## THERMAL INSULATION AND MECHANICAL PROPERTIES OF GLAS BUBBLE INVOLVEMENT IN FLY ASH GEOPOLYMER PASTE

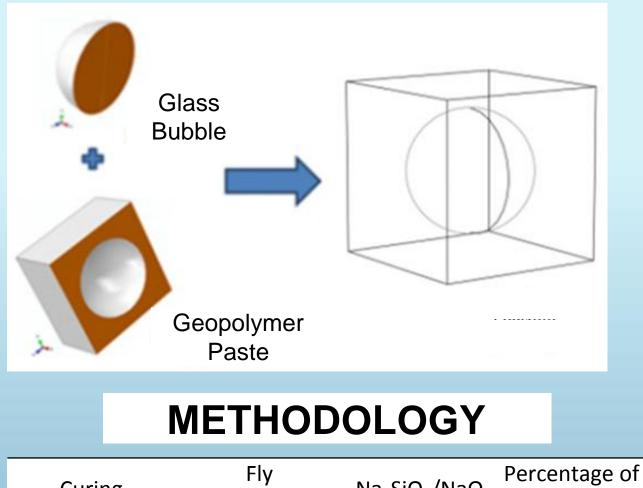


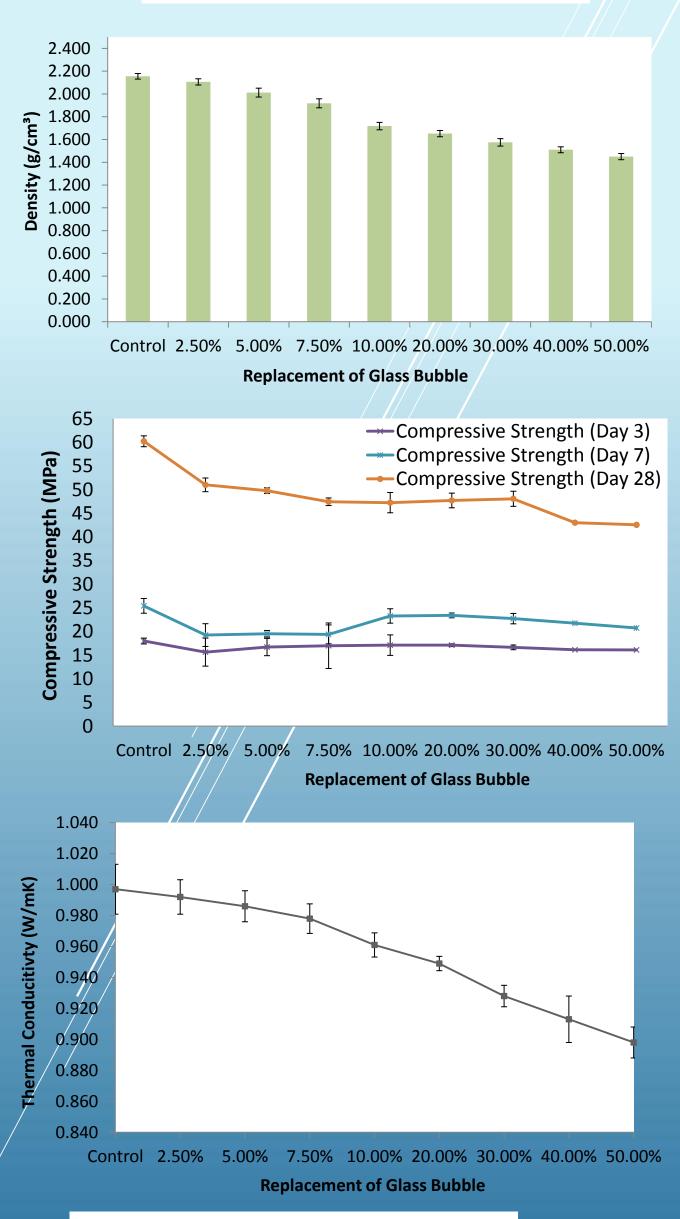
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## INTRODUCTION

Novel insulation material of glass bubble was used as a replacement of fly ash binder to significantly enhance the mechanical and thermal properties





**FINDINGS** 

Temperature	Ash/Alkaline Activator Ratio	Na <sub>2</sub> SiO <sub>3</sub> /NaO H Ratio	Glass Bubble (%)	
Room Temperature	2.0	2.5	0 (Control)	
	2.0	2.5	2.5	
	2.0	2.5	5.0	
	2.0	2.5	7.5	
	2.0	2.5	10.0	
	2.0	2.5	20.0	
	2.0	2.5	30.0	
	2.0	2.5	40.0	
	2.0	2.5	50.0	

## **ADVANTAGES**

- ✓ Promising HIGH thermal properties (insulation)
  - ✓ LOW density concrete
  - **Extremely LOW cost raw materials** 
    - EASY processing step
  - **ENDLESS supply of raw materials** 
    - ✓ ENERGY saving concrete

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## CONCLUSION

The results indicated that the density and compressive strength of 50 % glass bubble involvement was 1.45 g/cm<sup>3</sup> and 42.5MPa, respectively, meeting the requirement for structural concrete. Additionally, the compatibility of 50% glass bubbles obtained the thermal conductivity (0.898 W/mK), specific heat (2.141 MJ/m<sup>3</sup>K), and thermal diffusivity (0.572 mm<sup>2</sup>/s). The improvement of thermal insulation properties revealed the capability of a glass bubble as an insulation material in construction material.