

# Department of Building Materials and Construction Chemistry

## Faculty VI - Planning Building Environment, Institute of Civil Engineering

### About this organisation

The Department of Building Materials and Construction Chemistry researches and teaches about materials, with a focus on inorganic and hybrid materials such as cement. We develop innovative technologies from the molecular to the macroscopic level. Given the specialized applications and extreme environmental conditions, our research on the ecological and economic assessment of building materials is also gaining increasing importance.

The Department of Building Materials and Construction Chemistry has developed a broad range of expertise through various research projects. This includes 3D printing, where different lightweight concretes, such as those based on expanded glass, foam, and similar materials, are being explored. Additionally, the department is investigating comparatively lightweight construction methods using so-called lost formwork or hollow walls, which require significantly less material. Apart from 3D printing, the department also focuses on other lightweight concrete construction methods, such as the development of conventionally cast, particularly lightweight concretes. In collaboration with other departments, alternative building materials, such as fungal composites, are also being researched.

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#### Organisation type

University or higher education institution

#### Sector



#### Employees

10 up to 49

#### Turnover

n/a staatliche Forschungseinrichtung

#### Funding



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## About this organisation

### Main areas covered

Infrastructure

Certifications

Keywords

Memberships

## Overview of lightweighting expertise

	Research	Development	Manufacturing & Supply
<b>Offer</b>			
<b>Products</b> Parts and components, Machines and plants, Software & databases, Materials, Tools and moulds	✓	✓	
<b>Services &amp; consulting</b> Testing and trials, Validation, Simulation	✓	✓	

Overview of lightweighting expertise			
	Research	Development	Manufacturing & Supply
<b>Field of technology</b>			
<b>Design &amp; layout</b> Lightweight manufacturing, Lightweight design, Hybrid structures	✓	✓	
<b>Functional integration</b> Media conductivity, Material functionalisation	✓	✓	
<b>Measuring and testing technology</b> Component and part analysis, Visual analysis (e.g. microscopy, metallography), System analysis, Environmental simulation, Materials analysis, Destructive analysis, Non-destructive analysis	✓	✓	
<b>Modelling and simulation</b> Loads & stress, Life-cycle analysis, Optimisation, Materials, Reliability validation	✓		
<b>Plant construction &amp; automation</b> Plant construction, Automation technology, Robotics	✓	✓	
<b>Recycling technologies</b> Recycling, Upcycling	✓		

## Overview of lightweighting expertise

	Research	Development	Manufacturing & Supply
<b>Manufacturing process</b>			
<b>Additive manufacturing</b> 3D printing	✓	✓	
<i>Coating (surface engineering)</i>			
<b>Fibre composite technology</b> Casting (concrete), Others	✓	✓	
<i>Forming</i>			
<i>Joining</i>			
<b>Material property alteration</b> Mechanical treatment, Thermochemical treatment, Thermomechanical treatment, Heat treatment	✓	✓	
<b>Primary forming</b> Extrusion, Casting	✓	✓	
<i>Processing and separating</i>			
<i>Textile technology</i>			

## Overview of lightweighting expertise

	Research	Development	Manufacturing & Supply
<b>Material</b>			
<i>Biogenic materials</i>			
<b>Cellular materials (foam materials)</b> Closed-pore, Open-pore	✓	✓	
<b>Composites</b> Short fibre-reinforced concrete, Textile-reinforced concrete	✓	✓	
<b>Fibres</b> Basalt fibres, Carbon fibres, Metal fibres, Natural fibres	✓		
<i>Functional materials</i>			
<i>Metals</i>			
<i>Plastics</i>			
<i>Structural ceramics</i>			
<i>(Technical) textiles</i>			

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