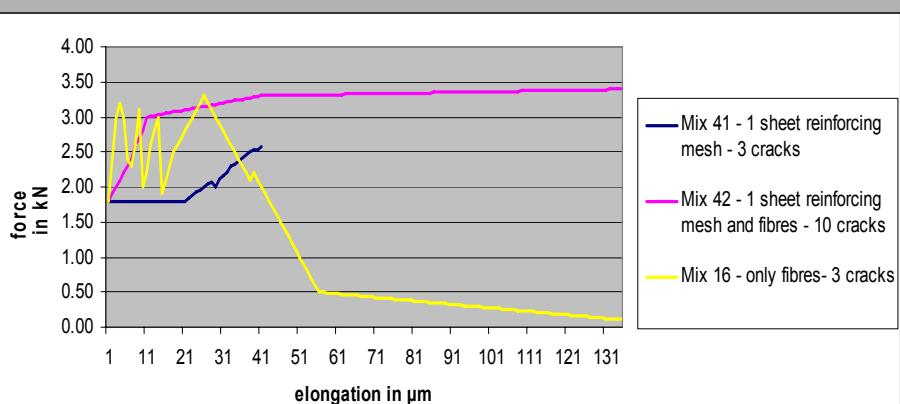
mix 24  
5 sheets glass fibre mesh  
2 Vol% PVA-fibres  
**7 visible cracks**

### Mix design of selected mixes

material	150x50x700	150x50x700	150x50x700
	mix 16	mix 41	mix 42
OPC	1.0	1.0	1.0
PFA	0.3	0.3	0.3
dried silika sand	0.8	0.8	0.8
fibres	0.02		0.02
reinforcing mesh		1 sheet	1 sheet
water	0.45	0.45	0.45
plasticiser	0.0075		0.0075
stabilizer	0.0005		0.0005

### Toughness tests

Samples 150 x 50 x 700 with reinforcing mesh and fibres

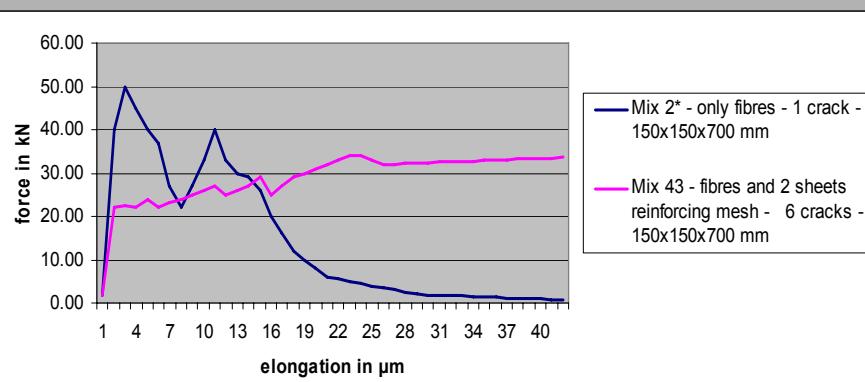


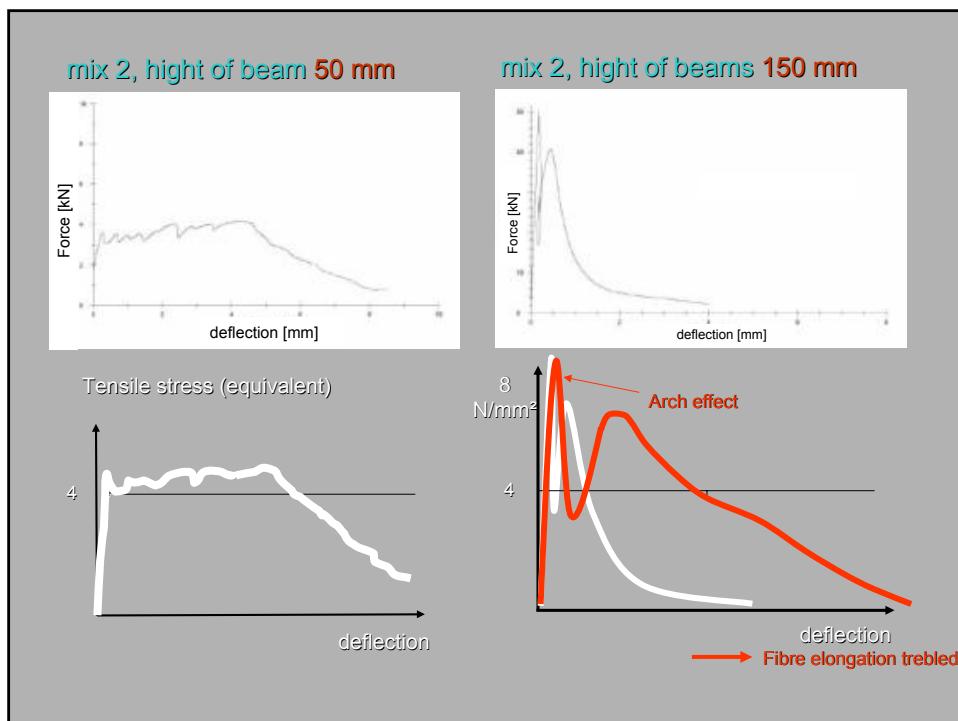
### Mix design of selected mixes

material	150x150x700	150x150x700
	mix 2*	mix 43
OPC	1.0	1.0
PFA	0.3	0.3
dried silika sand		0.8
granite fines sand	0.8	
fibres	0.02	0.02
reinforcing mesh		2 sheet
water	0.45	0.45
plasticiser	0.0075	0.0075
stabilizer	0.0005	0.0005

### Toughness tests

Samples 150 x 150 x 700 mm with PVA mesh and PVA fibres

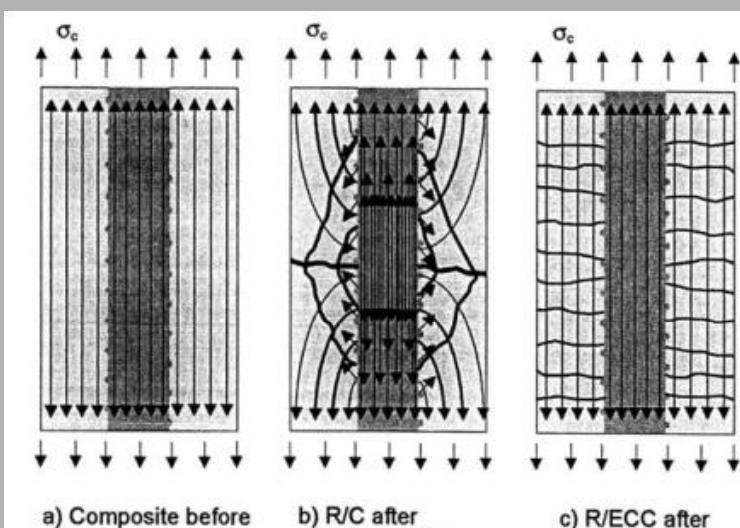
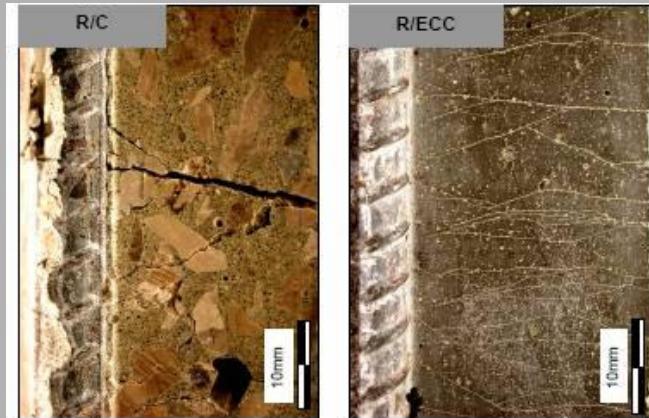




## ADVANTAGE OF MULTIPLE CRACKING OR POST-TENSIONING BEHAVIOUR

Stable plastic hinges

Dense structures – pollutants  
– Water

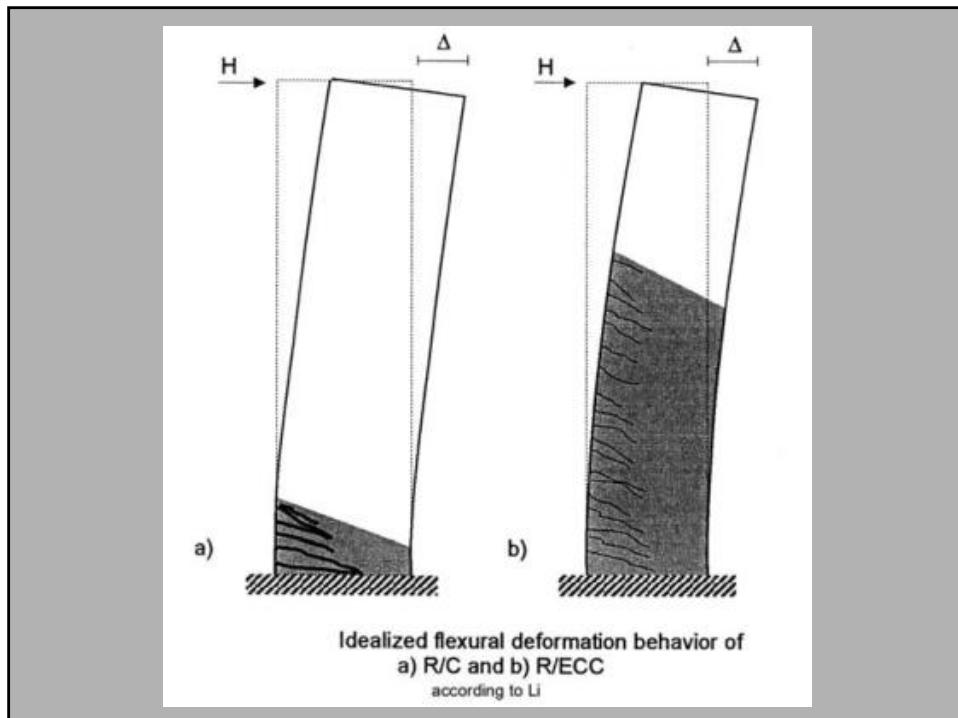


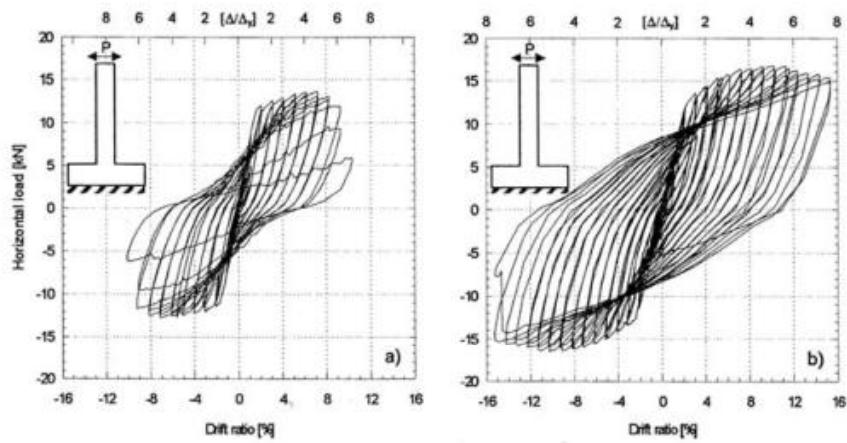
Crack formation and internal stresses in R/C and R/ECC according to Li

Failure Modes of Typical Structural Members and Performance Improvements by Fiber		
Structural Member/Load	Example Application	Performance Modification by Fiber
Beam-column connections	Building frames	Seismic resistance Reduce reinforcement and congestion
Column	Building columns Bridge columns	Seismic resistance Reduce spalling and enhance steel confinement

according to Li

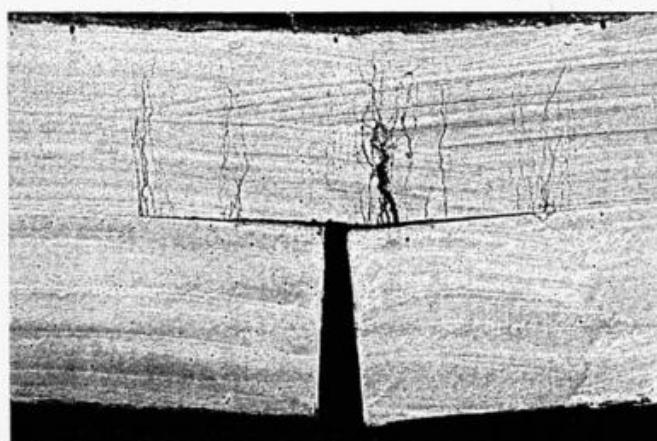
The diagram illustrates two types of structural members. The top part shows a beam-column connection with a beam resting on a column. Arrows indicate vertical movement at the connection. The bottom part shows a single column under lateral load, with arrows indicating lateral displacement and rotation.





**Fig.10** Load-deformation response of a) R/C and b) R/ECC cantilever specimens with steel reinforcement according to Fischer and Li

#### Durable Overlay Systems with Engineered Cementitious Composites (ECC)



Close-up view of the kink-trap mechanism in the PE-ECC/PC overlay system according to Li

## FLEXURAL CREEP OF FRC WITH STRUCTURAL POLYMER FIBRES



Fibres tested



Durus

KrampeHarex

Strux

Forta

### **Mix design**

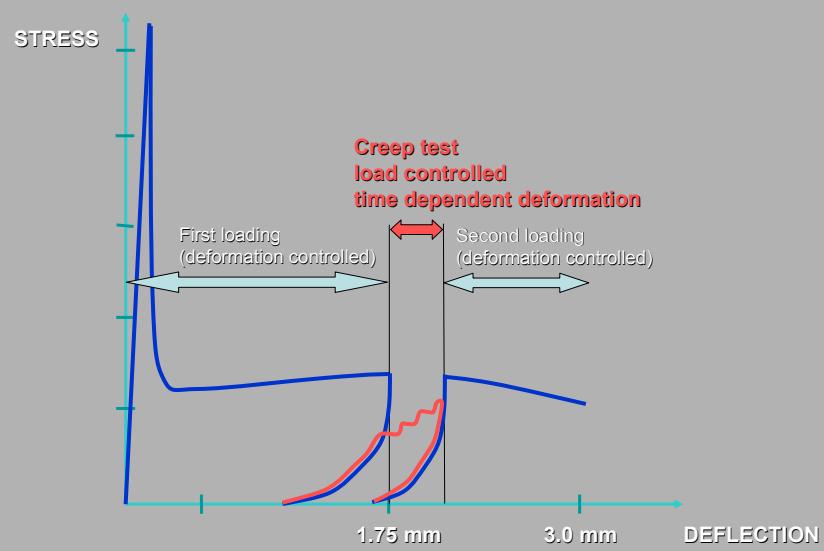
370 kg/m<sup>3</sup> CEM II A-S / 42.5 R  
1747 kg/m<sup>3</sup> Donau sand and gravel 0/16  
w / c = 0.5  
Viscocrete 1020X

### **Fibre dosage and fresh concrete properties**

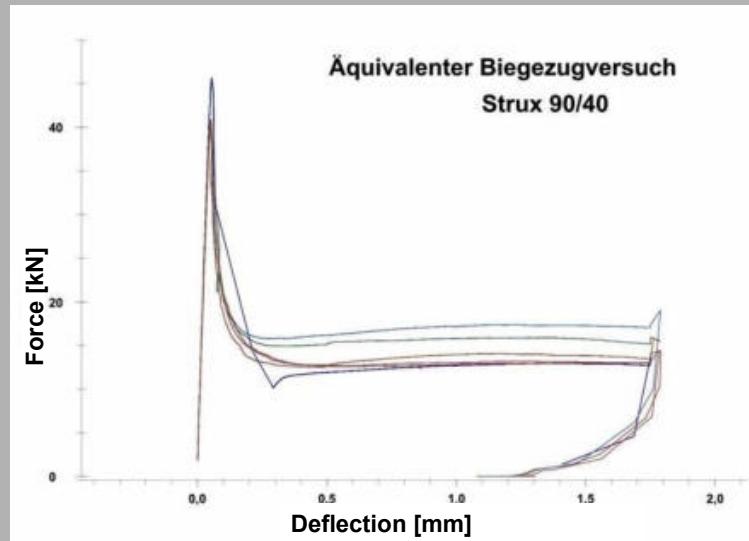
Dos.	Fibres	Dos. HRWR	Spread
4.5 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	Strux 90/40	0.38 %	440 mm
30.0 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	Steel-Fibre FX 50/1.00	0.25 %	460 mm
4.5 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	Durus PMW 50/1000-K1,2x1,0R	0.25 %	450 mm
4.5 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	Forta PF 54/300-K1	0.65 %	450 mm



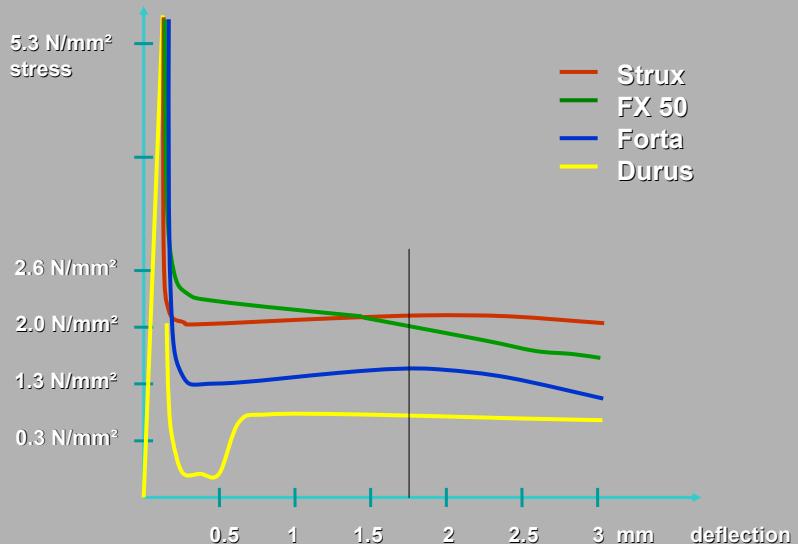
**Order of test procedure**  
**toughness test – creep test – toughness test**



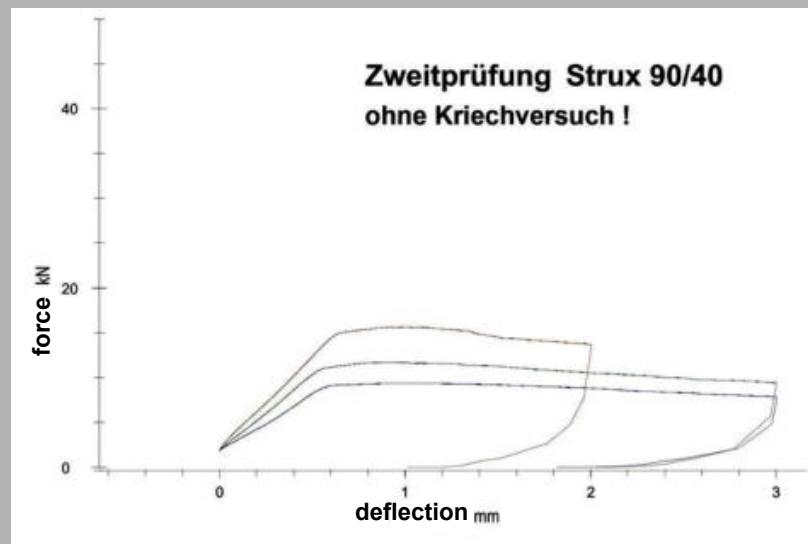
### Toughness Test



### Stress-Deflection-Diagram

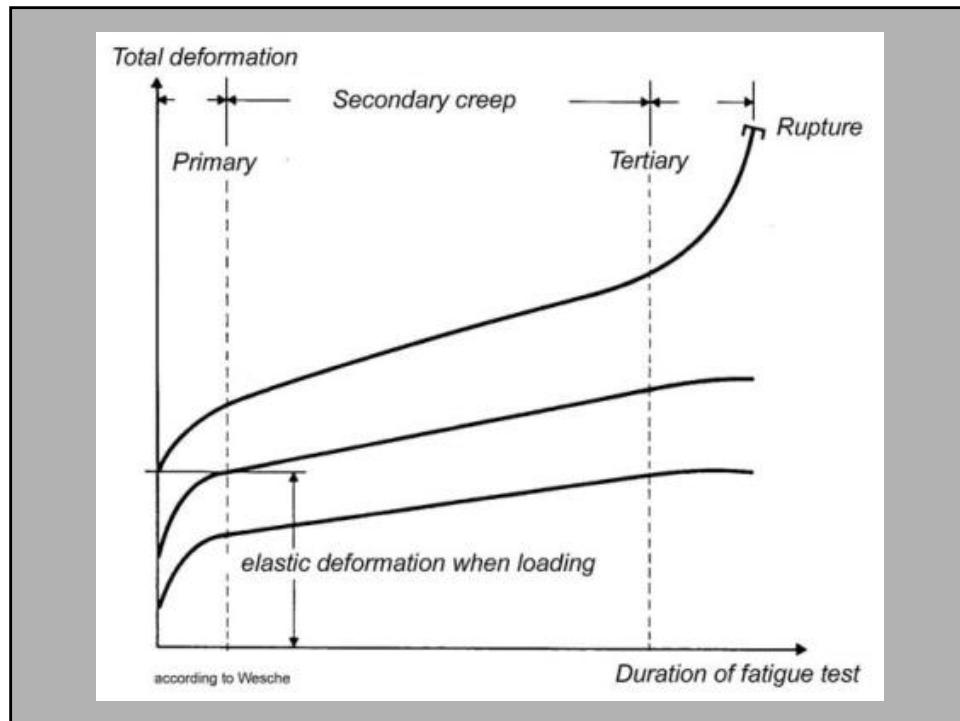
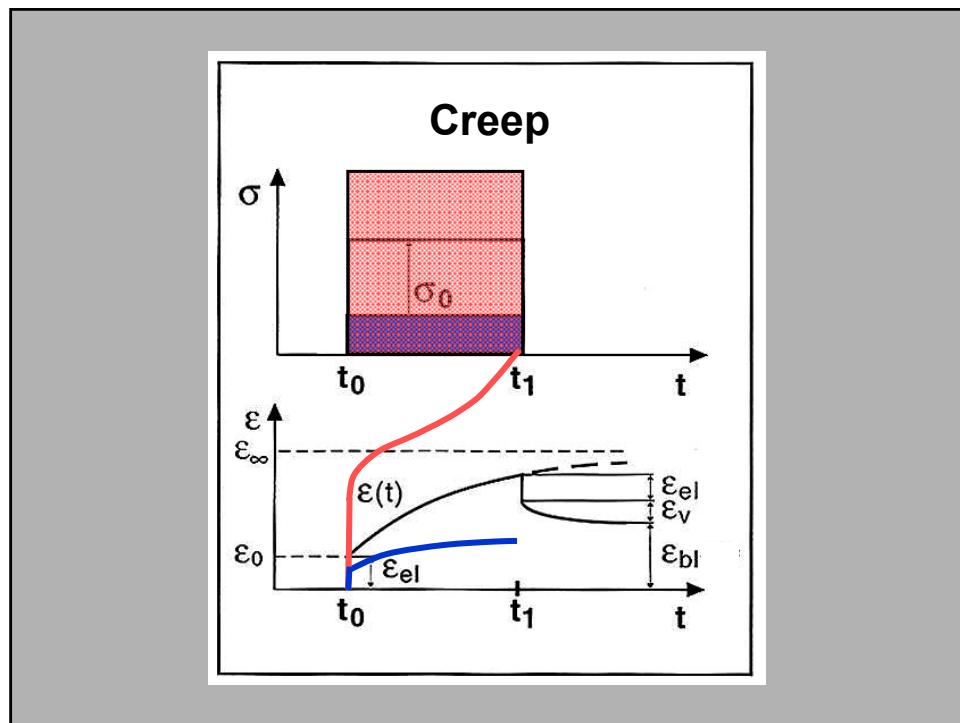


### Second Toughness Test (without creeping)

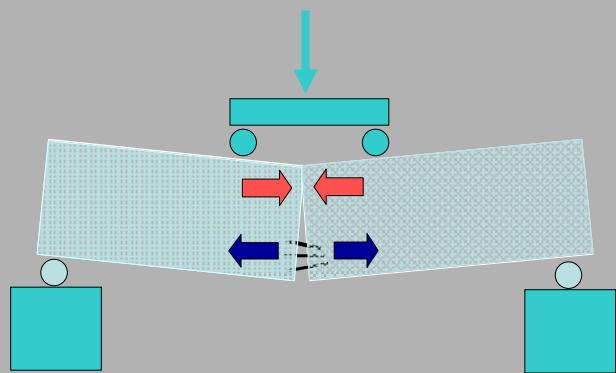


### Deformations during deloading and reloading

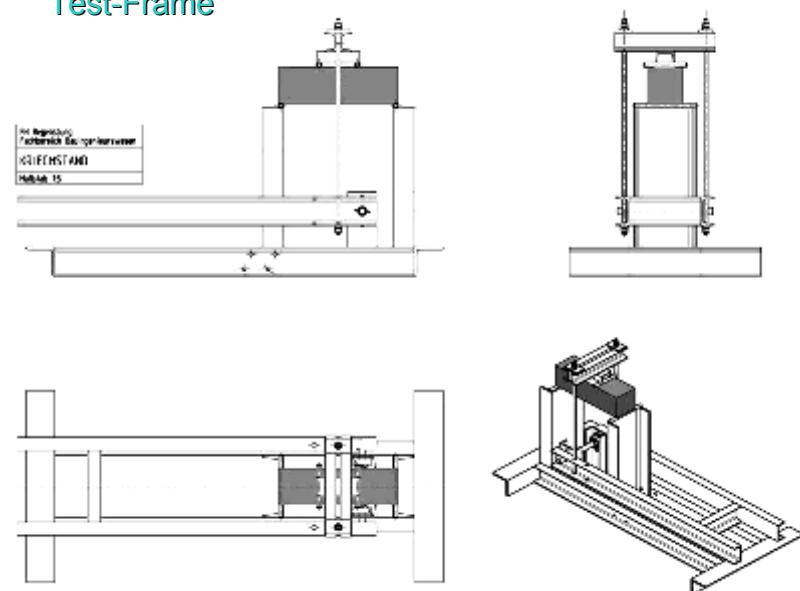
FIBRE	Deflection during load relieving	Deflection during load reapplication
Strux	0.55 mm	0.55 mm
FX 50	0.15 mm	0.15 mm
Forsta	0.55 mm	0.50 mm
Durus	0.55 mm	0.50 mm



### Flexural creep of fibre-reinforced concrete



### Test-Frame





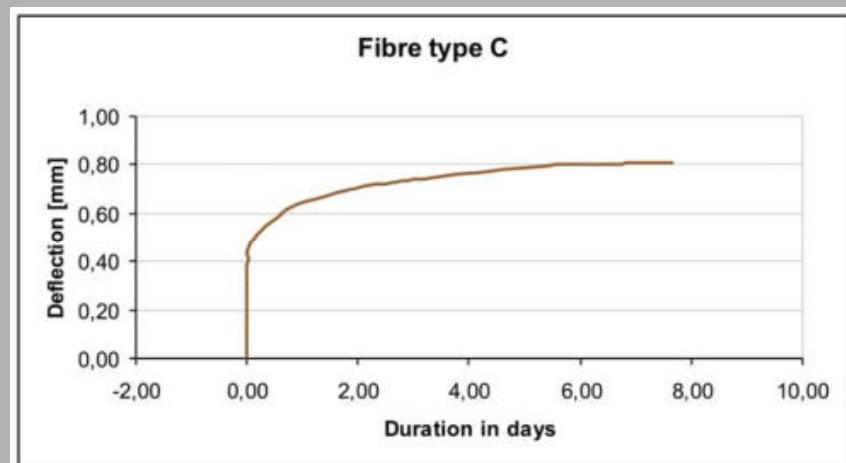


### Load Stages in the Creep-Test

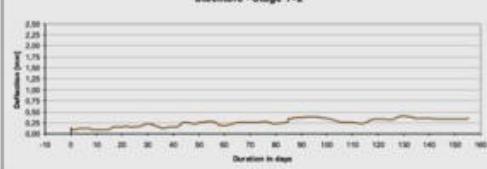
1. Stage  $0.47 \times P_{1,75}$
2. Stage  $0.60 \times P_{1,75}$
3. Stage  $0.71 \times P_{1,75}$
4. Stage  $0.85 \times P_{1,75}$

Duration: 3 month each

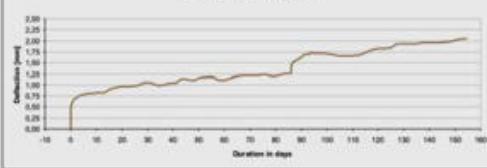
### Creep Stage 1; fibre C



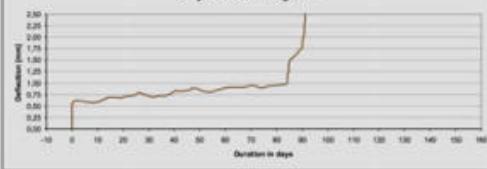
Steelfibre - Stage 1+2



Polymerfibre B - Stage 1+2

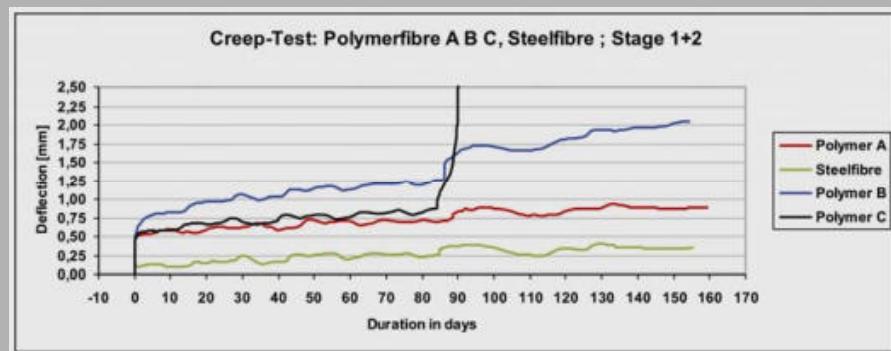


Polymerfibre C - Stage 1+2



Creep  
Stage 1 + 2

All tested fibres, steel and polymer  
Stage 1 + 2



YOUNG FIBRE-REINFORCED CONCRETE



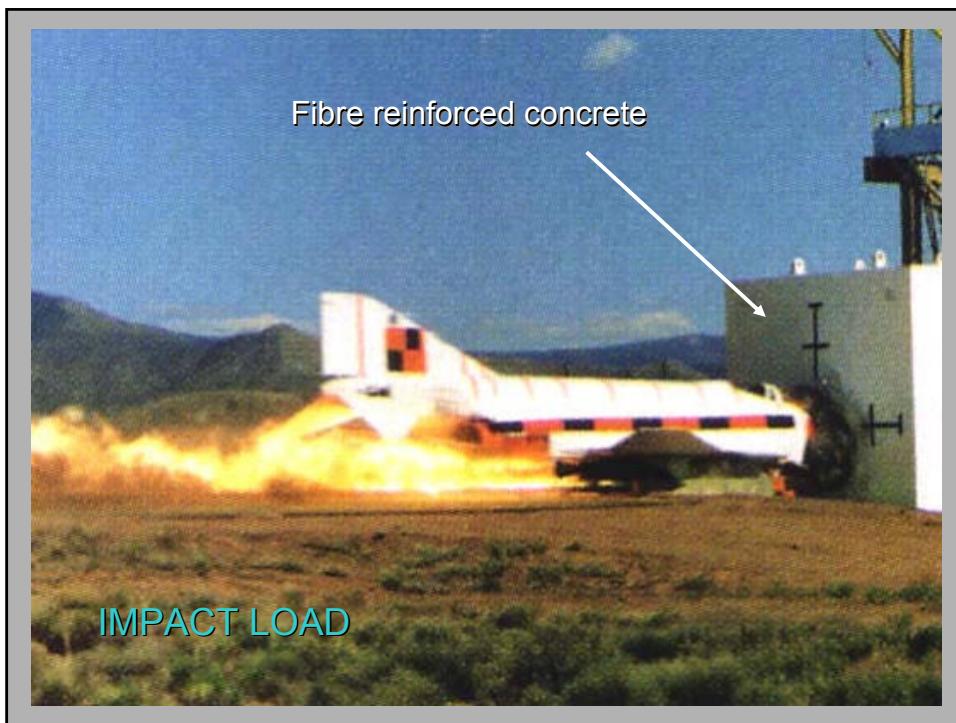
Testing crack formation  
due to drying shrinkage

## WORKABILITY



FIRE:  
Preventing explosive spalling





NOTHING IS MORE SUCCESSFUL THAN SUCCESS !



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION !