



## HSE evaluation for the use of rejuvenators - BioRePavation case study Emmanuel CHAILLEUX

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# Main objectives



- Towards a more environmentally friendly pavement
  - Save natural resources
    - virgin petroleum bitumen
    - virgin aggregate from quarries





Increase recycling rate

rate targeted : 50 – 70 %

Take most advantages from the old brittle bitumen remaining from reclaim materials



At least: same level of quality in comparison to conventional technics





- Evaluation of 3 alternative bio-materials designed to help recycling (rejuvenators → full replacement)
- Comparison with conventional high performances mix (EME)





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#### Epoxidized methyl soyate



- Technical assessment
  - Demonstrator: IFSTTAR accelerated pavement testing facility
    - Distress mechanism monitoring
    - Innovative non-destructive method

- Environmental assessment
  - Life cycle assessment
  - Fume emission measurements



# lab and full-scale validation

- A new type of base course mix has been designed : GB5 type mix (50 % RAP and 70% RAP) using aggregate packing concept (by maximizing their interlock)
- Designed according to:
  - $\circ~$  Aggregate availability on the plant
  - Lab studies of blends with virgin binder and recovered RAP binder in order to determine optimal dosage
    Main mix proportios:
  - Main mix properties:
    - Very dense mix
    - High modulus with a relatively equivalent « soft binder »
    - Low binder content 4.5%



Fraction	10-14mm	0-2mm	Filler	8-12mm RAP	0-8mm RAP	Added Binder	
		7.7 2.3	2.3	34	16	2.8	MIX1: 0.1%BM1+2.7%FB
%	37.2						MIX2: 2.8%BM2
						MIX3: 0.1%BM3+2.7%FB	



# lab and full-scale validation



	Field materials					
	Void ratio	Stiffness parameter (15°C, 10Hz)	Fatigue parameter (10°C, 25Hz)			
Mix	%	E* (MPa)	ε <sub>6</sub> (μstrain)			
EME 2	2.5	16 770	126			
Mix 1	1.5	14 540	115			
Mix 2	1.7	16 200	100			
Mix 3	2.2	16 360	109			



→possible to produce, in plant, these materials with high RAP content and biobinders or bio-additives

→Moderate performances in lab but high performance at full scale in comparison to the conventional mix



# **IFSTTAR experimental method**

#### **Objective**

Environmental Assessement and ranking of bituminous mixes in lab

#### **Functions**

- Generate fumes
- Collect / Sample
- Analyse

#### Parameters studied

- Formula
- Binder
- Process



# **Composition of bituminous fumes**



# **Sampling protocol**



# Formula studied

Formula	Name	Mix	RA content (%)	Fresh binder	Fresh Binder content (%)	Additive content (%)	Manufacturing temperature (°C)
Control	EME	А	20	20/30	4.8	-	175
BioRepavation	MIX2	В	50	Biophalt	2.8	-	120
							150
							180
	MIX1	С	50	50/70	2.7	0.1	120
							150
							180
	MIX3	D	50	50/70	2.7	0.1	120
							150
							180

## Experimental program (temperatures)

Mixing temperature (°C)	120		150		180		
Mix	Virgin aggregate (°C)	RA material (°C)	Virgin aggregate (°C)	RA material (°C)	Virgin aggregate (°C)	RA material (°C)	Binder (°C)
A (EME)	-	-	-	-	195	120	170
B (MIX2)	120	120	200	120	230	130	130
C (MIX1)	120	120	200	120	230	130	150
D (MIX3)	120	120	200	120	230	130	150

## **TOCS Results : ENE**



#### **TOCs Results : MIX3** (mix1 similar)

#### Courbe d'émission de COTE en fonction du temps FORMULE C



Temps (s)

### **TOCs Results : MIX2**



Cumulated mass (mg ed C/kg of bitumen)

Temps (s)

### **Temperature influence on fume** Regeneration versus conventional mix

MIX1

MIX3



### **Temperature influence on fume** full replacement versus conventional mix

MIX2



## **Conclusions**

- It is possible to manufacture (in conventional asphalt plant) and also to lay (at full scale) a road material with 50% of RA while reducing the amount of fresh bitumen (up to full replacement)
  - Durability: the 3 innovative materials behave better that the reference one which is largely used in Europe for base courses
- Measurements of fume emissions were performed on bituminous materials to characterize total organic compounds generated by asphalt material
  - Strong link between bituminous material composition and their emission potential
  - At the usual manufacturing temperature, 160°C, no additional fumes on mix with rejuvenators (MIX 1 and 3) are observed in comparison to the reference mix (EME)
  - Concerning mix with full binder replacement (Mix 2), the best emission performance in comparison to reference mix (EME) is below 150°C.



# Thanks to the BioRePavationConsortium

- IFSTTAR (France coordination has evaluated durability at full scale)
- EIFFAGE Infrastructures (France has produced an alternative binder & carried out mix design tests)
- IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY (USA has produced a bioasphalt & carried out mix design tests)
- KRATON chemical (Netherlands has produced a bio-based performance additive)
- WESTERN RESEARCH INSTITUTE (USA has carried out non-destructive in-situ evaluation and binder tests)
- UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM (UK has conducted life cycle and risk assessment, and binder tests)

## Thank you for your attention

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# lab and full-scale validation

#### high performance in comparison to the conventional mix

- Low rutting level
- After 1 million cycles: no cracks on the innovative materials, some cracks on the reference material (High modulus mix EME)
- After 1.8 million equivalent loadings at 65 kN, no cracks on two innovative materials, 10% on one innovative material, 27% on the reference EME
- Results confirmed by FWD measurements and in-situ micro-sampling and testing

MIXES	Air voids	Rutting estimates after initial consolidation
Reference: EME	3.4%	1%
Mix1	3.3%	2%
Mix2	1.6%	2%
Mix3	2.0%	1%

