



REslag
Turning waste into value



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Turning waste from steel industry into valuable low cost feedstock for energy intensive industry



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Call: H2020-WASTE-2014-two-stage / WASTE-1-2014.

Contract number: 642067.

Maximum EC budget: 8,022,006.68 €.

Private budget: 800,946.43 €.

TRL: 5-7.

Duration: 42 months (01/09/2015 – 28/02/2019).

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Consortium - 19 partners
(7 companies, 8 research institutes and 3 universities).



OBJECTIVES of RESLag

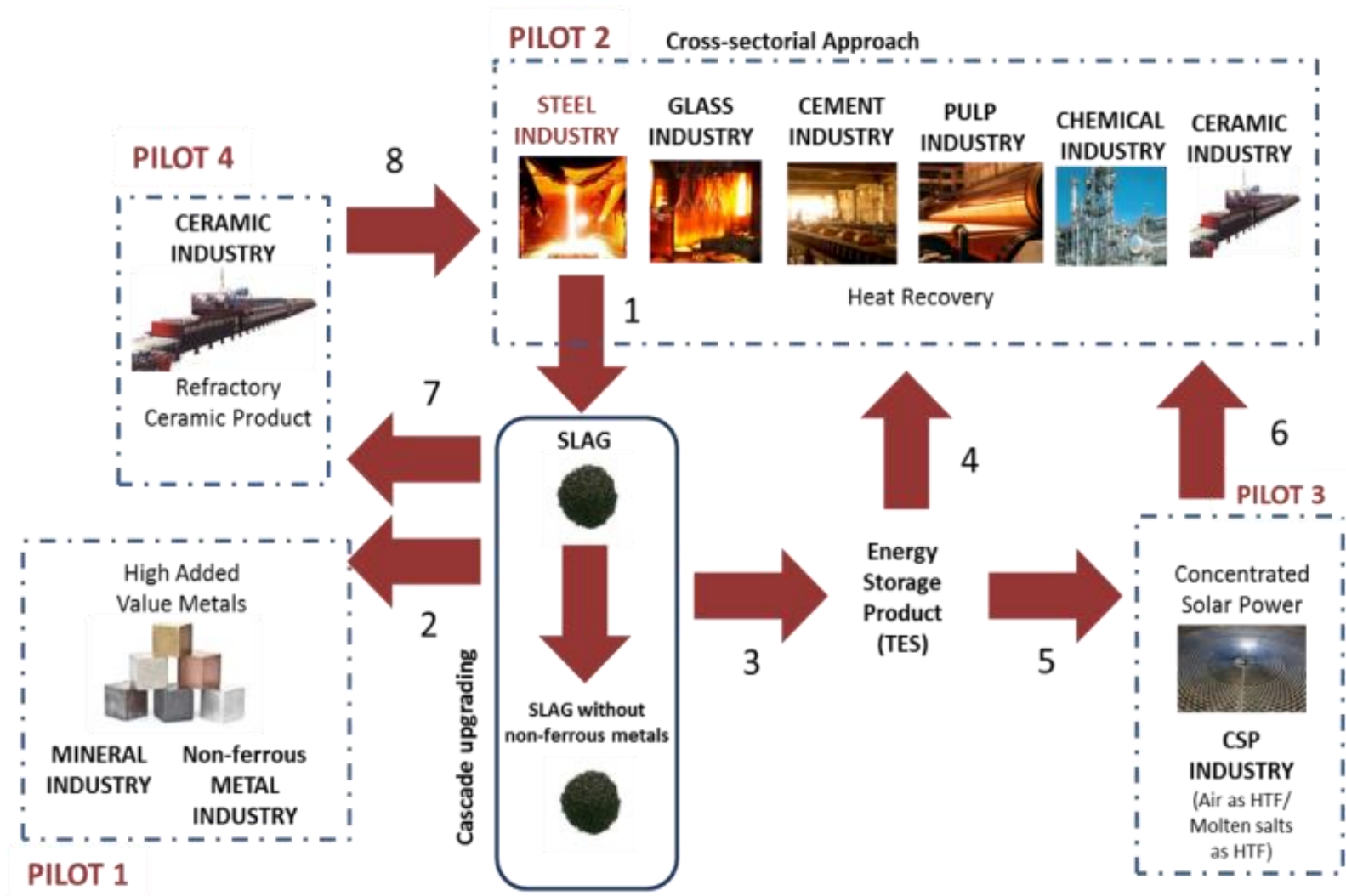
In 2010, the European steel industry generated, as waste, about 21.8 Mt of steel slag. 76 % of the slag was recycled in applications such as aggregates for construction or road materials, but these sectors were unable to absorb the total amount of produced slag. The remaining 24 % was landfilled (2.9 Mt) or self-stored (2.3 Mt). The landfilled slag represents a severe environmental problem.



OVERALL OBJECTIVE

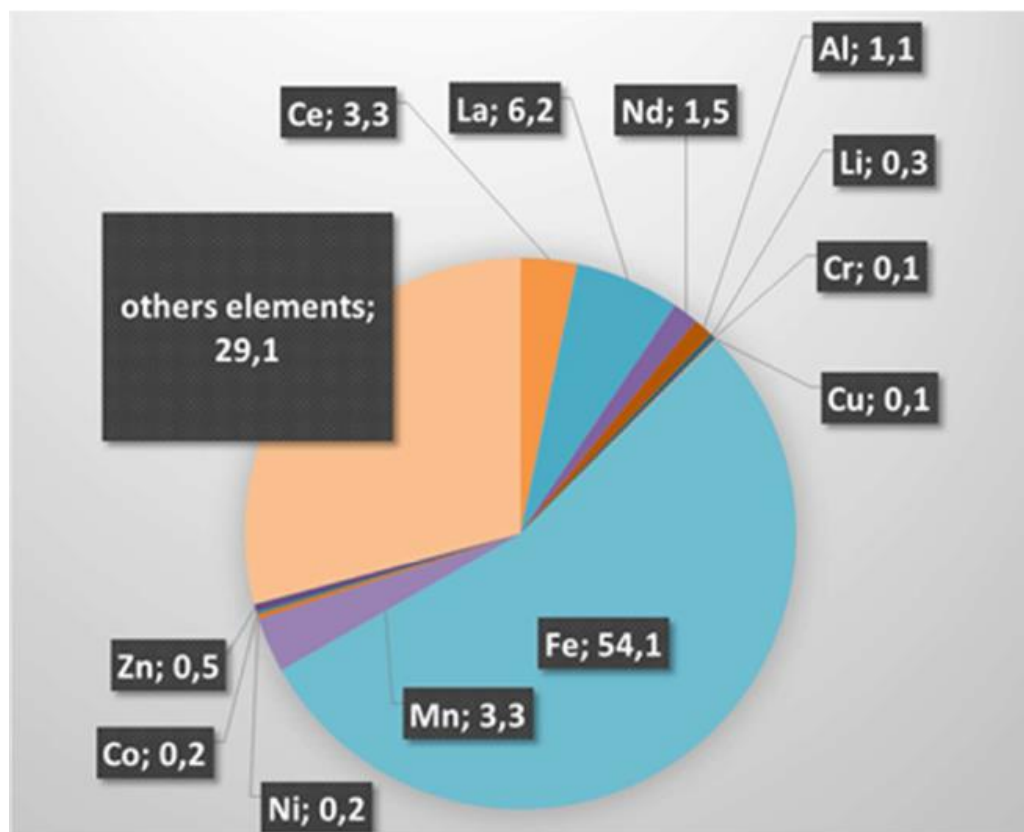
To valorize the steel slag that is currently not being recycled and reuse it as a valuable raw material for 4 innovative applications that contribute to a circular economy in the steel sector with an additional cross-sectorial approach

Specific objectives -> 4 innovative applications



Valorization route #1

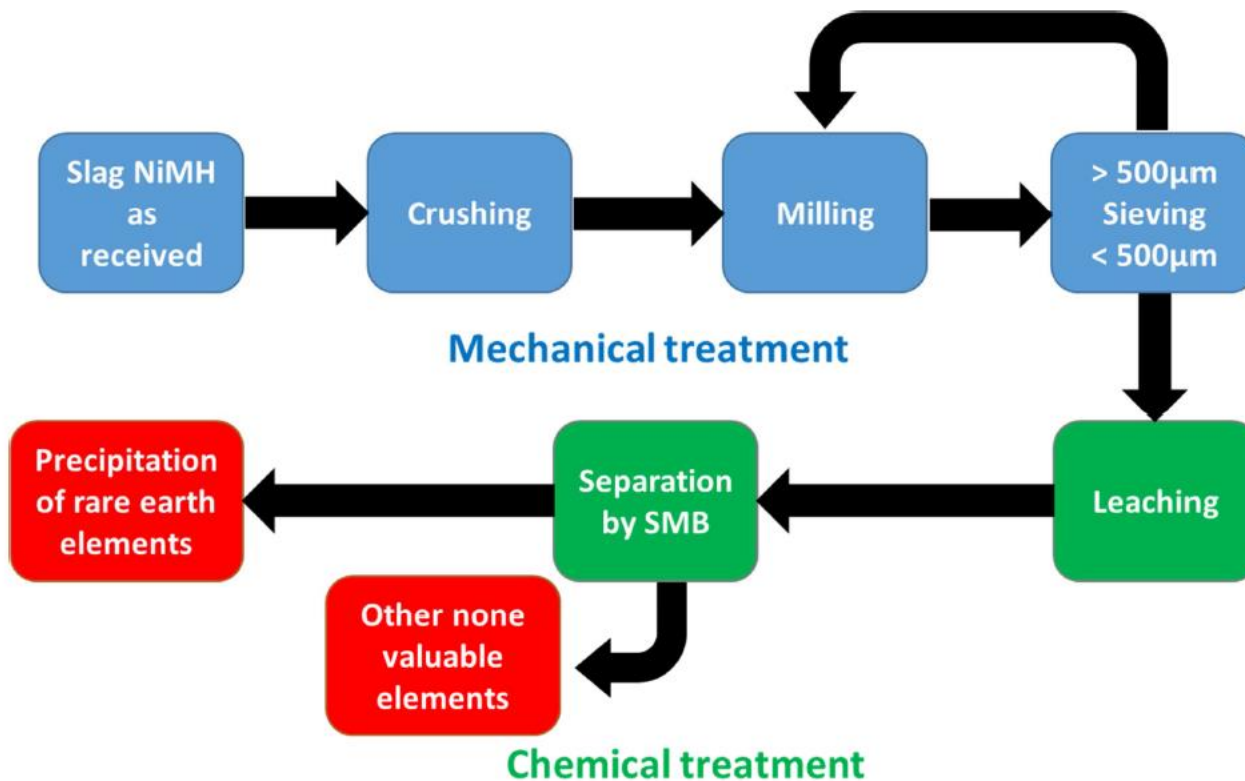
High added value metals recovery



Several options of slags
were considered

Selection of the richer in
critical elements

Batteries recycling slags
(6-12 %wt of rare
elements)



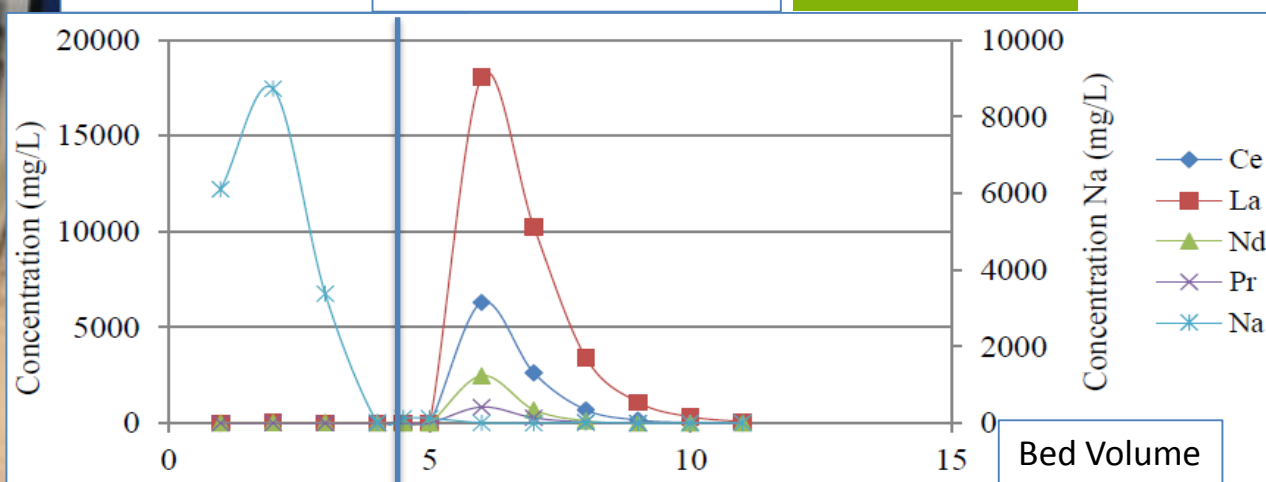
PILOT n°1 – Rare elements recovery CEA (France)



HNO₃ 0,5M

HNO₃ 4M

In operation



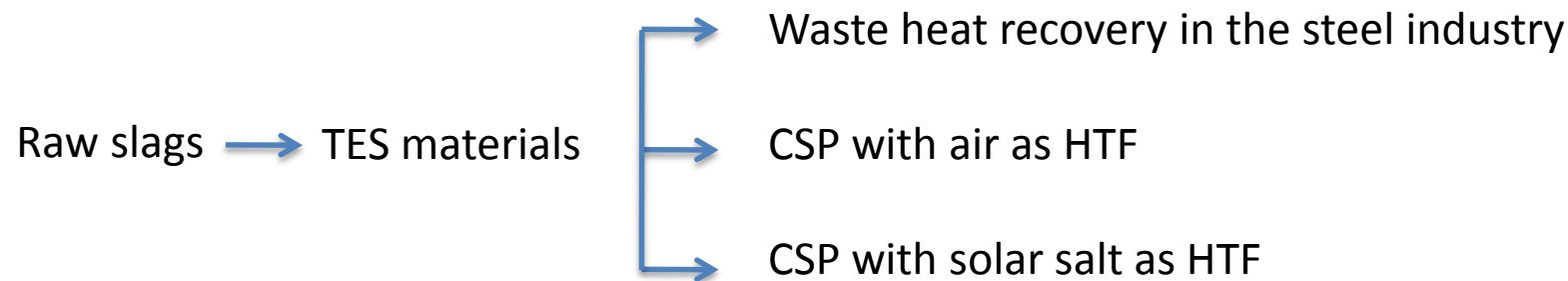


ECHT	POSITION	La	Ce	Nd	Na	K	Mn	Ni
C6	0	557	197	98	1	0	0	0
C1	1	664	238	143	32	2	7	8
C2	2	937	348	202	190	7	60	61
C3	3	952	356	205	209	7	57	58
C4	4	344	131	79	157	4	46	39
Raff1	4,5	262	97	67	154	5	65	55
C5	5	254	95	58	153	7	87	82
Raff2	5,5	38	12	7	74	0	9	8
C6	6	557	197	98	1	0	0	0
ALIM		305	111	63	140	3	41	33

- It is possible to have a pure fraction of REE's together (C6)
- A complete fractionating of REE's is hard to achieve
- Advanced optimization needed

Valorization route #2

Slags as TES materials



Raw slags processing routes

Task 3.1. Characterization of SLAG as received



As-received slag from Arcelor Mittal



Properties measured:

- Chemical composition
- SEM/EDS
- Mineralogical composition
- Compression strength (MPa)
- Apparent and skeletal Density (g/cm³)
- Porosity (open and real)
- Cp= Heat capacity (JK⁻¹/ kg)
- α= linear thermal expansion coefficient (K⁻¹)
- k=Thermal conductivity (W⁻¹K⁻¹)
- Thermal stability
- Liquid Viscosity (Pa.s)

Task 3.2. Manufacturing of the PEBBLES

Sub-task 3.2.1. Production of the pebbles by melting process. Alternatively, mechanical conformation

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Melted and Poured PEBBLES



Mechanically conformed PEBBLES

Sub-task 3.2.2: Production of the pebbles by sintering process.

OPTIMUMCEMENT
ready-mix solutions



Sintered PEBBLES

Task 3.3. Characterization of the 3 type of PEBBLES.

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London

cea

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Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich

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Properties measured:

- Chemical composition
- SEM/EDS
- Mineralogical composition
- Compression strength (MPa)
- Bending test (MPa)
- Apparent and skeletal Density (g/cm³)
- Porosity (open and real)
- Cp= Heat capacity (JK⁻¹/ kg)
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- Thermal stability

Comparison between the 3 type of pebbles

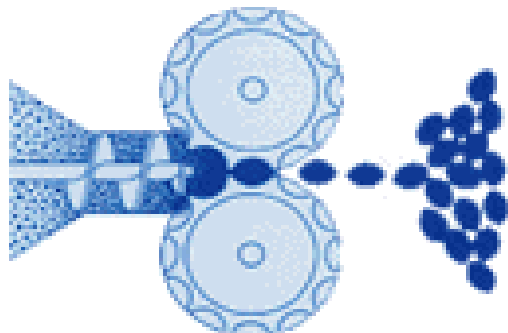
Comparison between the raw SLAG and manufactures PEBBLES

----- Mechanically conformed slag (IK4 Azterlan – Spain)



----- Sintered slag (Optimum Cement – France)

1st Batch



2nd Batch

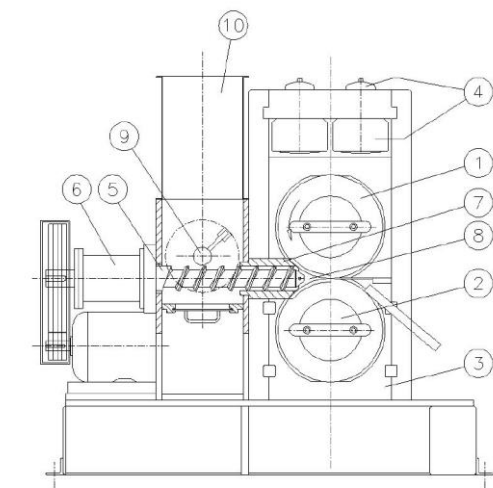


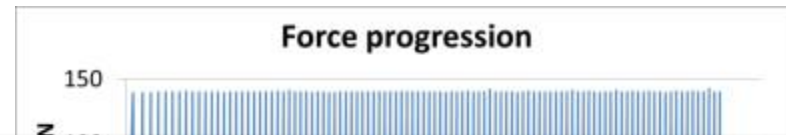
FIG 1 - Roll press assembly - Cross section of pressing system

- 1 - Roll, 2 - Roll shaft, 3 - Bearing block, 4 - Supporting hydraulic system,
- 5 - Screw feeder, 6 - Screw feeder bearing block, 7 - Feed adapter, 8 - Cheek plate
- 9 - Paddle mixer, 10 - Feed hopper

Thermo-mechanical properties summary

THERMOPHYSICAL PROPERTIES		Units	AS-RECEIVED SLAG AM SESTAO	MECHANICALLY CONFORMED	SINTERED PEBBLES		
					PEB (01-35)	E3 (24-41), E4 (24-42)	E3 (49-54), E4 (49-54)
Density	Bulk density	Kg/m ³	4099 ± 30	3980 ± 40	2960 ± 80	E3_28: 3371 E4_28: 3390	E3_53: 3112 E4_53: 2993
	Skeletal density		3740	—	3460	E3_28: 3791 E4_28: 3771	E3_53: 3772 E4_53: 3772
Porosity, average		%	8.7	9	16.1	E3_28: 11 % E4_28: 10 %	E3_53: 17 % E4_53: 21 %
Specific heat capacity (C _p). RT-1100°C		J/Kg.K	840-1000	670-975 min (700°C): 780	760-950 (FAU) 760-1050 (ETHZ)		
Thermal expansion rate (α). RT-1100°C		K-1	10-30*10 ⁻⁶	αRT-650=15.37*10 ⁻⁶ α750-1000= 156.38 *10⁻⁶	11.86*10 ⁻⁶ K ⁻¹		
Thermal conductivity (λ). RT-1000°C		W/K	1.7-1.3	1.2-1.2 (FAU) max (200°C): 1.4 min (700°C): 0.87	1.5-1.0 (FAU) 1.9-1.3 (ETHZ)		
Thermal diffusivity (α). RT-800°C		mm ² /s	0.7-0.5	0.55-0.37	0.75-0.5		
Compression test		Mpa	100-288. After 16 TC, decrease to 50 Mpa	270 ± 80	42,7 ± 3,9	E3: 310 ± 55	
Flexural strength		Mpa	—	51 ± 25	17.6 ± 8,6	58 ± 22	
Thermal stability			Stable after oxidation process. 740 min at 800 °C				
Thermal Cycling (heating & cooling cycles test)			16 THERMAL CYCLES (heating 800°C- cooling 300°C)	DONE. Pending subsequent compression test			
Compatibility with molten salt							

Thermo-mechanical stability of slag



No significant damage

**Slag as received thermo-mechanically suitable
for full scale TES in CSP with air as HTF**



➤ **Facility specifications:**

➤ D x H: 0.5 m x 0.5 m

➤ 160 t

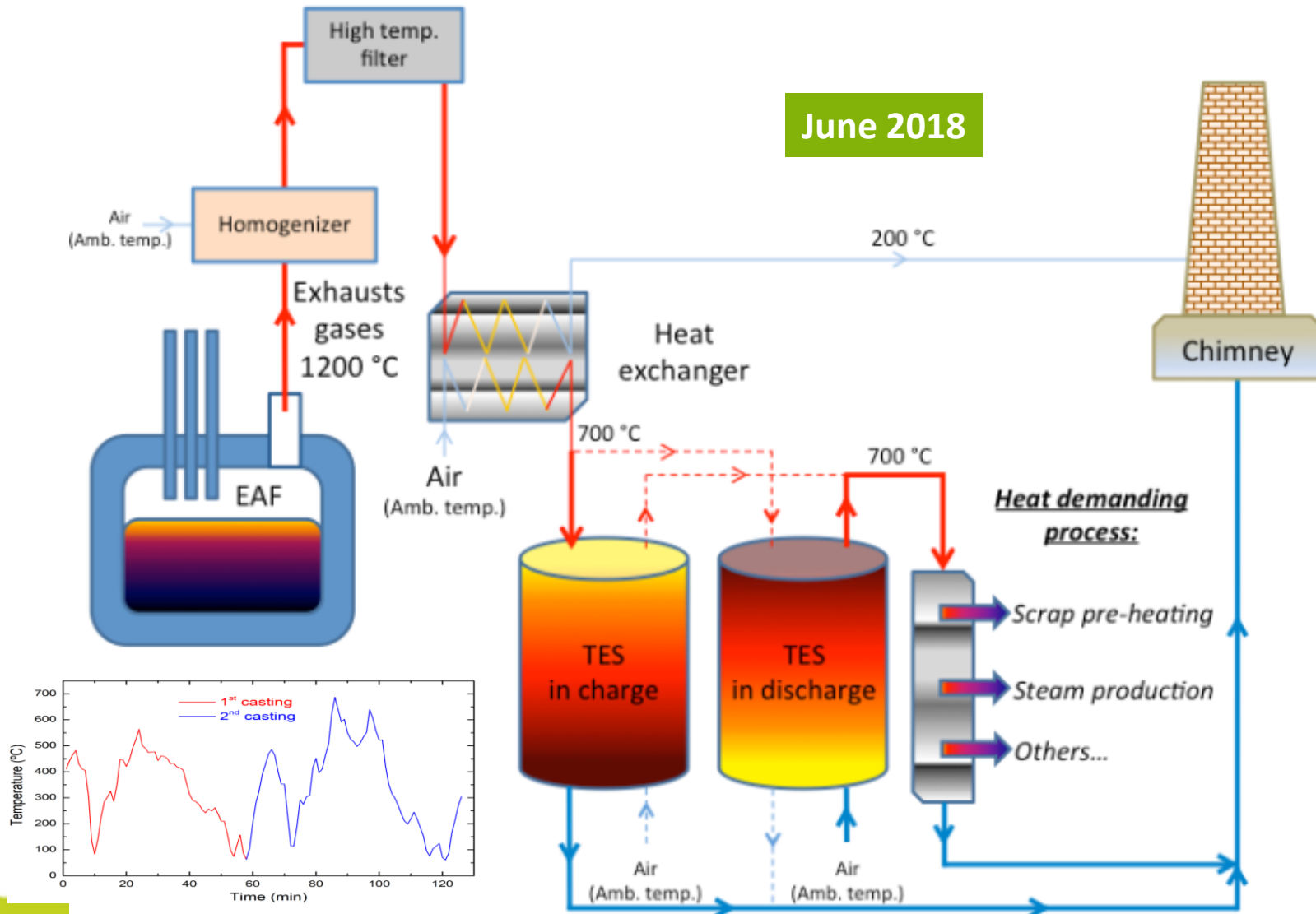
➤ Max. Temperature: 600 °C

➤ **Experimental program:** 500 compression cycles from 20 to 140 kN.

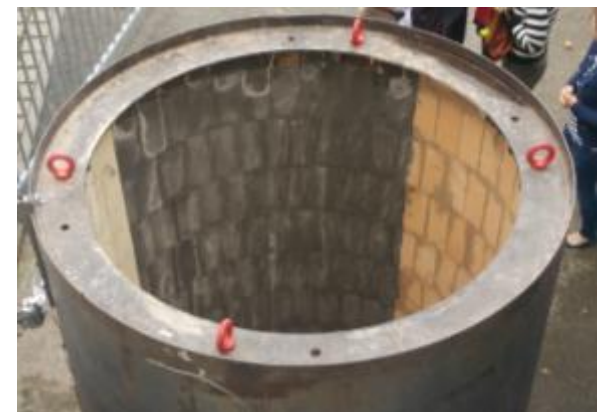
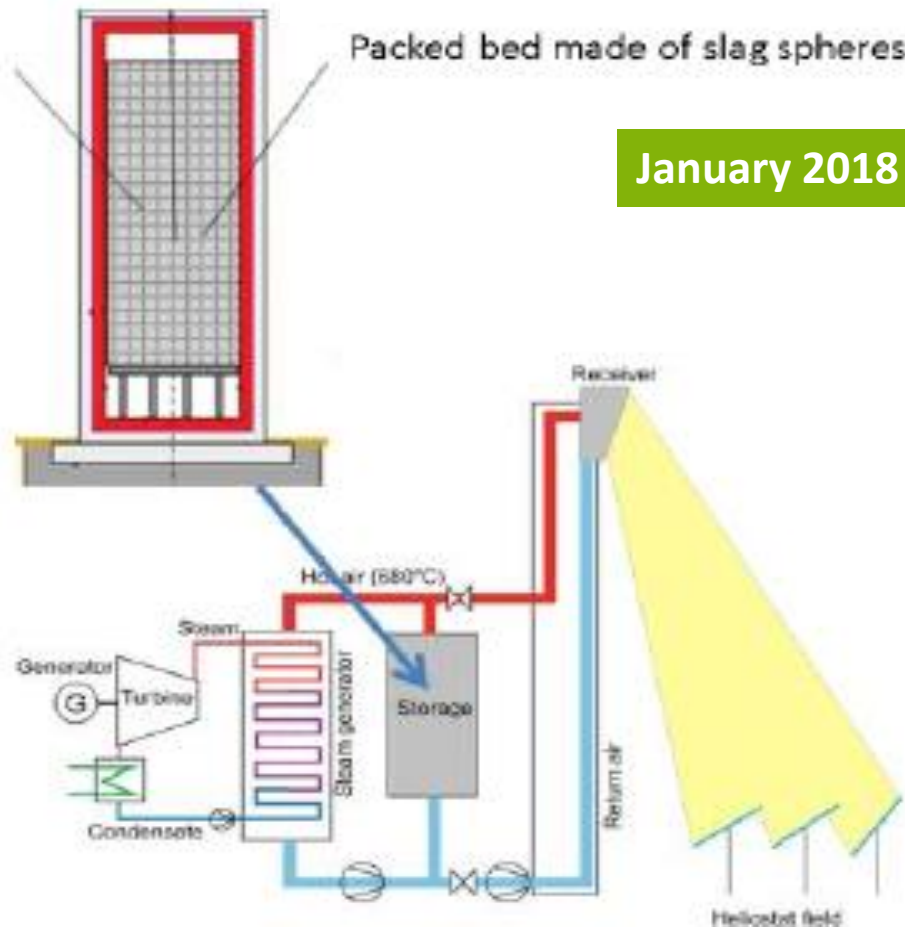
PILOT n°2 - Waste Heat Recovery in steelmaking industry

ArcelorMittal Sestao – Novargi – CIC Energigune

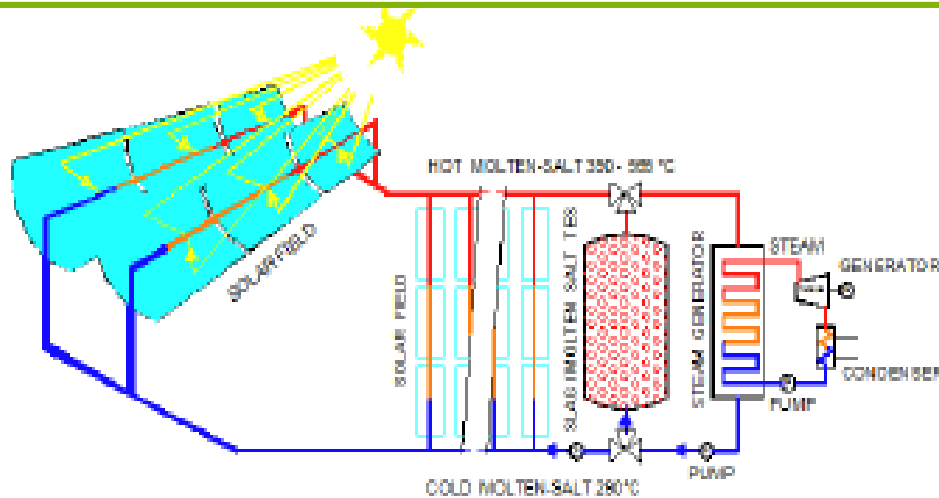
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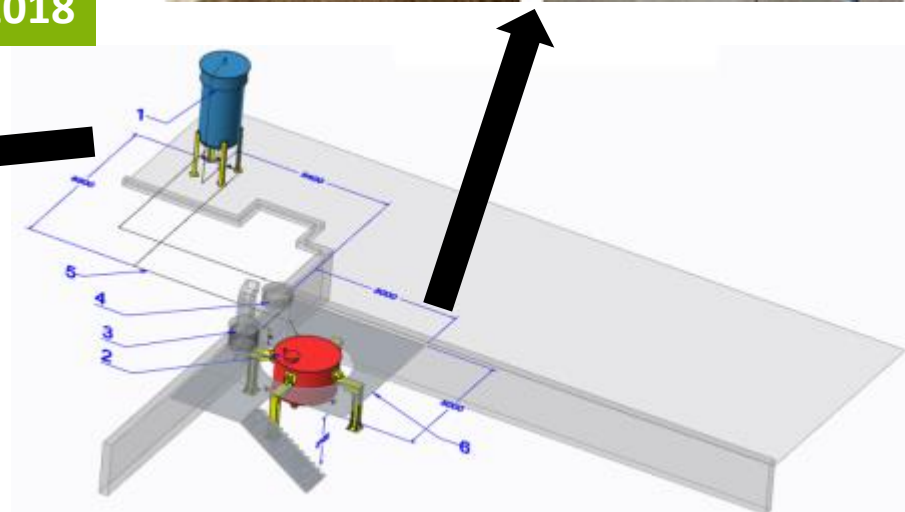
PILOT n°3a – CSP with air as HTF DLR (Germany)



PILOT n°3b – CSP with solar salt as HTF ENEA (Italy)



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Valorization route #3 Refractory materials

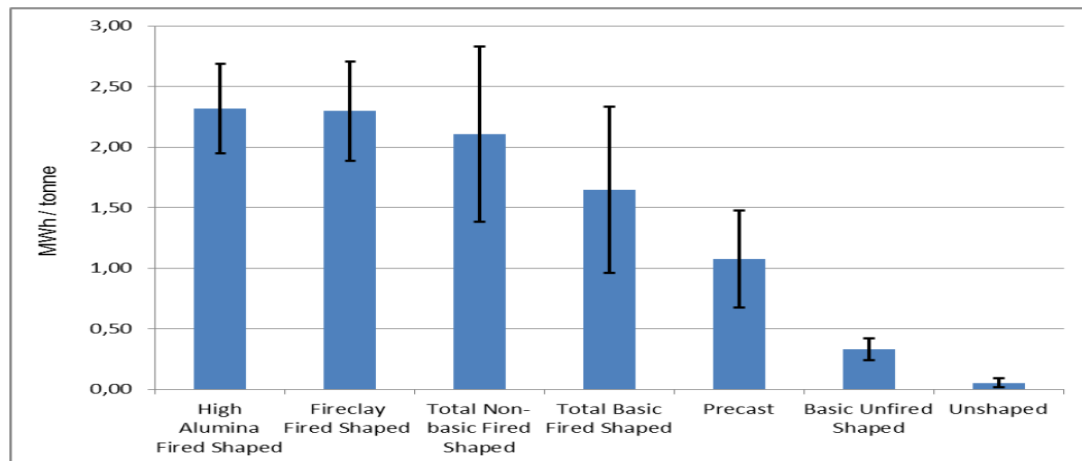
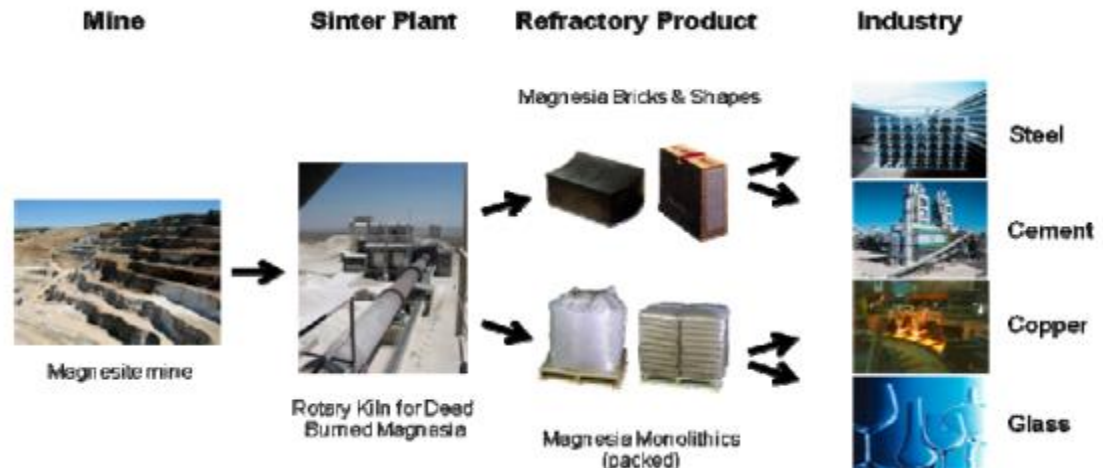


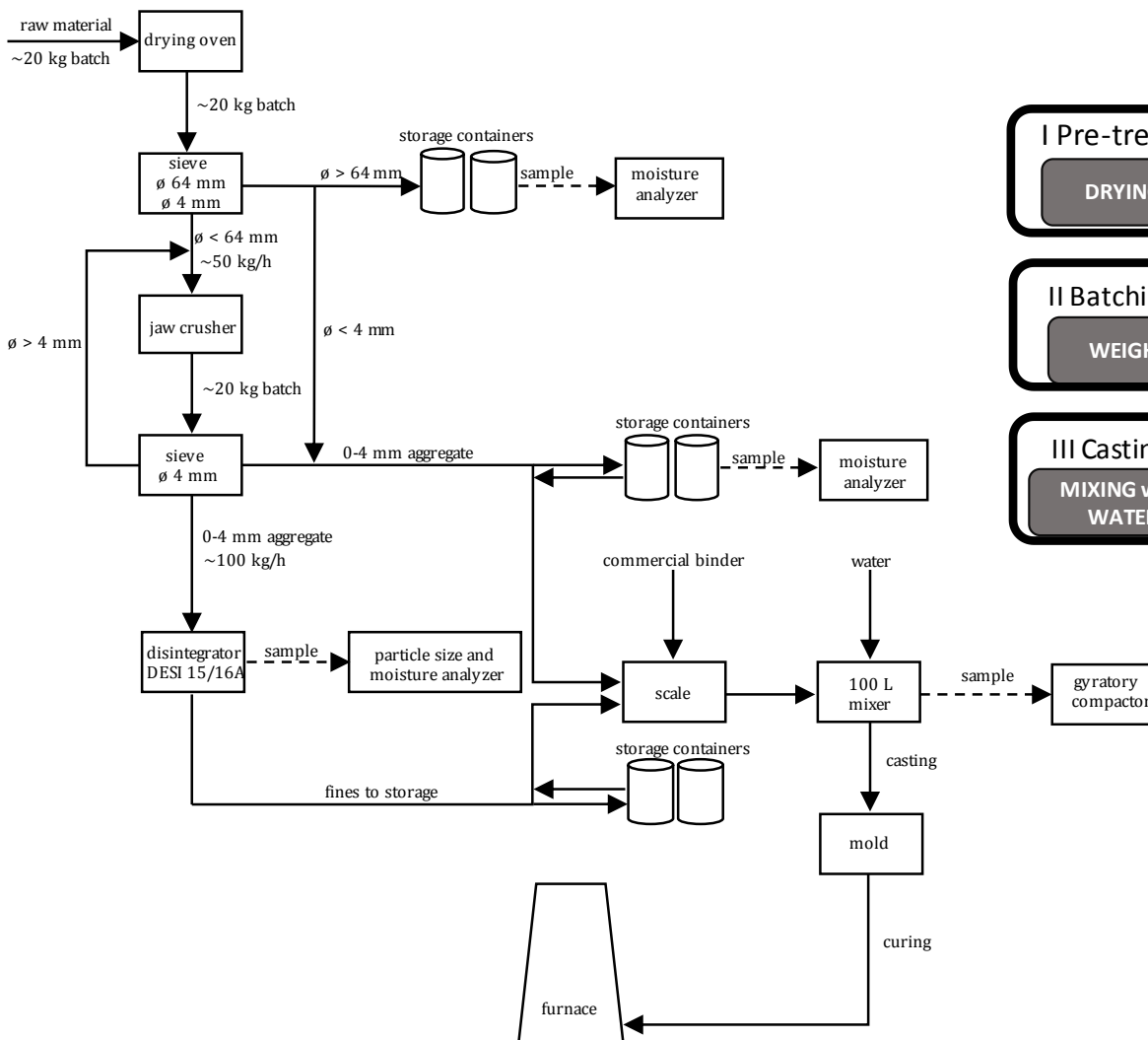
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➤ Slag will avoid the use of virgin raw materials for refractories

➤ Slag will avoid energy consuming sintering/firing process by using in-situ sintering of combustion chamber insulating linings.





I Pre-treatment

DRYING

CRUSHING

SCREENING

GRINDING

II Batching

WEIGHING

DRY MIXING

PACKING

III Casting and curing

MIXING with
WATER

CASTING

CURING

PRE-FIRING

PILOT n°4 – Refractory materials

VTT & Renotech Oy (Finland)



Jaw crusher



20 kg batch sieves



Disintegrator



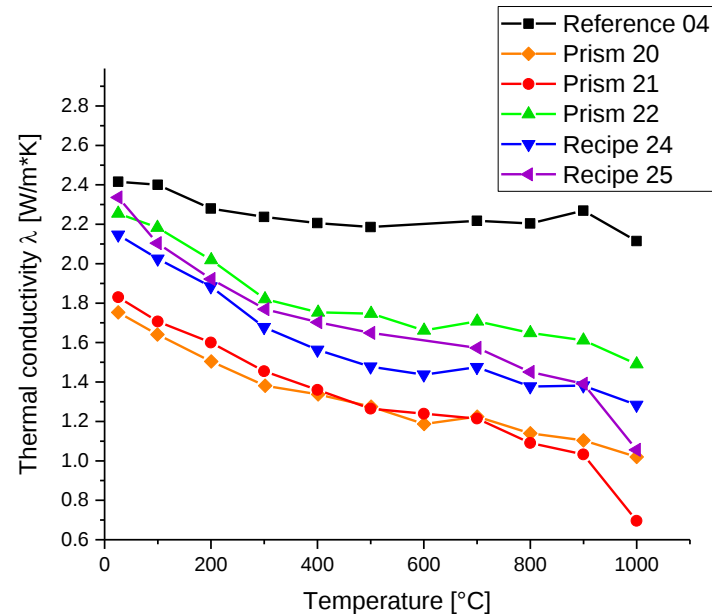
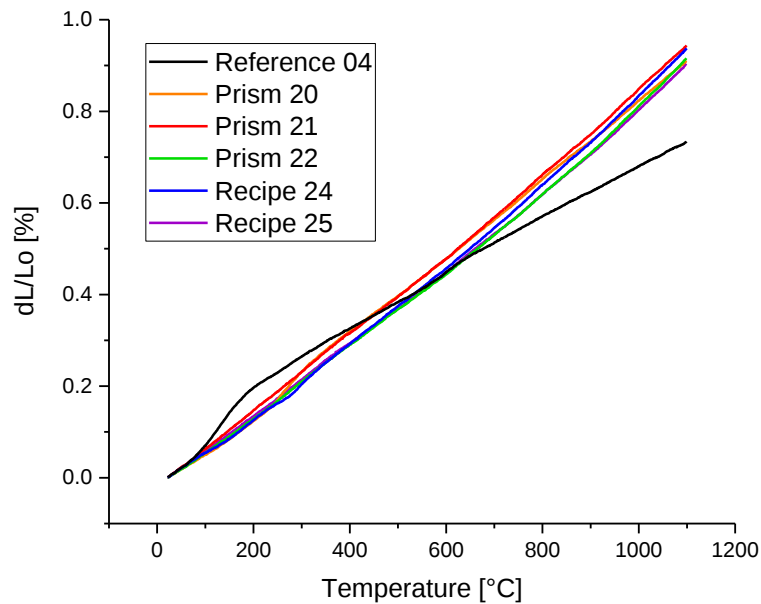
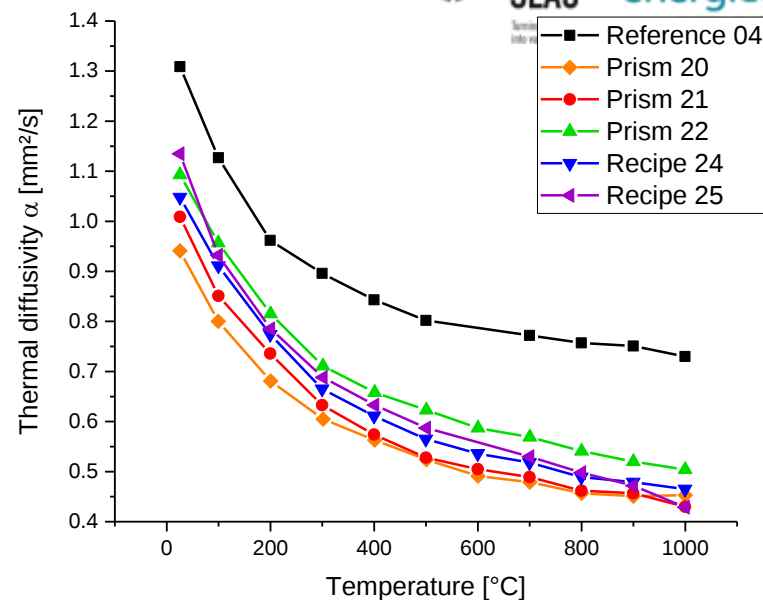
100 L mixer

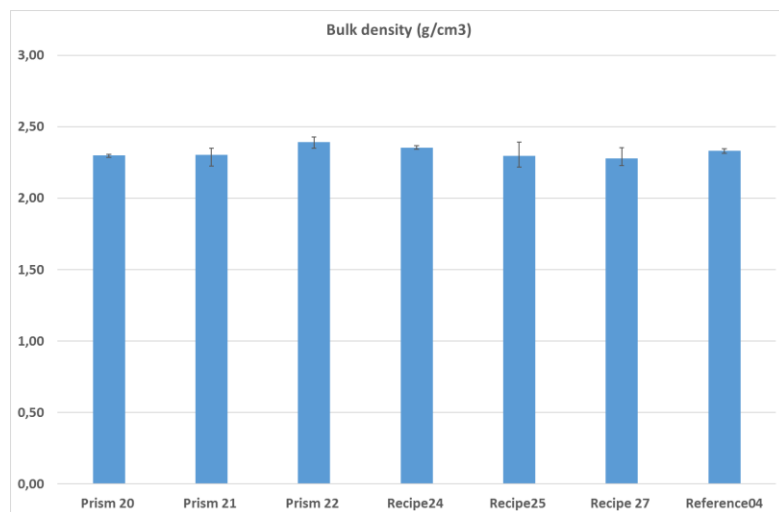
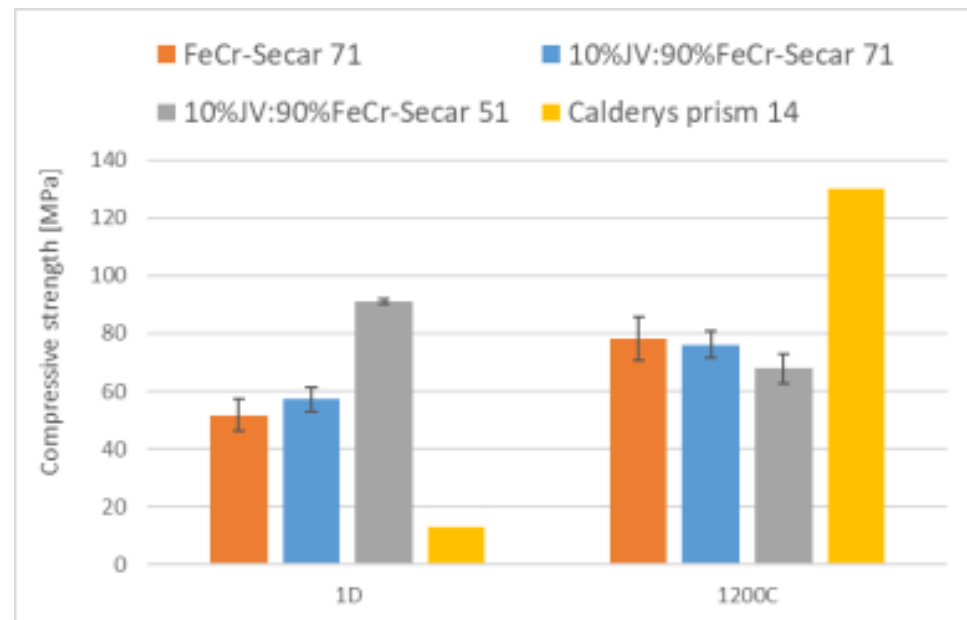
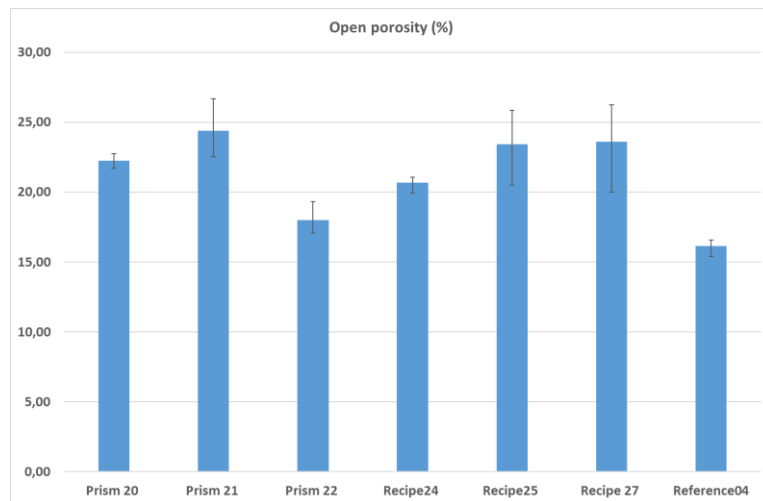


40 mm x 40 mm x 160 mm
mould



Drying oven





1200 °C



1270 °C



1290 °C

Other RESLag project results



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LCA Webtool

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Authentication

Fill in your username and Password, then click LOGIN

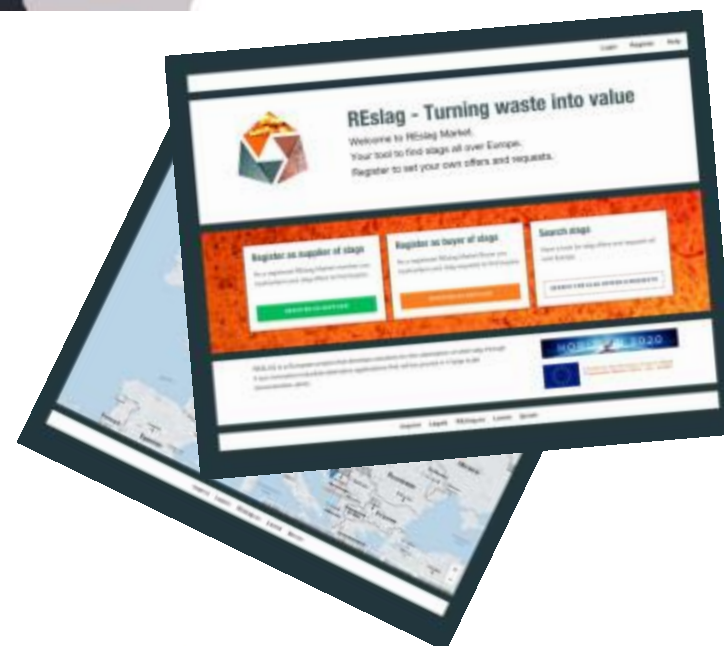


Login

Retrieve your username and password
Request access

ICT-Tool (REslag Market)

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Thank you very much

