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# **EPS Silver in building and construction applications**

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# Outline

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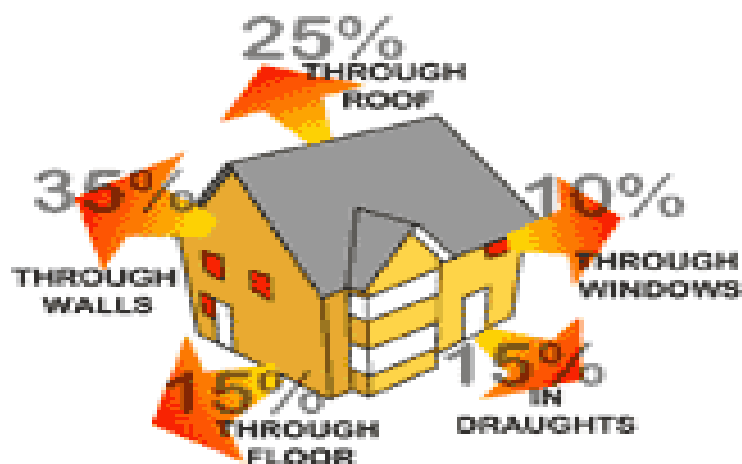
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# EPS Silver Polymer

- Specially designed EPS polymer containing carbon black and with enhanced thermal insulation properties
- Unique black colour (differentiation)
- Good mechanical and water absorption properties
- Flame retardant (DIN B1 and Euro Class E)



# EPS Silver better living by efficient insulation



Effective insulation will enable the Building Industry to reduce energy demand by > 40%.



# Insulation characteristic parameters

- Thermal conductivity ( $\lambda$ ):  $\text{W/m}\cdot\text{K}$  ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )
- R (thermal resistance):  $\text{thickness}/\lambda$  ( $\text{m}^2\cdot\text{K}/\text{W}$ )
- k or U (thermal transmittance):  $1/R$  ( $\text{W}/\text{m}^2\cdot\text{K}$ )



Better insulation: R (high) or U (low)



# Thermal conductivity of EPS foam

- $$\lambda = \frac{\Phi \cdot d}{A \cdot (T1 - T2)}$$

$\Phi$  : heat flow rate (W)

$d$  : thickness (m)

$A$  : area (m<sup>2</sup>)

$T1, T2$  : temperatures of hot and cold faces (K)

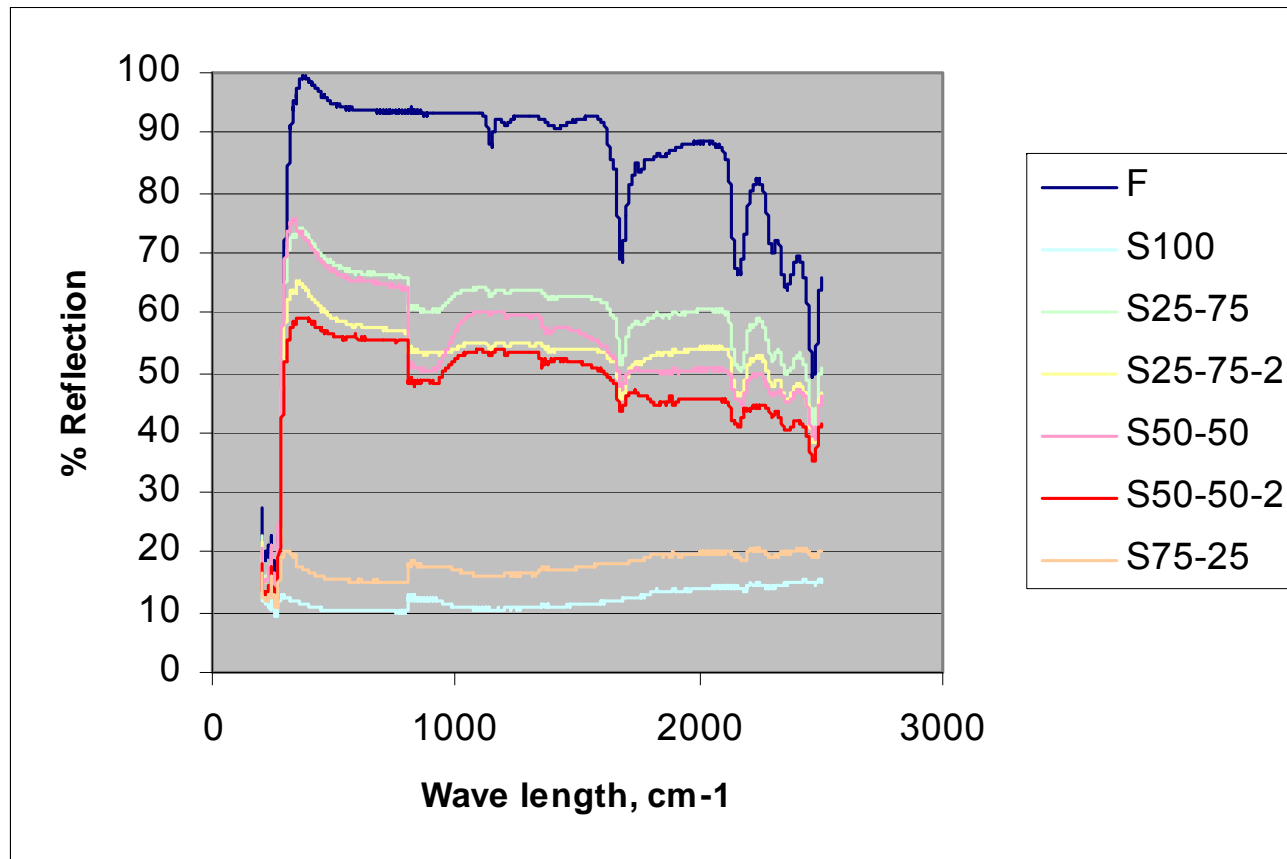
## Heat Transfer :

- Conduction
- Convection
- Radiation

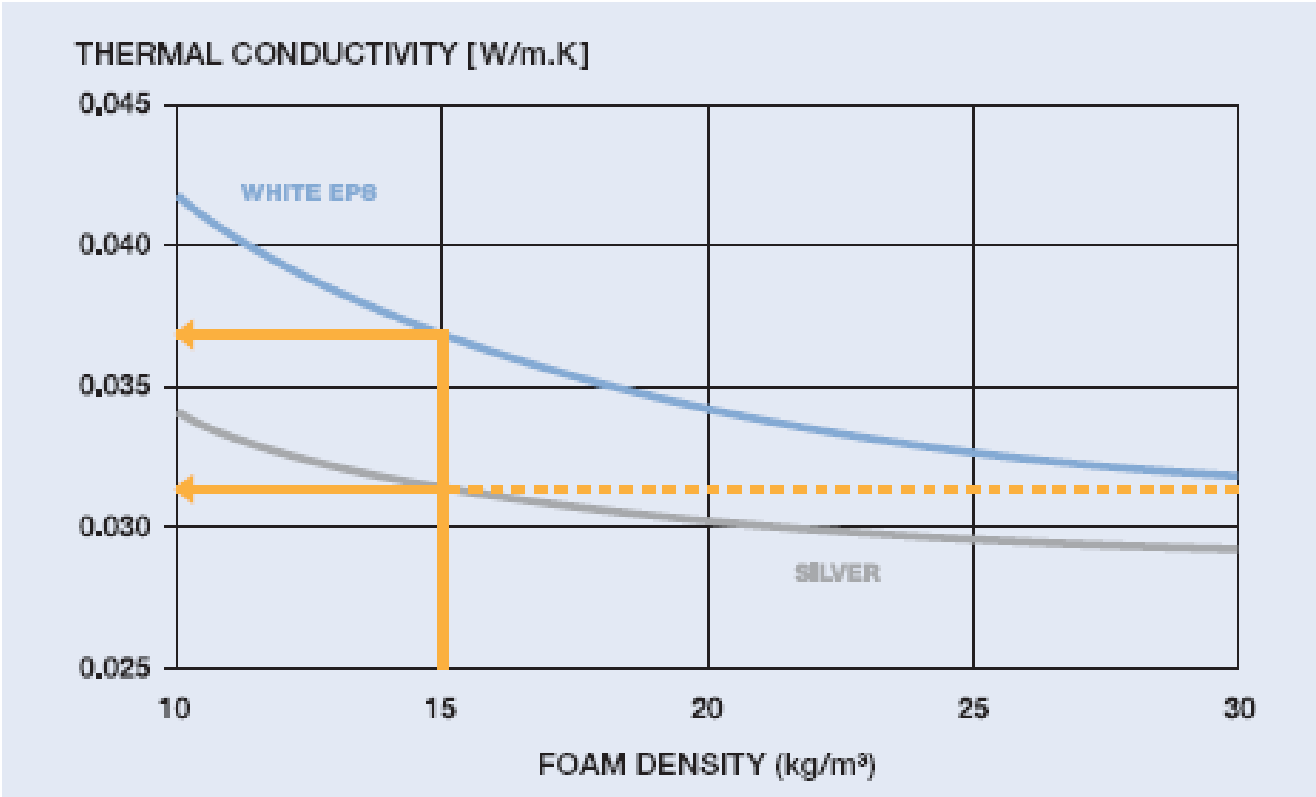
## EPS thermal conductivity :

- Conduction (Solid + Gas)
- **Radiation**

# CB largely eliminates the heat radiation

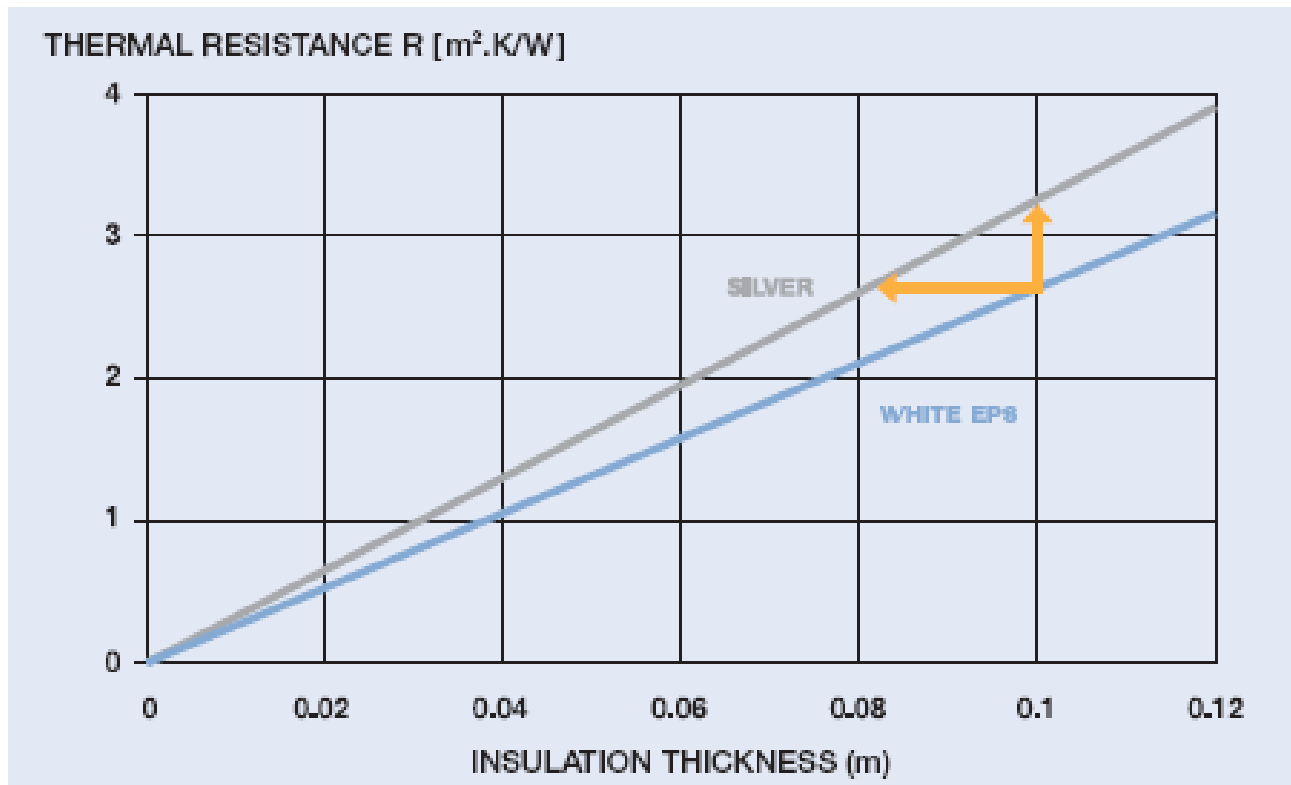


# Thermal conductivity of Silver and white EPS



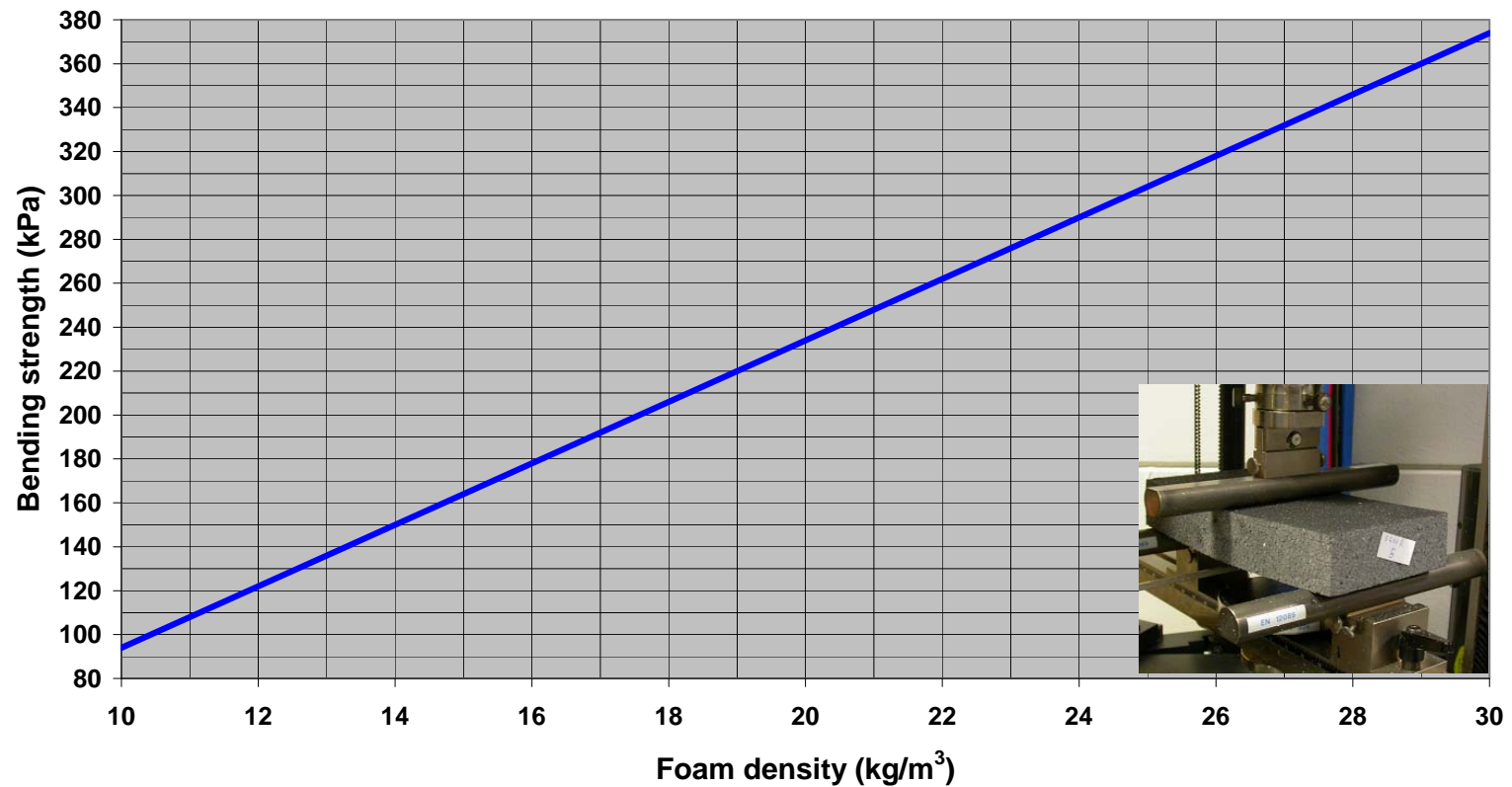


# Thermal resistance of Silver and white EPS

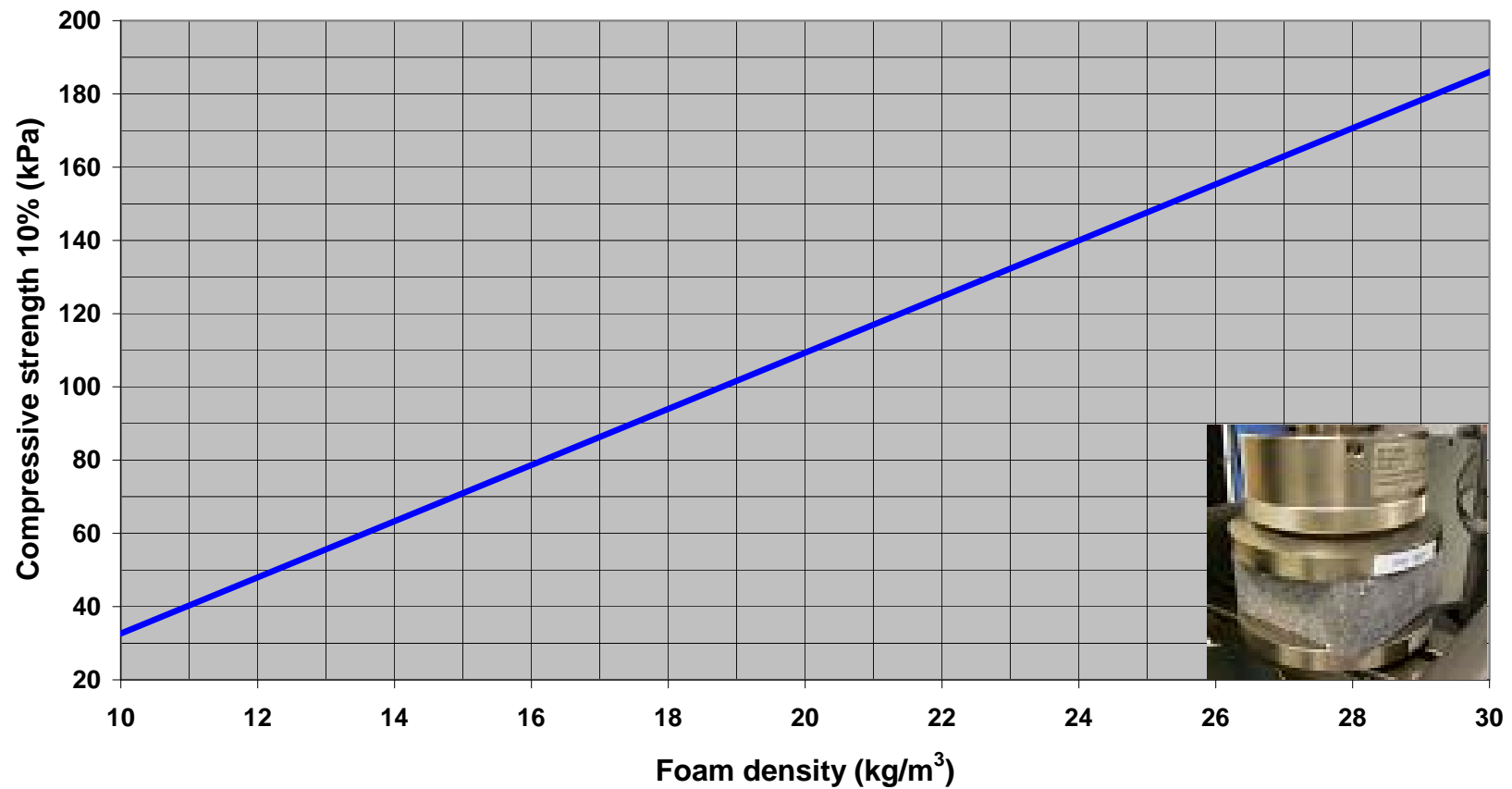


(15 kg/m<sup>3</sup>)

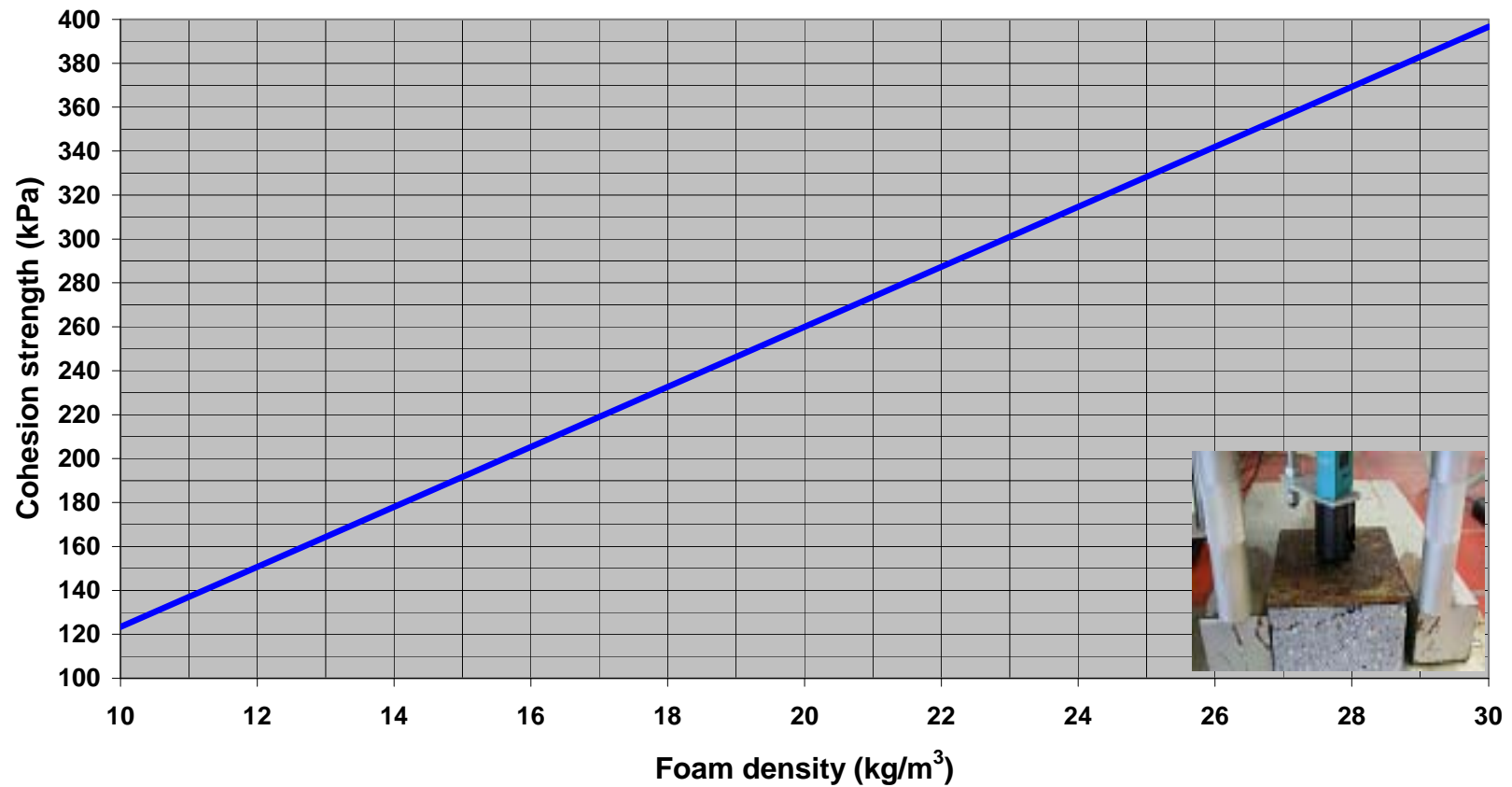
# Bending strength of EPS Silver (EN 12089)



# Compressive strength of EPS Silver (EN 826)



# Cohesion strength of EPS Silver (EN 1607)

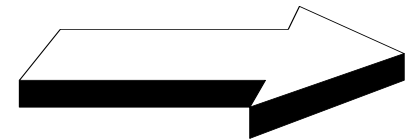


# Processing of EPS Silver

Pre-expansion  
(steam)



Maturing  
(air)

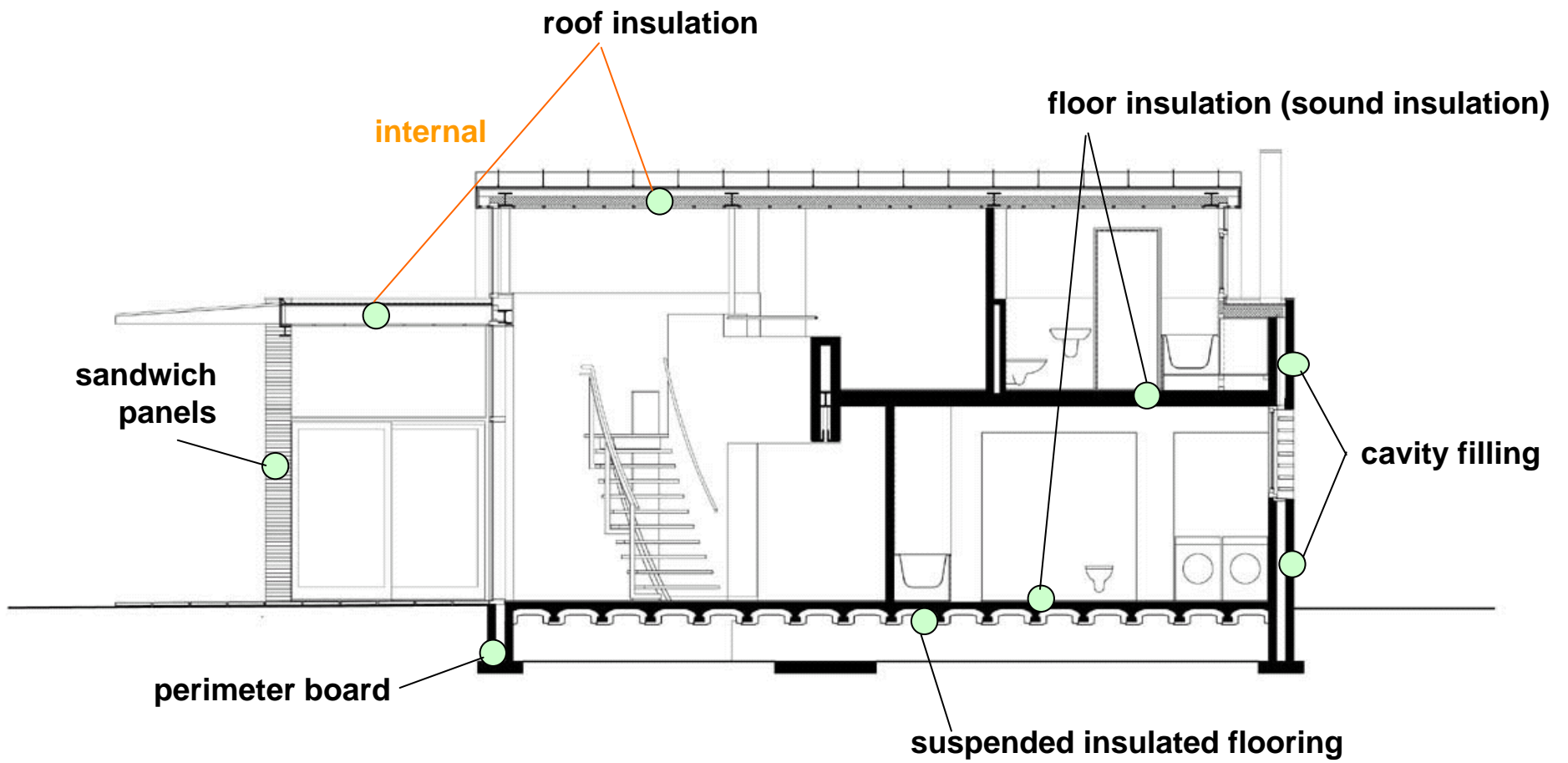


Moulding: shape/block  
(steam)

600 - 650 kg/m<sup>3</sup> ----> 15-16 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

Second pass : 9-10 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

# EPS Silver in B & C Applications

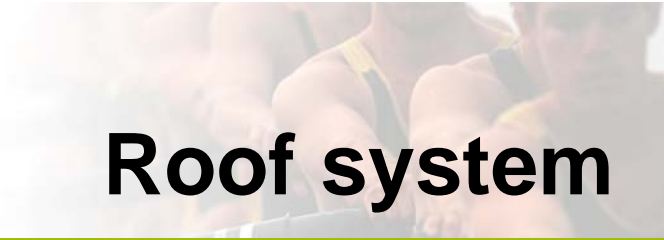


# External wall, roof and floor

Germany	Kg/m3	WG	Cohesion, kPa	10% Comp., kPa
Façade (ETICS)	14-15	035	100 (80*)	-
	18-19	032	100 (80*)	
Roof/floor	20-25	031	-	100-150

\*: elasticized





# Roof system

- Multidak, NI using S400R
- Cut from block moulding
- System: 2.5 m wide and up to 9.5 m long
- Pitched roof
- Silver (Rc 5) and white (Rc 4)

System	kg/m <sup>3</sup>	mW/m.K	Thickness, mm
Std. EPS	15	36	140
	20	34	140
Silver	15	32	140
	20	30	140



# Roof system (Contd.)



# Cavity wall insulation

- Shape moulding
- 22 kg/m<sup>3</sup>
- 32 mW/m.K
- S500R



For new builds

## Cavity wall (Contd.)

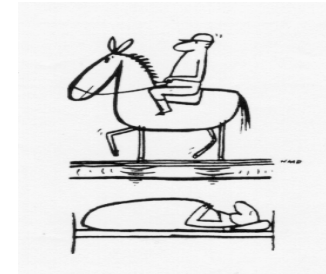
- 20 kg/m<sup>3</sup>
- Cut from block



# Thermo-acoustic

- Acoustic

- ▶ Impact sound (indirect)
- ▶ Air-borne sound (direct)



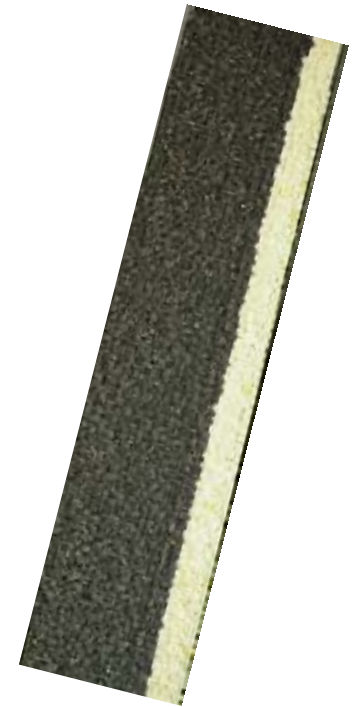
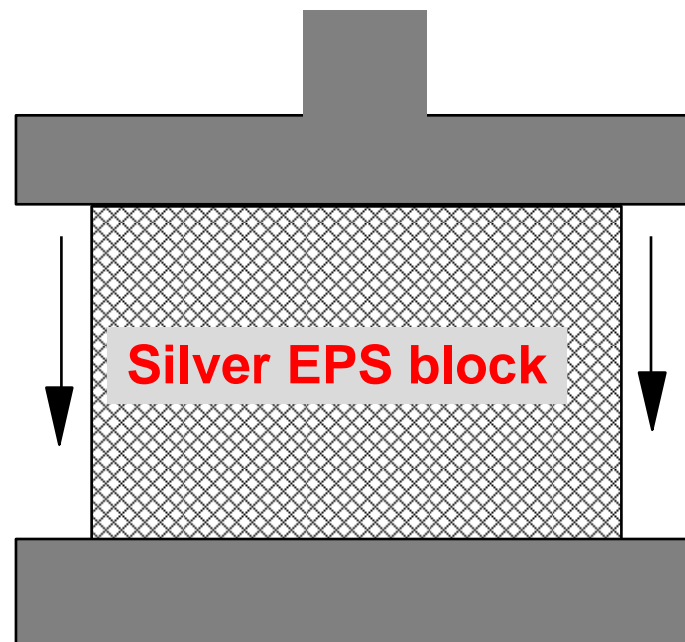
- Block compression to elasticize (**in-house art**)

- ▶ Doublage dB32 (France)
- ▶ S400R
- ▶ 10-11 g/l expansion, ca.17 g/l elasticized
- ▶ System: plaster board (10 mm) + Silver (40-120 mm)

# Thermo-acoustic (Contd.)

## Block compression:

- Block age (°C)
- Compression (% , speed, pressure, number of cycles, etc)



- Between floor/cellar
- 15-16 kg/m<sup>3</sup> minimum first pass and cut from block
- 18-20 kg/m<sup>3</sup> moulded
- French compressive strength: 150 daN



# Insulated concrete form (ICF)

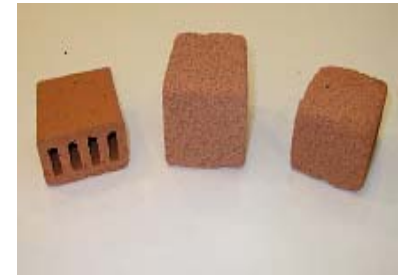
- 27-28 kg/m<sup>3</sup>
- S500R
- Inter spacer also in EPS Silver
- 30-31 mW/m.K



**Rapid construction & excellent insulation**

# Cellular bricks and lightweight concrete form

- Cellular brick (development stage)
  - ▶ 11-12 kg/m<sup>3</sup> pre-foam beads
  - ▶ Mixed with clay and fired
  - ▶ Residual carbon to enhance thermal insulation
- Light concrete weight
  - ▶ Pre-foam beads mixed with cement mortar
  - ▶ Low bulk densities
  - ▶ Good insulation properties
  - ▶ Fast drying times
  - ▶ Good flow EPS/cement mortar





# Loose-fill cavity wall

- Silver pre-foam beads injected
- Systems:
  - ▶ U.K./Eire : 11-13 kg/m<sup>3</sup> + glue
  - ▶ Germany : 18.5 kg/m<sup>3</sup> without glue
  - ▶ Holland : 15 kg/m<sup>3</sup> + glue (final stage)
- Higher R-value with the same cavity thickness



For renovation and new builds





# Conclusions

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- Improved insulation of the Building stock can reduce the energy consumption significantly (several oil tankers)
- The new mind set: building and construction with energy saving design/material, etc.



## Conclusions

- EPS Silver Polymer an insulating material which improves the efficiency of old and new builds enabling regulations to be met whilst save energy costs
- 20% more insulating than white EPS at similar foam density
- 20% less foam thickness required vs.white for similar R value
- Foam properties including flame retardancy maintained
- Processed like the white EPS on existing m/c
- 3 grades available to cover B & C applications:

**S400LR, S400R & S500R**



**Let us use together EPS Silver in B & C applications  
for building a sustainable future**