

# 가속 탄화 조건에서 $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S 첨가가 모르타르 함유 GGBFS의 특성에 미치는 영향

## Effect of $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S Addition on the Properties of GGBFS Containing Mortar in Accelerated Carbonation Curing

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### Abstract

$\gamma$ -dicalcium silicate ( $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S) is characterized by its strong carbonation reactivity and has the prospect to be utilized as a building material with the added benefit of CO<sub>2</sub> capture. This paper aims to point out the impact of  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S on the microstructure characteristics and mechanical properties of GGBFS paste, and mortar samples. The compressive strength of  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S added GGBFS cement mortar is higher compared to without  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S in accelerated carbonation (AC) up to 14 days of curing but once the curing duration is increased, there is no significant improvement in compressive strength. This study suggests that  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S can capture the atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> (mostly generated from cement and metallurgy industries) and utilized in construction.

Keywords :  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S, GGBFS, accelerated carbonation curing, properties

## 1. Introduction

Since 2000s the treatment of CO<sub>2</sub> was deemed a crucial solution for supplementary cementitious materials. Thus, the urgent need to reduce the emissions of greenhouse gasses, an emphasis on the CO<sub>2</sub> curing<sup>1)</sup>. Numerous new eco-type  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S based cementitious systems were explored to reap the benefits of its high carbonation reactivity. Besides, GGBFS is also the key by-products of the steel sector that can substitute cement in concrete mixtures due to its possible hydraulicity. Hence, the effect of  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S on the compressive strength of GGBFS mortar cured in natural as well as accelerated carbonation is investigated in this study.

## 2. Materials and methods

### 2.1 Materials

#### 2.1.1 Mixture proportion

The content of standard sand used in this paper based upon ASTM C109/C109M.

Table 1. Mixture proportion of mortar and paste (wt. %)

Samples	W/B	Binder		
		OPC	$\gamma$ -C <sub>2</sub> S	GGBFS
G0	0.55	40%	0%	60%
G5		40%	5%	55%
G10		40%	10%	50%

#### 2.1.2 Sample preparation

The cubic molds of 50x50x50 mm followed ASTM C109/C109M for mortar and paste specimens were pre-casted. Compressive strength, and SEM are applied to identify the properties of the samples.

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The condition curing including natural CO<sub>2</sub> curing and accelerated CO<sub>2</sub> curing (5% CO<sub>2</sub>, H=60%).

### 3. Results and Discussion

#### 3.1 Compressive Strength

The compressive strength of the mortar samples is shown in Figure 1 at different curing conditions and durations. It can be seen from this Figure that the NC mortar samples exhibited lower in compressive strength compared to AC in all curing duration. In NC, there is no effect of carbonation rather than hydration. In this case, the mechanically properties are controlled by the hydration reaction because the CO<sub>2</sub> content is negligible. Moreover, once the 5%  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S (G5) was added in the mortar, the compressive strength increased with curing duration in NC and AC condition. However, it is decreased in 10%  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S (G10) compared to G0 in NC at 14d and 28d as well as G5 in NC and AC curing.

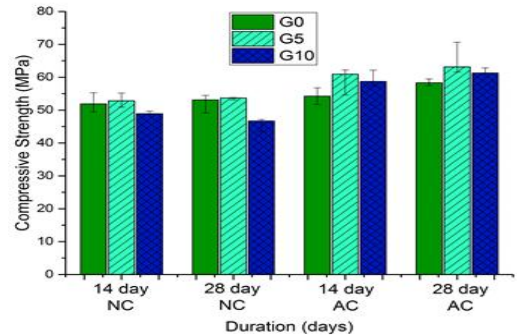


Figure 1. Compressive Strength values of all samples

#### 3.2 SEM

The size of unreacted GGBFS in G0 (Figure 5a) is different. However, once the 5 and 10%  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S is added, the number of pores is decreased significantly. The porosity is calculated by ImageJ software and it is found to be 4.24, 0.83, and 1.76% for G0, G5 and G10, respectively. Once the amount of  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S is increased from 5 to 10%, the unreacted  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S leads to retain higher porosity. The porosity is significantly reduced in G5 samples owing to the reaction of  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S with CO<sub>2</sub> and leads to form the CaCO<sub>3</sub> which fill the porosity.

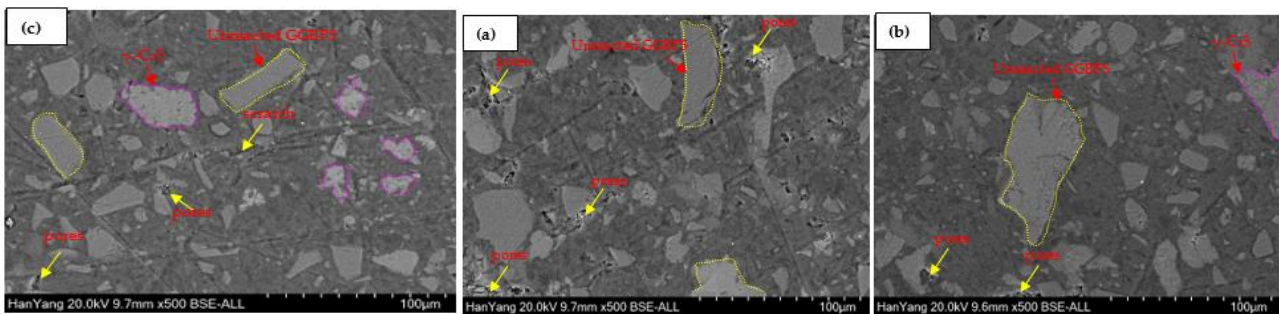


Figure 2. BSE SEM images of (a) G0, (b) G5 and, (c) G10 paste samples after 28 d of NC curing

### 4. Conclusion

In spite of a relatively low hydraulic properties of  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S and high CO<sub>2</sub> uptake, it is expected to utilize CO<sub>2</sub> in the advanced construction material. The mortar sample cured in AC condition with  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S exhibited higher compressive strength compared to NC attributed that  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S react with CO<sub>2</sub> and form CaCO<sub>3</sub> which fill the pores of mortar matrix. SEM results show that 5% addition of  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S fill out the pore of paste matrix in AC condition and most of the  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S reacted and form CaCO<sub>3</sub>. However, the unreacted GGBFS and  $\gamma$ -C<sub>2</sub>S are seen in NC and AC conditions after 28 days of curing by SEM.

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