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## ***Update from RILEM TG6 – Cold Recycling***



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## **Testing and characterization of Sustainable Innovative Bituminous materials and systems**



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# Strategic Plan



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Evaluate test and mix design methods for the use of materials with reclaimed bituminous materials from the road, focusing on cold mix recycling with emulsion and with foam bitumen.

The work will focus on **mixes with high % of RAP** proposing guidelines on how to characterize and define RAP in order to conduct comparable inter-laboratory tests on evaluation and test methods for cold recycling mixtures.

To make a link with ISAP APE WG2.

**Warm and half-warm techniques** use additives like zeolites, waxes, etc., in some case not well known due to patents and industrial secrets: so to avoid the risk of a large number of variables those techniques are **temporarily not considered**

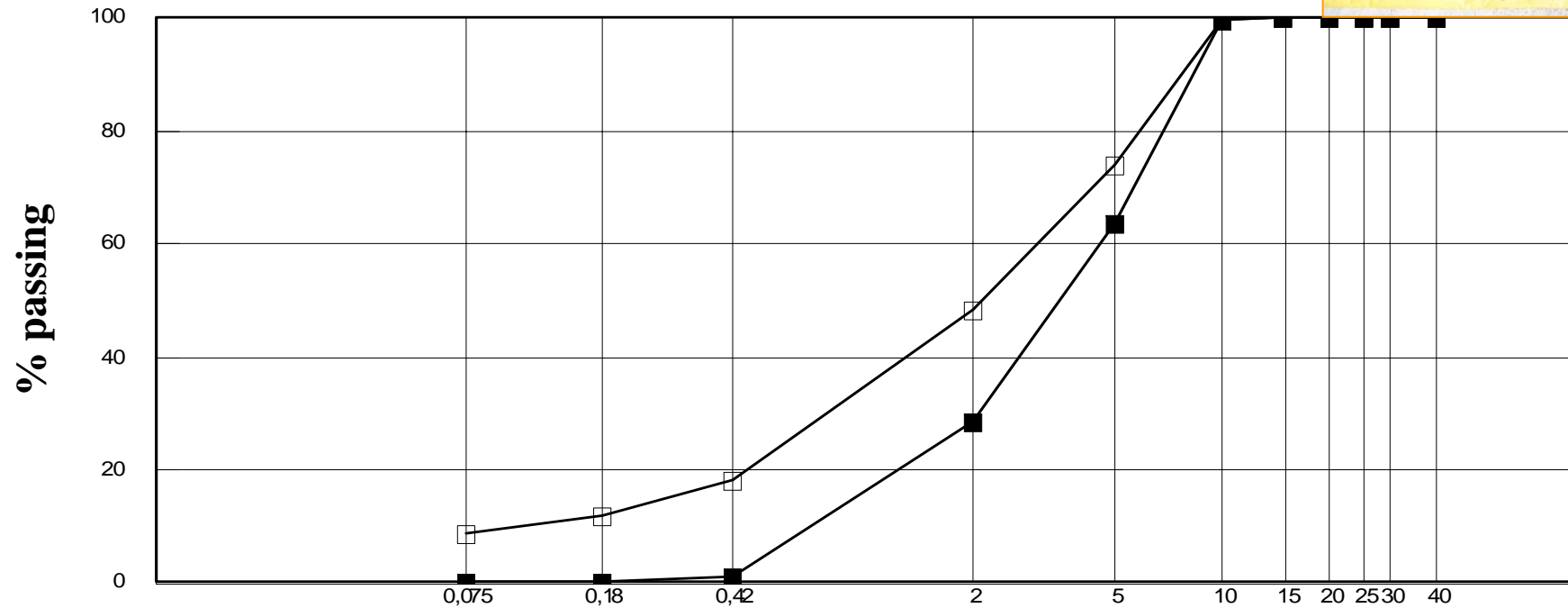


# RAP Grading Curve



Italian experience

8mm maximum size



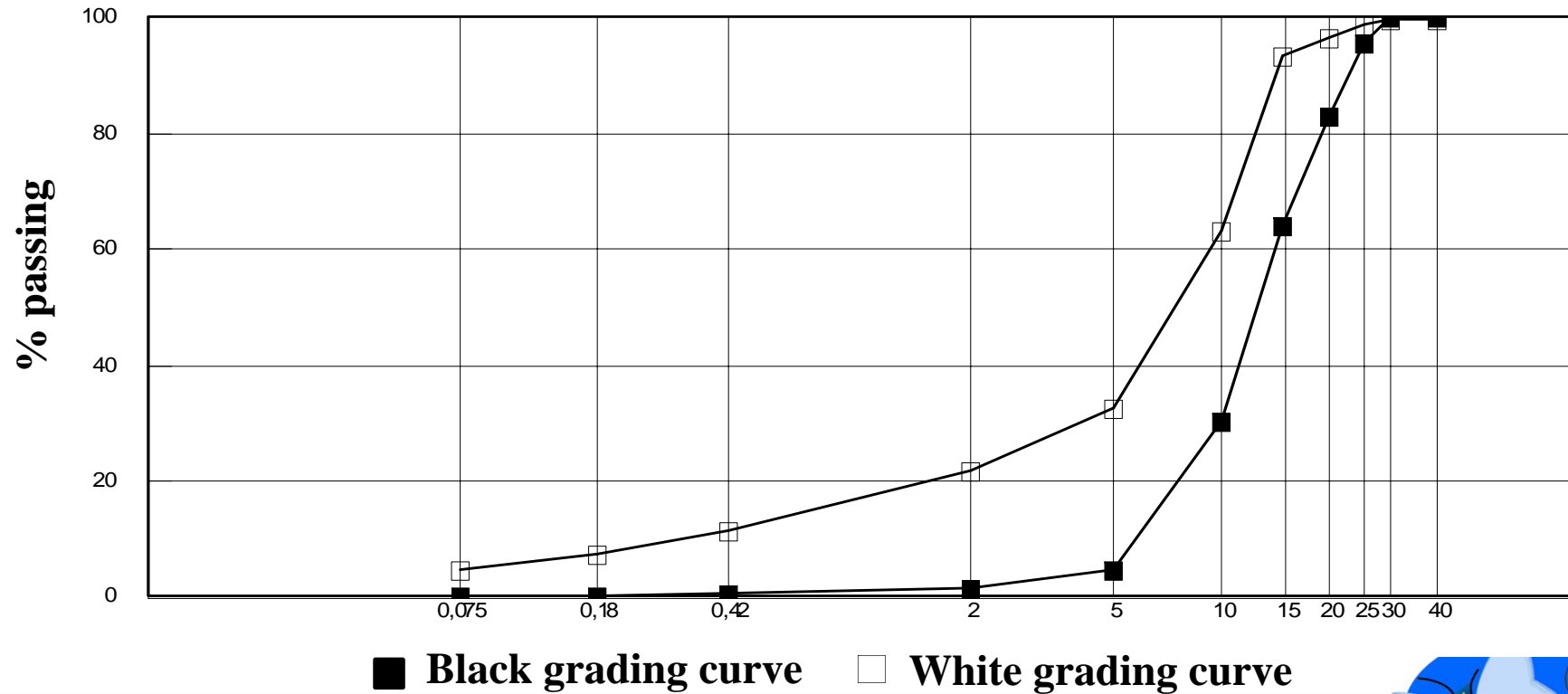
■ Black grading curve    □ White grading curve

# RAP Grading Curve



Italian experience

8mm minimum size – 30mm max size



# *RAP bitumen's characteristics*



Pen@25°C



R&B



Asphalten contents  
(ASTM D 3279-97)



DSR

*...and/or...??*



# Work Plan



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## I. RAP Classification

- 1) Literature review
  - *Rap production methods, definition of Rap, industrial operations*
- 2) Cleanliness/foreign matter
- 3) Grading evaluation “black-white”(ASTM/EU)
- 4) Bitumen content
- 5) Bitumen characteristics
  - *R&B, Pen@25, viscosity at list at 2 temperature, BBR*
- 6) Aggregates characteristics
  - *Mineralogy and petrography, shape, reactivity*
- 7) Moisture content
- 8) Accuracy and representatively





# Curing



Role of fluids in BSM		
Component	BSM-emulsion	BSM-foam
Bitumen	Contributes to fluids for compaction	Negligible contribution to fluids for compaction
Moisture in aggregate	Reduces absorption of bitumen emulsion water into aggregate	Separates and suspends fines making them available to bitumen during mixing
	Prevents premature breaking	Acts as carrier for bitumen splinters during mixing
	Extends curing time and reduces early strength	Reduces early strength
	Provides workability of BSM at ambient temperatures	
	Reduces friction angle and lubricates for compaction	
	Provides shelf-life for the mix	

## BSM-emulsion

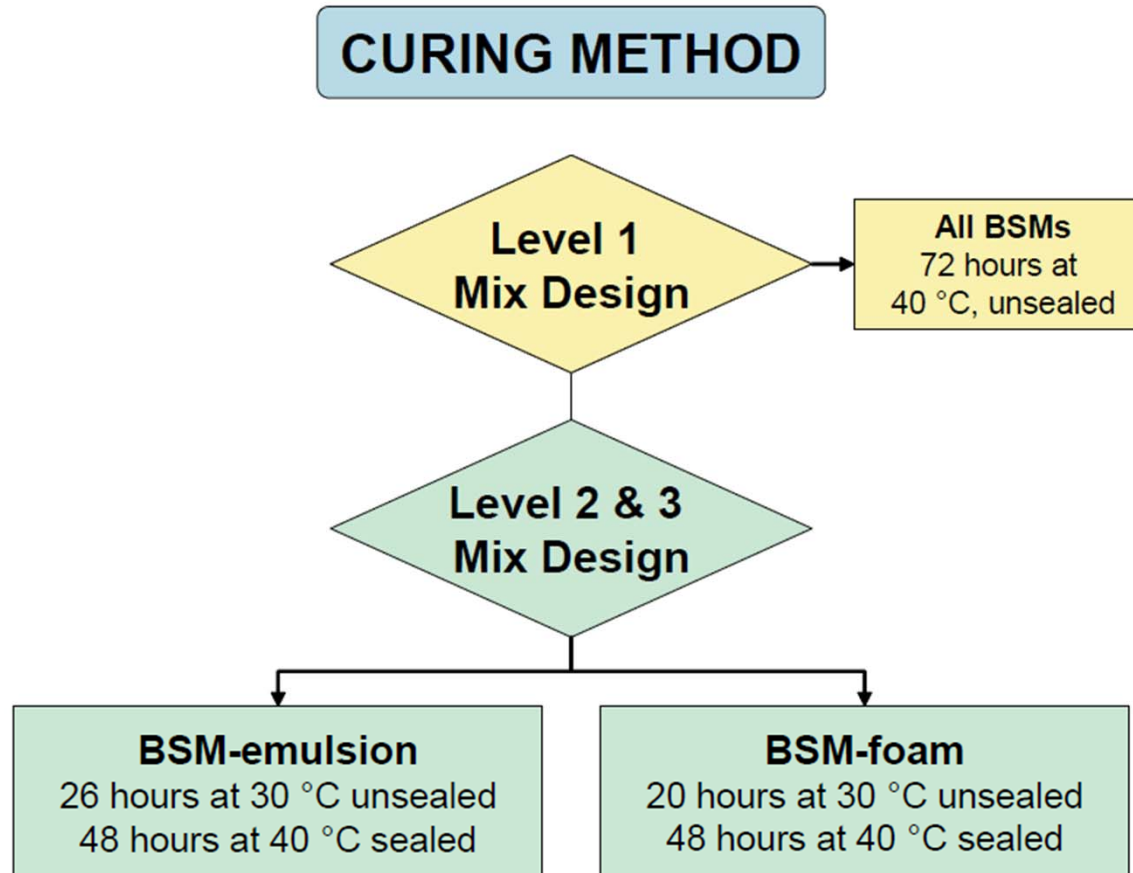
Changes in moisture content occur in two distinct phases, namely:

- Breaking is the separation of the bitumen from the water phase through flocculation and the coalescence of the bitumen droplets to produce films of bitumen on the individual particles of the material. The rate at which the bitumen droplets separate from the water phase is referred to as the breaking time (Also known as the setting or settling time.)

The breaking process with anionic bitumen emulsions is a mechanical process (evaporation), whereas cationic bitumen emul-

sions produce a chemical break. For dense mixtures, more time is needed to allow for mixing and placement and slower breaking times are required. As the bitumen emulsion breaks, the colour changes from dirty brown to black. Although this can be observed with the naked eye, it is recommended that a magnifying glass is used.

- Curing is the displacement of water and the resultant increase in stiffness and tensile strength of the BSM. This is important as a mix needs to acquire sufficient stiffness and cohesion between particles before carrying traffic.





# Curing



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Extrude the specimens from the mold immediately after compaction and cure in a forced draft oven at 105°F (40°C) for 72 hours.

After curing, remove the specimens from the oven and place in a water bath for 24 hours. Water temperature should be between 68°F and 77°F (20°C and 25°C). Water depth should be 4.0 in. (100 mm) above the specimen surface. Specimens must not be stacked.

After soaking, remove the specimens from the water and allow them to drain for 60 minutes and equilibrate to the room temperature. Ambient temperature should be 77°F ± 4°F (25°C ± 2°C).

Specimens should be covered with a damp cloth to prevent excess evaporation. Care should be taken at all times to prevent damage to the specimens.





# Work Plan



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## II. Specimen preparation/curing

- 1) Literature review Liverpool meeting (paper for APE ISAP 2012)
- 2) Rap preparation
  - *Dry process*
  - *Homogenization process*
- 3) Emulsion/bitumen preparation
- 4) Virgin aggregates preparation
- 5) Mixing process (all the details)
- 6) Pre-compaction curing- temperature treatment
- 7) Compaction (all the details)
- 8) Post-compaction curing
- 9) Test procedure to evaluate the curing (IDT and uniaxial compression, moisture content,..)





# Outcome



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## ➤ Journal papers

- *Classification of Reclaimed Asphalt Pavement (RAP) Material 2<sup>nd</sup>*  
*Abstract submitted to 2<sup>nd</sup> ISAP International Symposium on Asphalt Pavements & Environment*
- *Synthesis of Specimen Preparation and Curing Processes for Cold Recycled Asphalt Mixes*  
*Abstract submitted to 2<sup>nd</sup> ISAP International Symposium on Asphalt Pavements & Environment*
- *Paper on specimen preparation/curing*  
*Submission to "Materials and Structures" planned for December 2013*

## ➤ Report

## ➤ Workshop and Seminar in Cooperation with ISAP TC APE – WG 2





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