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ELOTEX®
FLOWKIT73
&
FLOWKIT74
for SLCs

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New Elotex products for cementitious self-levelling floor compounds (SLCs)

- ELOTEX® FLOWKIT73 (New FLOWKIT)
- ELOTEX® FLOWKIT74 (New FLOWKIT)
- ELOTEX® FL4200 (New Redispersible Powder)



ELOTEX® FLOWKIT-Types for SLCs

ELOTEX® FLOWKIT combines the properties of

ELOTEX redispersible powders, synthetic or natural superplasticizers, stabilizers, water retainers and defoamers ...

in a single, unique product range (for SLCs)!



New Elotex FLOWKIT-Types for SLCs

ELOTEX® FLOWKIT73

- Redispersible powder with very strong fluidifying effect
- For SLC formulations with medium viscosity
- Dosage recommendation 0.50 1.00 % (by total weight)

ELOTEX® FLOWKIT74

- Redispersible powder with very strong fluidifying effect
- For SLC formulations with rather high viscosity (excellent reduction of separation and bleeding)
- Dosage recommendation 0.50 1.00 % (by total weight)



Summary of current and new ELOTEX® FLOWKIT-Types

ELOTEX® FLOWKIT Type		Performance Properties			
		Fluidification and Water Reduction	Defoaming	Reduction of Separation and Bleeding	
Current Types	51	++	++	0	
	52	++	++	+	
New Types	73	+++	++	+	
	74	+++	++	+++	

0 low + basic ++ strong +++ excellent



New Elotex Redispersible Powder for SLCs

ELOTEX® FL4200

- based on VA/VeoVa/Ac (Vinylacetate / Vinylversatate / Acrylate)
- synergistic rheological effects with synthetic superplasticizers
- hardened SLC (improved mechanical properties):
 - improved adhesion & cohesion & flexibility
 - improved abrasion resistance
 - improved wet resistance (VeoVa based polymer)
- VOC reduced (for SLCs according to GEV / EMICODE EC-1)



STARTING FORMULATION –

Self-levelling floor compound with ELOTEX FLOWKIT73 or 74

Formulation	Parts
Portland Cement (CEM I 52.5 R)	21 – 25
High Alumina Cement	11 – 13
Hydrated Lime	0 – 3
Gypsum Alpha Hemihydrate	3 – 5
Quartz Sand (0.1 – 0.3 mm)	40 – 50
Calciumcarbonate (20 – 80 μm)	8 – 12
Trisodium Citrate	0.1 - 0.3
Lithium Carbonate	0.0 - 0.3
Defoamer	0.1 - 0.2
Cellulose Ether (200 – 500 mPa.s)	0.04 - 0.06
ELOTEX® FL4200 (Redispersible Powder)	0 – 3
ELOTEX® FLOWKIT73 or 74	0.3 – 1.0
Water	21 – 23%

Applications

Self levelling floor underlayments applied up to 5 mm thickness. For thickness greater than 5 mm, blending the formulation with 50 - 100% quartz sand is suggested.



Value Proposition

SLCs formulated with FLOWKIT73 resp. 74

added value 4

less retardation of OPC (higher early CS)

added value 3

"Casein-like" rheology

added value 2

compatibility with trisodiumcitrate

added value 1

compatibility with high alkalisulphate OPCs

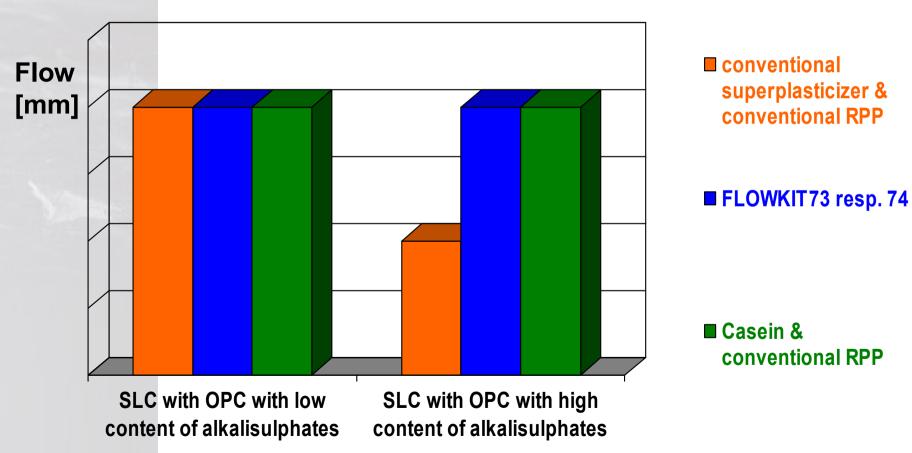
SLCs formulated with conventional superplasticizers and RPPs



Added Value 1 - Compatible with high alkalisulphate OPCs

Benefit with FLOWKIT73 & 74

Good fluidification also with changing OPC qualities

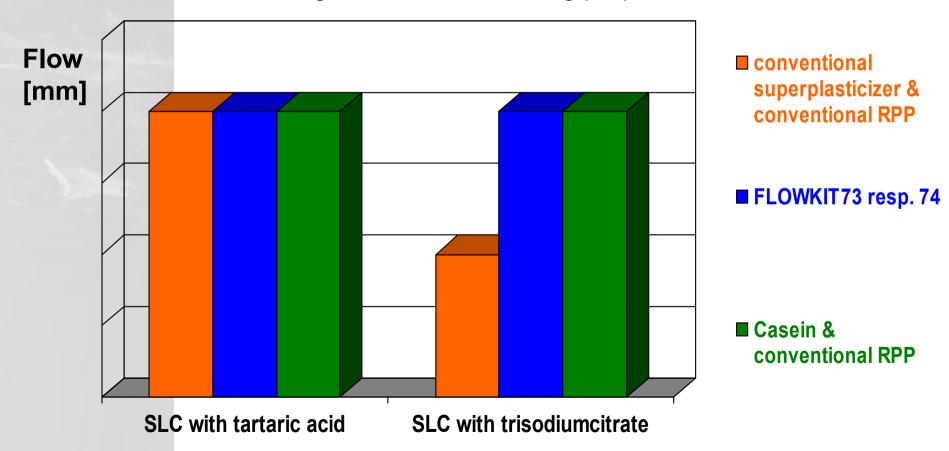




Added Value 2 - Compatibility with Trisodiumcitrate

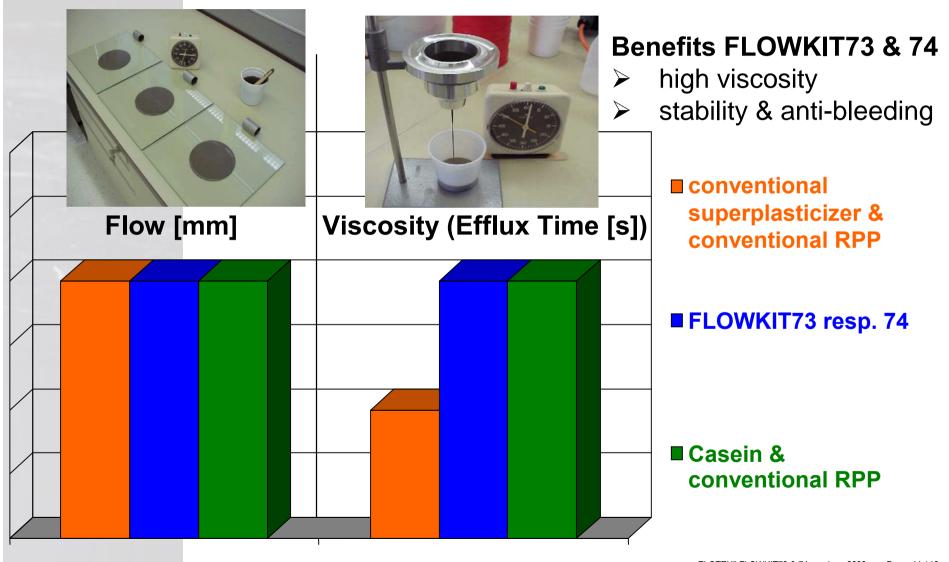
Benefits with FLOWKIT73 & 74

- Trisodiumcitrate can be used which is cheaper than tartaric acid.
- Trisodiumcitrate gives better hardening properties than tartaric acid.





Added Value 3 - "Casein-like" Rheology (low yield point & high viscosity)

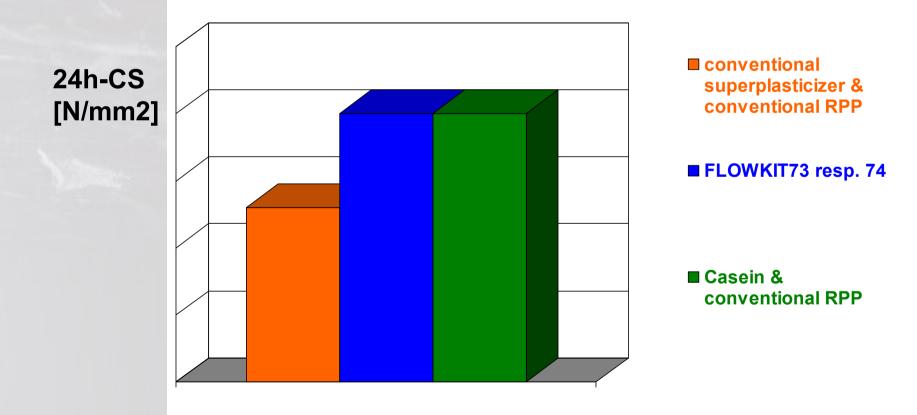




Added Value 4 - Less Retardation of Cement Hydration (higher early CS)

Benefit with FLOWKIT73 & 74

Fast cement hydration, high strength development





Value Proposition - Summary of Benefits SLCs formulated with FLOWKIT73 resp. 74 ...

- compared with other superplasticizer based SLCs -
- 1. better fluidification (more compatible with changing OPC qualities)
- 2. better compatibility with retarders like citric acid and trisodiumcitrate
- 3. higher viscosity & better stability (anti-bleeding), robustness of the SLC and similar rheology like casein (replacement of casein)
- 4. less retardation of cement hydration (higher early CS)
 - compared with casein based SLCs -
- very efficient (⇒ cost savings compared with casein!)
- synthetic polymers (no biodegradability, no ammonia emission, no mold formation, very low VOC emissions, constant quality)