



# Africa-Europe BioClimatic buildings for XXI century

## Bioclimatic Materials

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## Bio-climatic Materials Studied:

- Earth-based constructions, Adobe, Clay bricks with additives, Rammed earth and Earth-bags construction
- Stone
- Cork-based bricks
- Hempcrete
- Straw, Straw-bale construction and thatched roof
- Typha-based Bricks
- Wood
- Bamboo
- Wool

## Methodology Followed during this study

- Properties analysis
- Obtainment process
- Construction practices and methods of application
- Cost assessment of bio-climatic constructions
- Regulations for bioclimatic construction and materials



## Earth-based constructions



The adobe



Clay bricks with additives



Rammed earth



The Nubian vault technique



Earth-bags construction

## Earth-based constructions



Material	$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	C.S. (MPa)	$\lambda$ (W/m.K)
Unfired pure clay bricks	1.50	0.35	0.21
	to 2.00	to 7	to 0.5
Unstabilized Rammed Earth	1.79	0.81	0.6
	to 2.19	to 2.46	to 1.6
Earth Bags	2.19	–	2.18

## Organic residues-based bricks and blocs

Material	Comm.	$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	C.S. (MPa)	$\lambda$ (W/m.K)
Cork	50% cement, 50% cork	0.77	2.65	0.29
	25% cement, 75% cork	0.61	1.72	0.19
Papercrete	Composition: Paper/ Cement/Sand $\lambda$ and C.S. decrease with increase of paper content	0.4 to 1	1.6 to 5	0.79 to 1.21

Corck



## Stone

	Sandstone	Limestone	Granite	Basalt	Marble	Slate
$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	2.00 to 2.53	1.63 to 2.70	2.60 to 2.67	2.68 to 2.71	2.65 to 2.7	2.7 to 3.1
$\lambda$ (W/m,K)	0.65 to 1.69	0.76 to 2.04	1.34 to 3.69	0.51 to 2.03	1.59 to 4.00	–
<b>C.S</b> (MPa)	25 to 100	25 to 165	130 to 300	115 to 200	75 to 135	90 to 220



House built with stones in Ifrane – Morocco

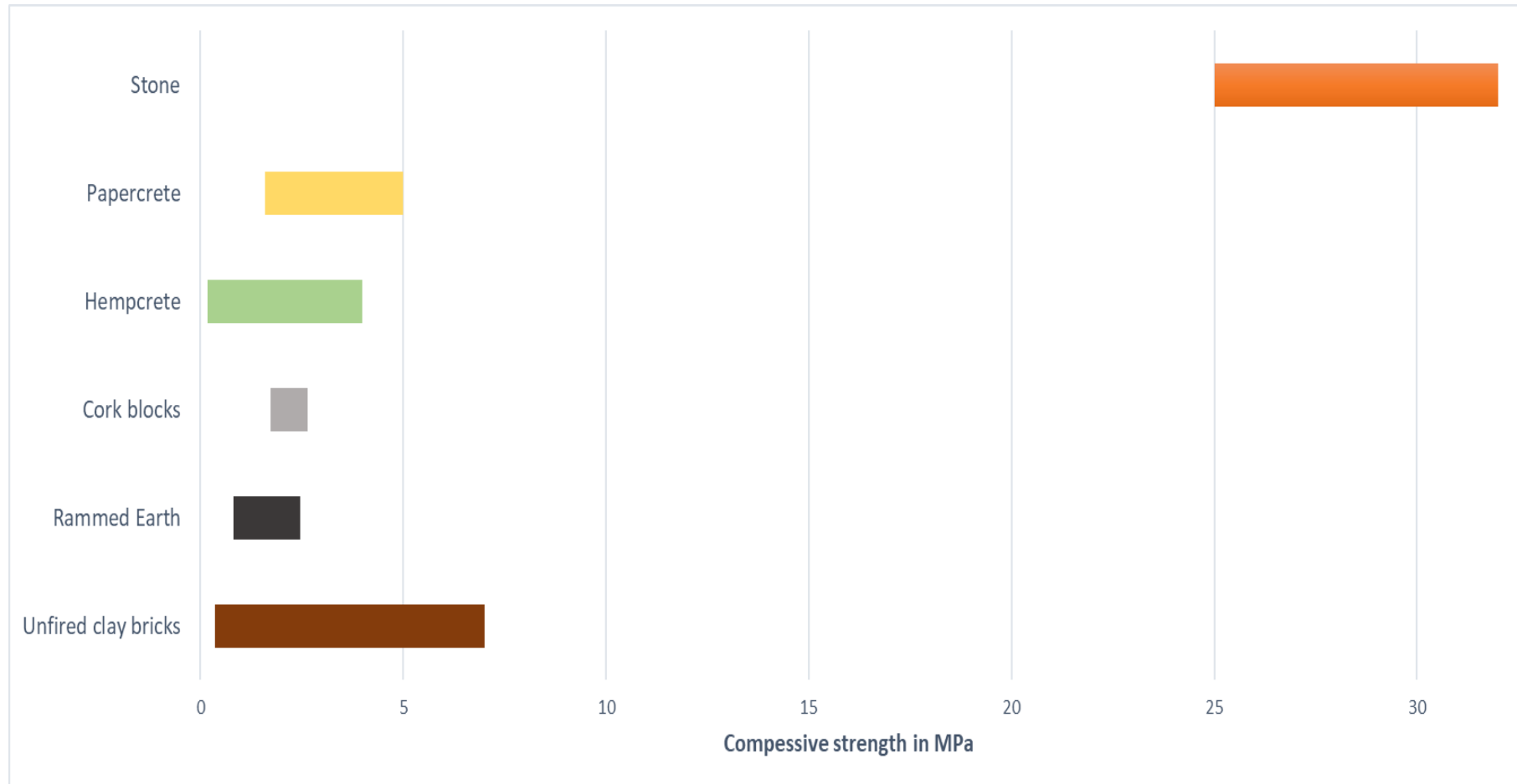
## Straw bale construction



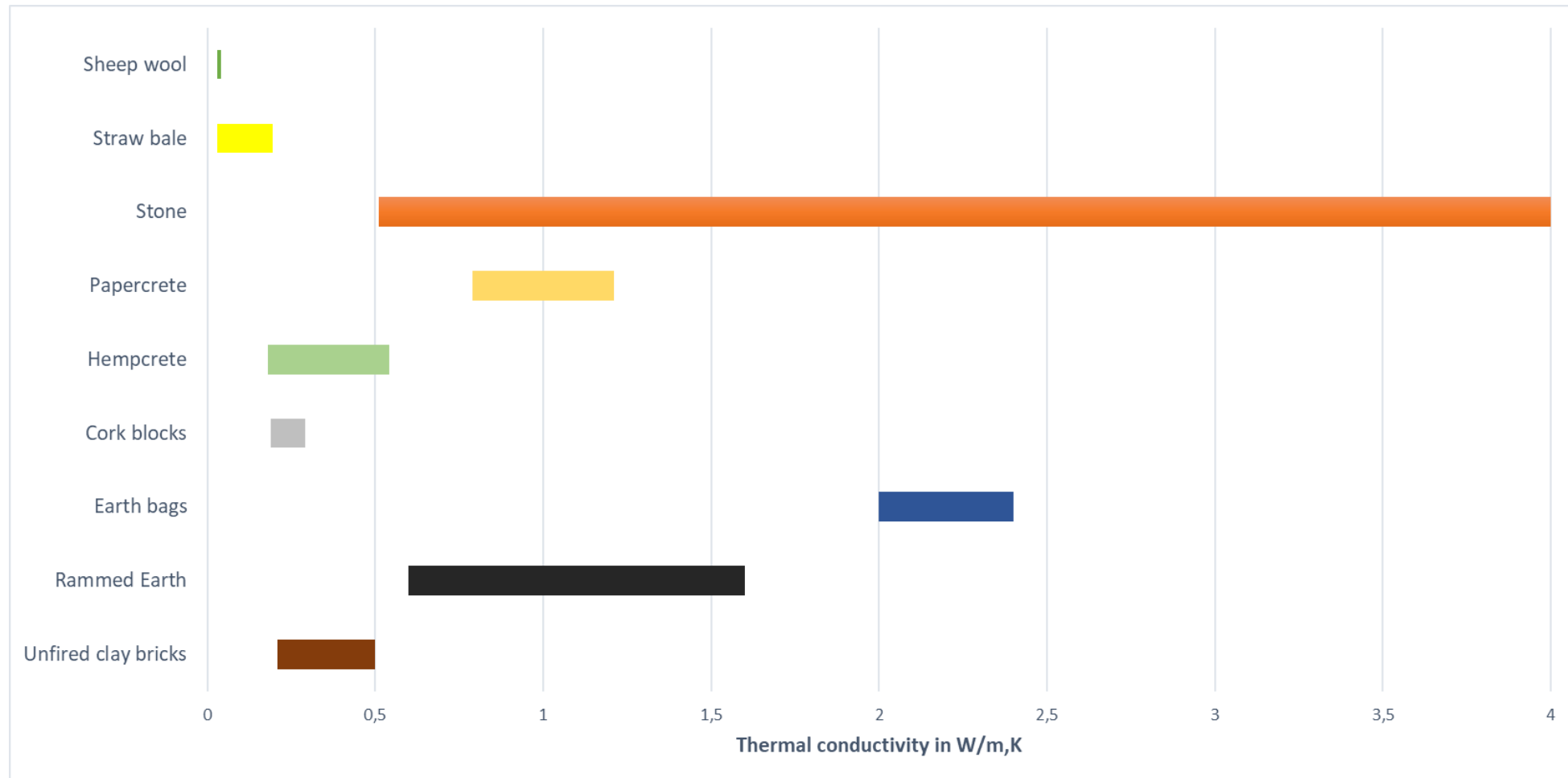
$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	$\delta$ (MPa)	$\lambda$ (W/m.K)
0.06 to 0.18	0.05 to 0.9	0.03 to 0.194



## Mechanical properties



# Review and analysis of materials and construction practices (local and/or adapted to local conditions)





Rheology as a Tool in the  
Formulation of Stable  
Bioclimatic Clay Bricks- 6





**Rheology**

# Rheological and physico-mechanical investigations on the destabilization of unfired clay bricks with almond husk additive by salt

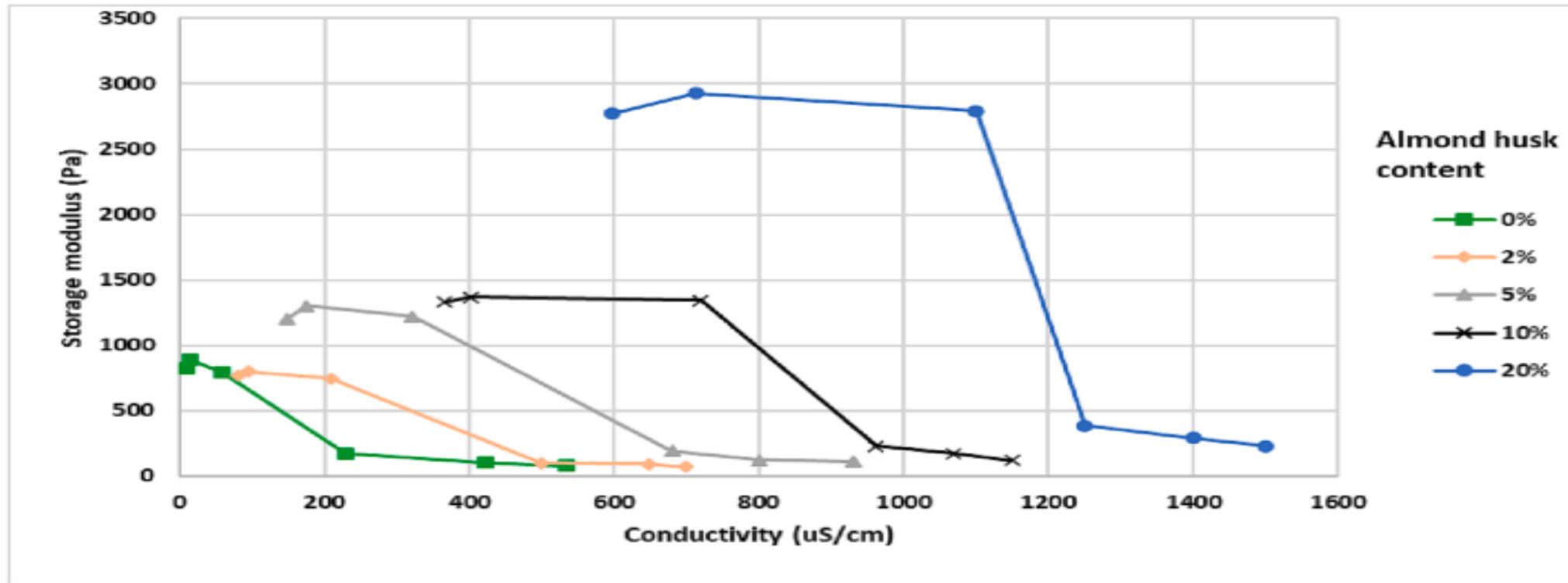







Fig. 5. The storage modulus of the prepared suspensions as a function of their conductivities.



# Rheological and physico-mechanical investigations on the destabilization of unfired clay bricks with almond husk additive by salt

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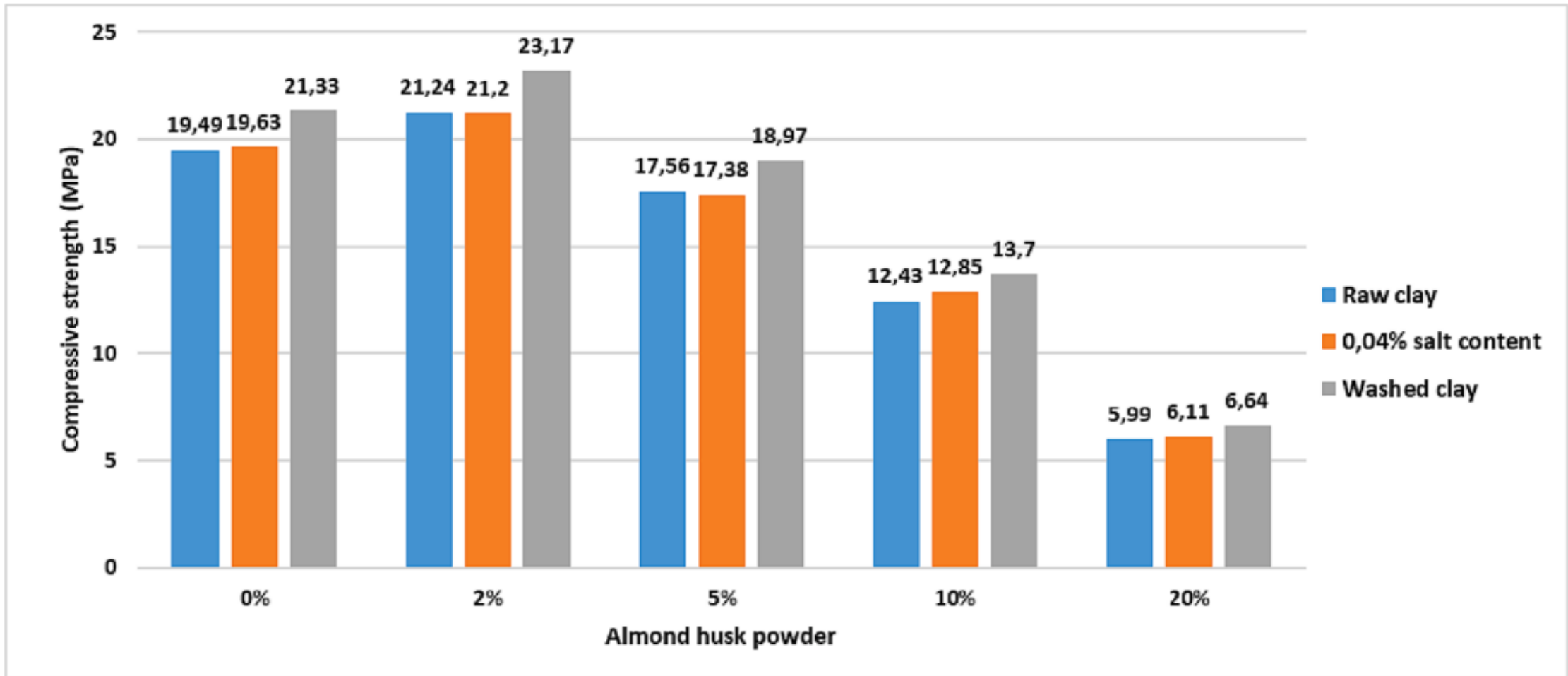




Fig. 7. Results from the compressive strength test on the prepared bricks.



# Improving rheological and mechanical properties of non-plastic clay soil from Bensmim region (Morocco) using bentonite additions: Suitability for building application

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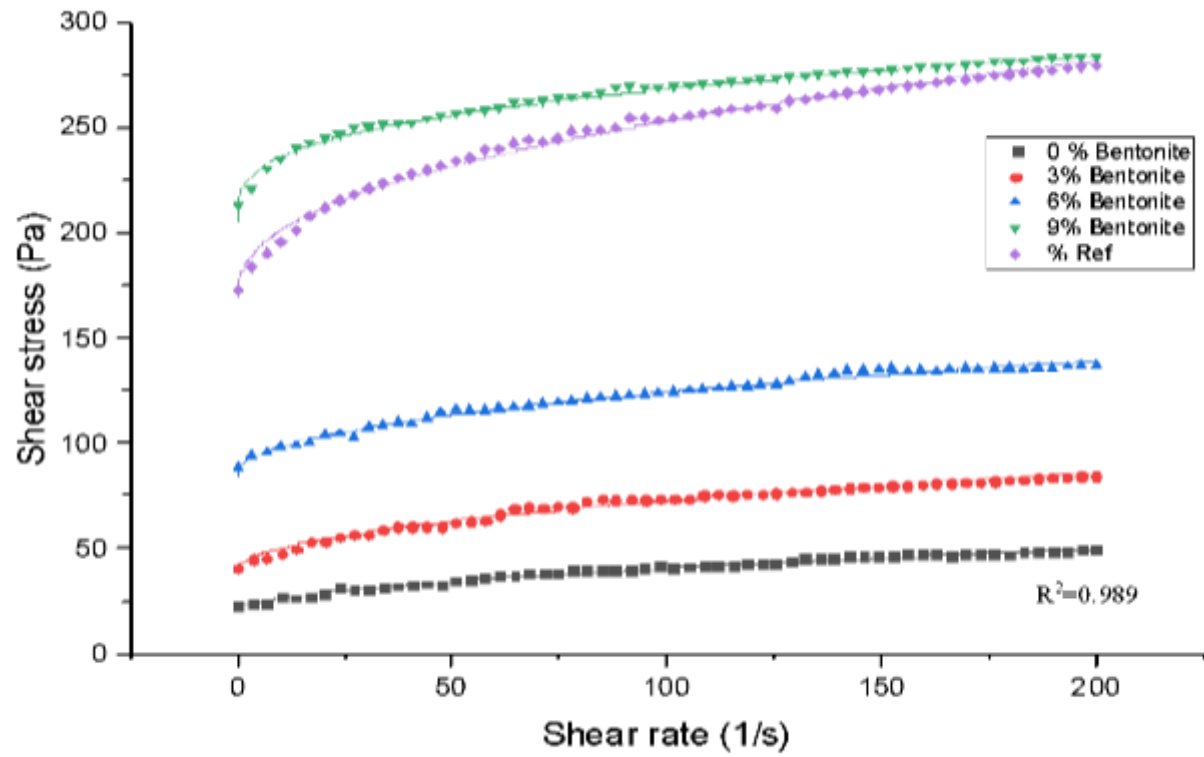
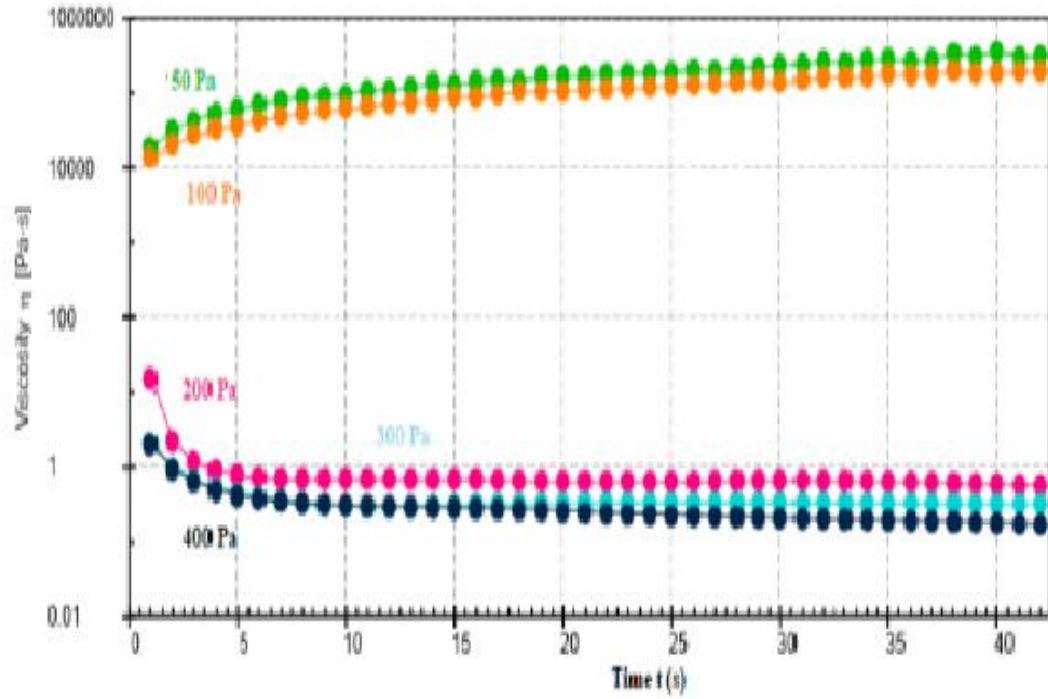


Figure 9. Flow curve of the studied samples

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10% bentonite

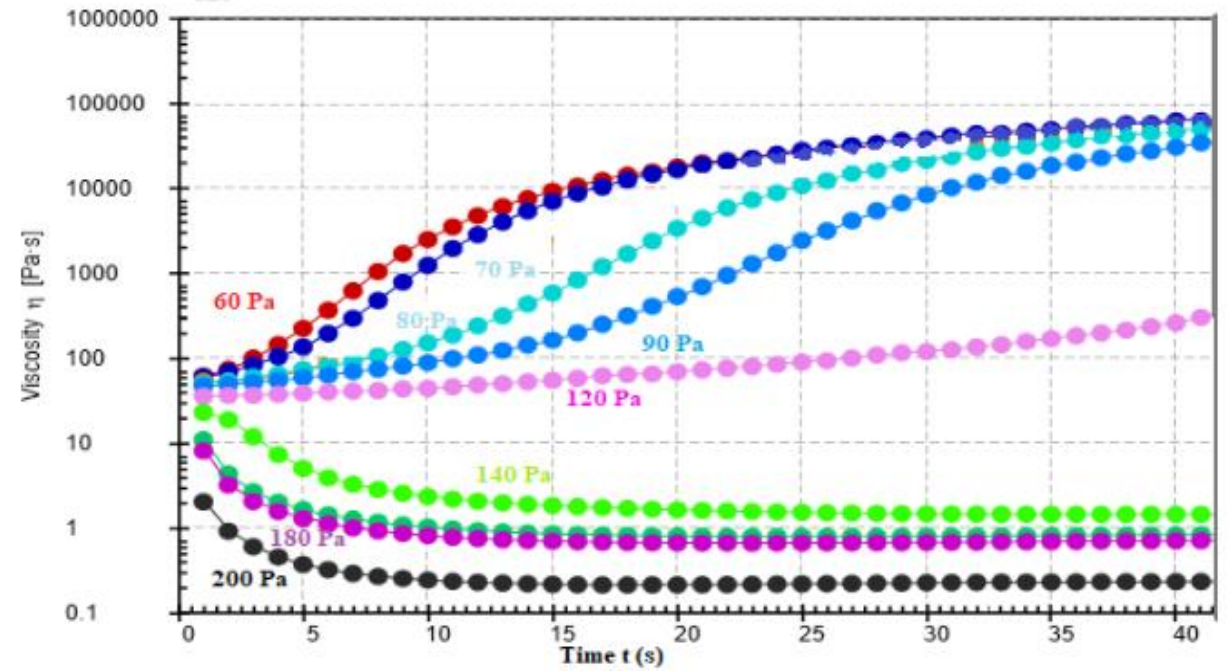


Figure 12. Viscosity bifurcation experiment of the studied samples.

Table 5. Compressive strength variation with Bentonite addition.

Sample	Compressive strength $\sigma_{comp}$ (MPa)				Measurement error * (%)		
	Test 1	Test 2	Test 3	Mean value	Test 1	Test 2	Test 3
0% bentonite	5.3	5	5.6	5.3	8	1.4	8.4
3% bentonite	6.4	5.99	6.2	6.1	3.7	1.8	1.8
6% bentonite	7.9	8.1	7.6	7.8	5.2	3.4	5.2
10% bentonite	7.8	8.5	8.3	8.2	0.7	2.5	1.8
Ref (EB)	8.5	9	8.9	8.8	0.5	0.1	0.1



Thank you!

