

# LIFE E-VIA

Electric Vehicle noise control by Assessment and optimisation of tyre/ road interaction

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## LIFE E-VIA PROJECT – III Monitoring visit 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022

### Overview of project's implementation

#### Comune di Firenze

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## **AGENDA**

- 9:00 - 9:15 Participants registration
- 9:15 - 9:30 Welcome from the city of Florence Ass. Cecilia Del Re
- 9:30 - 9:45 Partners' presentation
- 9:45 - 11:45 Technical session part one: Presentation of the project activities action by action. Each partner presents a presentation summarizing and updating each action. Illustration of expected documents and achieved milestones. Possible illustrations of the possible issues, delays, authorizations (20 min per partners)
- 12:00 - 13:30 Technical session part two: Discussion and update of the impact indicators; Policy implications: overview of the possibilities for updating and improving environmental policies (local, national, and European) related to the project; Overview of the replication potential and actual strategies/specific plans during and after the project; Focus presentation on the asphalt characteristics; Focus presentation on the tire prototypes; Discussion on the marketability of the developed technologies (tires, asphalts); Discussion on the impact of the Covid-19 emergency on the project
- 13:30 - 14:30 Break
- 14:30 - 15:30 Pilot road visit
- 16:00 - 18:00 Financial and administrative session; Collection of the supporting documents





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# **ACTION E1**

# **PROJECT MANAGEMENT**



## PROJECT GANTT

























































Action		2019				2020				2021				2022				2023			
Action number	Name of the action	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
<b>A. Preparatory actions</b>																					
A.1	Electric vehicles and their noise emission																				
A.2	Quiet pavement technologies and their performance over time																				
A.3	Tyre role in the new context of EV and ICEV																				
<b>B. Implementation actions</b>																					
B.1	Tracks design																				
B.2	Tyre-pavement coupling study and prototype implementation																				
B.3	Pilot area: Implementation																				
B.4	Track efficiency tests in the pilot area																				
B.5	Soundscape analysis																				
B.6	Evaluation of EV noise emissions																				
B.7	Holistic performances of tyres																				
B.8	Replicability and Transferability																				
<b>C. Monitoring of the impact of the project actions</b>																					
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C.2	Life cycle analysis (LCA) and life cycle costing (LCC)																				
<b>D. Public awareness and dissemination of results</b>																					
D.1	Information and awareness raising activities																				
D.2	Technical dissemination activities to stakeholders																				
<b>E. Project management</b>																					
E.1	Coordination, Monitoring and Project management																				
E.2	After LIFE Plan																				

5 actions concluded (A1, A2, A3, B1 and B2), all other actions in progress.



## OVERVIEW OF PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION

- Overall, technical actions are proceeding regularly and monitored by means of a technical monthly report, provided by each partner.

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## **EXPECTED DELIVERABLES period 2019-mid 2022**

<b>Name of the deliverable</b>	<b>Number of the associated action</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	<b>State of implementation</b>
Dissemination plan	D1	30/09/2019	✓
Monitoring protocol	E1	30/09/2019	✓
Life E-VIA Website	D1	31/12/2019	✓
Technical Report Actions A1,A2,A3	A1	31/03/2020	✓
Technical Report Actions A1,A2,A3	A2	31/03/2020	✓
Technical Report Actions A1,A2,A3	A3	31/03/2020	✓
B3 Tender specification definition	B3	28/02/2021	✓
B1 Report	B1	31/03/2021	✓
B2 Report on prototype implementation and tyre/road noise performances	B2	30/11/2021	2.5 months of delay expected
Video of the prototype construction	D1	31/12/2021	✓
B3 Report about the implementation in the pilot area	B3	31/03/2022	In progress
B5 Report	B5	30/04/2022	In progress
3 press conferences	D1	31/07/2022	1/3 done



## **EXPECTED MILESTONES period 2019-2021**

<b>Name of the milestone</b>	<b>Number of the associated action</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	<b>State of implementation</b>
Project kick off/nomination of Committees	E1	31/10/2019	✓
Life E-VIA Website launching	D1	31/12/2019	✓
B1 Tracks design	B1	31/01/2021	✓
B3 Tender's assignment	B3	31/05/2021	✓
B2 Tyre-pavement coupling study - Prototype realization	B2	30/09/2021	✓
B3 Construction of low-noise tracks in the pilot area	B3	30/09/2021	✓
B5 Soundscape analysis reporting	B5	30/04/2022	



## INTERNAL MEETINGS

Aim of the meeting	Date	Place	Partners involved
Project preparatory meeting	9 January 2019	Florence	ALL
Kick off preparatory meeting	6 September 2019	Online	FIRENZE, VIENROSE, UNIRC, I-POOL
Kick off meeting	20 September 2019	Florence	ALL
Official kick off meeting	7-8 November 2019	Bruxelles	FIRENZE
I monitoring visit preparatory meeting	20 February 2020	Florence	ALL
Steering committee meeting for progress report drafting	12 June 2020	Online	ALL
Progress of the project activities	28 July 2020	Online	ALL
Mid Term Report preparation	23 October 2020	Online	ALL
Progress of activities related to pilot case implementation	5 March 2021	Online	FIRENZE, VIENROSE, UNIRC, I-POOL
II monitoring visit preparatory meeting	14 April 2021	Online	ALL
Progress of the project activities	11 October 2021	Reggio Calabria + online	ALL





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# **ACTION B3**

# **PILOT AREA IMPLEMENTATION**





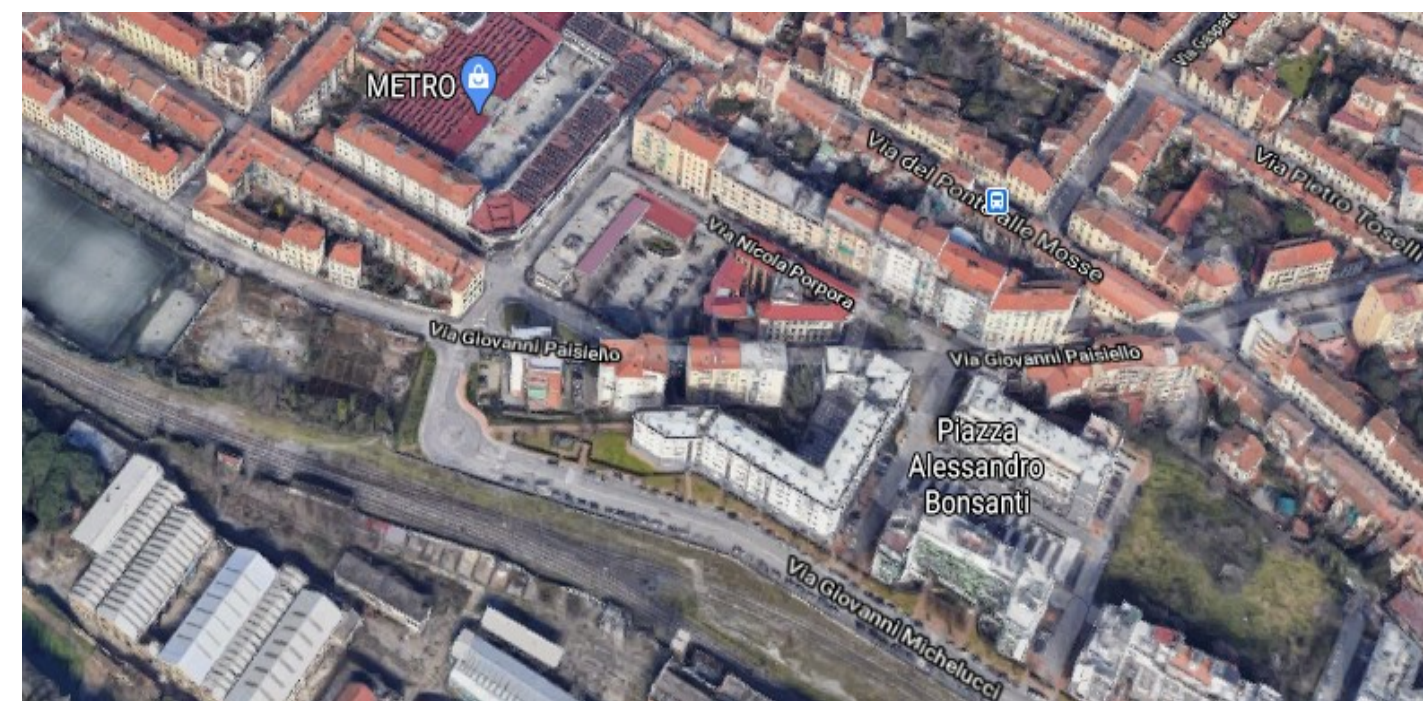
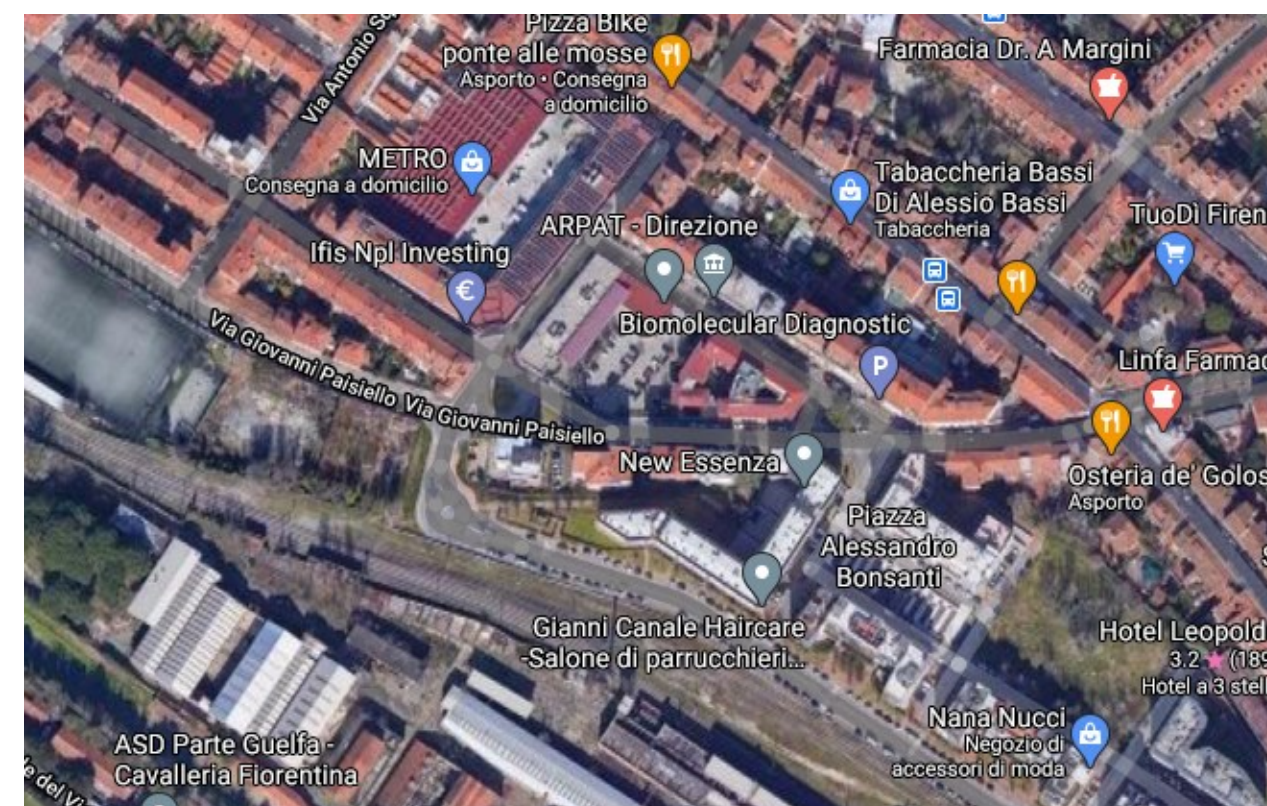
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## Pilot case: Paisiello street







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Paisiello street: characteristics of the road

- 1) Two-way travel without significative curves
- 2) Significant population density of the area
- 3) Busy road due to traffic toward the city center
- 4) Close to public offices (Regional Agency for Environment Protection and Metropolitan )
- 5) Close to the most relevant park in Florence (Cascine)
- 6) Close to one of the most important intervention of urban requalification (ex Manifattura Tabacchi) with new dwellings, primary school, fashion school (university)





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## Construction related procedures

- Technical documents: September 2020
- New mixture definition (technical minimum requirements actions B1 e B2). Included as specification in the tender documents - December 2020
- Tender and award notice published: March 2021
- Winner legal documents received: June 2021
- Implementation: mid July 2021

## Report on Action B3

- In progress





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**Work in progress....**



**Post operam**







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# **TECHNICAL SESSION PART 2**

**H. 12,00-12,30**



## LIFE E-VIA project indicators updating

Objective	Indicators	Estimated Impact (absolute values)	Estimated Impact (in %)	Current value	Notes
Communication, dissemination, awareness rising	Number of entities/individuals reached/ made aware	20000	40%	149521	Considering 80 visitors to the LIFE E-VIA stand at Expomove, 100 students involved in awareness lessons addressing also the project, 200 residents of via Paisiello who received informative letters about the project and the survey initiative, and the 1% of followers of 31 webpages/websites which published news about the project
	Number of website's visits	70000		6699	According to the trimestral report about C1 action
Soundscape improvement	Improvement of acoustic perception and comfort of an optimized asphalt with respect to a standard one	-	50%	50%	According to the questionnaires results
Noise levels reduction	Reduction of Lnight noise levels	-4.4 dBA	-	-4.4 dB(A)	
	Reduction of LCPX in Firenze	90 dBA	-	87.5 dBA ± 1.5	



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## LIFE E-VIA KPI updating

Indicator code	First level descriptor	Start value	End value	Beyond End value	Unit	Notes
1.5	Conservation or improvement of the status of an area or segment	0	2,5	7,5	km2	The area lenght has been calucalted considering a buffer of 50 m per side of the road where Pilot intervention will be realized. "Beyond 3 years" data are referred to the other 2 replicated areas that will be realized and which are already planned  After the three replication interventions, the value «beyond end» could be increased
1.6	Persons whose lives were directly, positively impacted by MAIN envir. actions of project	0	2000	6000	Number of residents within or near the project area	After the three replication interventions, the value «beyond end» could be increased
10.2	Other	0	10	15	Number of stakeholders involved due to the project	Number reached according to webinars/events/presentations held also in digital mode  The final calculation will be done at the end, but the value «beyond end» will surely be higher than 15
11.1	No. of unique visits	0	70000	170000	Number	Current value: 6699
11.2	Number of articles in print media (e.g. newspaper and magazine articles)	0	400	400	number	Current value: 31
11.2	Number of different displayed information created (posters, information boards)	0	30	30	number	16 on 30 noticeboards produced, 1 roll up
11.2	Other distinct media products created (e.g. different videos/broadcast/leaflets)	0	3	3	number	4 on 3: 2 videos+1 leaflet+1 press conference
11.2	Number of events/exhibitions organised	0	4	4	number	2 on 4: Webinar on the LIFE E-VIA projects and other contributions + stand at Expomove 2021
11.2	Publications/reports	0	40	40	number	27 on 40: 9 report and 18 papers delivered; Foreseen: 4 international conferences, 2 national conferences
11.2	Number of Hotline/information centers created	0	1	1	number	Current value: 1 (website contact form)





## POLICY IMPLICATIONS

### Policy implications:

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> March 2021: Noise Working Group of Eurocities network.**

One of the agenda points was “**what’s guiding the Commission’s work on noise?**”

European Commission is establishing “*to develop coherent rules for environmental, energy and safety performance of tyres in 2023. From the strategy: “The evolution of road vehicle engines towards zero emission does not as such solve issues raised by the use of tyres, which still cause noise and microplastics. The latter pollute our waters and seas and can ultimately enter the food chain. High-performing tyres should be further promoted as they reduce energy consumption and emissions (including of rolling noise) while maintaining vehicle safety.”*

Preliminary results on roads shows that quiet roads not so effective but quiet tyres are (would need to implement quiet roads all over agglomeration so less cost effective).

**17th March 2021: Meeting with Mr. Marco Paviotti** (officer at the European Commission DG Environment where he follows the EU policy on environmental noise and urban environment)

Mr. Marco Paviotti asked Florence Municipality (as LIFE E-VIA coordinating beneficiary) to hold a meeting to be updated on LIFE E-VIA project, which is considered very relevant regarding the above-mentioned issues. The meeting was held and several preliminary results about our project shared.



## **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- Contribution for updating CNOSSOS model parameters for EV vehicles (Action B.6)
- Technical specifications of the LIFE E-VIA asphalt could become a new standard. Florence Municipality is already adopting it according to the maintenance plan, in case criticalities are envisaged in the Strategic Noise Mapping of the agglomeration



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# **ACTION B8**

## **REPLICABILITY AND TRANSFERABILITY**





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According to the satisfactory results of the post operam test and measures, **three more areas in Florence** have been identified for the replication:

- Laying of the Life E-VIA asphalt along the entire Paisiello Street. **Citizens asked municipality to extend the repaving, since they directly perceived acoustic benefits.**
- Via Bolognese
- Via Senese



A total amount of € 500,000 have been budgeted for these interventions



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In the project proposal, it was foreseen to replicate in 3 more sites, in the 5 years after the project end.

- **Instead, thanks to requests from citizens and very encouraging results, replication will take place between the end of 2022 and the beginning of 2023, i.e. while the project is still underway.**



## DISCUSSION ON THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON THE PROJECT

- Due to the continuing pandemic, tests to be carried out by I-POOL in Nantes have been delayed to June 2021 but this didn't have a direct influence on related activities.
- Despite the spread of Covid-19 pandemic, dissemination activities have been nevertheless carried out, making efforts to concentrate on “digital” activities such as networking with other projects/associations/public entities etc., publishing of short articles on local and national newspapers, organization of an online webinar.
- The major impact has been on the financial aspect related to **Travel costs** which are significantly less than those foreseen in the budget, although dissemination activities have been regularly carried out. Question: is it possible to reallocate savings from travel cost category to a different cost category?



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# Technical progress of actions:

## A1 - Electric vehicles and their noise emission

## B2 - Tyre-pavement coupling study



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Joint Research Unit in Environmental Acoustics (UMRAE)



# Action A1 - EVs and their noise emission

- Preparatory action (Months 3 to 9)
- Literature review considering different aspects:
  - EV fleet and distribution across Europe  
(linked with action B2 and B3)
  - Changes in driving style of EV and impact on noise  
(linked with actions B1 and B2)
  - Noise source emission of EVs  
(linked with action B2)
  - Noise perception of EVs  
(linked with action B5)
  - EV consideration in noise prediction models  
(linked with action B6)
- Contributing partners: UNI EIFFEL, VIENROSE, UNIRC
- Deliverable validated on 12/06/2020

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“Electric Vehicle noise control by Assessment and optimisation of tyre/road interaction”

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Deliverable	Technical Report Actions A1, A2, A3
Content	Review on electric vehicles and their noise emission
Action/Sub-action	A1: Electric vehicles and their noise emission
Status - date	Final Version - 12-06-2020

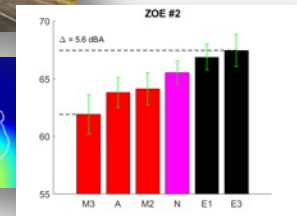
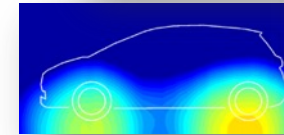
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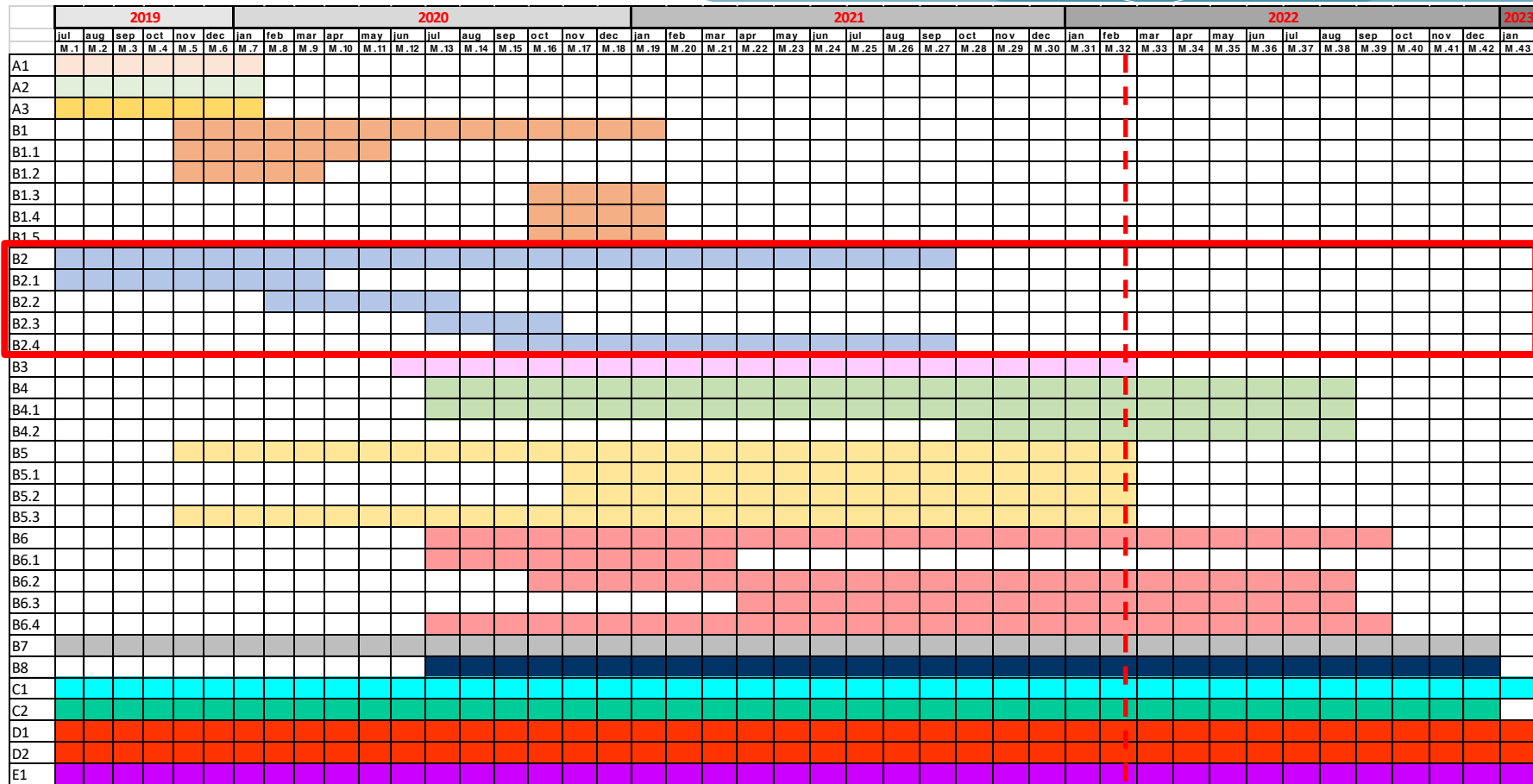
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# Action B2 – Tyre-pavement coupling study

- Implementation action divided in 4 sub-actions:
  - **B21: Acoustical characterization of EVs on existing tracks (UNI EIFFEL)**
    - Months 1 to 9 – done
  - **B22: Construction of a B1-based test track prototype (UNI EIFFEL, UNIRC)**
    - Months 8 to 13 – done
  - **B23: Characterization of the B1-based prototypal test section (UNI EIFFEL, IPOOL)**
    - Months 13 to 16 – done
  - **B24: Selection of optimized EV tyres (CRD, UNI EIFFEL)**
    - Months 15 to 27 – on-going



# Action B2 – Tyre-pavement coupling study

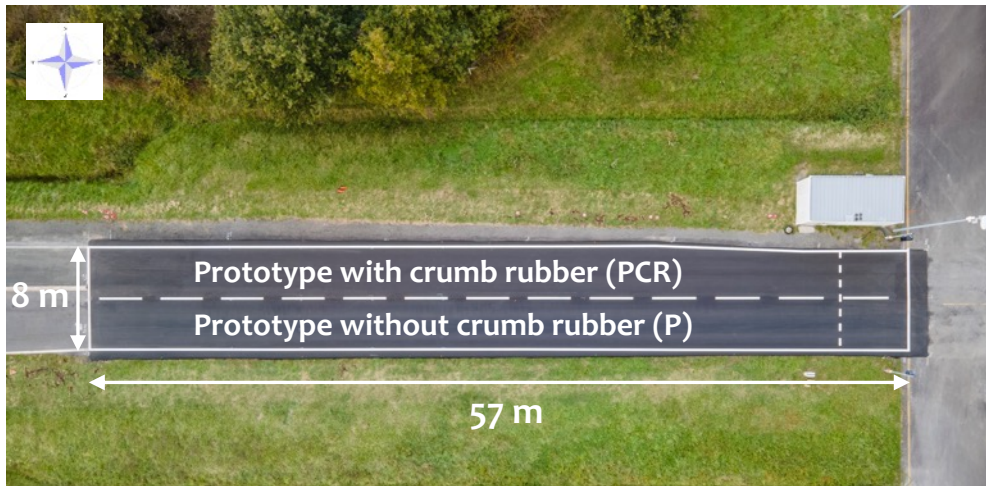


- Milestone: B2 Tyre-pavement coupling study – Prototype realization – 30/09/2021
- Deliverable: B2 Report on prototype implementation and tyre/road noise performances – 30/11/2021 (delayed to 04/03/2022)



# Action B22 – Prototype construction

## ○ Final prototype



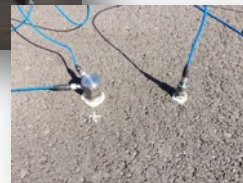
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- Measurement campaign in Sep/Nov 2020 and spring 2021
- CPB and microphone array measurements for a selection of EVs (10/2020)
- Measurement of road surface properties influencing tyre/road noise
  - 3D surface texture (03/2021)
  - Sound absorption - extended surface method (09/2020)
  - Mechanical impedance (03/2021)
- Other road surface properties
  - SRT pendula friction tests (09/2020)
  - MPD measurements (09/2020)
  - Dynamical wet friction test (03/2021)
  - Wehner and Schulze tests (03/2021)
- **CPX measurements (UNI EIFFEL 04/2021 and IPOOL 06/2021)**
- **Simultaneous CPB/CPX measurements (06/2021)**



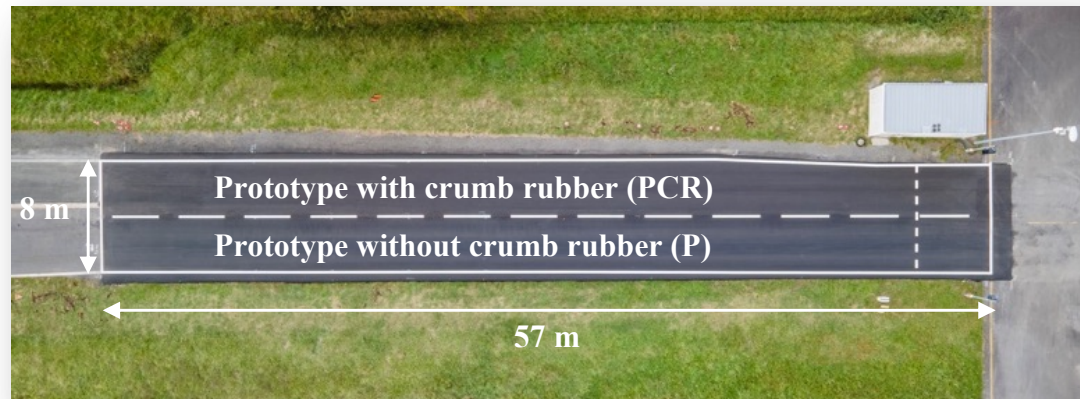


# Action B23 – Prototype characterization

- **CPX measurements** (UNI EIFFEL 04/2021 and IPOOL 06/2021)
- Test site: UNI EIFFEL reference test track in Nantes (France)



**PCR**  
**VTACo/6 with CR**



**P**  
**VTACo/6 without CR**



**E1**  
**reference DAC 0/10**





# Action B23 – Prototype characterization

- Close-ProXimity (CPX) noise measurements according to ISO 11819-2

**Renault Scénic / Michelin Energy Saver 195/60 R15  
(UNI EIFFEL)**



**Mercedes Vito / SRTT P225/60 R16 (ISO 11819-3)  
(I-POOL)**

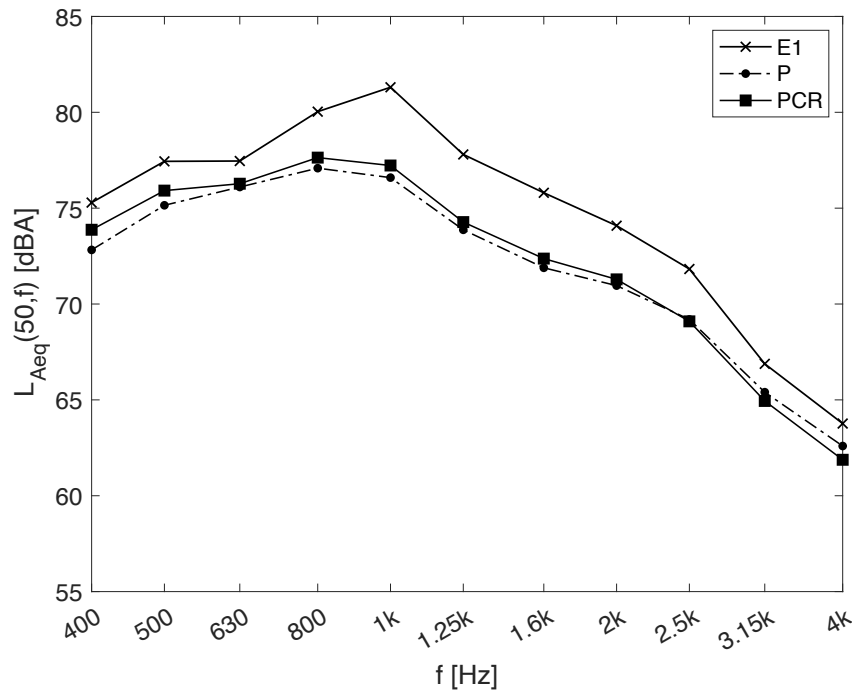


**CPX overall noise levels at 50 km/h (corrected at 20°C)**

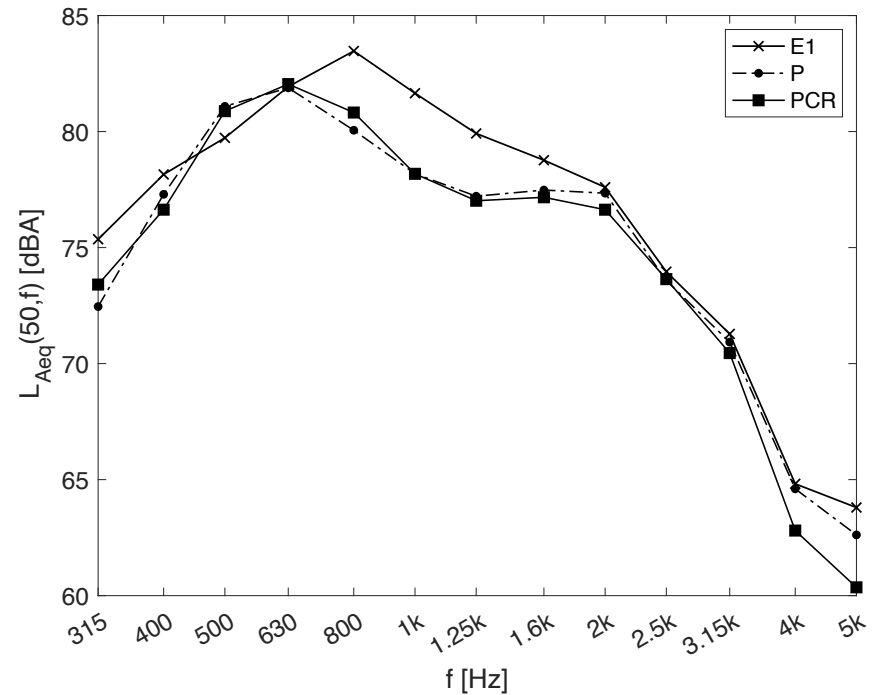
Test section	E1	P	PCR
Michelin Energy Saver 195/60 R15	87.0 dB(A)	84.2 dB(A)	84.6 dB(A)
SRTT P225/60 R16	90.2 dB(A)	88.5 dB(A)	87.8 dB(A)

- CPX noise spectra at 50 km/h (no temperature correction)

Michelin Energy Saver 195/60 R15



SRTT P225/60 R16



## ○ Simultaneous Coast-By/Close-ProXimity measurements

Renault Scénic / Michelin Energy Saver 195/60 R15  
(UNI EIFFEL)



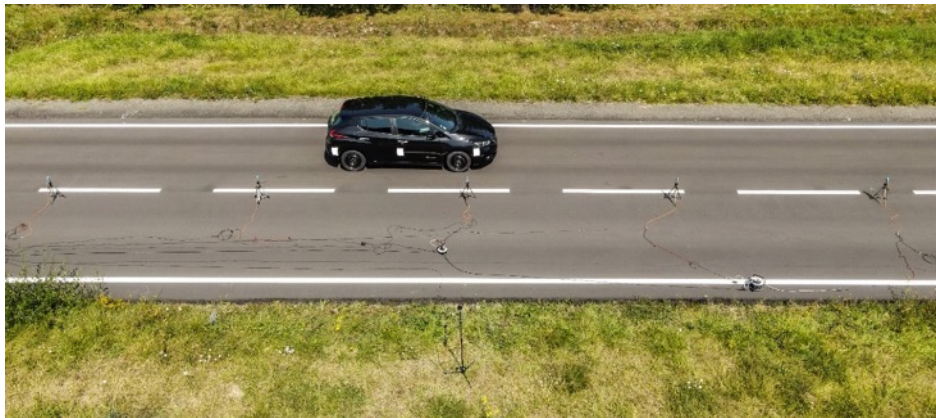
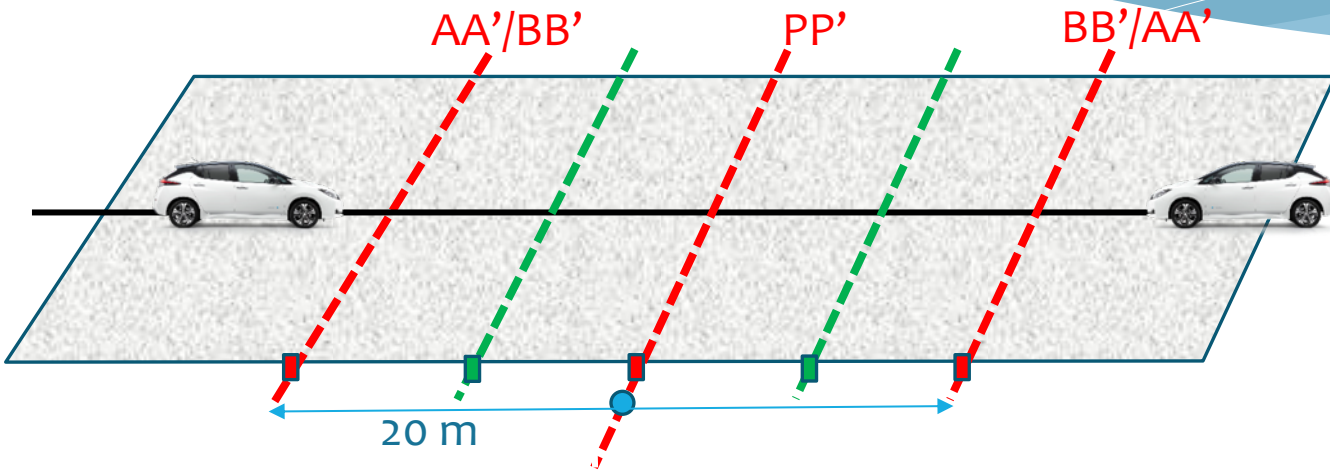
CB and CPX overall noise levels at 50 km/h (corrected at 20°C)

Surface	Direction	CPX noise level	CB noise level
P	E->W	83.8 dB(A)	62.8 dB(A)
P	W->E	83.8 dB(A)	62.6 dB(A)
PCR	E->W	84.7 dB(A)	62.9 dB(A)
PCR	W->E	84.0 dB(A)	N/A



- Carved prototype tyres delivered by CRD to UNI EIFFEL for testing on the prototypal test surface:
  - 1 set of reference tyres + other tyre sets (variations of tread pattern, construction and/or compound of the reference)
  - Aim: optimizing the balance of exterior noise performance and other tyre performances (e.g. rolling resistance, grip) for EV vehicles
- **Constant speed and accelerated pass-by noise measurements**, according to UNECE R51.03, **on the tyre versions** provided by CRD
  - Pass-by measurements with 1 EV and 1 ICE vehicle fitted with the test tyres
    - ⇒ completed in August 2021, results available
- **CPX measurements with the tyre versions** on the prototypal test sections and further standard road surfaces
  - ⇒ performed with V1 - V4 (pending for V5 and V6)

# Pass-by measurements according to R51.03 procedure



# 6 tyre versions designed by CRD in action B7

- **6 tyre versions** designed by CRD in action B7
  - Dimension 205/55 R16

- **2 vehicles**

1 EV  
Nissan Leaf



1 ICEV  
Renault Kadjar

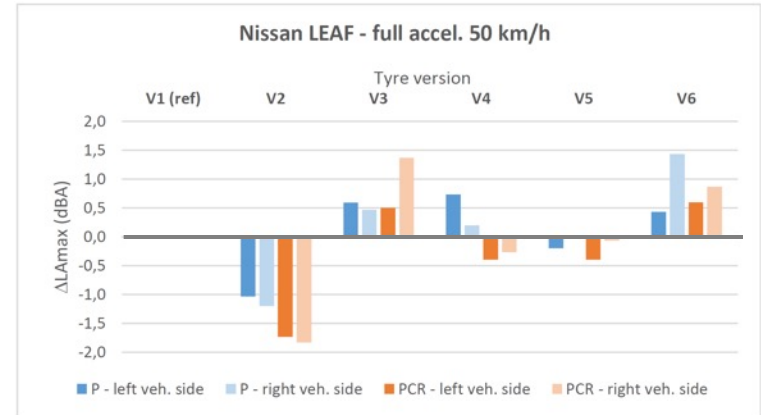
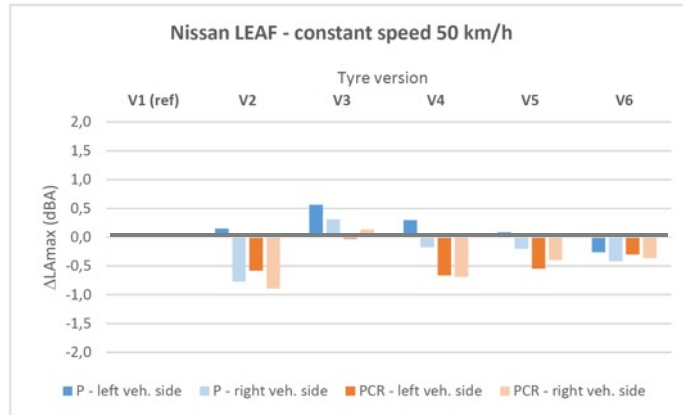
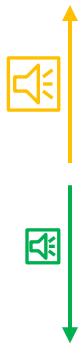


- **2 pass-by measurement conditions**, in accordance with R51.03
  - Constant speed 50 km/h
  - Full acceleration with 50 km/h when facing the microphone



# Example: LEAF – Overall noise levels at 50 km/h

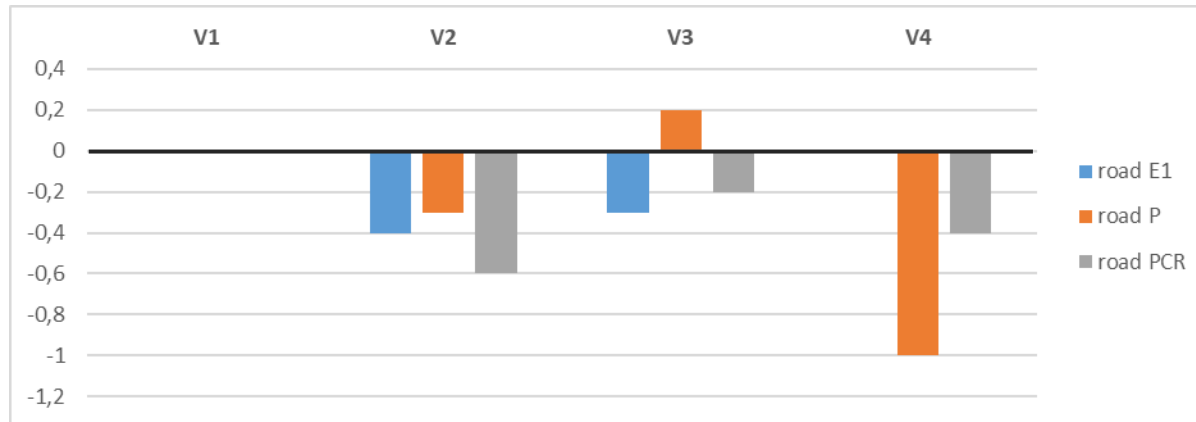
Relatively to reference V1



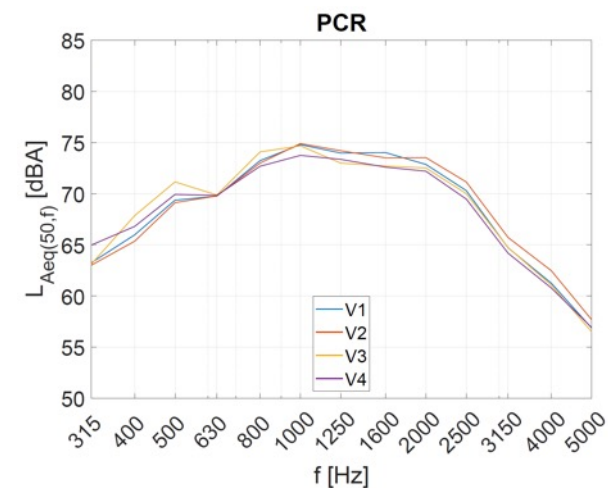
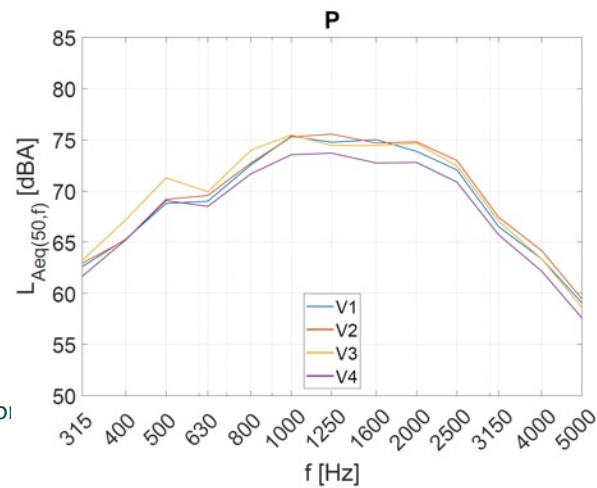
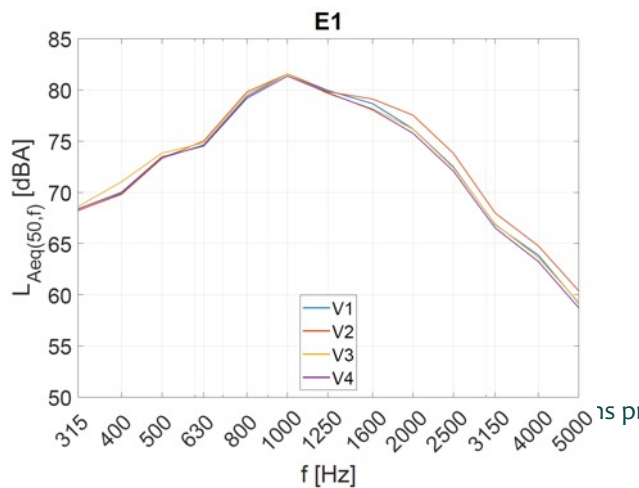
- Increased **tyre effect** under acceleration
- **Tyre comparison** on each road surface
- Highlight on **noise frequency characteristics** with tyre versions
- **Road surface comparison** - On average over the 6 tyre versions:
  - Constant speed 50 km/h: PCR quieter than P by 0.7 dB(A)
  - Full acceleration: PCR quieter than P by 0.4 dB(A)

# CPX measurements with tyre versions V1 – V4

- Overall noise levels measured at 50 km/h: difference with V1 (ref.)



- Spectra measured at 50 km/h



# Action B4 – Track efficiency tests in the pilot area

- Contribution of UNI EIFFEL to the measurement campaign in Florence (cf. IPOOL presentation for details):
  - 3D texture and dynamic stiffness static measurements
  - Performed in October 2021 (during the night)





## ○ Sub-action D1-3:

- Deliverable name: Video of the prototype construction (action D1 – June 2021)  
Title: **Low-noise road surface prototype for electric vehicles**

## ○ Sub-action D2-2:

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# Milestones and Deliverables

## ○ Milestones

Action	Name	Expected Date	Achieved
B2	B2 Tyre-pavement coupling study - Prototype realization	09/2021	Yes (09/2021)

## ○ Deliverables

Action	Name	Expected Date	Achieved
A1	Technical Report Actions A1,A2,A3	03/2020	Yes (12/06/2020)
B2	B2 Report on prototype implementation and tyre/road noise performances	11/2021	No (exp. 04/03/2022)
D1	5 noticeboards in French language	12/2022	Draft (05/2021)
D1	Video of the prototype construction	12/2021	Yes (06/2021)
D2	17 different scientific papers to be presented in national / international congresses	03/2023	1 JTAV2020, 1 JTAV 2021, 1 Euronoise 2021, 1 PIARC 2021, 1 CFA 2022, 1 IN2022
D2	1 Article Published in an open access top ranked journal	12/2022	1 Noise Mapping Journal 2021

# Thank you for your attention

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#### ☐ **B4 - TRACK EFFICIENCY TESTS IN THE PILOT AREA**

##### **IN PROGRESS**

##### ☐ **SUB ACTION B4.1 – B1 - ROAD SURFACE CHARACTERIZATION**

##### ☐ **SUB ACTION B4.2 – ACOUSTICAL CHARACTERIZATION OF EVs**

#### ☐ **B6 – EVALUATION OF EV NOISE EMISSIONS**

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##### ☐ **SUB ACTION B6.1 - CNOSSOS MODEL PARAMETERS FOR EV VEHICLES**

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## ACTION B4 - Track efficiency tests in the pilot area

### ACTION OVERVIEW



CPX (ISO 11819-2)  
Extended Surface(ISO 13472-1)  
Impedance Tube (ISO 13472-2)

CPB (NF S 31-119-2)  
SPB (ISO 11819-1)

Pavement 3D texture  
Impact hammer

**Sub-action B4.1**  
4 measurement sessions

**Sub-action B4.2**  
2 measurement sessions  
(CPB only)

**Sub-action B4.1**

Milestone	B4 New road surfaces efficiency test	08/2022
<b>Deliverable</b>	<b>B4 Report</b>	<b>10/2022</b>

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## SUB-ACTION B4.1

### TEST SITE (Via Paisiello, Florence)



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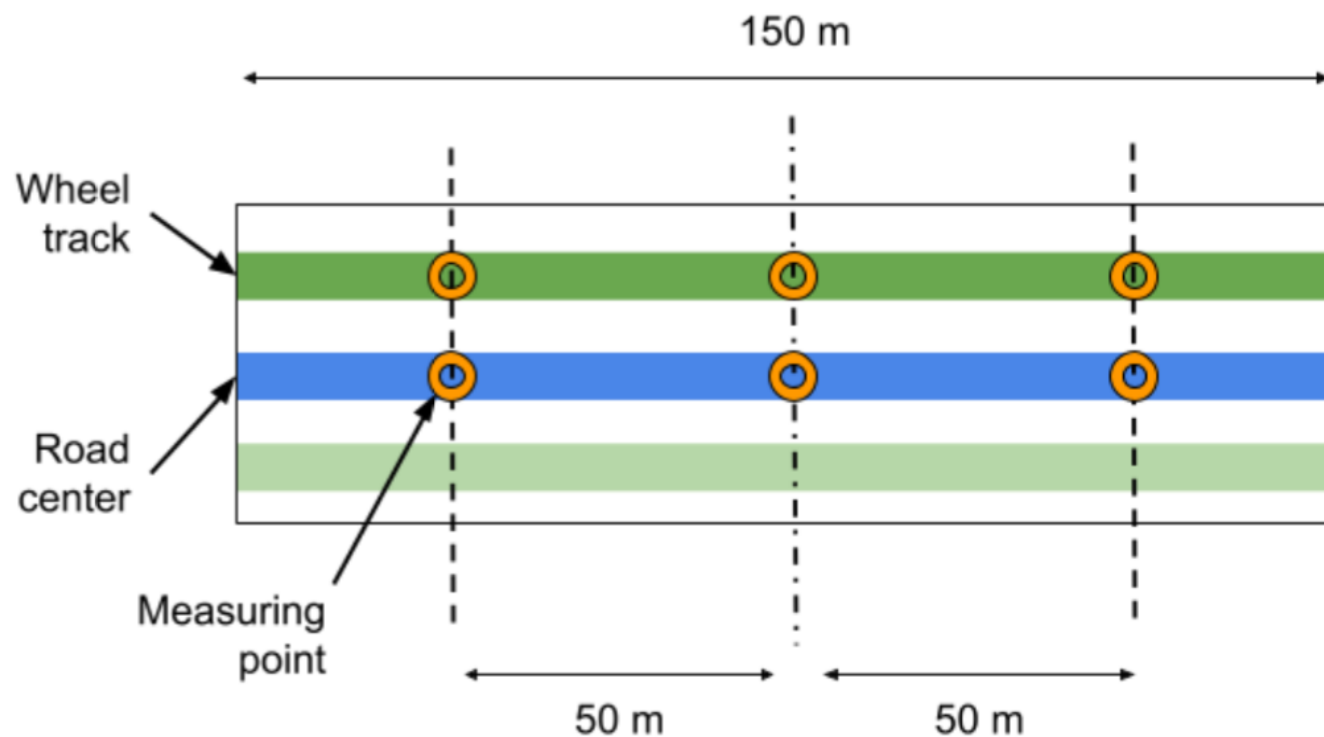
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## SUB-ACTION B4.1

### MEASUREMENT PLAN (Via Paisiello, Florence)



Extended Surface(ISO  
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Impedance Tube (ISO  
13472-2)

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## SUB-ACTION B4.1

### MEASUREMENT PLAN (Via Paisiello, Florence)

- 3D texture and dynamic stiffness static measurements
- Performed in October 2021 (during the night)



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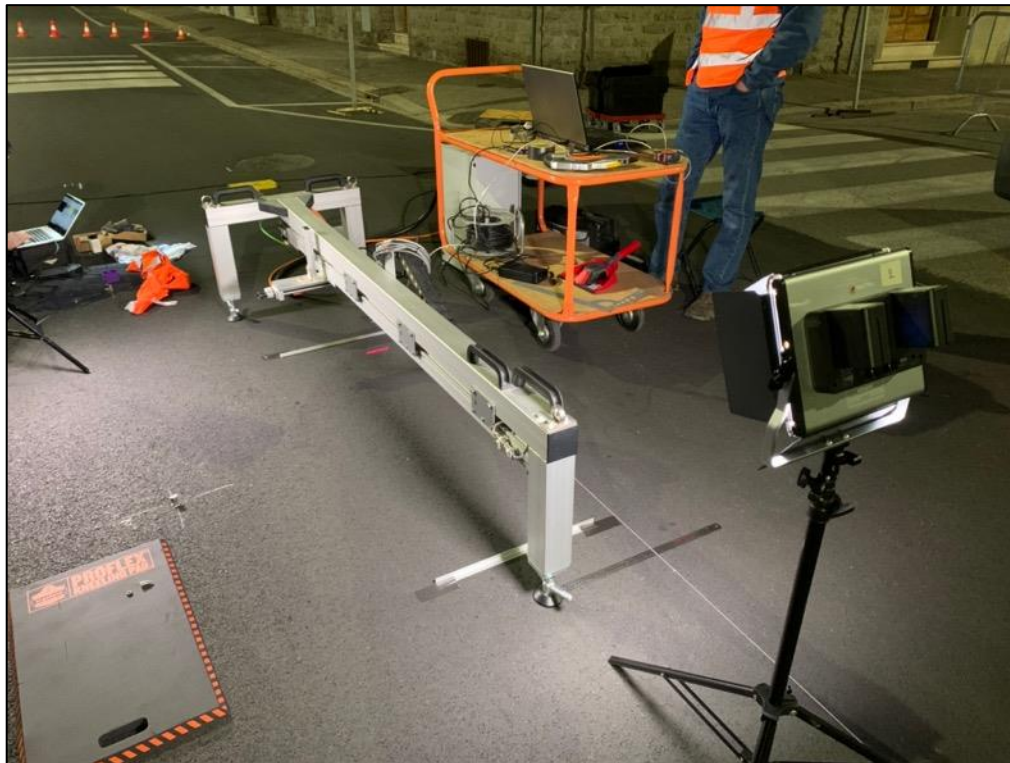
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## SUB-ACTION B4.1

### MEASUREMENT PLAN (*Via Paisiello, Florence*)

- 3D texture measurement system
- Same procedure as performed in Nantes on the prototype



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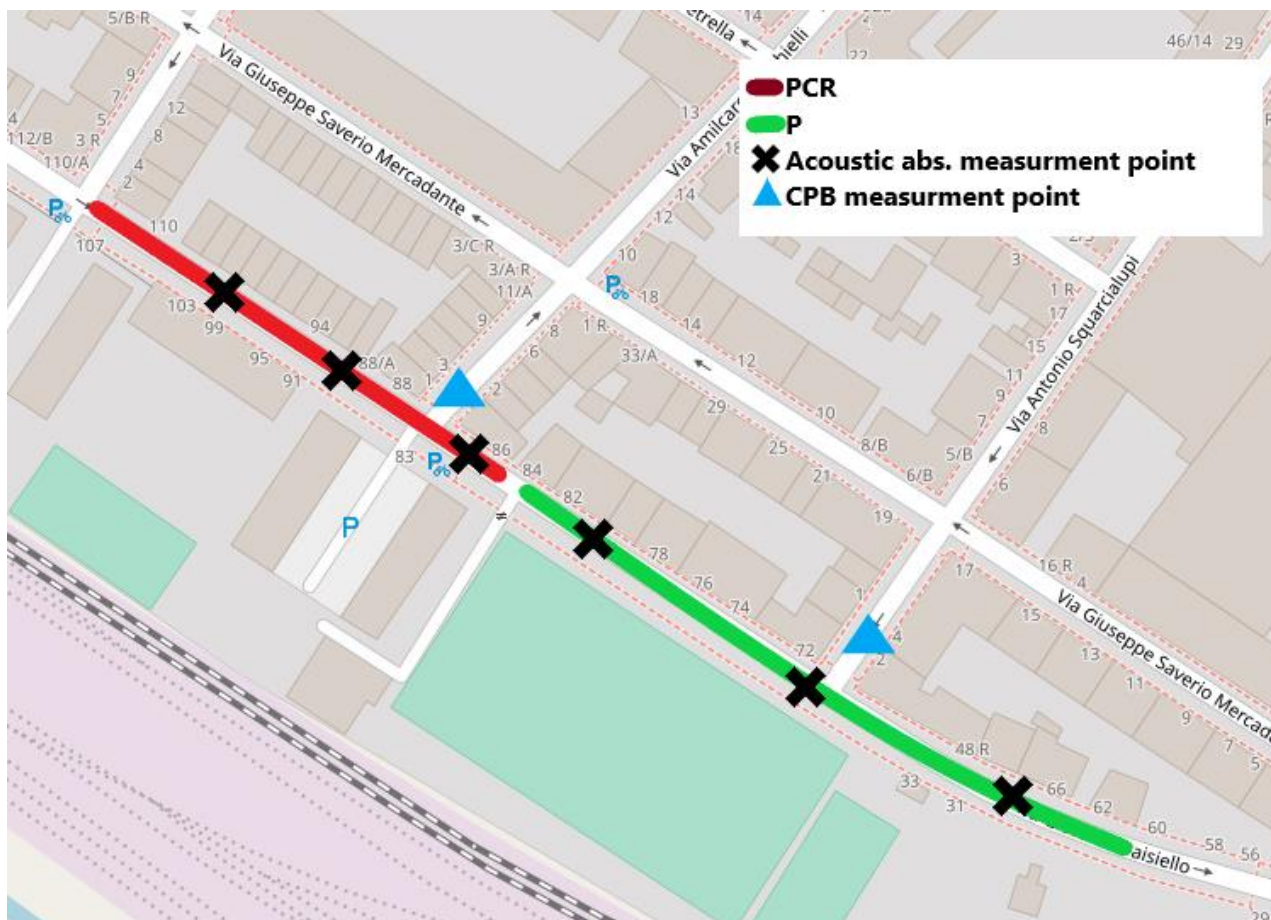
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## SUB-ACTION B4.1

### MEASUREMENT PLAN (Via Paisiello, Florence)



For each acoustic absorption measurement point both the wheel track and center lane are evaluated.

CPB is measured in two position, 7.5 m (1.2 m height) and 15 m (2.4 m height) from the center lane.

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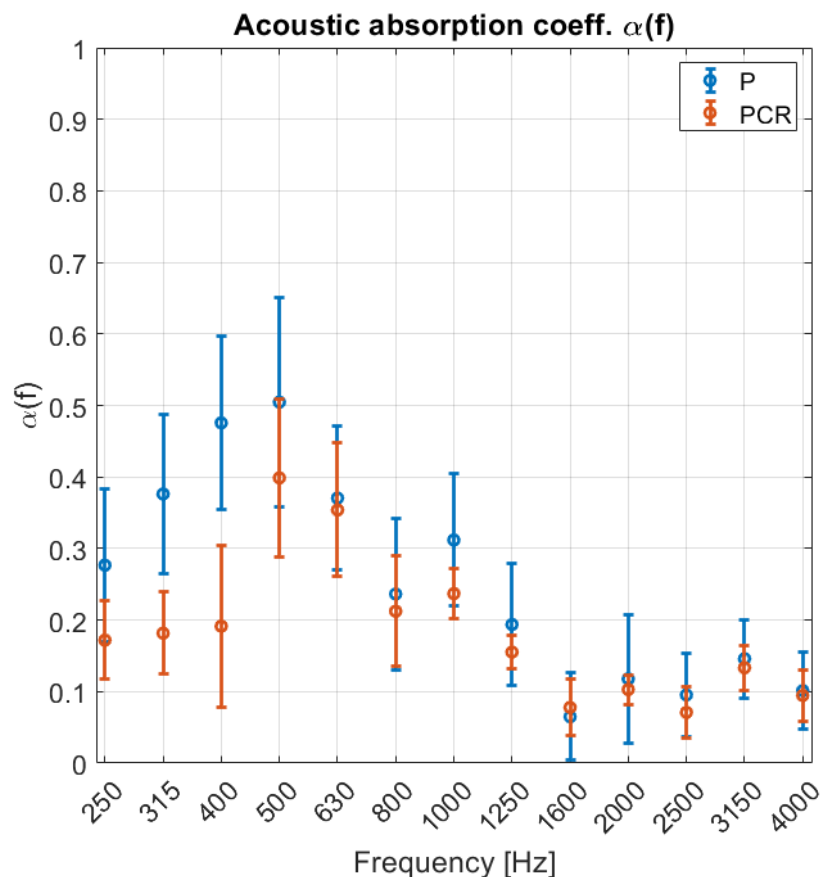
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## SUB-ACTION B4.1

### EXTENDED SURFACE MEASUREMENTS

Aggregated data with confidence intervals



For each measuring points a direct and a total (direct + reflected) field were acquired

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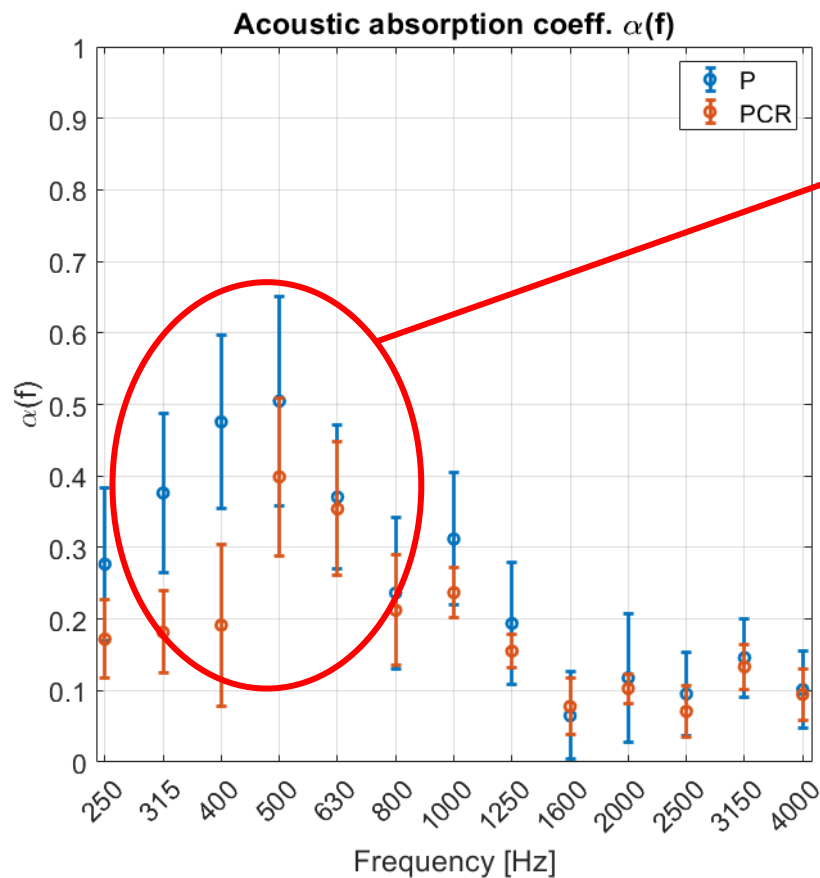
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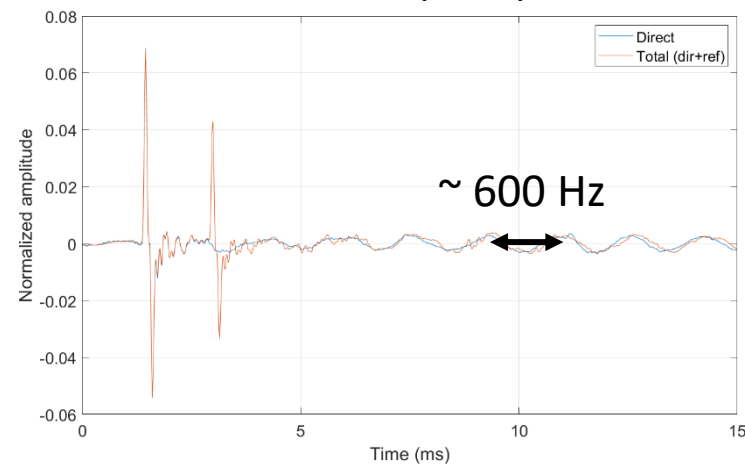
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### EXTENDED SURFACE MEASUREMENTS

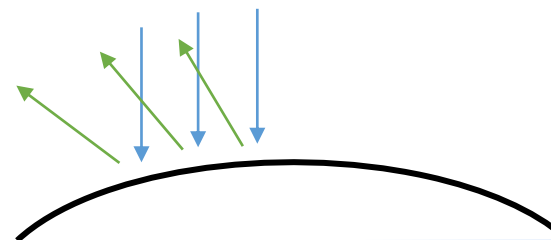
Aggregated data with confidence intervals



1 – Low S/N in low frequency bands



2 – Diffraction/dispersion from uneven surface



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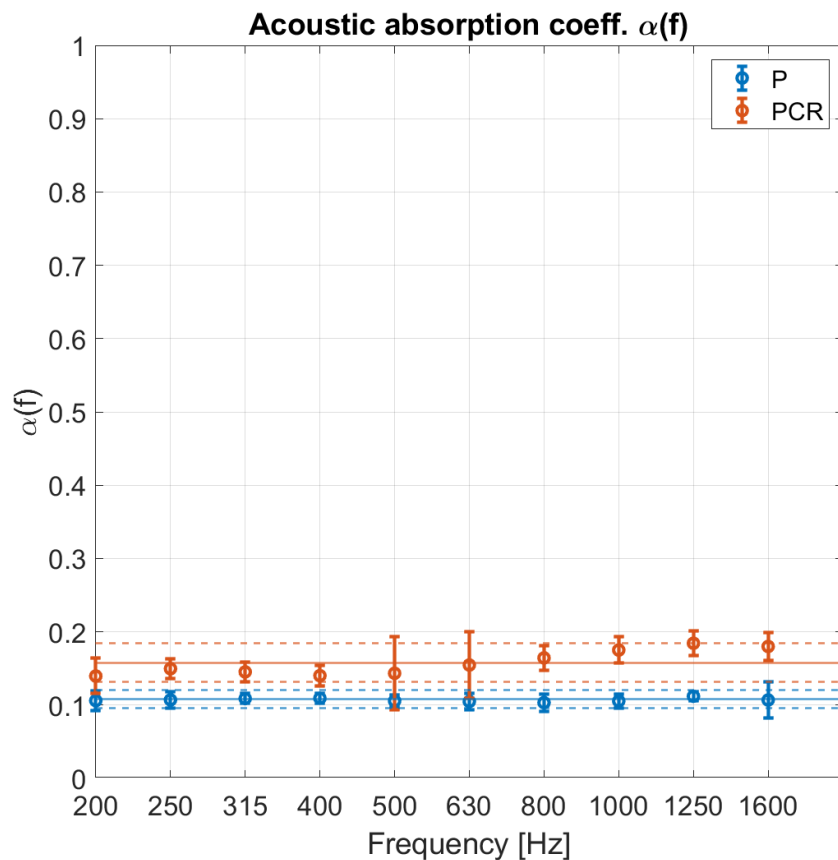
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## SUB-ACTION B4.1

### Impedance Tube

Aggregated data with confidence intervals



Measurements are corrected for intrinsic losses, using data from a reflecting slab

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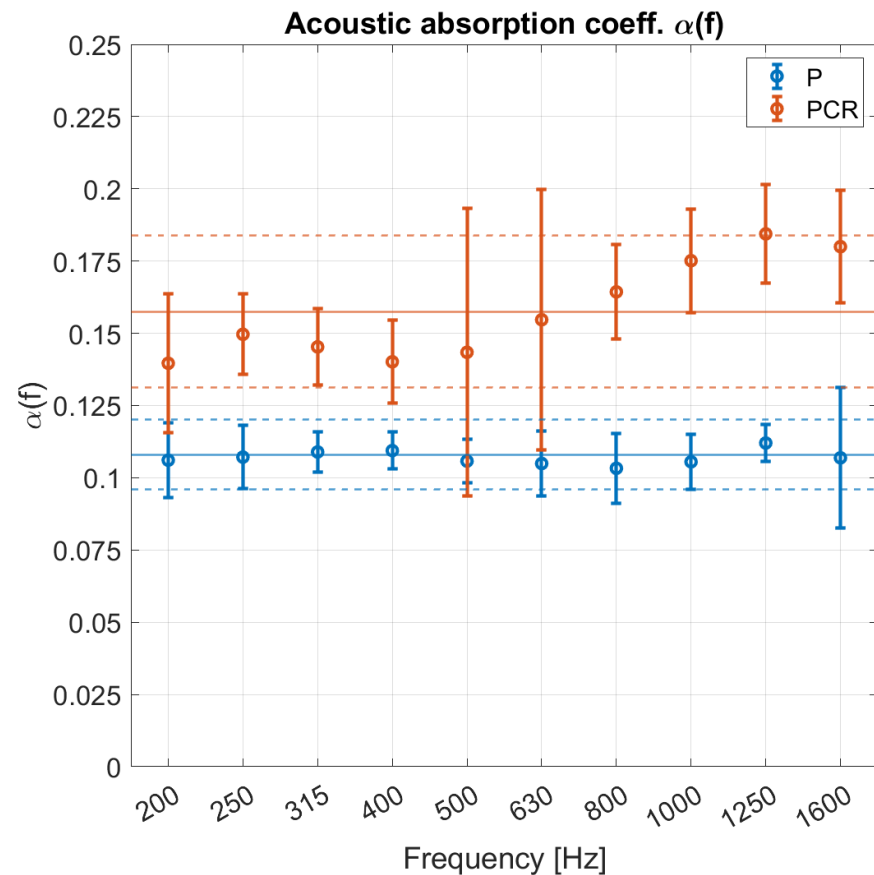




## SUB-ACTION B4.1

Impedance Tube

Aggregated data with confidence intervals



Surface	P	PCR
Mean absorption	<b><math>0.108 \pm 0.012</math></b>	<b><math>0.158 \pm 0.026</math></b>

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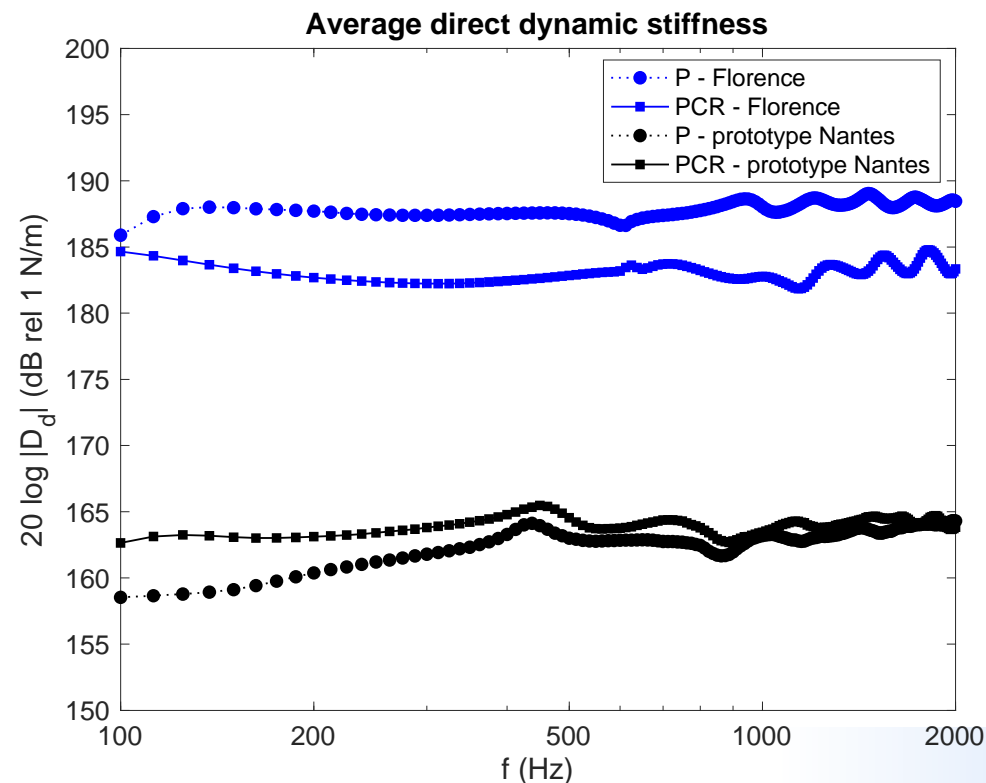
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## SUB-ACTION B4.1

### Impact Hammer

- Dynamic stiffness: same measurement procedure than in Nantes on the prototype
- Dynamic stiffness higher in Florence than in Nantes (could be due to lower temperature)
- In Florence, P stiffer than PCR (and inversely in Nantes but slighter difference)



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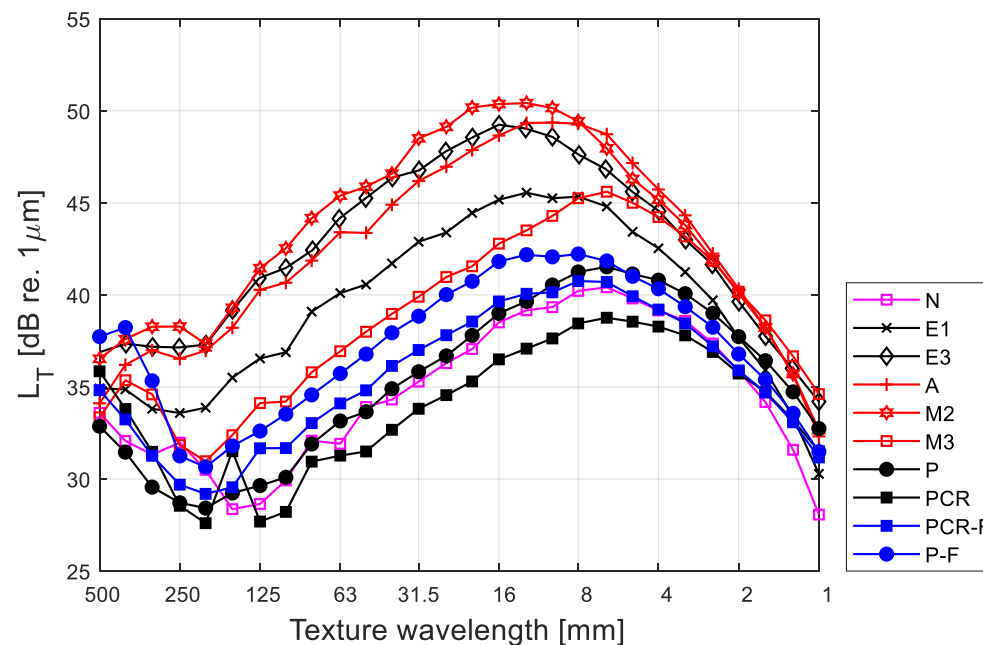
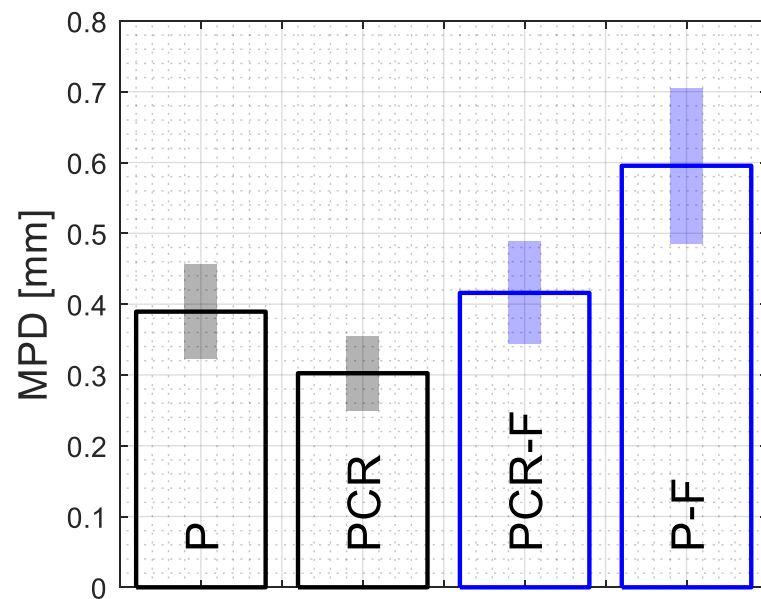
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## SUB-ACTION B4.1

### 3D Texture

- MPD is higher in Florence than in Nantes (but remains low for both test sections)
- Texture levels are higher in Florence than in Nantes (but remain low)



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## SUB-ACTION B4.1

### Close Proximity Index - ICEVs



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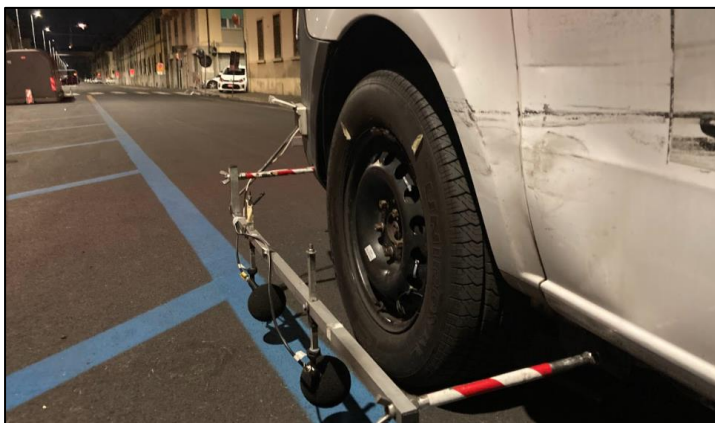
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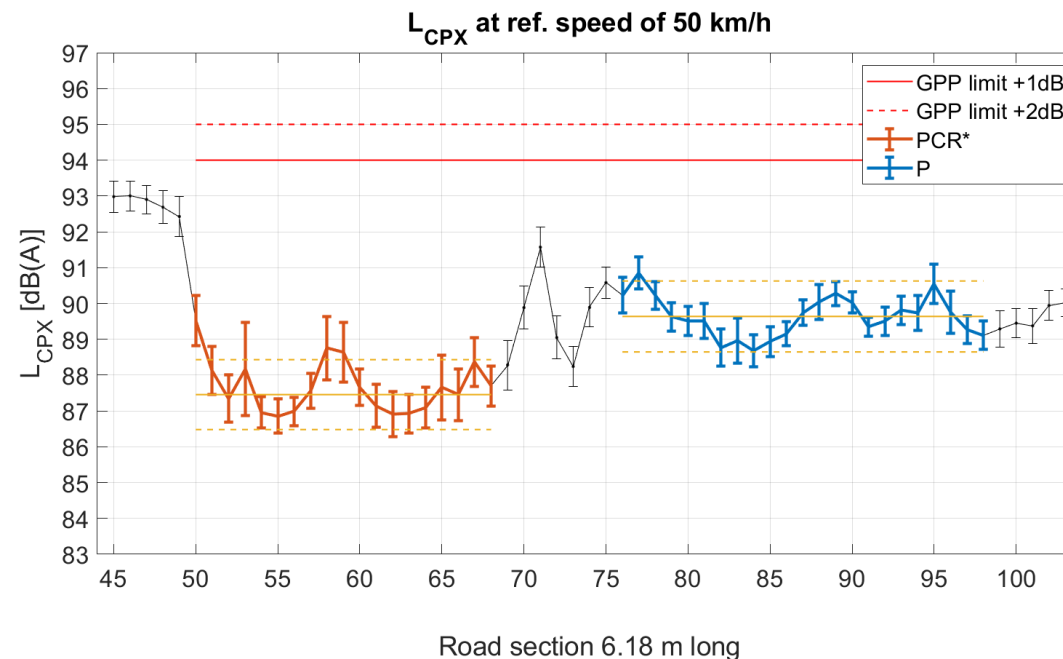


## SUB-ACTION B4.1

### Close Proximity Index - ICEVs



In addition to the standard CPX evaluation, the multifit method was used to better study the dependence of noise emission with speed. Values were normalized to an air temperature of 20°C and tyre hardness equal to 66 Shore(A)



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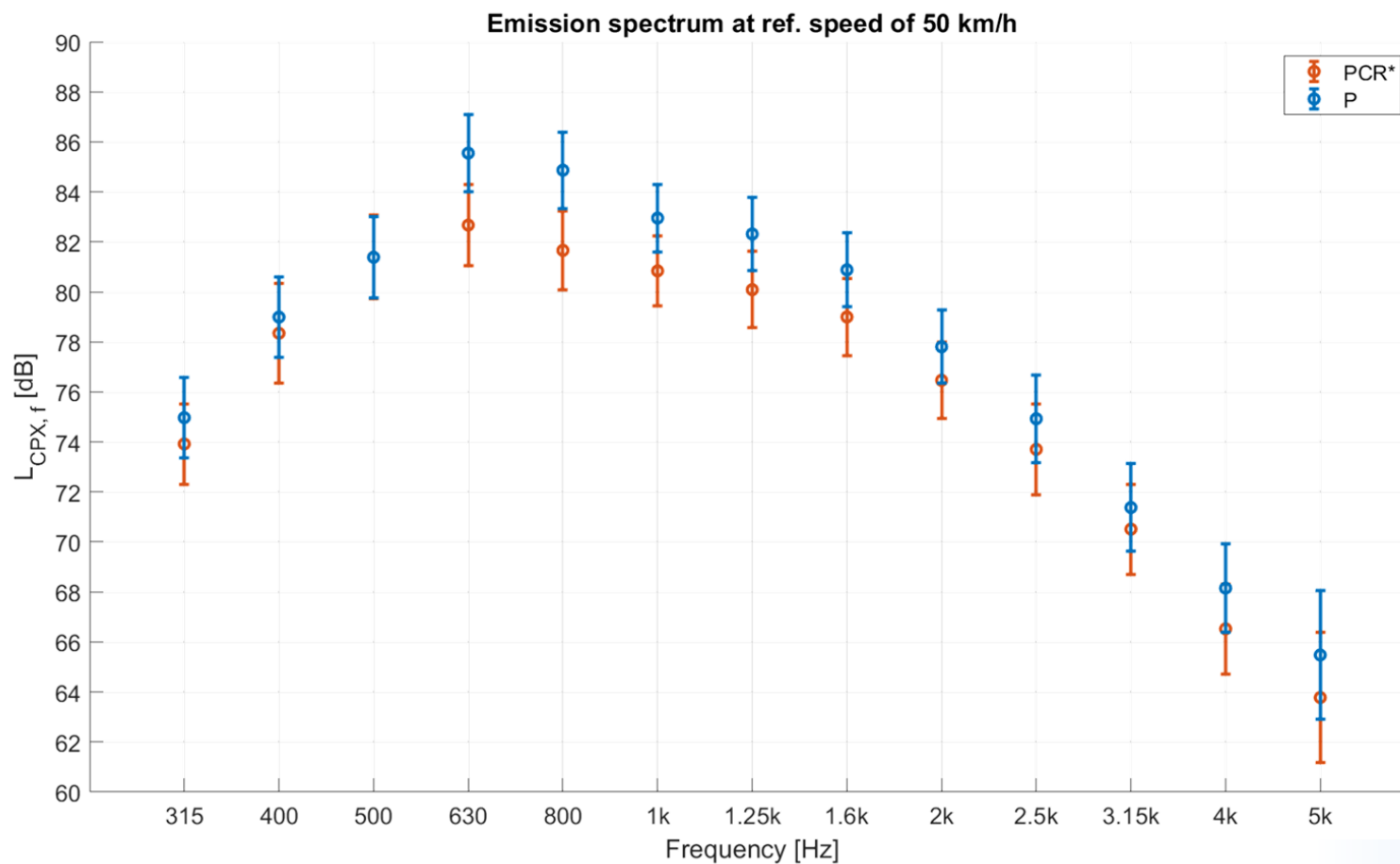
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## SUB-ACTION B4.1

### Close Proximity Index - ICEVs



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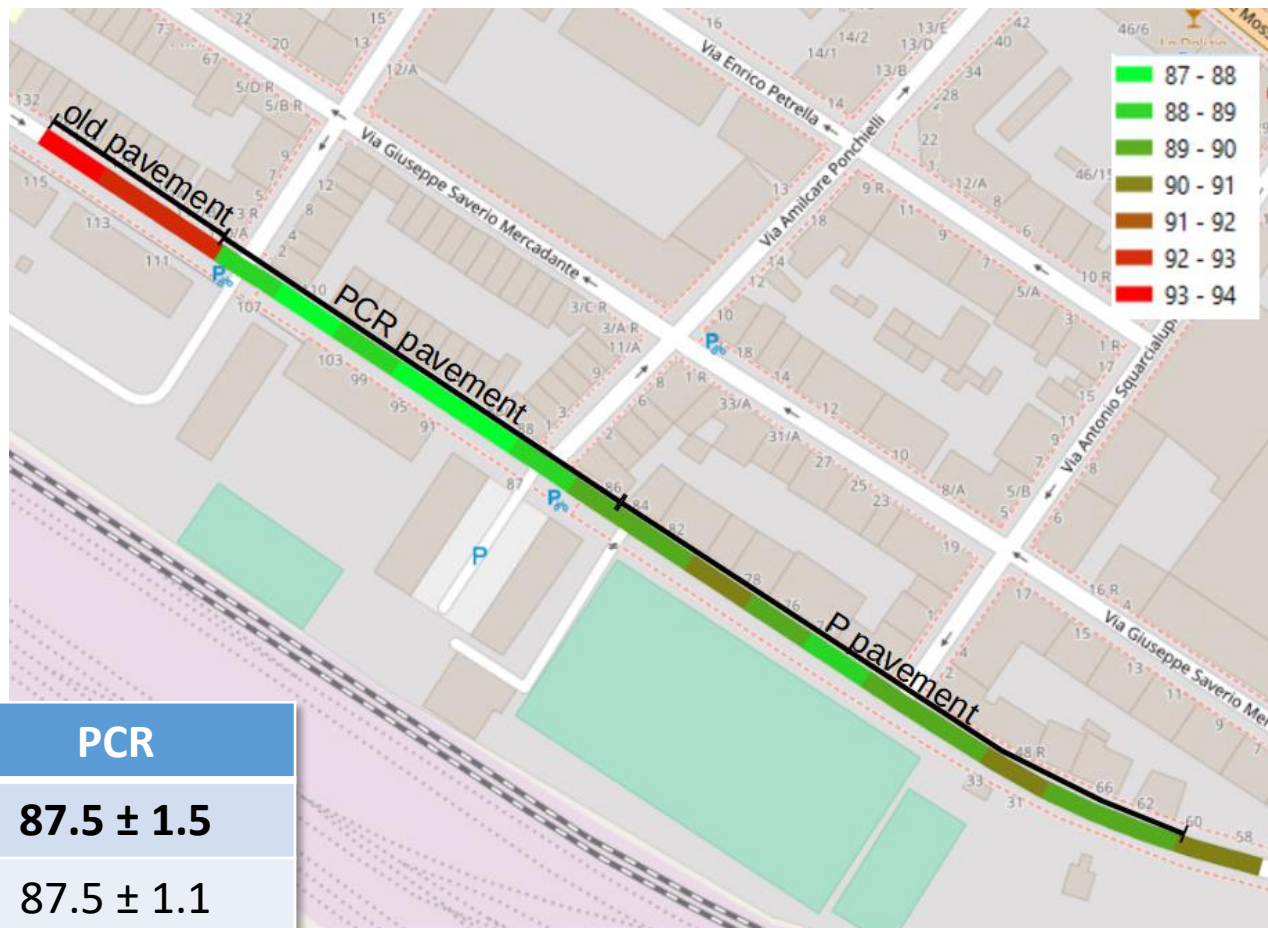
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## SUB-ACTION B4.1

Close Proximity Index - ICEVs

Lcpx @ 50km/h [dBA]

	P	PCR
Firenze	89.6 ± 1.1	87.5 ± 1.5
Nantes	88.1 ± 0.9	87.5 ± 1.1

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## SUB-ACTION B4.2

### Controlled Pass By - EVs



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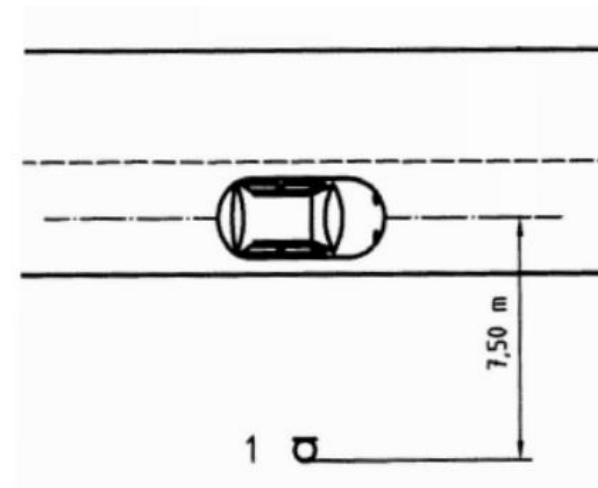
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### Controlled Pass By - EVs



Several Pass-by events were recorded in the two CPB points, at several speeds.

SLM were placed according to the figure below



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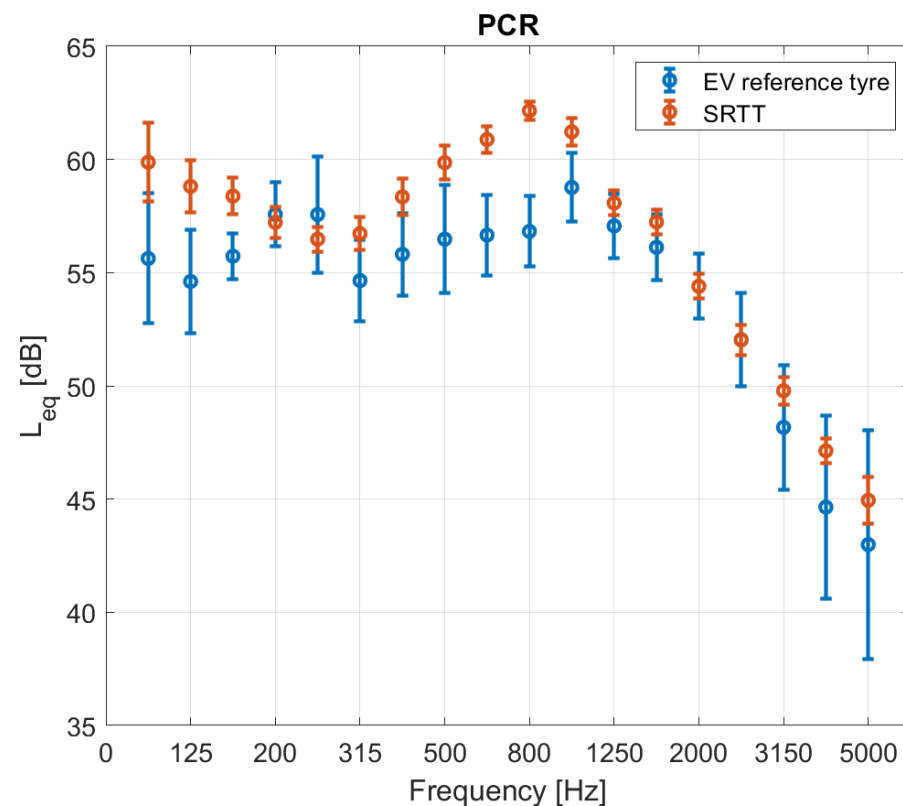
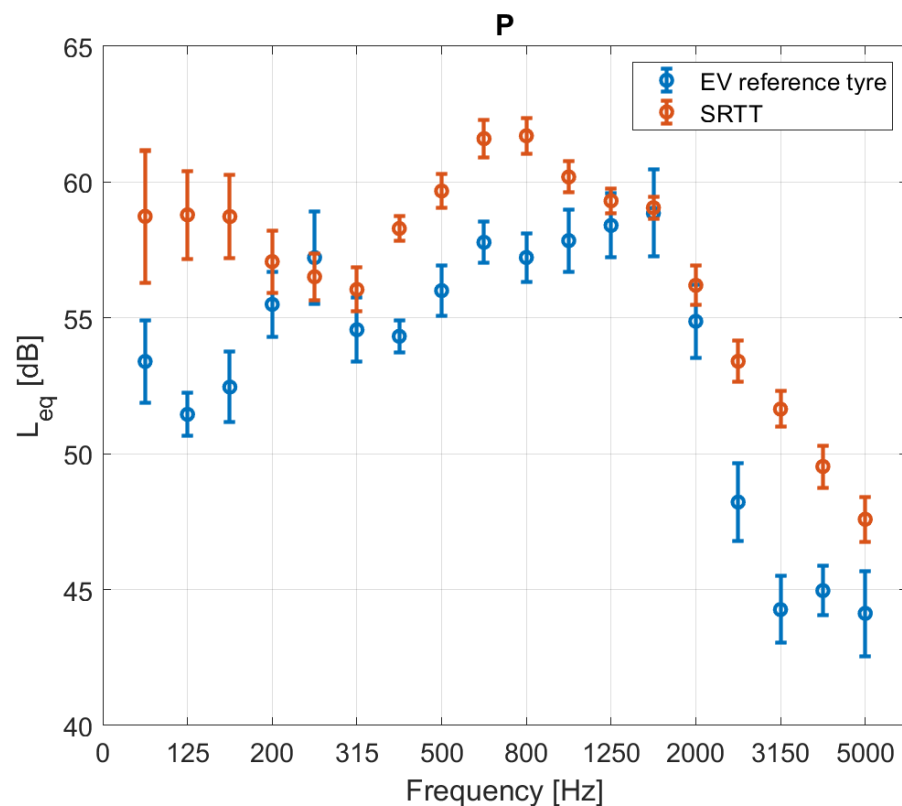
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### Controlled Pass By - EVs



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## SUB-ACTION B4.2

Controlled Pass By - EVs

## Firenze - Lcpb @50km/h [dBA]

	P	PCR
EV	$65.4 \pm 1.1$	$65.2 \pm 1.4$
SRTT	$67.9 \pm 0.4$	$67.4 \pm 0.4$

## Nantes - Lcpb @50km/h [dBA]

	P	PCR
SRTT	$66.8 \pm 0.3$	$66.8 \pm 0.4$

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## ACTION B6 – Evaluation of EV noise emissions

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di Firenze****Sub-action B6.1**

EV rolling noise CNOSSOS coefficients for the reference surface. ICEV rolling and engine noise analysis.

**Sub-action B6.2**

Evaluation of  $\Delta L_{wr,road}$  for the test track. EV and ICEV comparison for test track EV effectiveness

**Sub-action B6.3**

Noise mapping for inhabitants' exposure (Lden and Lnight as KPI)

**Sub-action B6.4**

Guideline for Regional and National pavement replacement policy

Milestone	B6 Guidelines issuing	09/2022
Deliverable	B6 Report	09/2022
	Guideline about the use and application of the methodology output	09/2022

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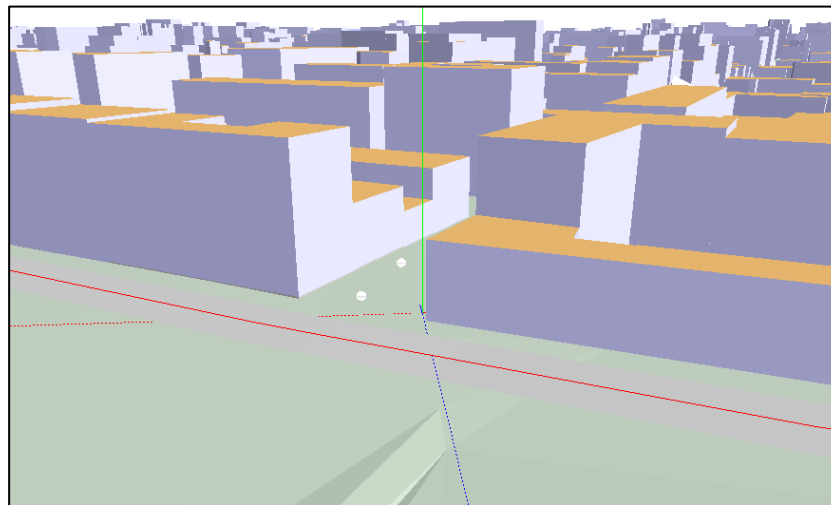
**CNOSSOS model parameters for EV vehicles**

A framework was created in order to obtain CNOSSOS model parameters for EV vehicles.

The process started from the data obtained by CPB with an EV vehicle with standard wheels.

Supposing the reference track as a standard reference surface in the model, the parameters of the vehicle emission can be derived using the equations provided by the COMMISSION DIRECTIVE (EU) 2015/996:

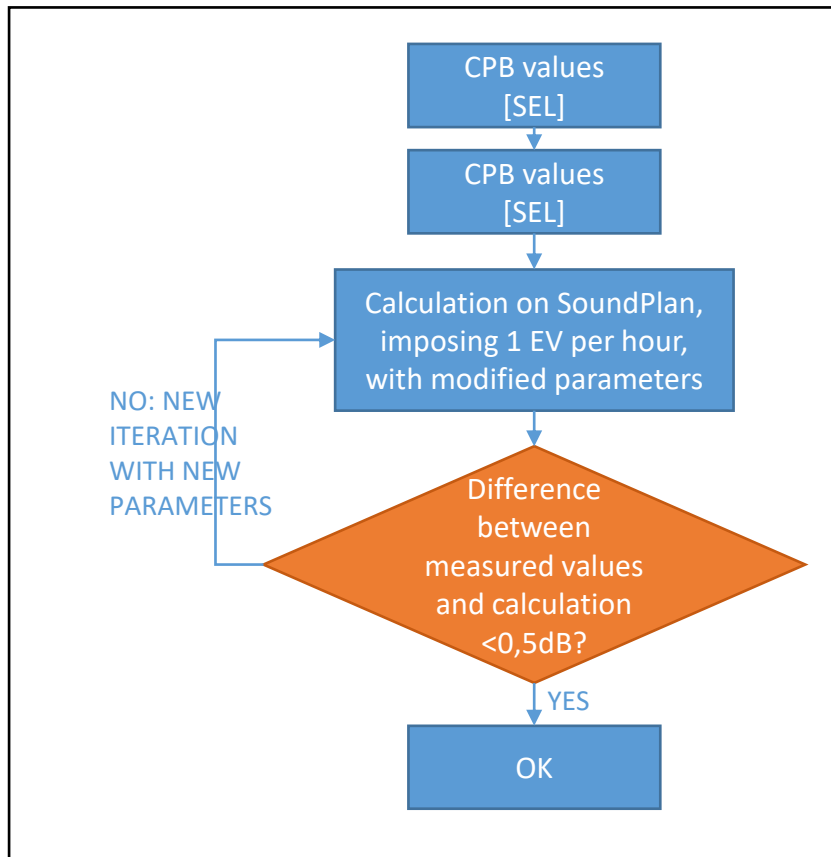
$$L_{W,EV} = L_{WR,EV} = A_{EV} + B_{EV} \log \left( \frac{v_{EV}}{v_{ref}} \right) + \Delta L_{WR,EV}$$

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## SUB-ACTION B6.1

### CNOSSOS model parameters for EV vehicles



A new category was created in the CNOSSOS database.

The difference between the values measured with the CPB method and the values derived from the calculation on software with the CNOSSOS methodology were calculated iteratively.

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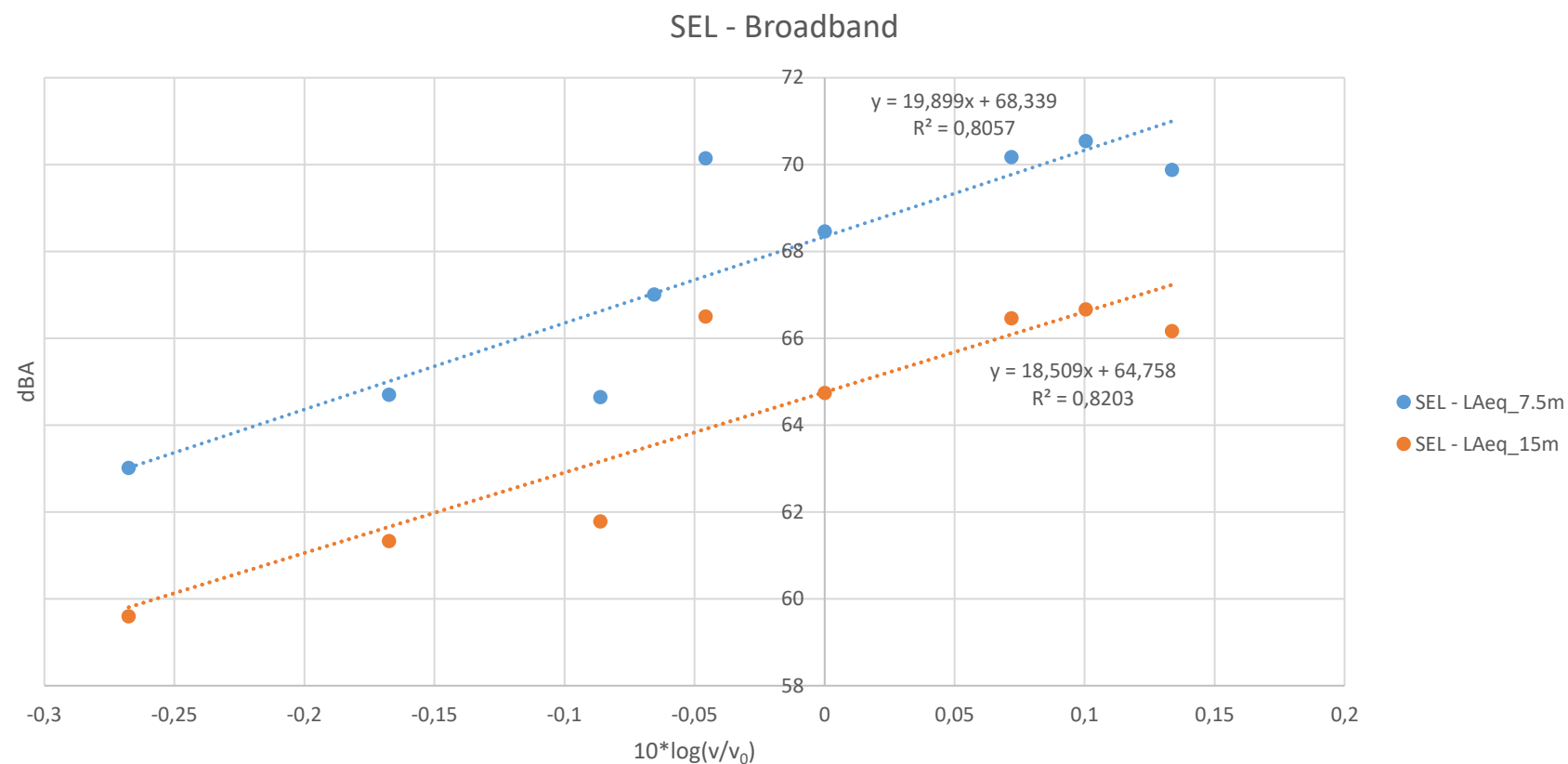
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## SUB-ACTION B6.1

### CNOSSOS model parameters for EV vehicles



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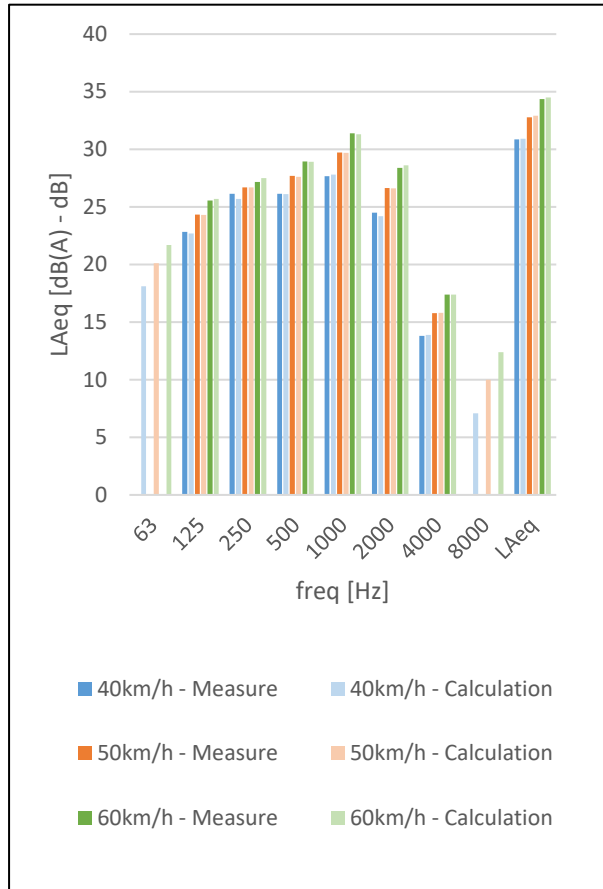
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## SUB-ACTION B6.1

CNOSSOS model parameters for EV vehicles

Mesaurements [SEL, dB(A) - dB] - 7.5m									
vel [km/h]	63 Hz	125 Hz	250 Hz	500 Hz	1000 Hz	2000 Hz	4000 Hz	8000 Hz	SEL
40-		58,4	61,7	61,7	63,2	60,0	49,4-		66,4
50-		59,9	62,3	63,2	65,3	62,2	51,4-		68,3
60-		61,1	62,7	64,5	67,0	63,9	53,0-		69,9
Mesaurements [LAeq, dB(A) - dB] - 7.5m									
vel [km/h]	63 Hz	125 Hz	250 Hz	500 Hz	1000 Hz	2000 Hz	4000 Hz	8000 Hz	LAeq
40-		22,8	26,1	26,1	27,7	24,5	13,8-		30,8
50-		24,3	26,7	27,7	29,7	26,6	15,8-		32,8
60-		25,6	27,2	28,9	31,4	28,4	17,4-		34,4
Calculation SoundPlan [LAeq, dB(A) - dB] - 7.5m									
vel [km/h]	63 Hz	125 Hz	250 Hz	500 Hz	1000 Hz	2000 Hz	4000 Hz	8000 Hz	LAeq
40	18,1	22,7	25,7	26,1	27,8	24,2	13,9	7,1	30,9
50	20,1	24,3	26,7	27,6	29,7	26,6	15,8	10	32,9
60	21,7	25,7	27,5	28,9	31,3	28,6	17,4	12,4	34,5
DELTA Mesaurements - Calculations [LAeq, dB(A) - dB] - 7.5m									
vel [km/h]	63 Hz	125 Hz	250 Hz	500 Hz	1000 Hz	2000 Hz	4000 Hz	8000 Hz	LAeq
40-		-0,1	-0,4	0,0	0,1	-0,3	0,1-		0,1
50-		0,0	0,0	-0,1	0,0	0,0	0,0-		0,1
60-		0,1	0,3	0,0	-0,1	0,2	0,0-		0,1

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## SUB-ACTION B6.1

**CNOSSOS model parameters for EV vehicles**

CNOSSOS 2021/2015 - SoundPlan 8.2							
Hz	aR	bR	aP	bP	ai	bi	Km
63	83,1	30,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,08
125	87,0	27,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,08
250	88,3	20,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,08
500	90,1	25,7	0,0	0,0	2,6	-3,1	0,08
1000	93,1	30,0	0,0	0,0	2,9	-6,4	0,08
2000	91,0	35,0	0,0	0,0	1,5	-14,0	0,08
4000	79,6	30,0	0,0	0,0	2,3	-22,4	0,08
8000	76,2	40,0	0,0	0,0	9,2	-11,4	0,08

As you can see, only rolling noise (aR, bR) has been taken in account

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## SUB-ACTION B6.2

**Calculation of the road surface properties within the CNOSSOS model**

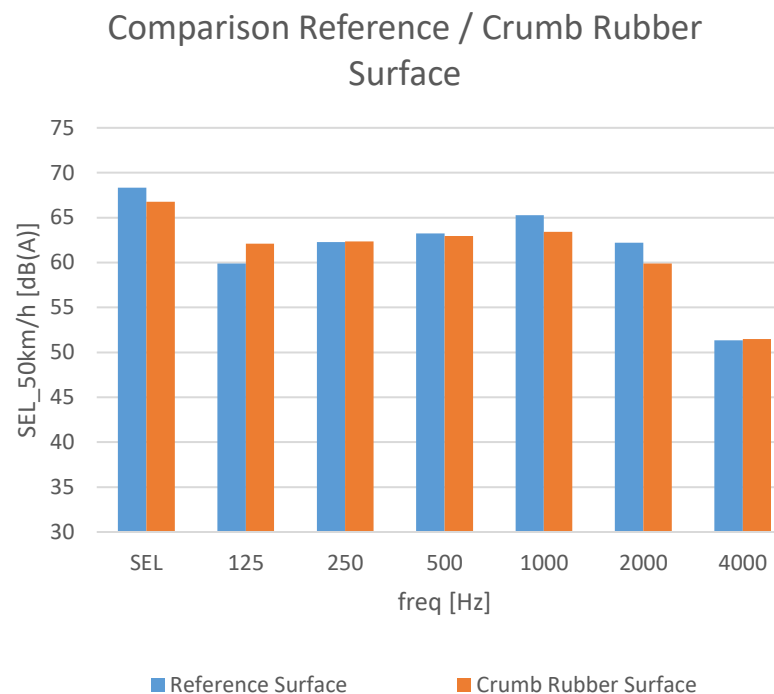
This sub-action deals with the calculation of the road surface properties within the CNOSSOS model.

The effects are evaluated from a single EV vehicle but will be further studied when an EV fleet will be at disposal.

The optimized surface  $\Delta L_{WR,EV}$  road component,  $\Delta L_{WR,road EV}$  is evaluated in a similar framework as Sub Action B6.1 using an analogous dataset from measurements performed in via Paisiello.

This component shares the same functional dependency with speed as the vehicle component:

$$\Delta L_{WR,road EV} = \alpha_{EV} + \beta_{EV} \log \left( \frac{v_{EV}}{v_{ref}} \right)$$



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## SUB-ACTION B6.2

Calculation of the road surface properties within the CNOSSOS model

Mesaurements [SEL, dB(A) - dB] - 7.5m									
vel [km/h]	63	125	250	500	1000	2000	4000	8000	SEL
40-		60,1	61,3	61,5	61,1	57,3	49,4-		<b>64,7</b>
50-		62,1	62,3	63,0	63,4	59,9	51,5-		<b>66,8</b>
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50	20,1	26,5	26,7	27,6	27,8	24,3	15,8	10	<b>31,4</b>
60	21,7	27,9	27,5	28,9	29,4	26,3	17,4	12,4	<b>33</b>
DELTA Mesaurements - Calculations [LAeq, dB(A) - dB] - 7.5m									
vel [km/h]	63	125	250	500	1000	2000	4000	8000	LAeq
40-		0,3	-0,1	0,2	0,4	0,2	0,1-		<b>0,4</b>
50-		0,0	-0,1	0,2	0,0	0,0	-0,1-		<b>0,2</b>
60-		-0,3	-0,1	0,3	-0,4	-0,1	-0,2-		<b>0,1</b>

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## SUB-ACTION B6.2

**Calculation of the road surface properties within the CNOSSOS model**

$\Delta L_{W,R,road\ EV}$ CNOSSOS Coefficient											
Veh.Cat.	Vmin km/h	Vmax km/h	alphan 63	alphan 125	alphan 250	alphan 500	alphan 1000	alphan 2000	alphan 4000	alphan 8000	betam
EV	20	130	0	2,2	0	0	-1,9	-2,3	0	0	0

For Crumb Rubber road surface, calculated on EVs, we have a slight increase in noise at 125Hz, while a decrease is observed in the 1000 and 2000Hz octave bands.

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2019		2020				2021				2022				2023	
III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II

The progress done for action B4 is well within initial project's expectations, so no delay is foreseen for the next steps. Further research is possible beyond the initial project's drafting.

### WHAT'S LEFT?

- Further analysis on experimental tires, aging/durability...
- Third and fourth measurement session
- B4 Report

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### ACTION PROGRESS – B6

2019		2020				2021				2022				2023	
III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II

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### WHAT'S LEFT?

- Further analysis on ICEV CPB, aging/durability...
- EV SPB
- Noise mapping and population exposure
- B6 Report
- B6 Guidelines

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## Experimental comparison of the acoustic performance of rubberized and conventional road surfaces

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# LIFE E-VIA

Electric **V**ehicle noise control by **A**ssessment and optimisation of tyre/ road interaction

[www.life-evia.eu](http://www.life-evia.eu)



## LIFE E-VIA PROJECT

Monitoring visit 25<sup>TH</sup> February 2022 - Firenze

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# ACTION B5



Change in one of the activities planned under Action B5:

**B5.1 Soundwalks and interview**



**B5.2 Interview in the pilot road on an electric taxi**



**B5.3 Interview on EV concerning different road pavements**



**B5.3 Ante- and post-operam interviews with residents**







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## LIFE E-VIA PROJECT

### 25 February 2022 - Vie en.ro.se Ingegneria



## B5.1 Soundwalks and interview

Steps:

- 1) Purchasing of instrumentation to carry out binaural recording and reproduction ✓
- 2) Recording of acoustic climate inside EV and ICE vehicles
- 3) Organization of soundwalks and recordings' reproduction ✓

Foreseen completion: March 2022

### TEMPLATE OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE RELATED TO SUB-ACTION B5.1

#### General soundscape perception

LISTENING POINT N. \_\_\_\_\_ (to be repeated for each listening point)

Question n. 1: Type and intensity of sounds heard at this listening point

(make an X mark for each)

Traffic
Nature sounds
Anthropic sounds
Mechanical/electrical sounds

Question n. 2: Type and

(make an X mark for each)

Traffic
Nature sounds
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Mechanical/electrical sounds

Question n. 3: How do you

(make an X mark in the box)

Bad

Question n. 4: Do you think

(make an X mark in the box)

Absolutely inappropriate

Question n. 5: How do you

(make an X mark in the box)

Bad

#### Interaction between different electric vehicles and asphalts

Question n. 6: How do you assess the intensity of noise produced by the vehicle passing through asphalt n.1?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Very low	Low	Fair	High	Very high

Question n. 7: In your opinion, how annoying is the noise produced by the vehicle passing through asphalt n.1?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Not at all	Only a little	To some extent	Rather much	Very much

Question n. 8: How do you assess the intensity of noise produced by the vehicle passing through asphalt n.2?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Very low	Low	Fair	High	Very high

Question n. 9: In your opinion, how annoying is the noise produced by the vehicle passing through asphalt n.2?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Not at all	Only a little	To some extent	Rather much	Very much

To be repeated for all the different combination between EVs and asphalts addresses

#### Listening of recordings made inside electric and internal combustion engine vehicles

Question n. 10: Imagine being in an Electric Vehicle and listening to the noise produced inside it. How do you assess the quality of the soundscape?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Bad	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent

To be repeated for all the different combination between EVs and asphalts addresses

Question n. 11: Imagine being in an Internal Combustion Engine Vehicle and listening to the noise produced inside it. How do you assess the quality of the soundscape?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Bad	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent

To be repeated for all the different combination between ICEVs and asphalts addresses

#### Personal sensibility

Question n.12: Do you feel sensitive to noise?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Not at all	Only a little	To some extent	Rather much	Very much



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## B5.2 Interview in the pilot road on an electric taxi

### TEMPLATE OF QUESTIONNAIRE RELATED TO SUB-ACTION B5.2

Florence, date

#### Interaction between different electric vehicles and asphalts

Question n. 1: How do you assess the intensity of noise produced by the vehicle passing through asphalt n.1?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Very low	Low	Fair	High	Very high

Question n. 2: In your opinion, how annoying is the noise produced by the vehicle passing through asphalt n.1?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Not at all	Only a little

Question n. 3: How do you assess the intensity of noise produced by the vehicle passing through asphalt n.2?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Very low	Low

Question n. 4: In your opinion, how annoying is the noise produced by the vehicle passing through asphalt n.2?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Not at all	Only a little

Question n. 5: How do you assess the intensity of noise produced by the vehicle passing through asphalt n.3?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Very low	Low

Question n. 6: In your opinion, how annoying is the noise produced by the vehicle passing through asphalt n.3?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Not at all	Only a little

#### Listening of recordings made in open field condition

Question n. 7: Listen to the recording made in open field condition along this road and related to the noise produced by an Electric Vehicle. How do you assess the quality of the soundscape?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Bad	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent

To be repeated for all the different combination between EVs and asphalts addresses

Question n. 8: Listen to the recording made in open field condition along this road and related to the noise produced by an Internal Combustion Engine Vehicle. How do you assess the quality of the soundscape?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Bad	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent

To be repeated for all the different combination between ICEVs and asphalts addresses

#### Personal sensibility

Question n.9: Do you feel sensitive to noise?

(make an X mark in the box that most closely matches your opinion)

Not at all	Only a little	To some extent	Rather much	Very much



Steps:

- 1) Purchasing of instrumentation to carry out binaural recording and reproduction
- 2) Agreement with Taxy company
- 3) Organizations of surveys

Foreseen completion: March 2022



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## B5.3 Ante- and post-operam interviews with residents



DIREZIONE AMBIENTE  
SERVIZIO Rifiuti, Igiene Pubblica, Ambientale e del Territorio  
P.O. Igiene Pubblica, Ambientale e Vivibilità Urbana

Firenze, 2 luglio 2021

### Oggetto: Avviso somministrazione questionario ai residenti di via Paisiello

Gentile cittadina/o,

il comune di Firenze è il capofila del progetto LIFE E-VIA (Electric Vehicle noise control by Assessment and optimization of tyre/road interaction/Controllo del rumore dei veicoli elettrici mediante valutazione e ottimizzazione dell'interazione pneumatico/strada – [www.life-evia.eu](http://www.life-evia.eu)) co-finanziato dall'Unione Europea. Il progetto è iniziato nel 2019 e si concluderà ad inizio 2023.

Fra le azioni che verranno realizzate nel progetto, vi è la stesa di un asfalto ottimizzato per la riduzione del rumore in un'area pilota, individuata dal Comune in un tratto di Via Paisiello, compreso tra via Rinuccini e via Vivaldi.

Tra i vari obiettivi del progetto vi è anche quello di sensibilizzare i cittadini sui temi dell'inquinamento acustico e sugli effetti sulla salute, spiegando le opportunità offerte dai veicoli elettrici attraverso eventi specifici di divulgazione e promozione e indagando anche sulla la percezione del rumore da parte delle persone, mediante l'utilizzo della metodologia di analisi del paesaggio sonoro.

A tal fine, un incaricato dal comune di Firenze e da Vie en.ro.se Ingegneria si presenterà presso il suo domicilio, nei giorni 6 e 7 luglio 2021 e le consegnerà un breve questionario da compilare al momento, fornendole qualche semplice istruzione. Per la compilazione saranno necessari al massimo 5 minuti. Il questionario sarà poi ritirato dallo stesso incaricato. Si precisa che l'incaricato non accederà alla sua abitazione, ma sosterrà all'esterno e sarà dotato di tesserino di riconoscimento.

Il trattamento dei dati personali avverrà in modo riservato e la successiva pubblicazione dei risultati sarà realizzata con modalità tali da non consentire la riconducibilità delle risposte espresse alla persona intervistata.

La ringraziamo anticipatamente per la cortese e preziosa collaborazione.

Per ulteriori informazioni:

Ing. Chiara Bartalucci – 055 4379140

Dott.ssa Gessica Pecchioni – 055 2625360

Il Responsabile

Dr. Arnaldo Melloni – Direzione Ambiente comune di Firenze

A couple of days before the questionnaires' delivering, an informative letter has been provided to residents.







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## B5.3 Ante-operam interviews with residents



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SERVIZIO Rifiuti, Igiene Pubblica, Ambientale e del Territorio  
P.O. Igiene Pubblica, Ambientale e Vivibilità Urbana

Firenze, 7 luglio 2021

### Oggetto: Compilazione e ritiro questionario progetto LIFE E-VIA

Gentile cittadina/o,

come da comunicazione scritta ricevuta lo scorso 5 luglio, nell'ambito del progetto europeo LIFE E-VIA – [www.life-evia.eu](http://www.life-evia.eu) coordinato dal comune di Firenze, è in corso un'indagine sulla percezione del rumore rivolta ai residenti di via Paisiello.

Alleghiamo alla presente il questionario che le chiediamo gentilmente di compilare. Le chiediamo, inoltre, di contattare l'incaricato dal comune di Firenze e da Vie en.ro.se Ingegneria (Ing. Chiara Bartalucci – Dott.ssa Giulia Iannuzzi, tel. 055 4379140, e-mail [chiara.bartalucci@vienrose.it](mailto:chiara.bartalucci@vienrose.it)) per concordare il ritiro del questionario.

Nel caso in cui abbia già ricevuto il questionario nei giorni 6 e 7 luglio 2021 e lo abbia già compilato, le chiediamo, analogamente, di contattare l'incaricato dal comune di Firenze e da Vie en.ro.se Ingegneria (Ing. Chiara Bartalucci – Dott.ssa Giulia Iannuzzi, tel. 055 4379140, e-mail [chiara.bartalucci@vienrose.it](mailto:chiara.bartalucci@vienrose.it)) per concordare il ritiro.

Ricordiamo che il trattamento dei dati personali avverrà in modo riservato e la successiva pubblicazione dei risultati sarà realizzata con modalità tali da non consentire la riconducibilità delle risposte espresse alla persona intervistata.

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### THE PROJECT

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### THE SURVEY

*The goal of this questionnaire is to collect data on the perception of the soundscape. In addition to some initial general questions, we kindly ask you to answer 10 questions related to the perception of the soundscape close to your home. Your personal data will be treated as strictly confidential and the publication of the survey results will ensure the non-recognition of the responses. Please answer all questions in order, following the instructions provided.*

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

11. Age: ☐ 18-25 ☐ 26-40 ☐ 41-55 ☐ 56-65 ☐ 66-75 ☐ >75
12. Gender: ☐ Female ☐ Male
13. Education: ☐ Primary school ☐ Middle School ☐ High School ☐ Bachelor's Degree ☐ Ph.D. ☐ Master
14. Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_
15. City of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_
16. Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_

D1. Does your home have windows overlooking via Paisiello? ☐ No ☐ Yes

D2. If so, which are the rooms that overlook via Paisiello?  
(Make an X mark in the box for each room overlooking via Paisiello)





## B5.3 Ante-operam interviews with residents

Room	Overlooking via Paisiello
Bedroom	<input type="checkbox"/>
Single Bedroom	<input type="checkbox"/>
Livingroom	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kitchen	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bathroom	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other: ..... (Please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>

D3. How do you assess the intensity of the following four types of sound in the soundscape around you?  
(make an X mark for each type of sound in the box that best matches your opinion)

Type of sound	Very Low	Low	Fair	High	Very High
Traffic (eg. Cars, motorcycles, clacson ...)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mechanical/electrical sounds (es. music, industries, sirens, constructions...)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Anthropic sounds (es. voices, laughter, children, steps...)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nature sounds (es. wind, rustling leaves, birds ...)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

D4. How do you assess the quality of the soundscape around you?  
(Please, tick the box that best matches your opinion)

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Very Bad										Excellent

D5. Do you think the soundscape around you is appropriate for this place?  
(Please, tick the box that best matches your opinion)

Absolutely inappropriate	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Completely appropriate

D6. To what extent does it agree with the following statements about the sound environment around it??  
(Please tick the box that best matches your opinion for each row)

The soundscape is:	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
Enjoyable	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chaotic	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Interesting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Boring	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Relaxing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Disturbing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lively	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monotonous	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

D7. How do you assess the quality of the urban landscape around you?  
(Please tick the box that best matches your opinion)

Very Bad	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Excellent

D8. Do you think that implementation of interventions for the reduction of noise could increase the value of your home?  
(Please tick the box that best matches your opinion)

Not at all	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Surely

D9. Do you think that your health can be affected by the reduction of noise levels close to your home?

(Please tick the box that best matches your opinion)

Not at all	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Surely

D10. How do you assess your sensitivity to sounds?

(Please tick the box that best matches your opinion)

Very low	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Very High

Informative letters and questionnaires have been delivered directly in the residents' mailbox and collected in the same way after compilation.



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## B5.3 Post-operam interviews with residents



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SERVIZIO Rifiuti, Igiene Pubblica, Ambientale e del Territorio  
P.O. Igiene Pubblica, Ambientale e Vivibilità Urbana

Firenze, 20 settembre 2021

### Oggetto: Compilazione e ritiro questionario post-operam progetto LIFE E-VIA

Gentile cittadina/o,

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In aggiunta al questionario da lei gentilmente compilato a luglio prima che venisse realizzata la stesa di un asfalto ottimizzato per la riduzione del rumore in un tratto di Via Paisiello, le chiediamo cortesemente di compilare un nuovo breve questionario che allegiamo alla presente.

Per qualsiasi dubbio riguardo alla compilazione può contattare l'incaricato dal comune di Firenze e da Vie en.ro.se Ingegneria (Ing. Chiara Bartalucci e-mail [chiara.bartalucci@vienrose.it](mailto:chiara.bartalucci@vienrose.it) – Dott.ssa Giulia Iannuzzi e-mail [giulia.iannuzzi@vienrose.it](mailto:giulia.iannuzzi@vienrose.it), tel. 055 4379140).

Una volta compilato da lei ed eventualmente dai suoi familiari, le chiediamo gentilmente di lasciare i/i questionari/o nella cassetta delle lettere dell'impianto sportivo M. Pacini dell'A.S.D.L.F. Firenze Calcio, in via Paisiello 15r, entro il 28/09/2021.

Ricordiamo che il trattamento dei dati personali avverrà in modo riservato e la successiva pubblicazione dei risultati sarà realizzata con modalità tali da non consentire la riconducibilità delle risposte espresse alla persona intervistata.

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Disturbing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lively	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Monotonous	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

D7. How do you assess the quality of the urban landscape around you?  
(Please tick the box that best matches your opinion)

Very Bad	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Excellent
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D8. To what extent has the noise of traffic you perceived changed in the past months?  
(Please tick the box that best matches your opinion)

Increased				Stable		Decreased				
Very much		fairly		slightly		Slightly		Fairly		Very much
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

D9. How do you assess the effects of the re-paving of via Paisiello with the new asphalt on the traffic sound you perceive from your home?  
(Please tick the box that best matches your opinion)

Negative				Irrelevant		Positive				
Very much		fairly		slightly		Poco		Abbastanza		Molto
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

D10. Do you think that the implementation of a low-noise asphalt has increased the value of your home?  
(Please tick the box that best matches your opinion)

Not at all	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Surely
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D11. Do you think that your health can be improved by the recent reduction of noise levels close to your home?  
(Please tick the box that best matches your opinion)

Not at all	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Surely
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D12. How do you assess your sensitivity to sounds?  
(Please tick the box that best matches your opinion)

Very low	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Very High
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### Collected questionnaires

Ante-operam		Post-operam	
Delivered	Filled	Delivered	Filled
92	56	101	56







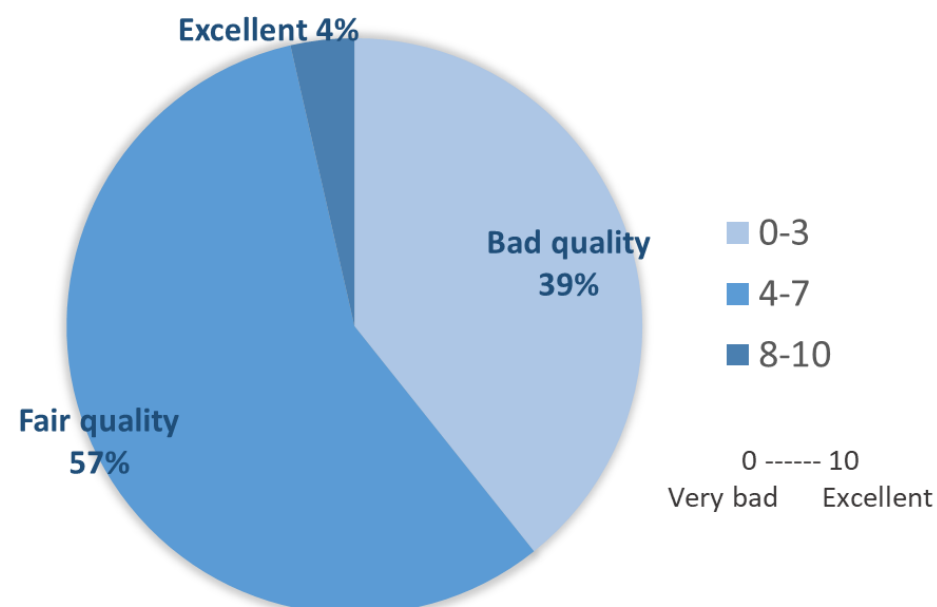
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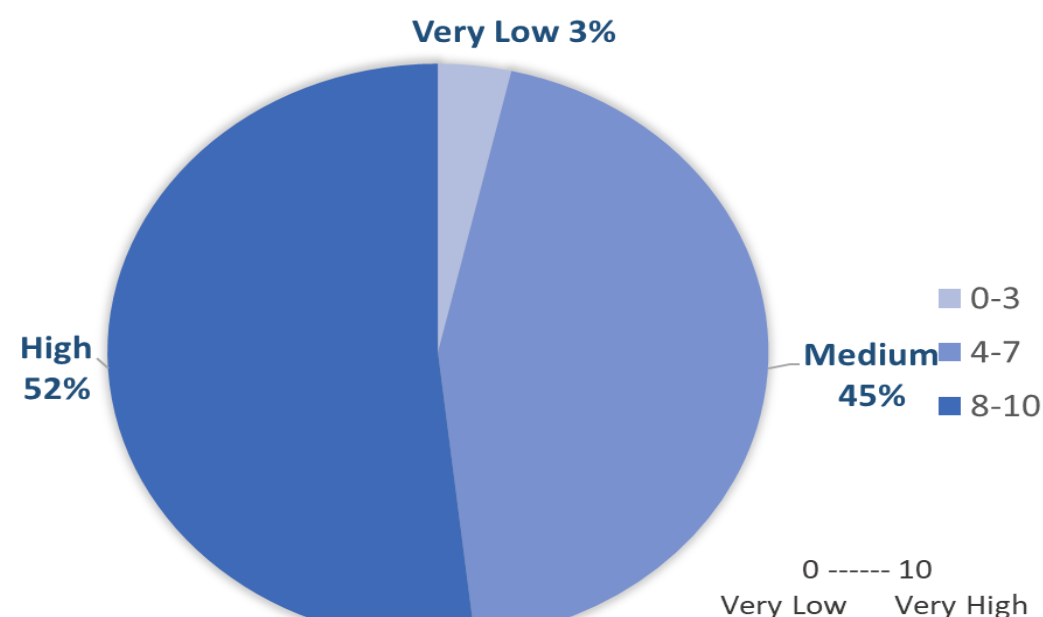
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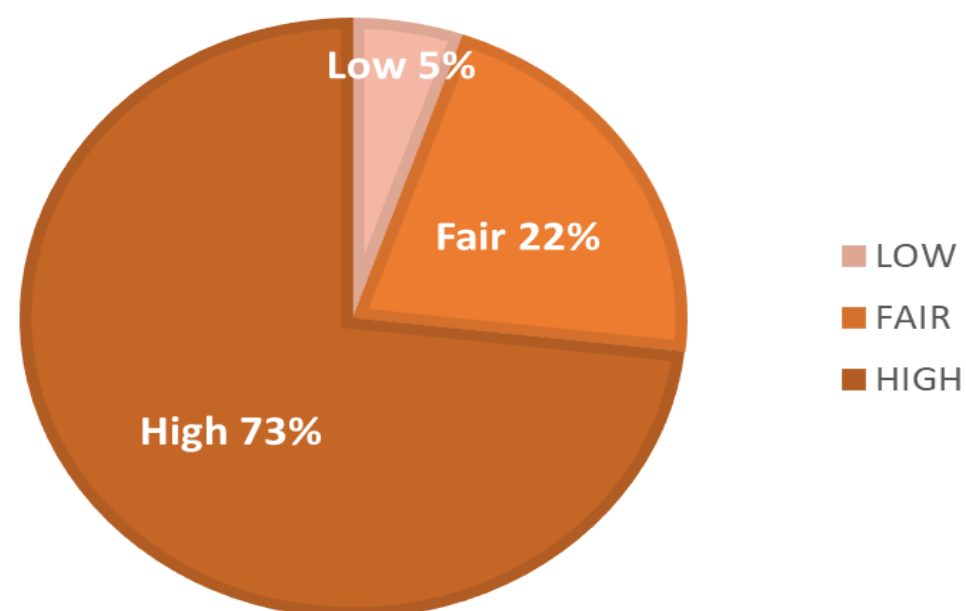
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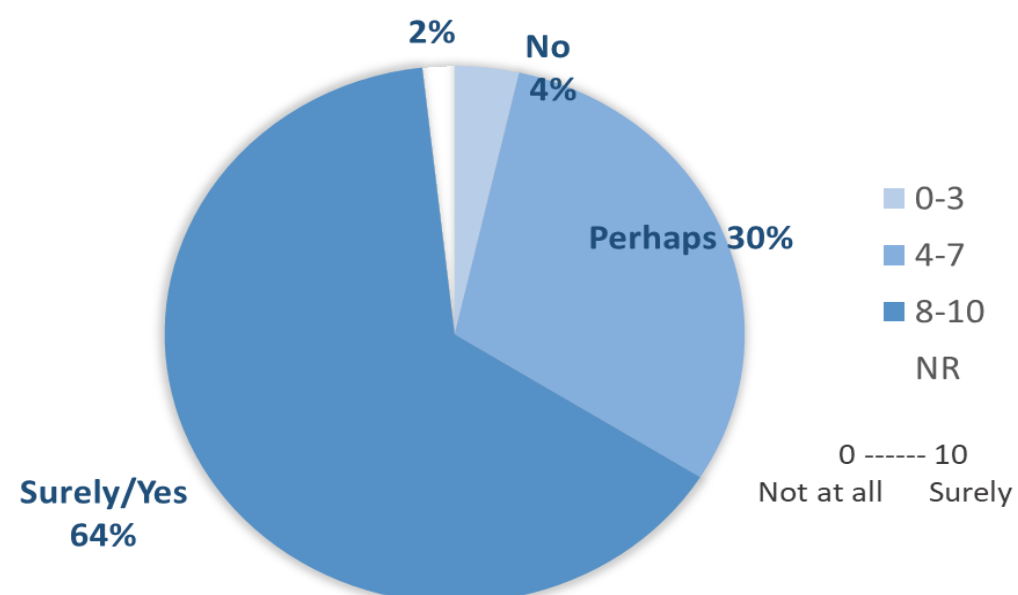
HOW DO YOU ASSESS YOUR SENSITIVITY TO SOUNDS?



HOW DO YOU ASSESS THE INTENSITY OF TRAFFIC NOISE IN THE SOUNDSCAPE AROUND YOU?



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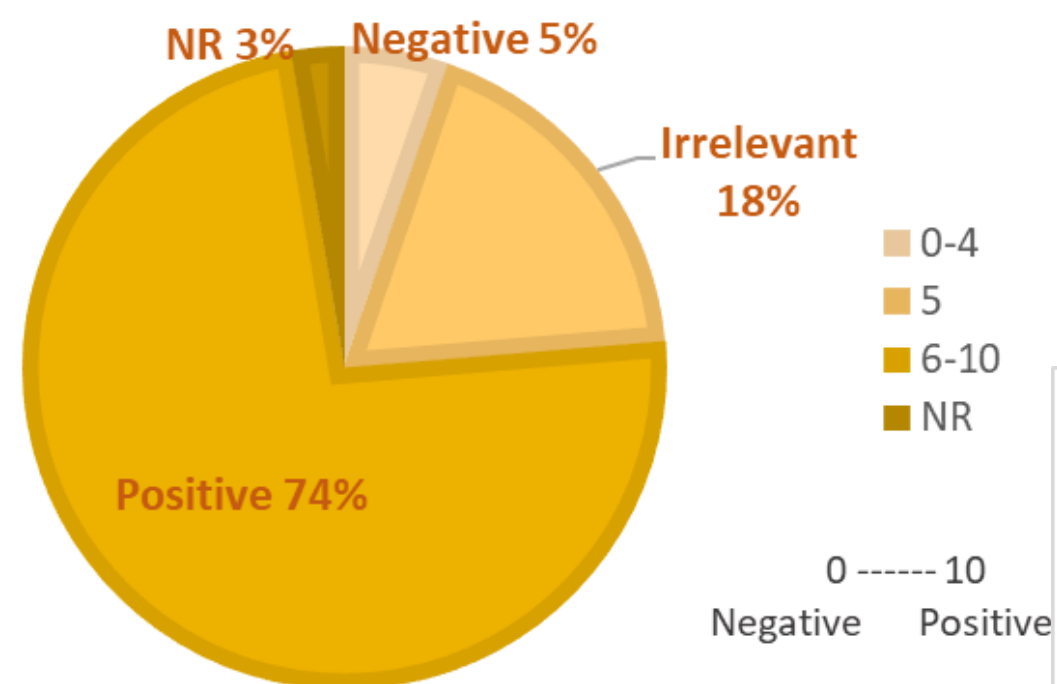


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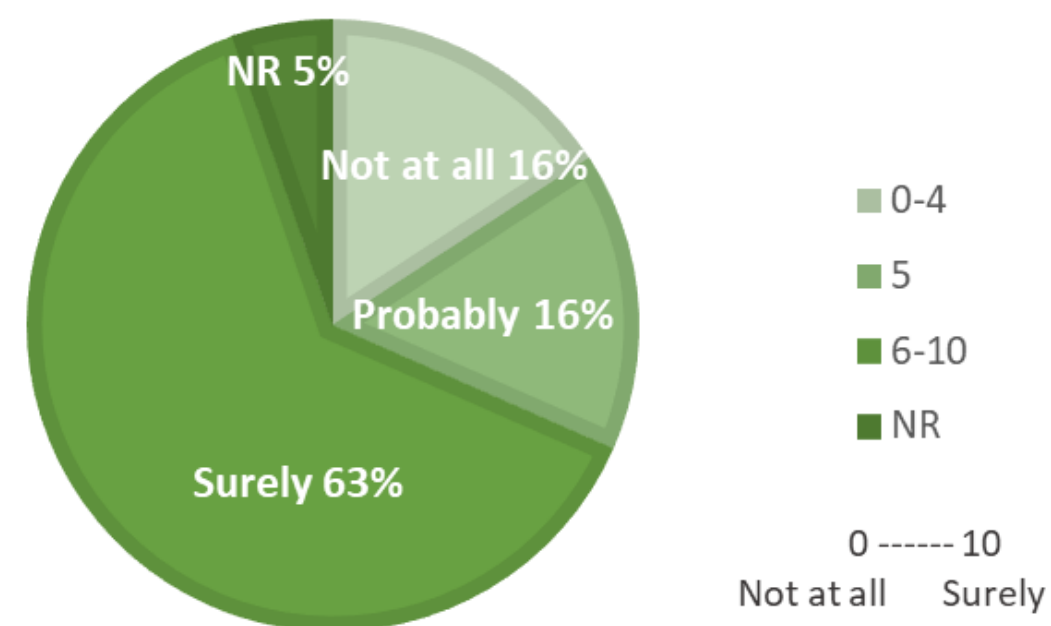


## Post-operam descriptive analysis

HOW DO YOU ASSESS THE EFFECTS OF THE RE-PAVING OF VIA PAISIELLO WITH THE NEW ASPHALT ON THE TRAFFIC SOUND ?



DO YOU THINK THAT YOUR HEALTH CAN BE IMPROVED BY THE RECENT REDUCTION OF NOISE LEVELS CLOSE TO YOUR HOME?



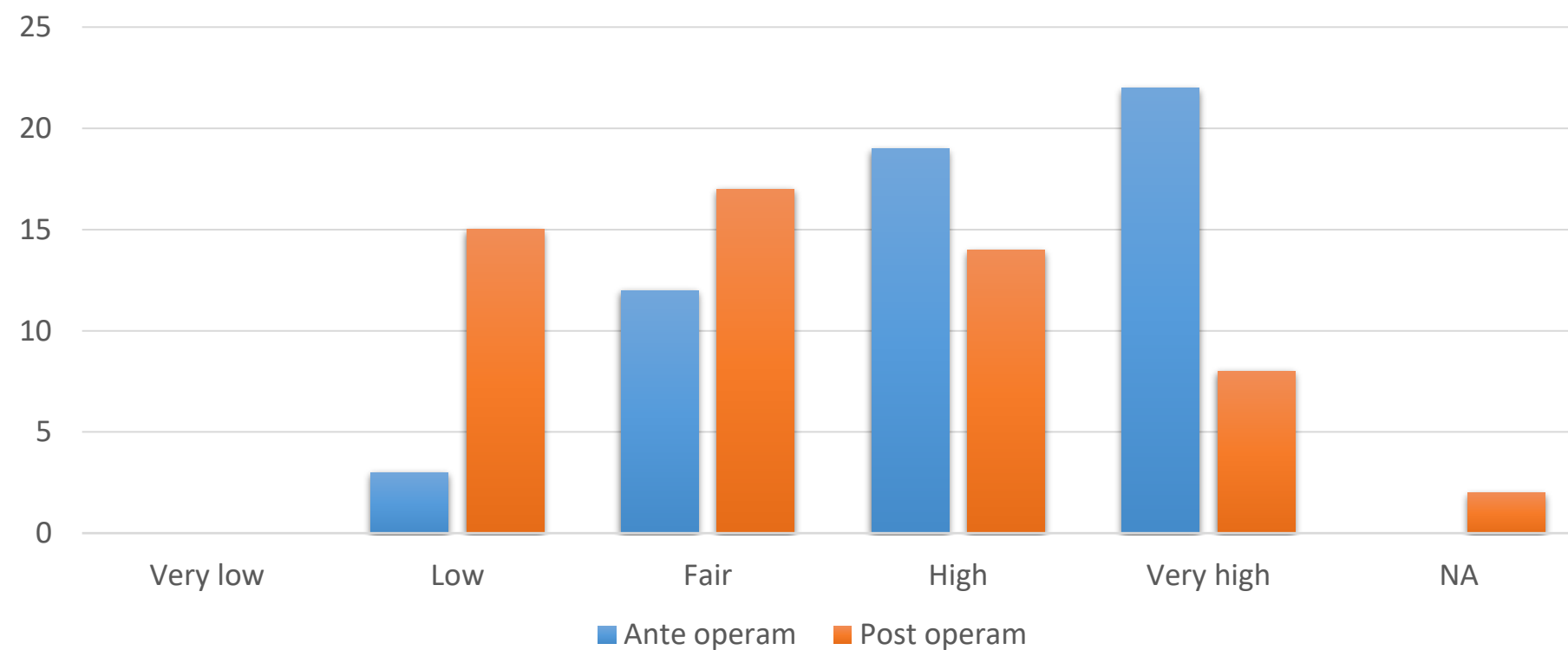


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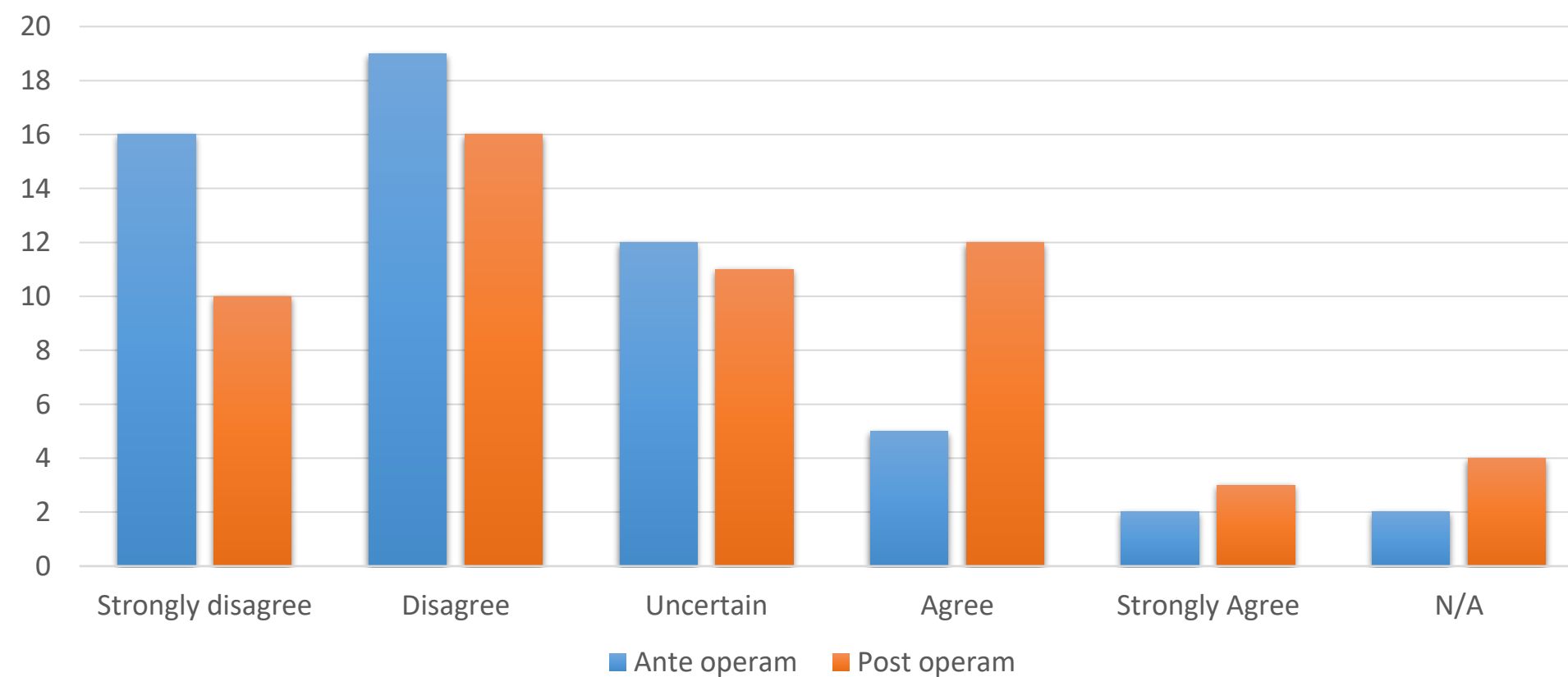


## Comparison between ante and post

Perception of traffic sounds



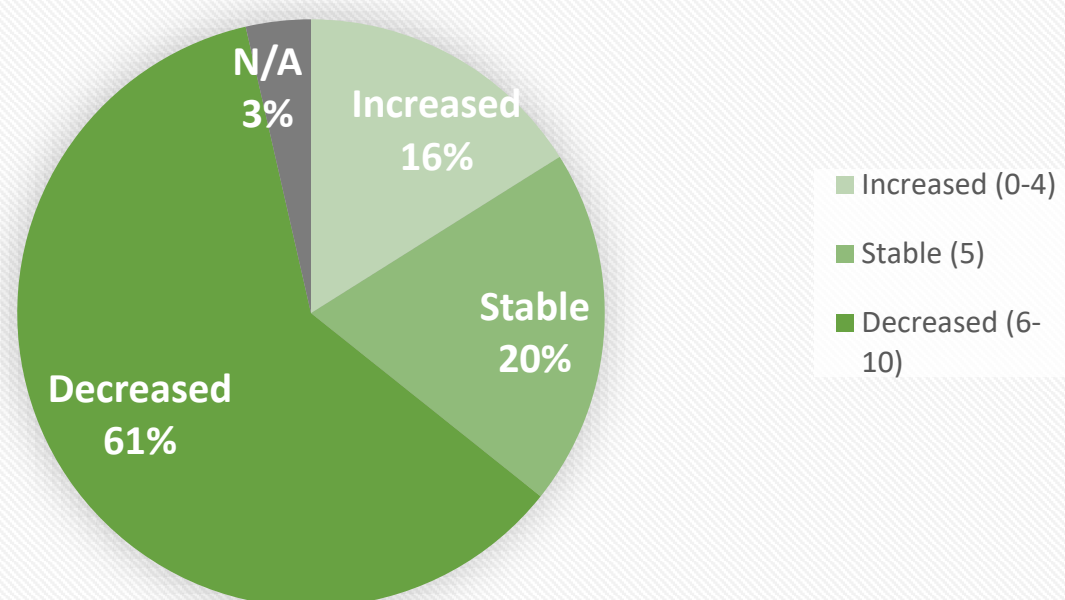
Is the soundscape enjoyable?



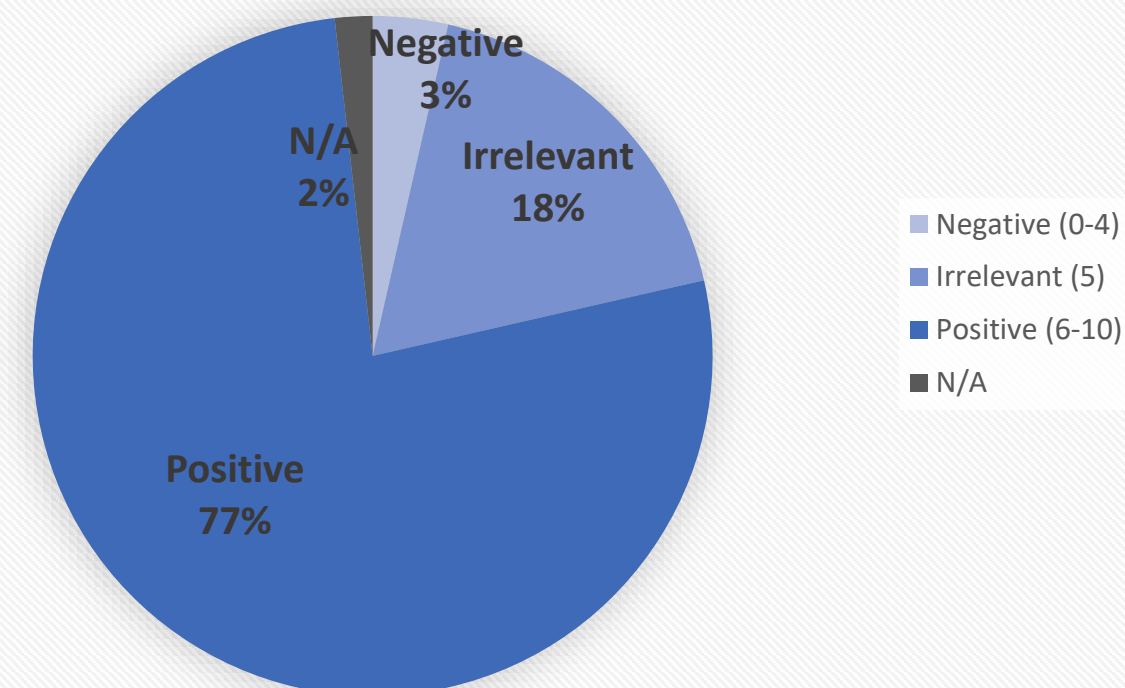


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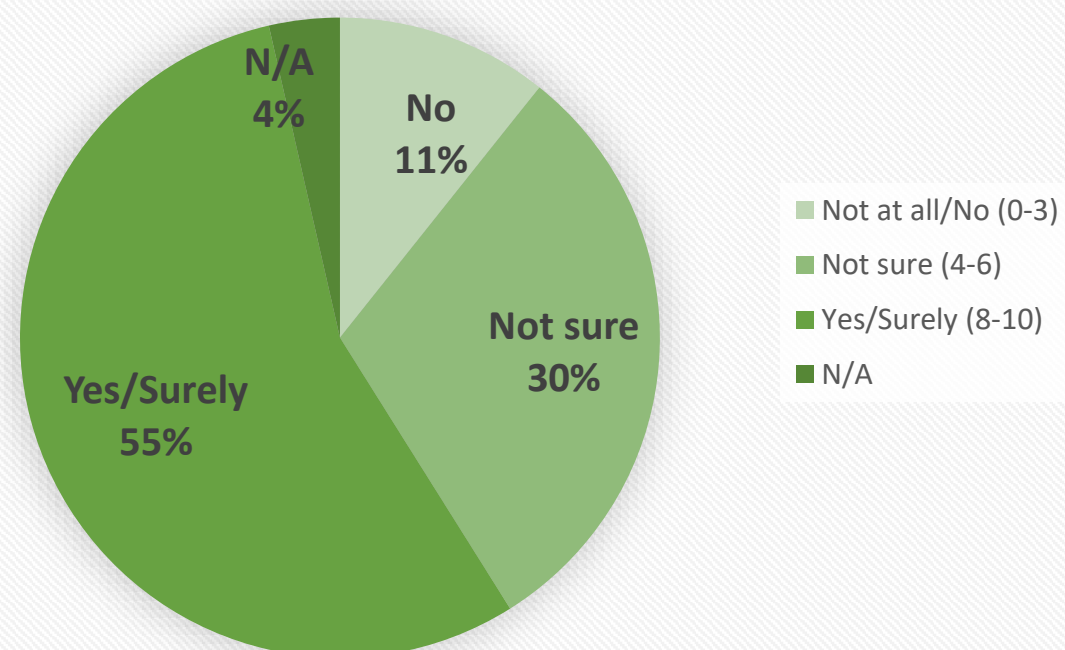
To what extent has the noise of traffic you perceived changed in the past months?



How do you assess the effects of the re-paving of via Paisiello with the new asphalt on the traffic sound ?



The implementation of a low-noise asphalt has increased the value of your home ?







## Link between Pearson chi-square test and regression model

Variable		$\chi^2$	DoF	p-value
Age		2.3173	5	0.8037
Gender		2.1455	3	0.5428
Education		4.3015	6	0.636
Occupation		7.3956	5	0.1928
Residency		1.1813	2	0.554
Nationality		2.1569	2	0.3401
Windows overlooking via Paisiello		2.7451	1*	0.09755
Rooms overlooking via Paisiello		1.2243	5	0.9425
Intensity of perceived sounds		0.63894	3	0.8875
Perception of traffic sounds		18.153	4*	0.001152
Perception of technological sounds		8.4923	5	0.1311
Perception of anthropic sounds		4.1765	5	0.5243
Perception of natural sounds		3.7271	4*	0.4442
Soundscape quality		11.889	3	0.007774
Soundscape congruence		10.5	3	0.01476
Soundscape attributes		13.709	7	0.0566
Soundscape	Enjoyable	5.4343	5	0.3652
	Chaotic	4.8532	5	0.4341
	Interesting	1.7825	4*	0.7757
	Boring	5.547	5	0.3528
	Relaxing	6.1182	4*	0.1905
	Disturbing	15.221	5	0.009457
	Lively	3.2017	5	0.6689
	Monotonuous	5.3131	5	0.3789
Landscape quality		1.4815	3	0.6865
Sound sensitivity		2.5753	3	0.4618

**Pearson chi-square test:** some variables turn out to be significantly dependent on situation (ante/post).

To better analyze whether the re-pavement has brought improvements in terms of perception of sounds we use the variable “**soundscape quality**”, which is “sensitive” on situation, as dependent variable in a regression model.

With the use of **regression models** we can establish if there are relationships between the response variable (“soundscape quality” ) and other covariates relating to perceptions of sounds or characteristics of the surrounding environment in the ante/post intervention periods.



## Ordinal logit model

Firstly, we compare all the response values of the covariates and the response variable, between the two periods by creating original variables with a value of 0 if the value has decreased; 1 if it has remained unchanged and 2 if it has increased.

Given the nature of the variables created, we choose to use an **ordinal logit model**.

An ordered logit model for an ordinal response  $Y_i$  with  $C$  categories is defined by a set of  $C-1$  equations where the cumulative probabilities are related to a linear predictor  $\beta'x_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1x_{1i} + \beta_2x_{2i} + \dots$  through the logit function:

$$\text{logit}(g_{ci}) = \log\left(\frac{g_{ci}}{1 - g_{ci}}\right) = \alpha_c - \boldsymbol{\beta}'\mathbf{x}_i$$

The parameters  $\alpha_c$ , called thresholds or cutpoints, are in increasing order ( $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2 < \dots < \alpha_{C-1}$ ).



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## Model

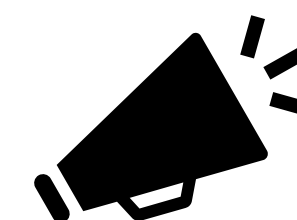
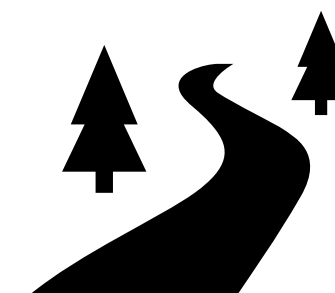
$$\text{logit}(\text{"soundscape quality"}_{ci}) = \alpha_c - (\beta_1 * \text{traffic\_sounds} + \beta_2 * \text{interesting\_soundscape} + \beta_3 * \text{nature\_sounds} + \beta_4 * \text{relaxing\_soundscape} + \beta_5 * \text{sensitivity\_sounds})$$

qual_amb	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
<b>traffico</b>						
Unchanged	-7.047367	2.399337	-2.94	0.003	-11.74998	-2.344753
Yes	-8.004159	3.208891	-2.49	0.013	-14.29347	-1.714848
<b>interessante</b>						
Unchanged	5.320089	2.049402	2.60	0.009	1.303335	9.336843
Yes	1.914986	1.556173	1.23	0.218	-1.135057	4.96503
<b>natura</b>						
Unchanged	-.6013872	1.685393	-0.36	0.721	-3.904697	2.701922
Yes	9.055464	3.111493	2.91	0.004	2.957049	15.15388
<b>rilassante</b>						
Unchanged	4.754028	2.527349	1.88	0.060	-.1994857	9.707541
Yes	3.73245	2.311063	1.62	0.106	-.7971497	8.262049
<b>sensibilita</b>						
Unchanged	4.547256	2.190113	2.08	0.038	.2547141	8.839798
Yes	1.598098	1.349631	1.18	0.236	-1.047129	4.243325
/cut1	3.365244	2.201415			-.9494507	7.679939
/cut2	6.073346	2.42071			1.328842	10.81785



## Results

- For the **traffic sounds** variable who did not vary the response between the two periods or who responded that they heard **less traffic in the post-intervention** period tended to give a **higher score on the soundscape quality** than those who found a worsening in the traffic perception.
- Instead for the **nature sounds** the model shows that who hear **more the sounds of nature in the post-intervention** period than those who hear them less tend to perceive a **better soundscape quality**.
- Looking at the characteristics of the "interesting" and "relaxing" environment we note that in the first case those who find the **environment interesting in the same way** in the two periods compared to those who find it less interesting tend to perceive a **better soundscape quality**. While for the "relaxing" characteristic, those who find the **relaxing environment in the same way or more relaxing in the second period** compared to who find the environment less relaxing tend to perceive a **higher soundscape quality**.
- Finally, those who responded that they were **sensitive to the environment in the same way** tend to perceive a **better soundscape quality** than those who were less sensitive in the second period.







## **Report on Action B5**

### **A SURVEY TO EVALUATE RESIDENTS' SOUNDSCAPE PERCEPTION BEFORE AND AFTER THE IMPLEMENTATION OF LOW-NOISE ASPHALT IN THE PILOT CASE**

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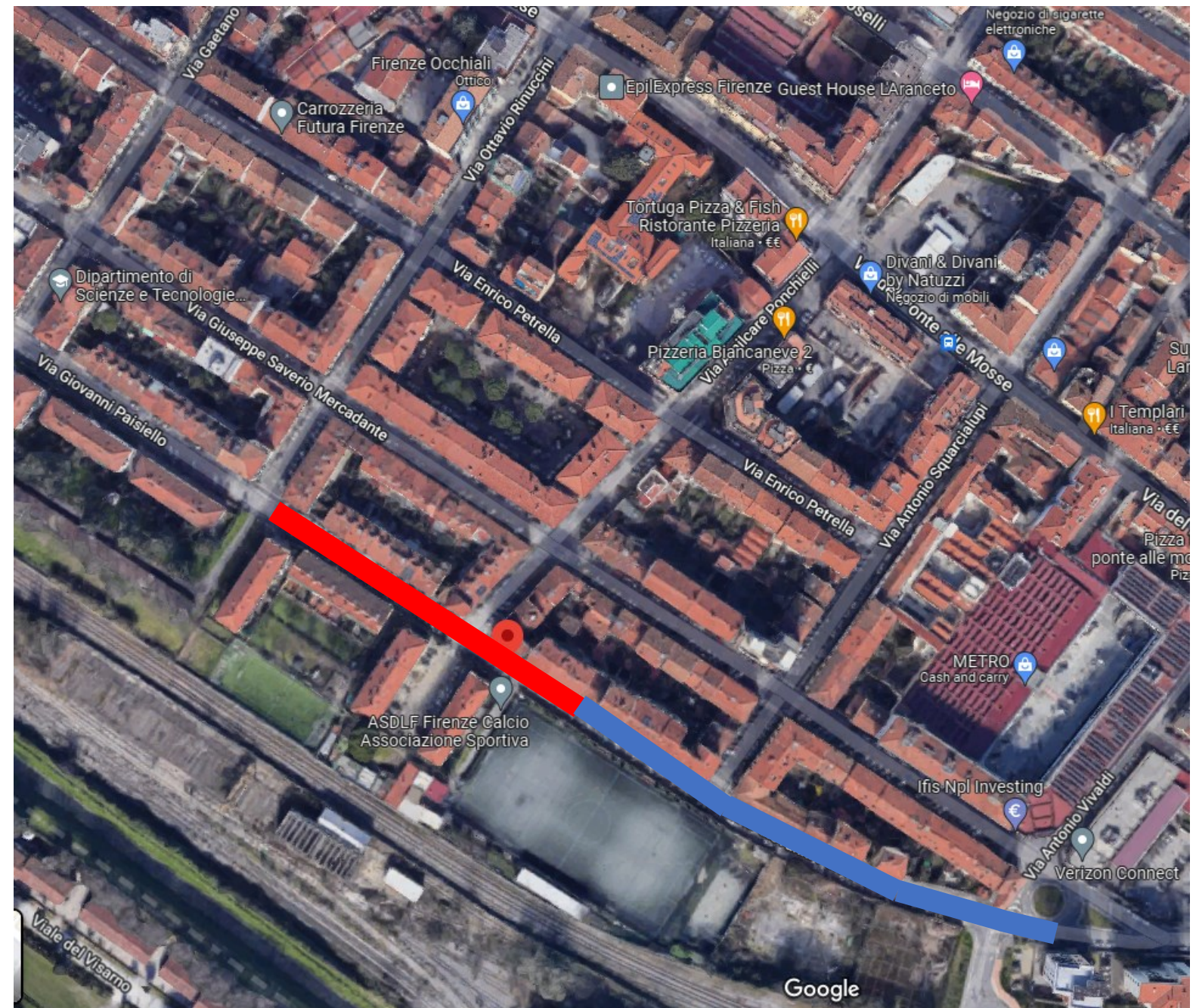
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## Ante and post-operam noise measurements campaign - introduction

Although not foreseen in the original project proposal, in order to obtain an objective basis for the citizens evaluation at a façade level to be carried out in Action B5, a **long-term** (2 weeks) ante and post- noise monitoring campaign has been carried out by VIENROSE and I-POOL.



 LIFE E-VIA asphalt

 Standard asphalt





## Ante and post-operam noise measurements campaign - introduction

2 monitoring positions have been defined: one in the road section interested by the LIFE E-VIA asphalt (150 m) and the other in the road section interested by a new standard asphalt (150 m).

Ante-operam campaign carried out by VIENROSE  
Period: 23<sup>rd</sup> June – 1<sup>st</sup> July 2021

Post-operam campaign carried out by I-POOL  
Period: 17<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> September 2021

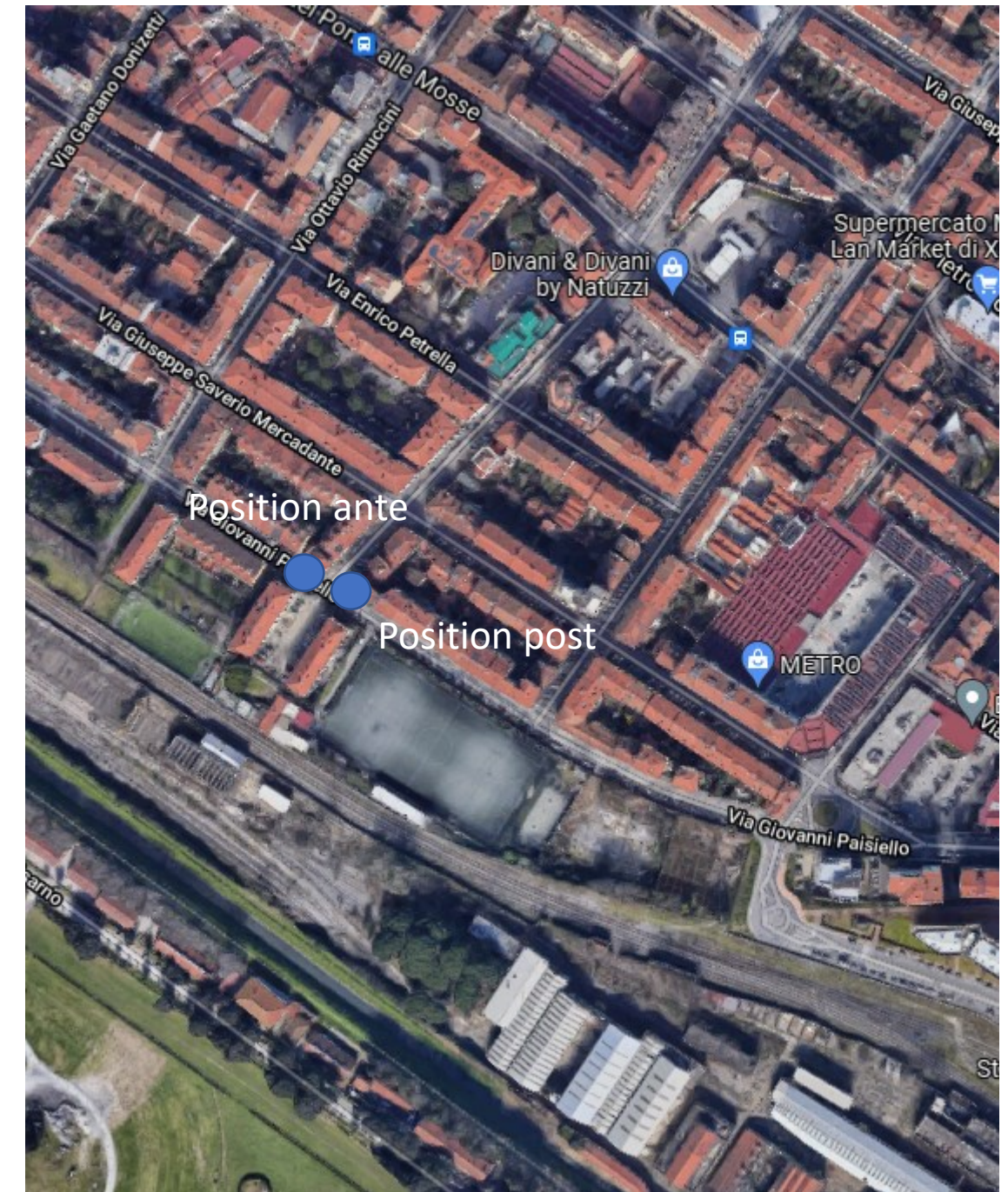






## Ante and post-operam noise measurements campaign – traffic measures

A **traffic counter** has been positioned on light poles both in the ante and post-operam phase in similar positions, in order to be able to **weight measured noise levels according to traffic flows in different periods**.







## **Ante and post-operam noise measurements campaign – data analysis**

For the two periods: rainy days have been excluded and 4 weekdays have been considered for the comparison; weight according to different traffic flows have been applied.

LIFE E-VIA asphalt		
	Lden	Lnight
Leq (ante-post)	3,4	4,4

New but standard asphalt		
	Lden	Lnight
Leq (ante-post)	0,2	1,5

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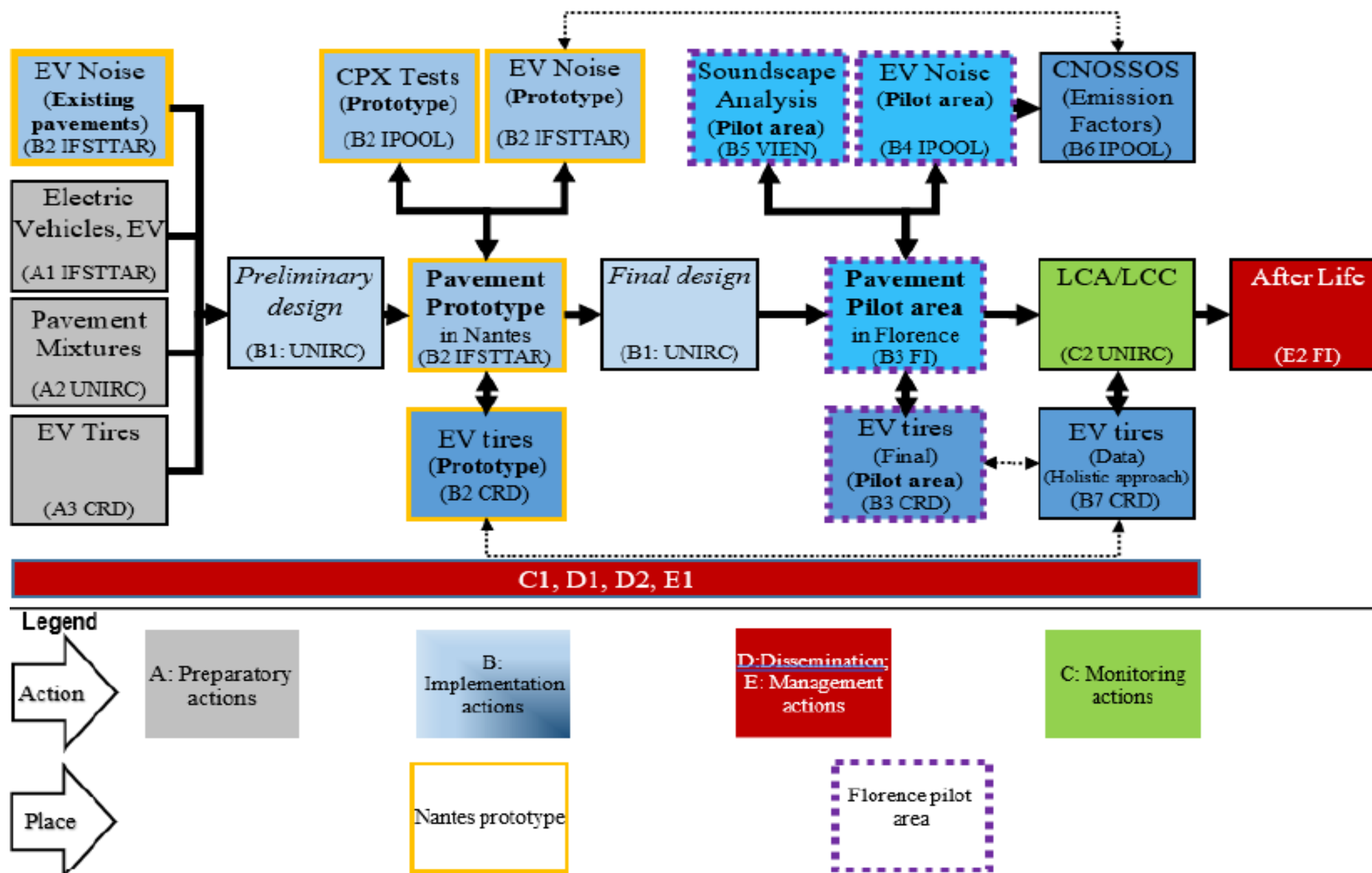
### 1/40. Overall: Gantt chart

Action		2019				2020				2021				2022				2023				2024			
Action number	Name of the action	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV
<b>A. Preparatory actions (if needed)</b>																									
A.1	Electric vehicles and their noise emission <b>IFSTTAR</b>			■	■	■																			
A.2	Quiet pavement technologies and their performance over time <b>UNIRC</b>			■	■	■																			
A.3	Tyre role in the new context of EV and ICEV <b>CRD</b>			■	■	■																			
<b>B. Implementation actions (obligatory)</b>																									
B.1	Tracks design <b>UNIRC</b>				■	■	■	■	■	■															
B.2	Tyre-pavement coupling study and prototype implementation <b>IFSTTAR</b>			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■													
B.3	Pilot area: Implementation. <b>FI</b>						■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■								
B.4	Track efficiency tests in the pilot area <b>IPOOL</b>							■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■									
B.5	Soundscape analysis <b>VIENROSE</b>			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■									
B.6	Evaluation of EV noise emissions <b>IPOOL</b>							■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■									
B.7	Holistic performances of tyres <b>CRD</b>			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■								
B.8	Replicability and Transferability <b>FI</b>							■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■								
<b>C. Monitoring of the impact of the project actions (obligatory)</b>																									
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C.2	Life cycle analysis (LCA) and life cycle costing (LCC) <b>UNIRC</b>			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■								
<b>D. Public awareness and dissemination of results (obligatory)</b>																									
D.1	Information and awareness raising activities <b>VIENROSE</b>			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■								
D.2	Technical dissemination activities to stakeholders <b>VIENROSE</b>			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■								
<b>E. Project management (obligatory)</b>																									
E.1	Coordination, Monitoring and Project management <b>FI</b>			■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■								
E.2	After LIFE Plan <b>FI</b>																■	■							





## 2/40. Overall: Flowchart





## 3/40. Overall: Actions of the project in which UNIRC is involved

- ✓ A.1 Electric vehicles and their noise emission (scheduled: 07/2019-03/2020, [IFSTTAR]) - COMPLETED
- ✓ A.2 Quiet pavement technologies and their performance over time (scheduled: 07/2019-03/2020, [UNIRC]) - COMPLETED
- ✓ B.1 Tracks design (scheduled: 10/2019-03/2021, [UNIRC]) - COMPLETED
- ✓ B.2 Tyre-pavement coupling study and prototype implementation (scheduled: 07/2019-09/2021, [IFSTTAR]) - COMPLETED
- ☐ B.3 Pilot area: Implementation (scheduled: 04/2020-03/2023, [FI])
- ☐ B.8 Replicability and Transferability (scheduled: 07/2020-12/2022, [FI])
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- ☐ E.1 Coordination, Monitoring and Project management (scheduled: 07/2019-03/2023, [FI])





## 4/40. Overall: Objectives in practice

### Experiments

2 pavement solutions  
5 different EV types  
One reference ICE vehicle  
3\*6=18 types of tyres

### Analyses

**LCA and LCCA**  
CNOSSOS-EU coefficients

### Results

low-noise, durable, and  
sustainable surfaces.  
National and Italian  
regional policies.  
Raise people's awareness

### In practice

Reducing noise emission  
by 5 dB(A).  
CO2 emissions reduction  
(21%).





5/40. Focus on A2

## Action A2

Quiet pavement technologies and their  
performance over time

[scheduled: 07/2019-03/2020]

**COMPLETED**







## 6/40. Focus on A2: Pavement solutions in the literature

A careful study of pavement solutions (including crumb-rubber solutions) in the literature was carried out. The acoustic durability of different types of bituminous mixtures was considered. **Clogging phenomena** resulted crucial for **diminished acoustic performance**, especially when dealing with open-graded friction courses.

The following table, reported as an example, summarises some of more than **150 pavement solutions considered** in the literature. When available, the acoustic performance was reported. Note that the following pieces of information are reported: 1) Reference (REF). 2) Solution (type of solution). 3) Thickness (mm). 4) Maximum aggregate size (MAS) or Nominal Maximum aggregate size (NMAS), mm. 5) Macrotexture (MTD, mm) or/and air void content (AV, %). 6) Acoustic indicator used (AC). 7) Noise reduction (RED, dB). 8) Acoustic durability (ACDUR, years). 9) Noise increase NI (dB/year).





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### 7/40. Focus on A2: Pavement solutions in the literature

Reference	Type of solutions	Thickness (mm)	Maximum aggregate size or NMAS (mm)	Texture (mm) or/and air void content (%)	Acoustic indicator used	Noise reduction (dB)	Noise increase (dB/year)
(Donavan and Janello, 2018)	ARFC	25 mm	9.5 mm	20-21%	CPX/OBSI	/	0.5 dB/Year
(Anderson et al., 2013; Pierce et al., 2009)	OGFC-AR	19 mm	9.51 mm		OBSI	4.3 (vs. HMA)	2.1
	OGFC-SBS	19 mm	9.51 mm		OBSI	3.4 (vs. HMA)	1.45
	HMA	30 mm	12.5 mm		OBSI	/	1.03
(Bendtsen et al., 2010, 2009; Illingworth et Rodkin, 2002)	OGAC	25 mm	9.5 mm	/	/	/	0.11-0.19
(Bendtsen et al., 2010, 2009; Rochat et al., 2010)	DGAC	30 mm	12.5 mm	9%	SPB	/	0.24*-0.29**
	OGAC	30 mm	12.5 mm	15%	SPB	1.7 (vs. DGAC)	0.20*-0.12**
	OGAC	75 mm	12.5 mm	12%	SPB	3.3 (vs. DGAC)	0.10*-0.31**
	RAC-O	30 mm	12.5 mm	12%	SPB	2.3 (vs. DGAC)	0.40*-0.36**
	BWC	30 mm	12.5 mm	7%	SPB	0.9 (vs. DGAC)	/
(Bendtsen and Nielsen, 2008)	DGAC11	33 mm	11	2.8	SPB/CPX	/	0.72*-0.8**
	UTLAC	22 mm	8	14.4	SPB/CPX	2.2 (vs. DGAC11)	1.06*-0.35**
	OGAC	28 mm	8	15.3	SPB/CPX	2.9 (vs. DGAC11)	0.8*-0.09**
	SMA8	29 mm	8	12.4	SPB/CPX	0.4 (vs. DGAC11)	0.5*-0.21**
	SMA6+	26 mm	6+5/8	3.0	SPB/CPX	1.6 (vs. DGAC11)	0.93*-0.63**
	SMA8+	33 mm	8+8/11	5.7	SPB/CPX	2.5 (vs. DGAC11)	1.32*-0.67**



## 8/40. Focus on A2: Preliminary tests

It is noted that through this project a device (see figure) was bought to carry out **airflow resistance** measurements. The airflow resistance is the resistance of an air particle passing through a material. It can be expressed as the ratio of the pressure gradient in a material to the airflow linear velocity (L. Peng).

The airflow resistance was measured using the apparatus Norsonic Nor1517A, by applying the alternating airflow method (Method B) in accordance to UNI EN ISO 9053-1:2019.



Airflow resistance system Nor1517A

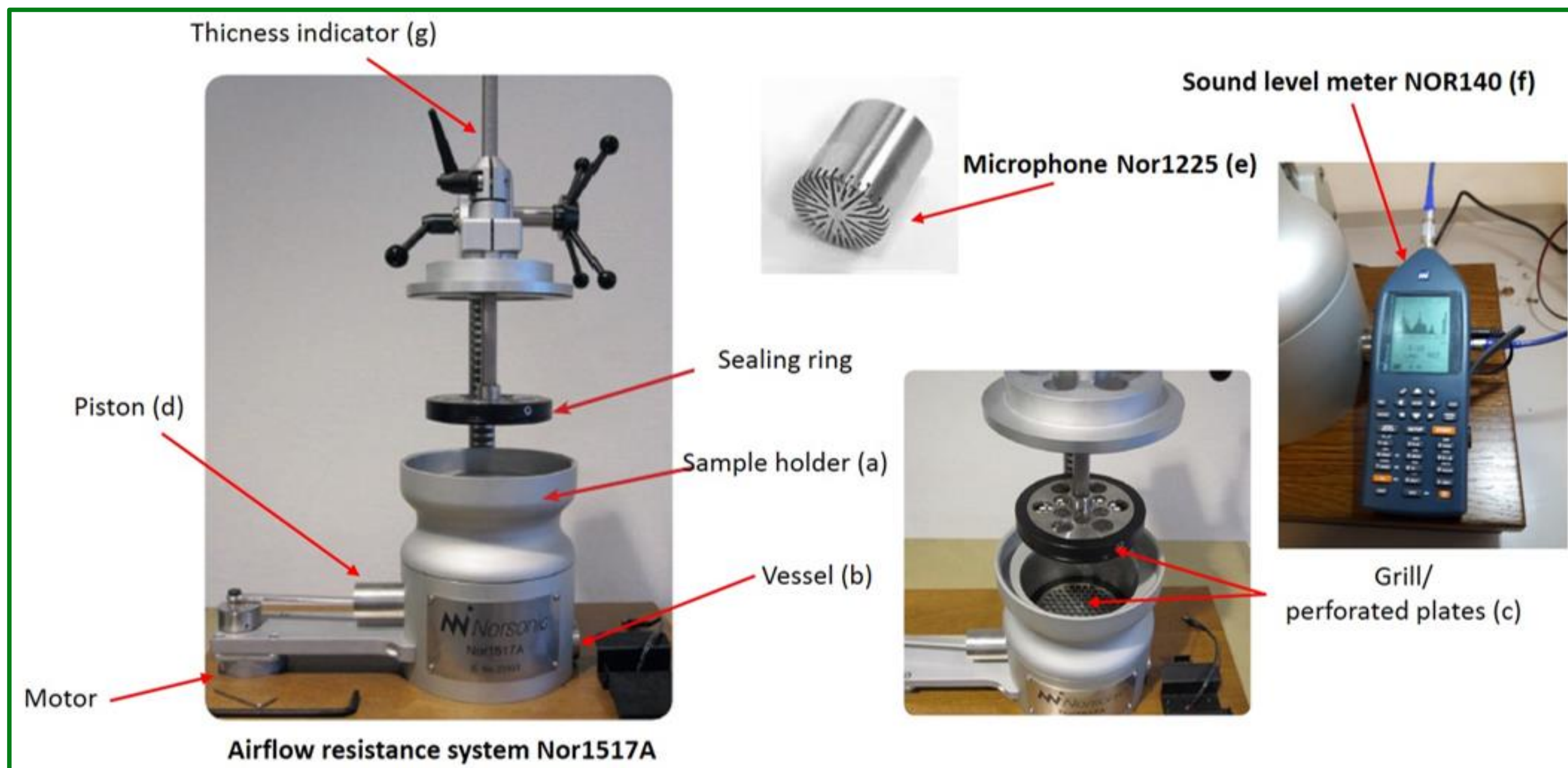




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## 9/40. Focus on A2: Preliminary tests







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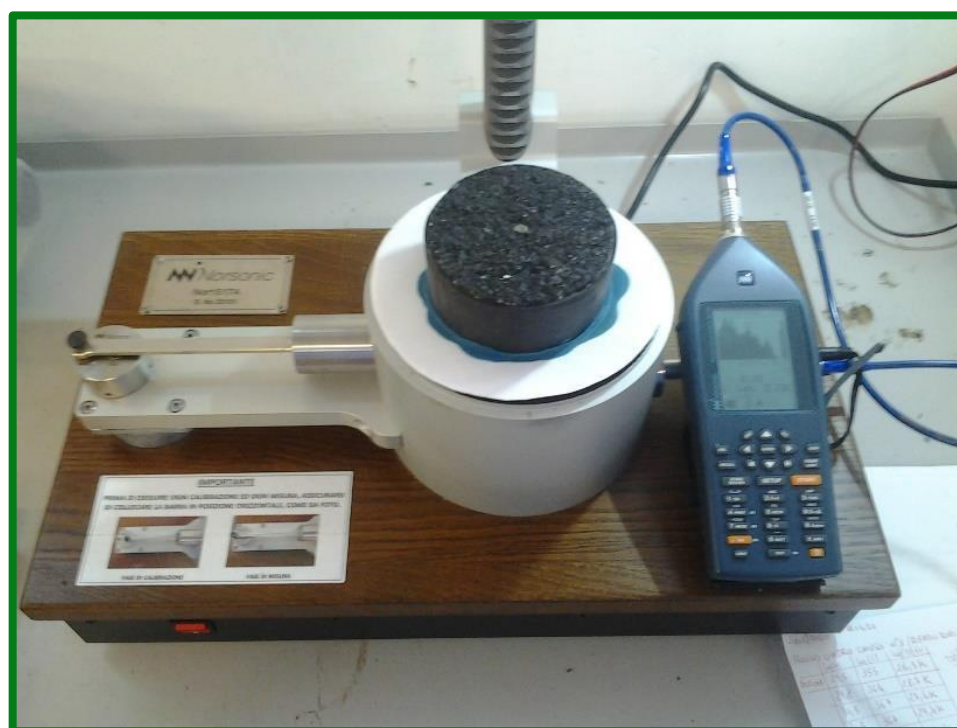
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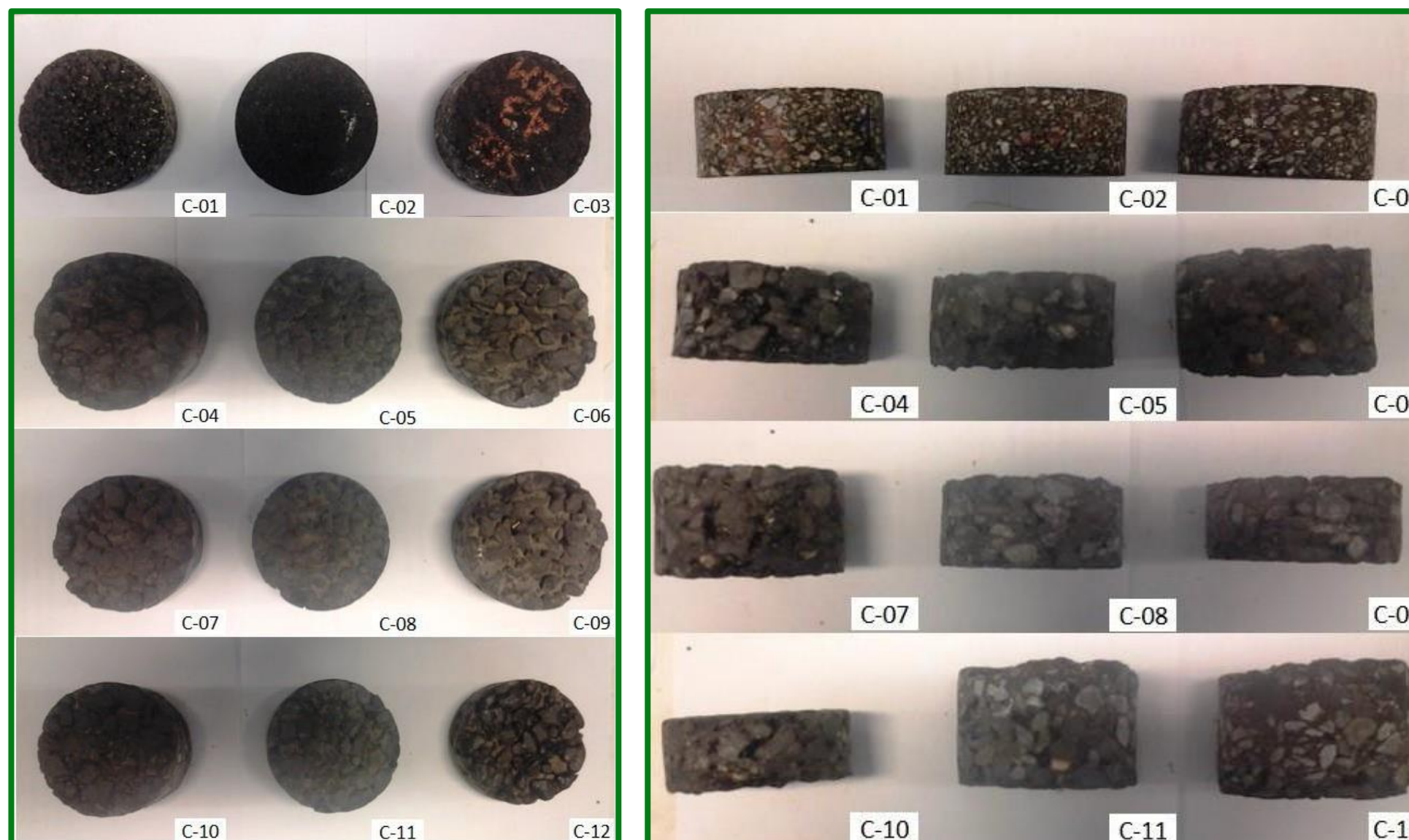


### 10/40. Focus on A2: Preliminary tests

A validation phase involved a series of tests performed on twelve cylindrical cores of two types of bituminous mixtures. Three specimens (C-01, C-02, and C-03) were **dense graded (DG)**, while the others (C-04 to C-12) were **open graded (OG)**. Each specimen was tested five times on both sides (top and bottom). Each measurement lasted 10 seconds.



Specimen positioning on test apparatus



Specimens used for the preliminary experiments



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## 11/40. Focus on A2: Selected mixes

To select the mixes, UNIRC analysed **more than 150 solutions** in literature (pavement, bituminous mixtures), based on acoustic and non-acoustic performances. Their characteristics and impacts were considered. Preliminary tests were carried out. In more detail, the following characteristics and parameters have been taken into account:

- Acoustic response (as-built and over time)
- Expected life by referring to mechanistic properties
- Permeability
- Friction

The following main criteria were followed to select the mixtures:

- **Having a satisfactory expected life**
- **Having an END<sub>t</sub> (Estimated Noise Difference Due to Texture) value sufficiently low**
- **Having satisfactory characteristics for the remaining properties**

Based on the above, the **9 mixtures** reported in the table were selected.

	Acronym	END <sub>t</sub> (dB)	MPD (mm)	AV (%)	BPN
1	AC6	0.7	0.72	11.7	≥60
3	SUP	1.2	0.92	8.2	≥60
4	OG4	2.9	1.79	17.4	≥55
6	GAP	0.7	0.95	6.9	≥55
10	SM6	1.7	0.8	7.6	≥60
11	SM6*	2.4	1.04	3.7	≥60
12	AC6*	2.2	1.1	7.4	≥60
13	SM8	1.7	0.9	7.3	≥60
19	ISO	0	0.5	4	≥60







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### 12/40. Focus on B1 - Track design – [scheduled: 10/2019-03/2021]

## COMPLETED

Main sub actions/milestones/deliverables	Main internal/draft Documents
Sub-action B1.1 - Data gathering	
Sub-action B1.2 - Preliminary design of the mixture	Report_B1_LIFE_UNIRC_excerpt draft July 28; for Julien August 27 2020 B1 life
Sub-action B1.3 - Data gathering from IFSTTAR that refer to Nantes prototype	D44.20.REZE.056 - Université EIFFEL - piste référence 2020 09 08 - suivi BBTM6 poudrette; D44.20.REZE.056 - Université EIFFEL - piste référence 2020 09 08 - suivi BBTM6; LIFE E-VIA_202103151_B2_action_UGE_Cesbron_OneDrive_internal_version
Sub-action B1.4 - Data gathering from IFSTTAR that refer to IPOOL tests	Carried out
Sub-action B1.5 - Final design and support to track construction	Report_B1_LIFE_UNIRC_26_11_2020_F; Life E-Via B1 for B3 27 04 2021
Milestone name B1 Tracks design. Deadline: [01/2021]	Carried out
Deliverable name: B1 Report. <b>Deadline</b> [03/2021]	Draft Based on Report_B1_LIFE_UNIRC_26_11_2020_F +Life E-Via B1 for B3 27 04 2021 +for Julien August 27 2020 B1 life



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### 13/40. Towards Florence (A2+B1+B2+B3)



A2-  
Pavement  
mixtures  
(UNIRC)  
From more  
than 150 to  
9 mixtures

B1.2-  
Preliminary  
design  
(UNIRC)  
9 mixtures

B1.3, B1.4 -  
Data from  
IFSTTAR/  
IPOOL to  
UNIRC

B2-  
Pavement  
prototype  
(IFSTTAR)  
2 mixtures  
0/6 (with or  
without CR)

B1.5- Final  
design  
(UNIRC)  
1 traditional  
mixture + 1  
CR-added  
mixture

B3- Pilot  
area (FI)  
1 traditional  
mixture + 1  
CR-added  
mixture



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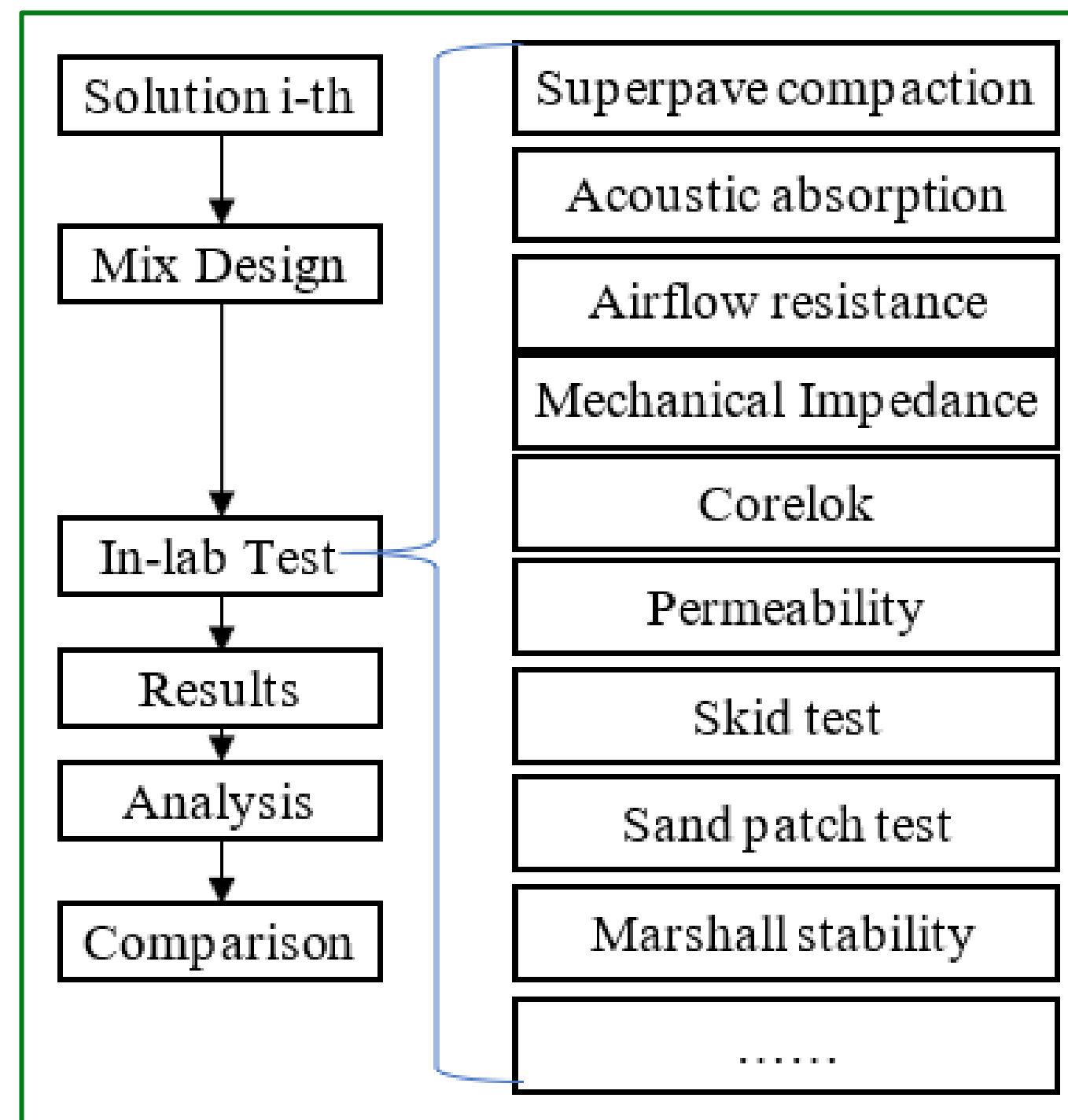


## 14/40. Focus on B1.1- B1.2- B1.5

The Aim of the action B1 was to select mixtures (volumetrics, materials, and surface texture), for the tracks to be constructed in France and Italy, in order to minimize noise from electric vehicles (EV).

An accurate plan of experiments was set up and followed in order to design and validate the mixtures.

Two types of mixtures were finally designed (**AC6 with and without crumb rubber**).



Plan of experiments





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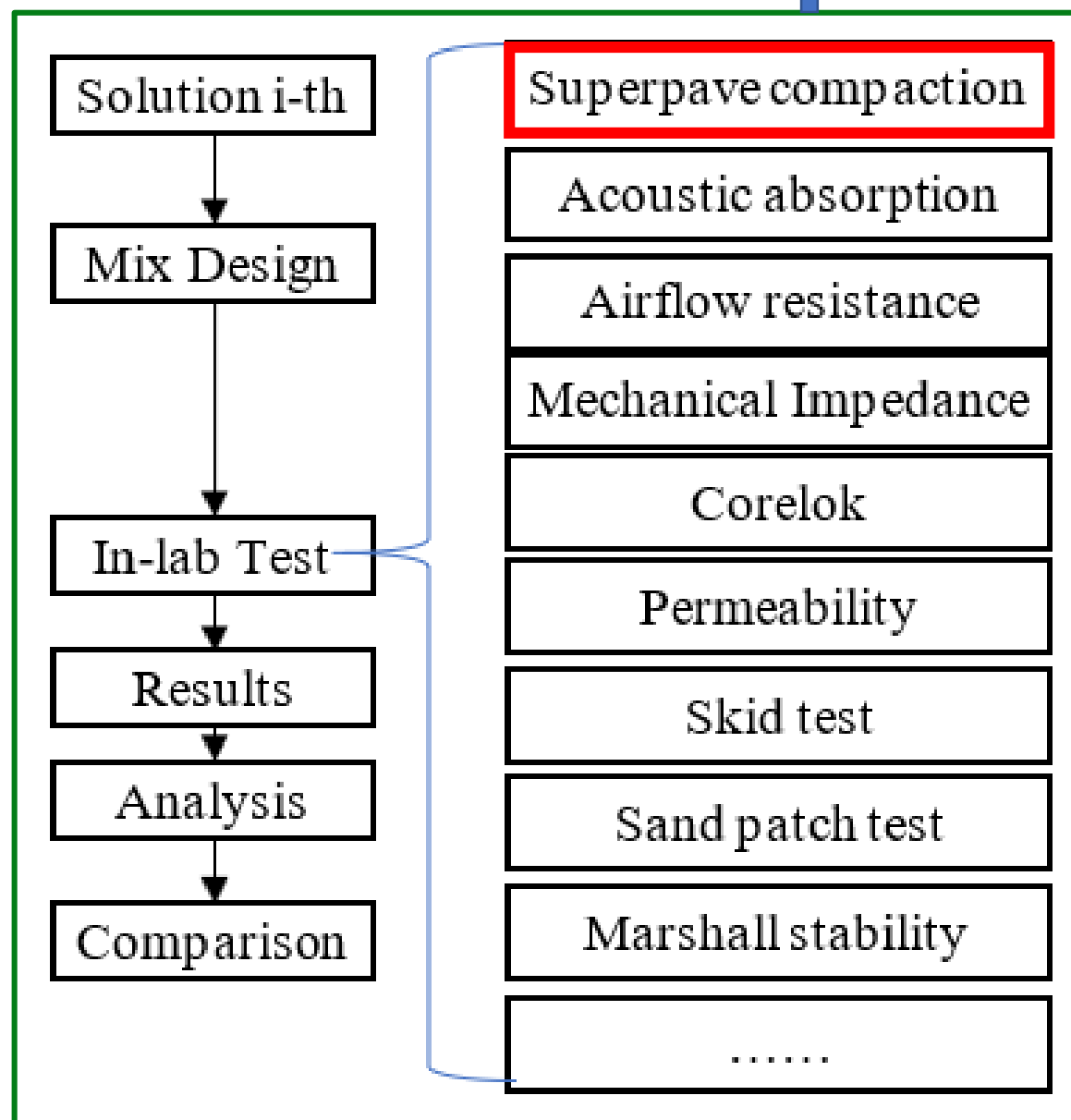
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15/40. Focus on B1.1- B1.2- B1.5

Superpave compaction



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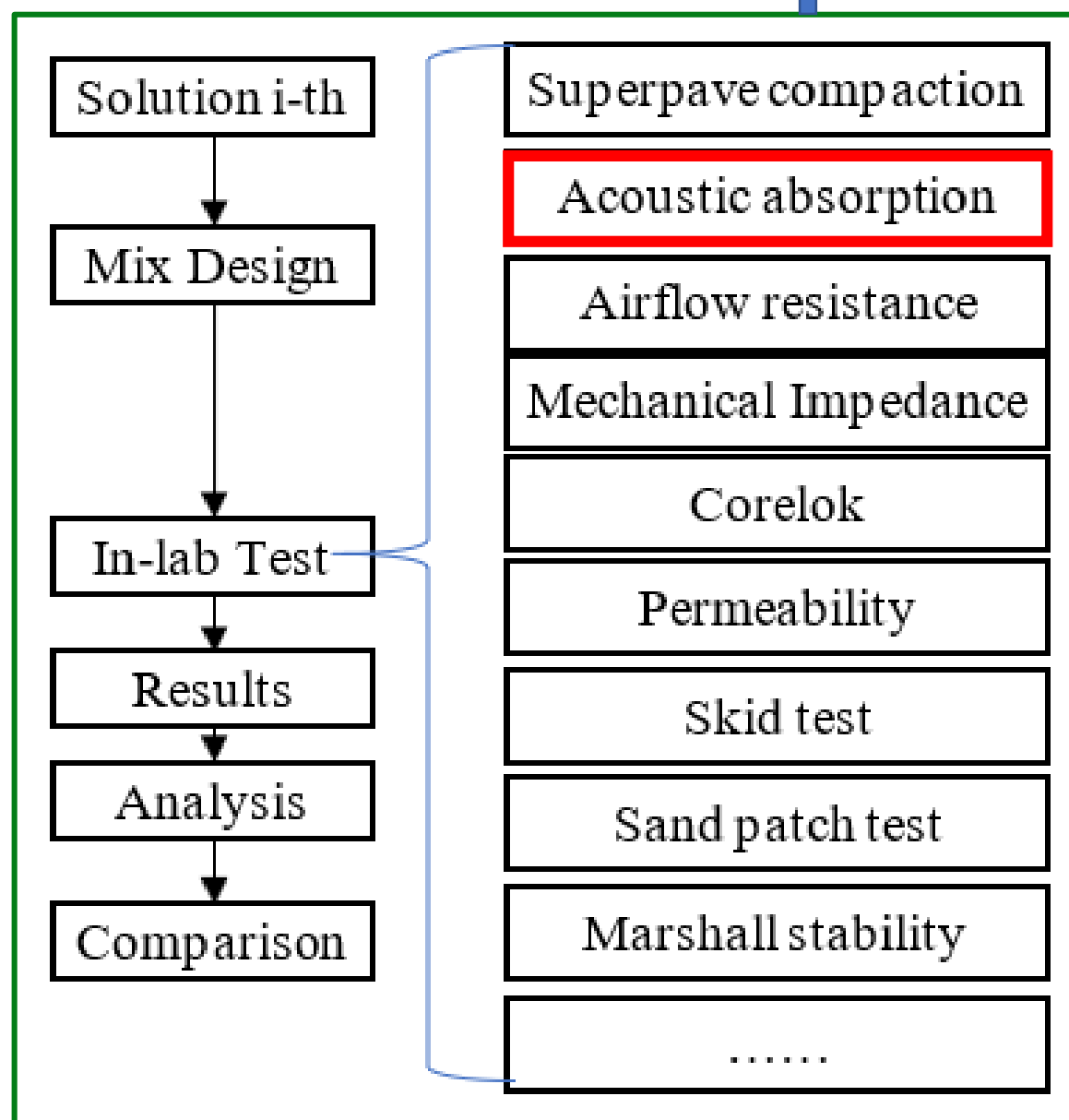


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**16/40. Focus on B1.1- B1.2- B1.5**

**Acoustic absorption**



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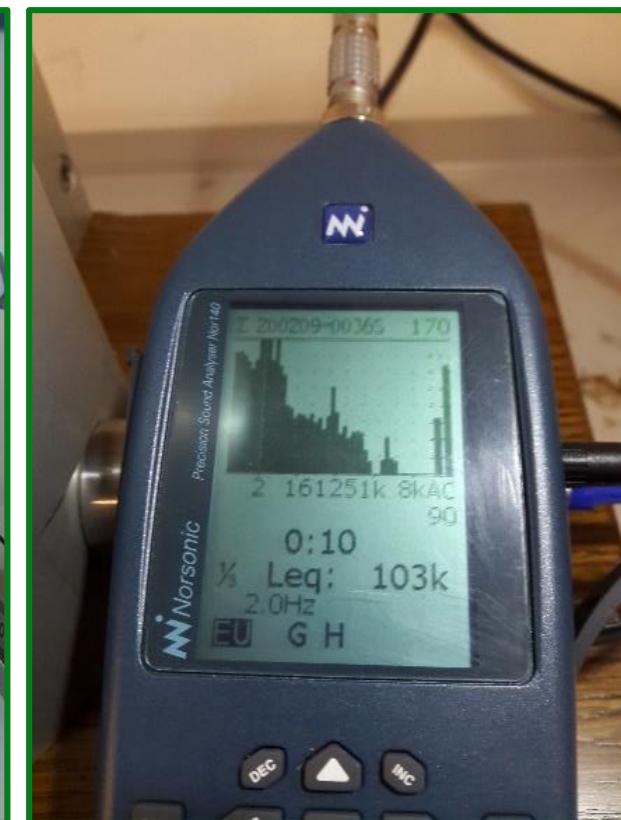
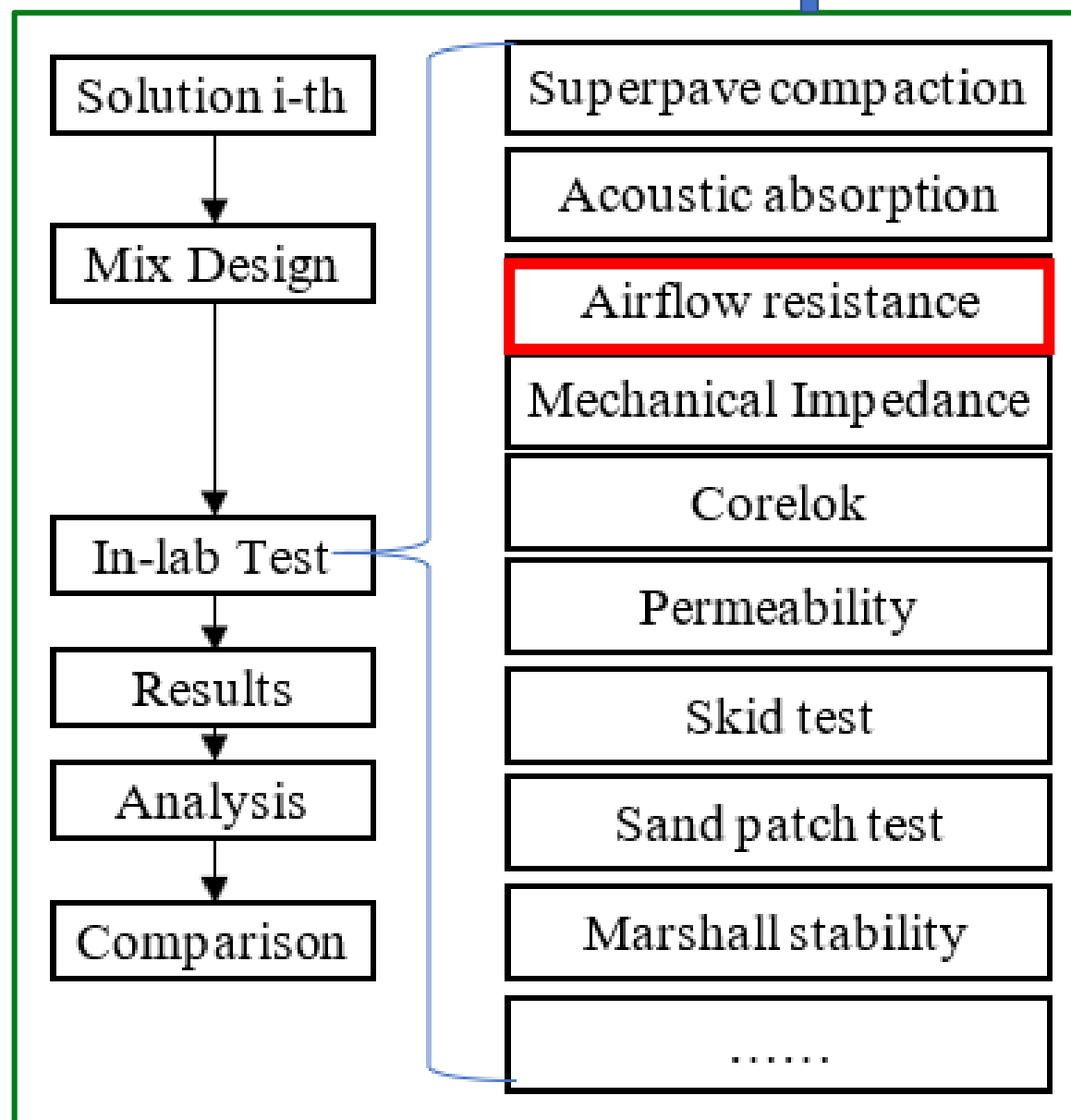


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17/40. Focus on B1.1- B1.2- B1.5

Airflow resistance



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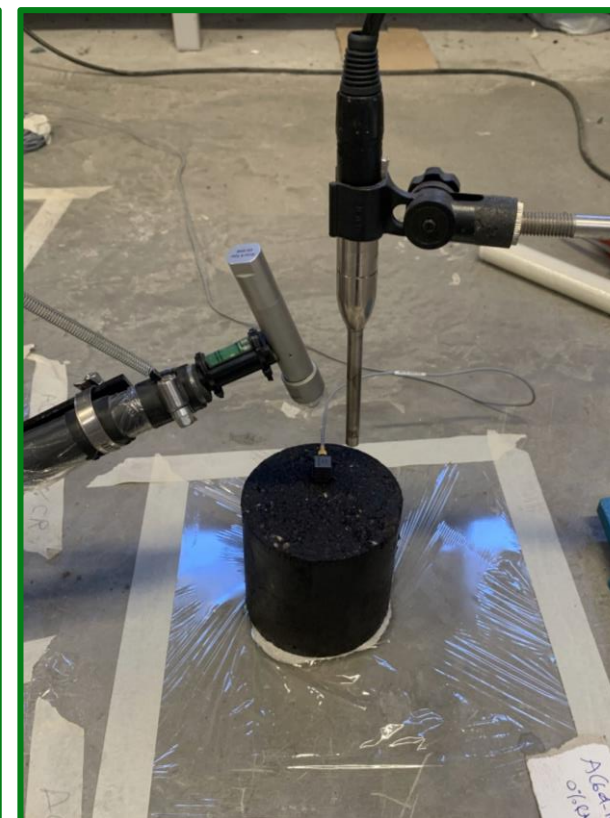
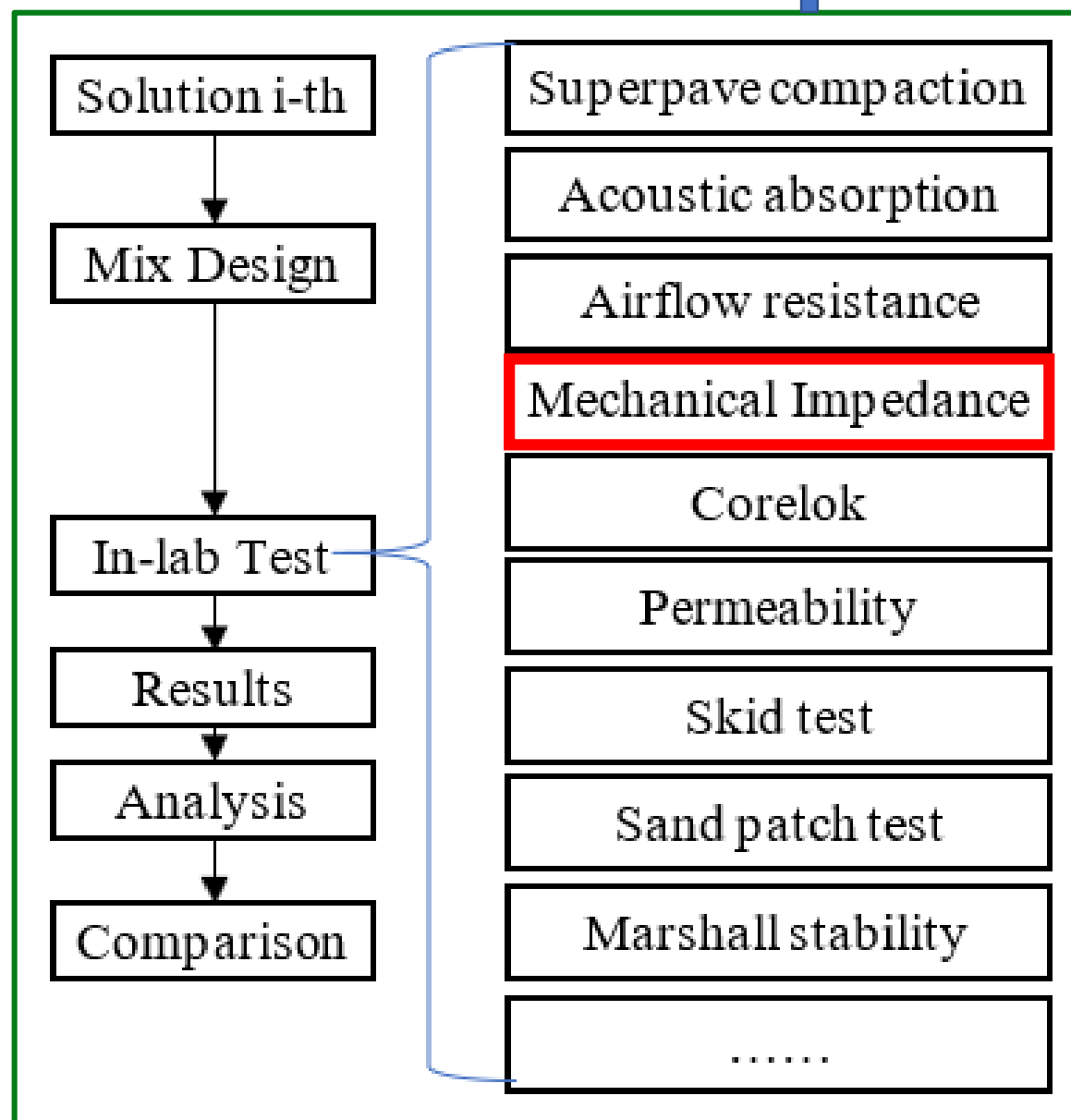


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**18/40. Focus on B1.1- B1.2- B1.5**

**Mechanical Impedance**



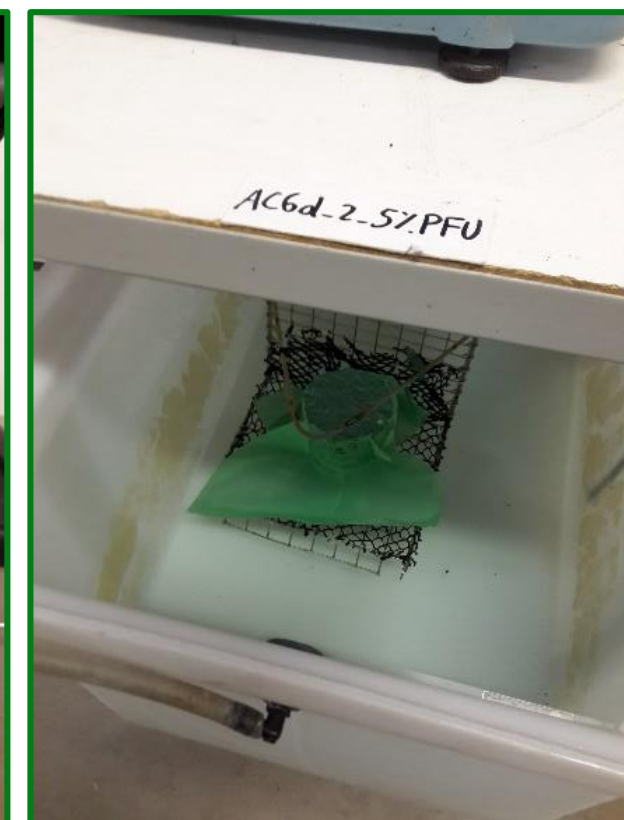
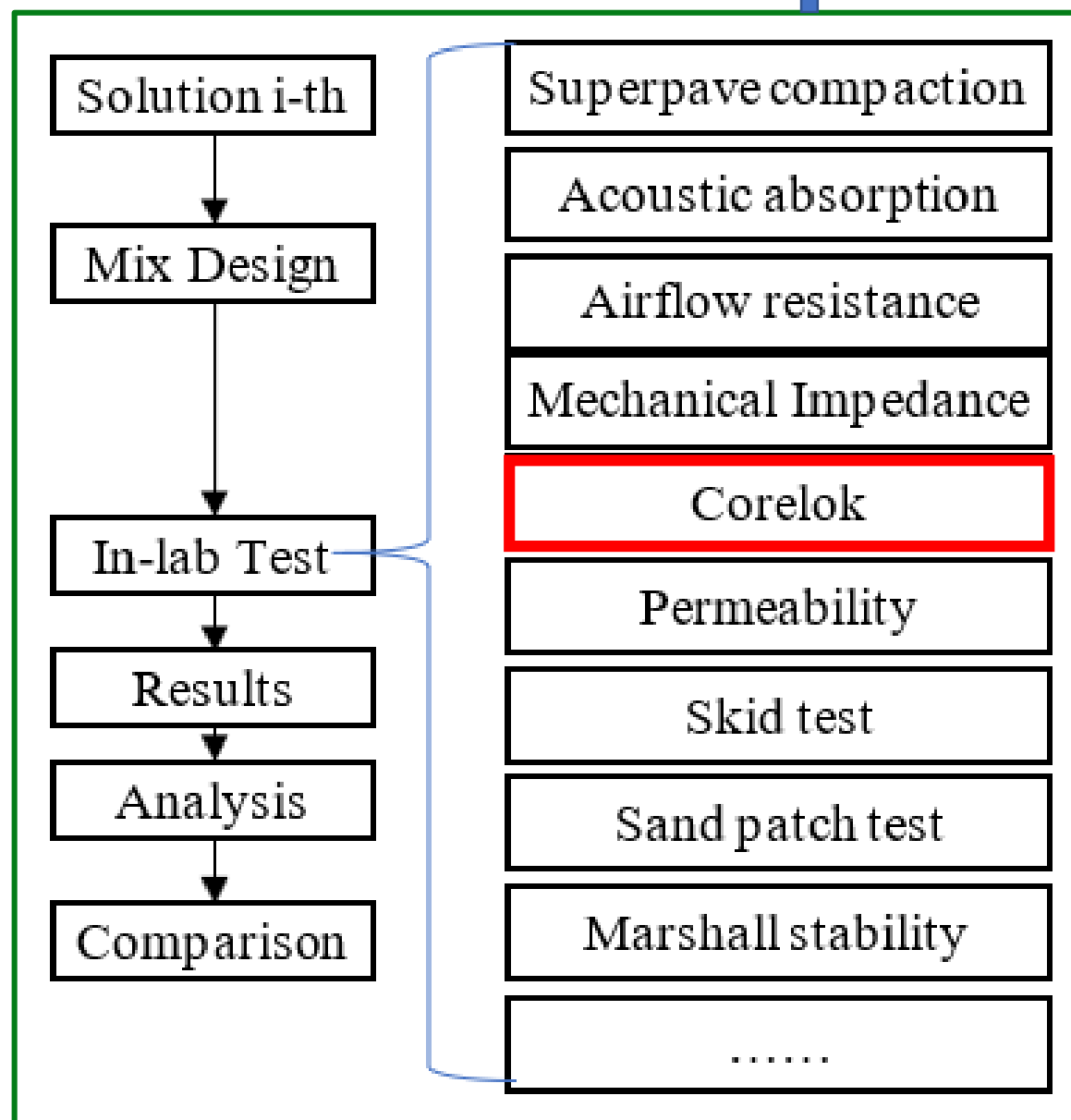


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**19/40. Focus on B1.1- B1.2- B1.5**

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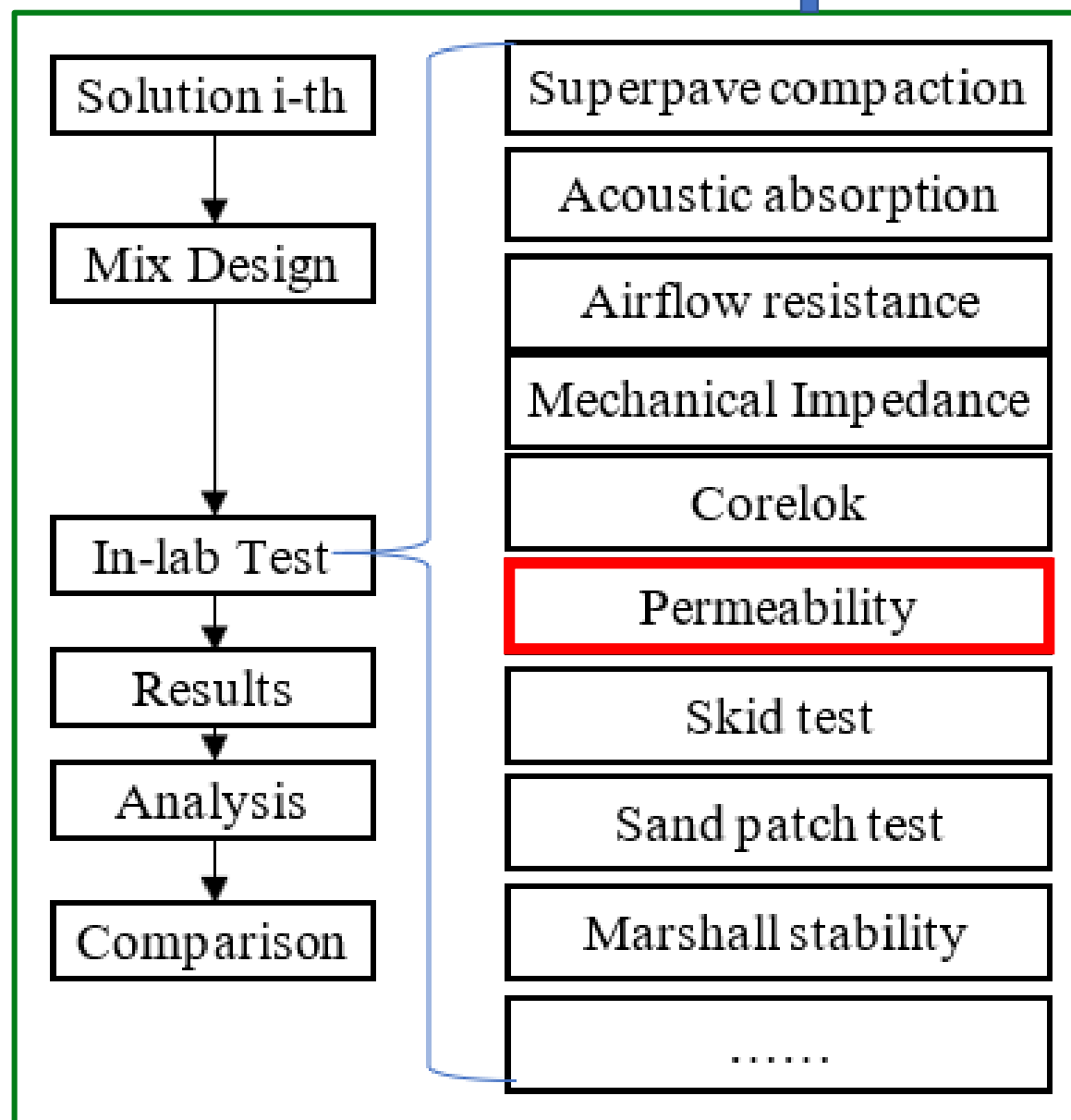


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**20/40. Focus on B1.1- B1.2- B1.5**

**Permeability**



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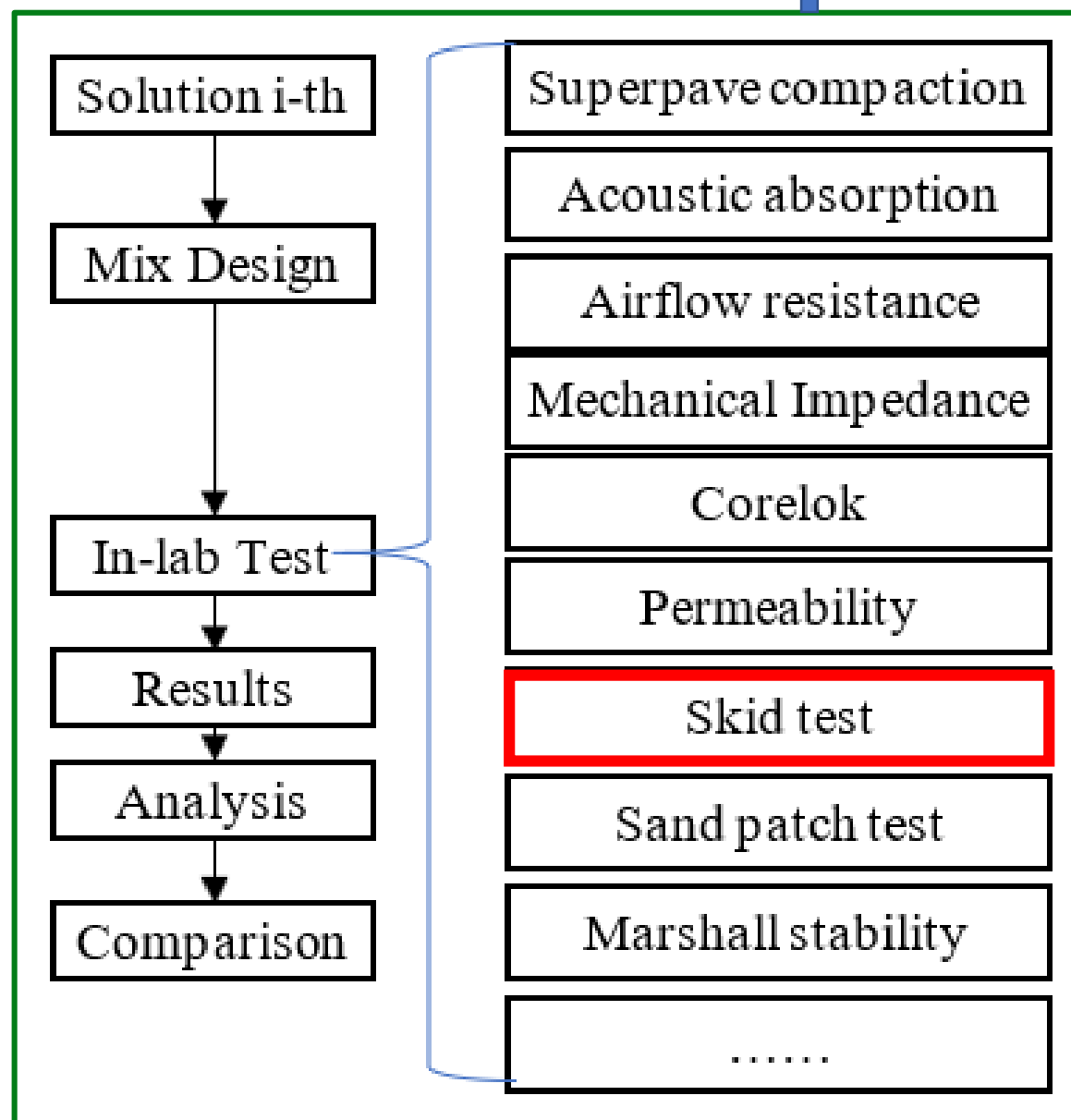
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### 21/40. Focus on B1.1- B1.2- B1.5

Skid test



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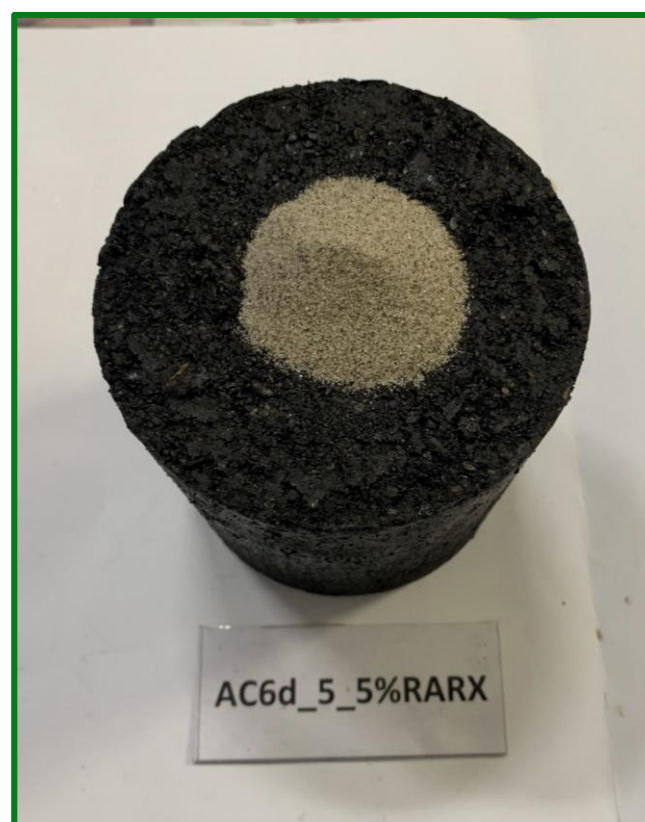
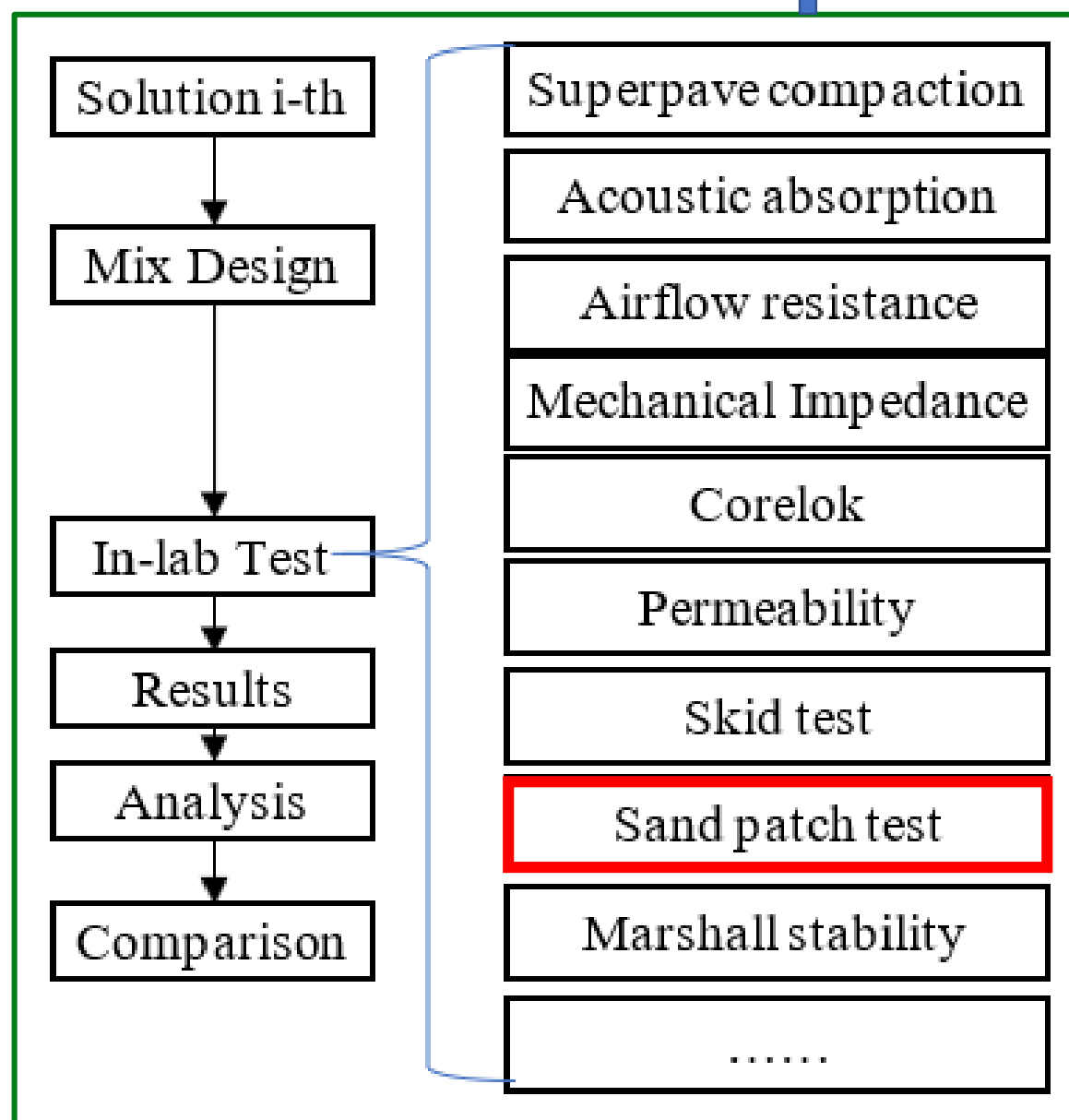


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22/40. Focus on B1.1- B1.2- B1.5

Sand patch test



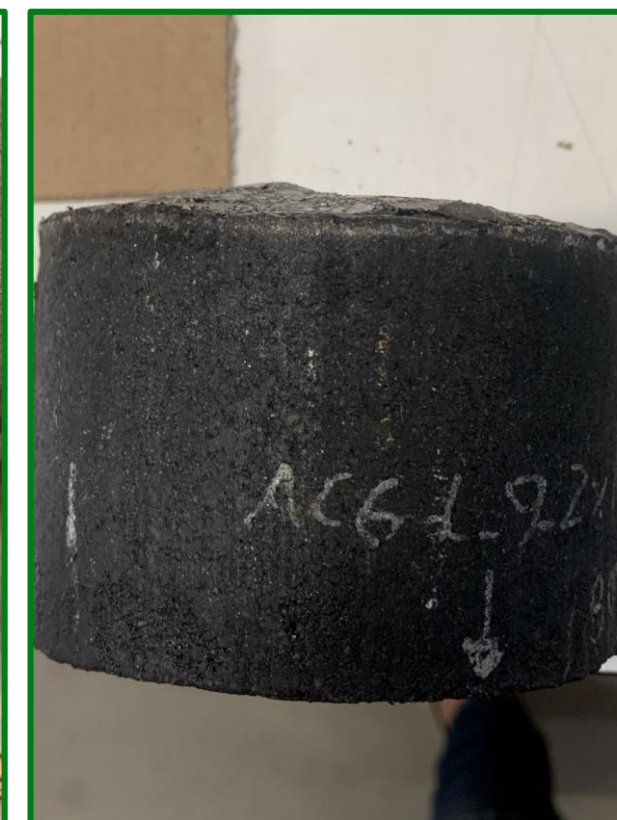
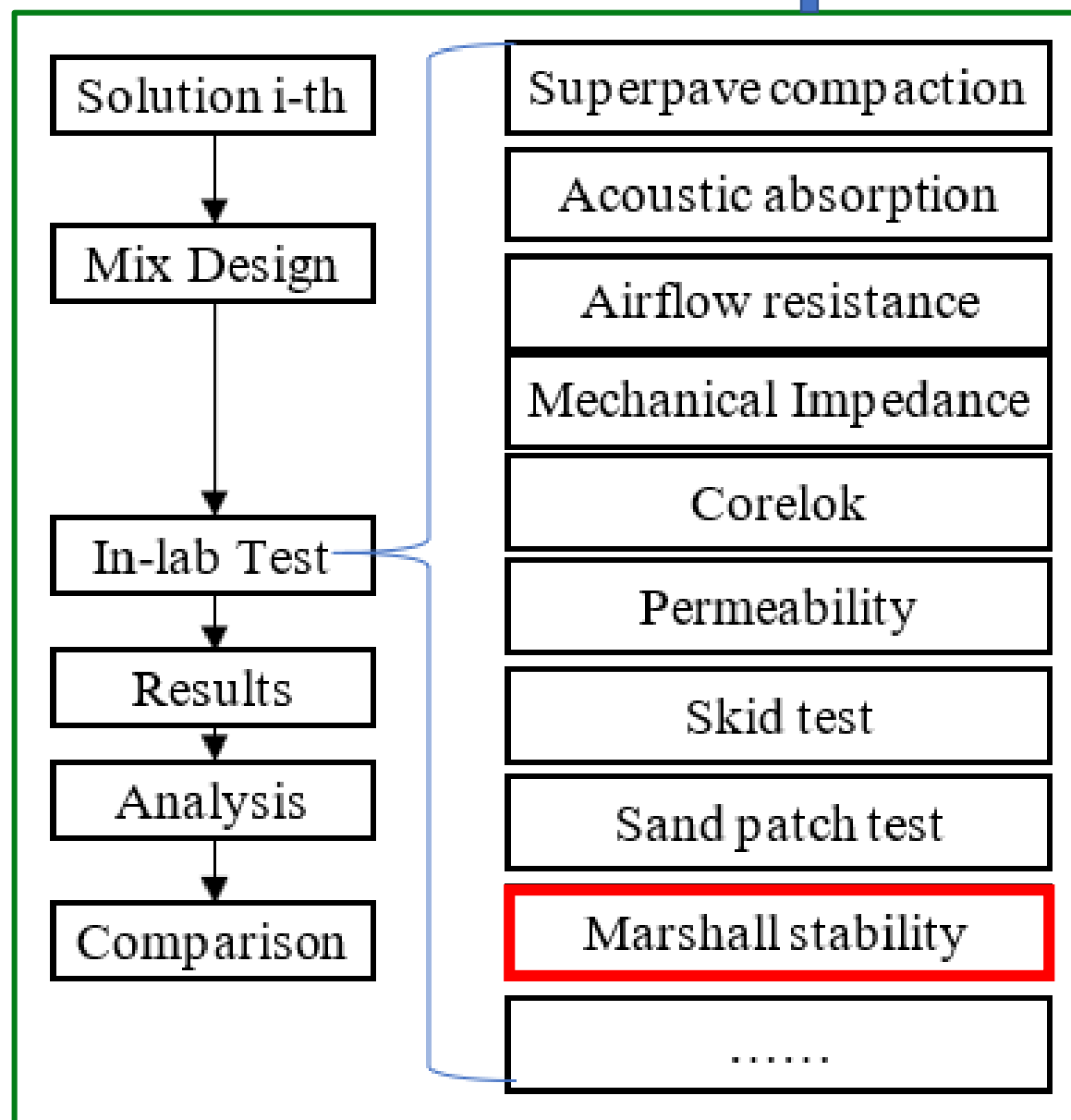


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**23/40. Focus on B1.1- B1.2- B1.5**

**Marshall stability**







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24/40. B1 for B3

Sieve	% passing	Range
mm	%	±
8	100	0
5.6	92	3
4	80	5
2	58	5
1	35	5
0.5	24	5
0.25	18	3
0.063	10	2

B1



Fraction	Granulats	Formule étudiée	Formule contrôlée
4/6,3	Vairé	7,0%	7,0%
2/4	Vairé	33,0%	34,0%
0/2	Rouans	52,0%	52,6%
Fines d'apport		1,6%	retour filler : 7%
Bitume d'apport	COLFLEX		
Bitume total		6,40%	6,40%



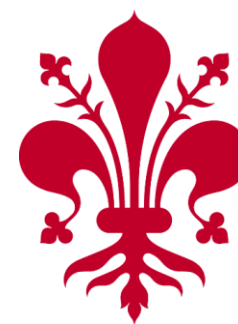
Mixtures laid  
down in  
Nantes

Fraction	Granulats	Formule étudiée	Formule contrôlée
4/6,3	Vairé	7,0%	7,0%
2/4	Vairé	33,0%	33,0%
0/2	Rouans	51,0%	51,0%
0/1	RARX	1,9%	1,9%
Fines d'apport		1,0%	retour filler : 6,5%
Bitume d'apport	50/70	6,10%	6,10%
Bitume total		6,40%	6,40%

Tests in Nantes

B1 analyses

B3



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B2



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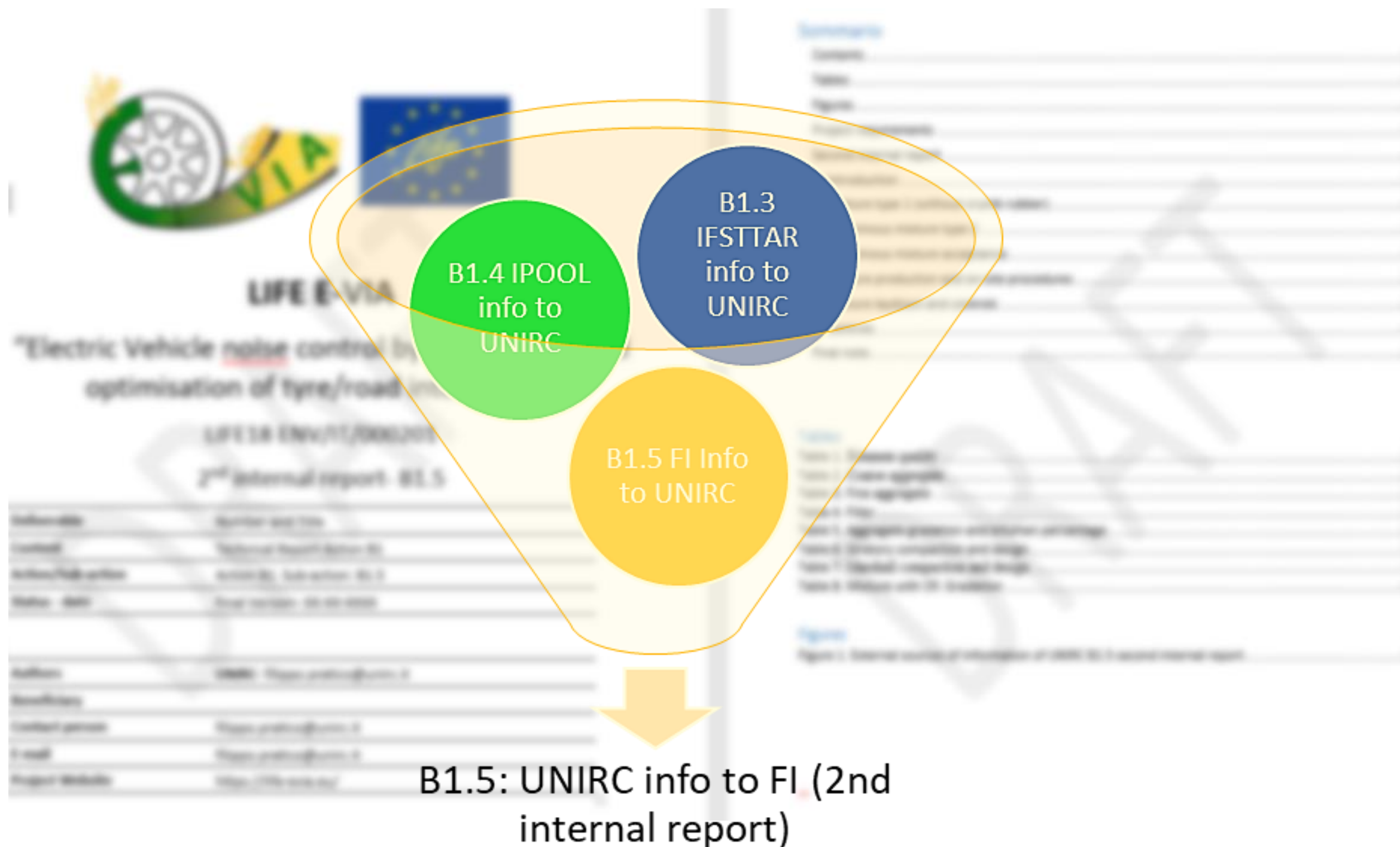




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25/40. B1 for B3 (2<sup>nd</sup> internal report delivered)



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26/40. Focus on C2

# Action C2

Life cycle analysis (LCA) and life cycle costing (LCC)  
[scheduled: 07/2019-03/2023]





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### 27/40. Focus on C2

LCA-LCC project	Done
<p><b>Project objectives:</b> “2) To estimate the mitigation efficiency and potential of tyres, pavements and traffic (traffic spectrum, speeds, handling conditions) at a higher and comprehensive level: a Life Cycle Analysis (LCA) and a Life Cycle Cost Analysis (LCCA) will be performed to demonstrate the individual and synergistic efficiency of pavement surfaces, tyres and vehicles (including the comparison between internal combustion vehicles, mixed traffic, and EV traffic)”</p> <p>«7) To encourage low-noise surfaces implementation in further EU and extra-EU scenarios, demonstrating durability and sustainability, through in-depth LCA&amp;LCCA”</p>	<p>LCA and LCC studies were carried out mostly pertaining to LCA for pavements, aiming at demonstrating their durability and sustainability (cf. paper published)</p>
<p><b>Actions and means involved:</b> «C2: Life cycle analysis (LCA) and life cycle costing (LCC). These analyses will evaluate track efficiency from a comprehensive point of view, including soundscape components (B5), thus achieving obj.6 of demonstrating the durability and effectiveness through LCA/LCC. [UNIRC]”</p>	<p>See above.</p>
<p><b>Is your project significantly climate-related?:</b> “3) The expected increase in EVs may not cause convenient savings of CO2 emission for the years under investigation: there is a need for facing effectively not only noise-related but also climate-related issues (LCA, LCC, cf. action C2).”</p> <p>“2) Tyre labels refer to fuel consumption, wet grip and noise classification. For fuel consumption, A class compared to G class can reduce it by 9%: a synergetic effort is needed to fit both noise-related and fuel-related (CO2 emission) targets. An attentive analysis of climate-related consequences as a sort of boundary condition is needed (LCA-LCC analyses, C2 action, see below).”</p>	<p>Here studies are in progress. Note that EVs have pros and contras that were studied (cf. keynote speech at SC4Life, 2019, Portugal)</p>
<p><b>Socio-economic effects of the project:</b> “Additional social outcomes are foreseen because this project is going to encourage low-noise surfaces implementation, demonstrating durability and sustainability, through in-depth Life Cycle Analyses (LCA&amp;LCCA, cf. Action C2).”</p>	<p>Here studies are in progress.</p>
<p><b>ACTION B.7:</b> Holistic performances of tyres: “Besides delivering tyres to actions B2 and B3 and the EV festival, B7 will also deliver input data for the LCA/LCC in action C2.”</p>	<p>Studies are in progress</p>





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### 28/40. Focus on C2

LCA-LCC project	Summary
<p><b>C. Monitoring of the impact of the project actions (obligatory)</b>  <b>ACTION C.2:</b> Life cycle analysis (LCA) and life cycle costing (LCC)  <b>Description and methods employed (what, how, where, when and why):</b>  C2: Life cycle analysis (LCA) and life cycle cost analysis (LCCA/LCC). These analyses will evaluate tracks efficiency from a comprehensive point of view, including soundscape components (B5), thus achieving obj.6 of demonstrating the durability and effectiveness through LCA. C2 is going to be organized into sub-actions as follows.  <b>Sub-action C.2.1</b> addresses LCA and LCC modelling. This section is going to be based on standards and on the literature. In more detail, for LCC, additionally, the model will consider not only internal costs (as known as agency costs and user costs) but also “external costs” (environmental ones).  Importantly, based on the literature, noise performance is going to be considered, for both LCA and LCC analyses. To this end, note that the noise-related indicator (cf. Praticò, 2006, LCCA for silent surfaces) must consider: 1) vehicle speed; 2) number of vehicles; 3) the length of the road stretch; 4) the upper specification level of the concerned noise level. It is worth noting that noise performance is taken into account over time, which includes the consideration of the durability of noise performance. This implies considering the noise indicator dependency on pavement and on the durability of its concerned noise performance. This aspect is quite critical because an energetic approach is needed, where the overall acoustic energy produced by tyre-pavement interaction must be estimated. For durability, it is highlighted that the approach above intrinsically considers durability, because it entails the consideration of the noise level from the cradle to the grave.</p>	<p>Internal costs considered:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Cost of one square meter of pavement (friction course).</li> <li>2) Maintenance costs.</li> <li>3) Rehabilitation costs</li> </ol> <p>External costs considered:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Noise-related effects (see the point outlined into the proposal, including speeds, number of vehicles, geometry, limits, and durability).</li> <li>2) Other environmental effects (due to the use of crumb rubber).</li> </ol>





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### 29/40. Focus on C2

LCA-LCC project	Done
<p><b>Sub-action C.2.2</b> deals with the definition of scenarios. Functional unit will be specified and system boundaries will be identified (including raw materials, materials production, asphalt paving operations, maintenance and rehabilitation, transports, and end of life). Impact assessment methods, scenario definition, and life cycle inventory of each scenario will be addressed. Basically, the two primary scenarios refer to each of the two selected road sections. A series of supplementary scenarios are expected, among which: 1) a set of preliminary scenarios aiming at assessing the best option to use for the reference track and for the surface-optimized track. This set of scenarios is going to be influenced by many concurring tasks. In more detail, apart from the preliminary actions A, track design (B1), tyre-pavement studies (B2), final construction details (B3) and soundscape analyses (B5) will provide basic data for this action. After the construction of tracks, operation-related data will be provided by tests and analyses (B4, B5, B6, C1). Note that the replication and transfer plan (cf. B3.2) entails itself scenario that will be considered and improved.</p>	<p><b>Scenarios. For</b> the following scenarios data gathering and analyses are in progress:            1&amp;2) Scenario with the job mix formula set up without crumb rubber with internal combustion engine vehicles, ICEVs, or with electric vehicles, EVs.            3&amp;4) Scenario with the job mix formula set up with crumb rubber with internal combustion engine vehicles, ICEVs, or with electric vehicles, EVs.</p>



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### 30/40. Focus on C2

LCA-LCC project	Done
<p><b>Sub-action C.2.3</b> deals with data gathering. Data are going to be gathered from all the other actions and particularly: B1 (because the design basically defines all the characteristics), B3 (because construction-related activities provide real data), B5 (because soundscape-related actions provide insights in terms of noise-related impacts), B6 (data about emissions), and C2 (traffic-, climate-, operation-related data). Importantly, the same sustainability of the same activities of the project is going to be considered (primarily D1 and E1).</p>	<p><b>Data.</b> For data, the following data were requested and partly/entirely received/gathered:</p> <p>B1 data (because the design basically defines all the characteristics, Leader <b>UNIRC</b>)</p> <p>Tyre-pavement studies (B2, Leader: <b>UGE</b>)</p> <p>Final construction details (B3, because construction-related activities provide real data. Leader: <b>FI</b>)</p> <p>Track efficiency tests in the pilot area (B4, Leader: <b>IPOOL</b>)</p> <p>Soundscape analyses (B5, because soundscape-related actions provide insights in terms of noise-related impacts. Leader: <b>VIENROSE</b>)</p> <p>Evaluation of EV noise emissions (B6, data about emissions. Leader: <b>IPOOL</b>)</p> <p>Project impact monitoring (C1, Leader <b>FI</b>)</p> <p>Other C2-related data (traffic-, climate-, operation-related data).</p> <p>Dissemination (D1/2, sustainability of activities. Leader: <b>VIENROSE</b>)</p> <p>Project management (E1/2, sustainability of activities. Leader: <b>FI</b>)</p>







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### 31/40. Focus on C2

LCA-LCC project	Done
<p><b>Sub-action C.2.4</b> deals with results derivation and analyses. LCA results will be given in terms of different indicators, among which Global Energy Requirement (GER, for example in terms of Mj/m<sup>2</sup>), Carbon Footprint (CF, for example in terms of gCO<sub>2</sub>eq/m<sup>2</sup>), human health impacts (e.g., air pollution, PM, NO<sub>x</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub>, noise pollution), ecosystem impacts (e.g., Terrestrial acidification, Freshwater Ecotoxicity, Terrestrial ecotoxicity, Freshwater eutrophication).</p> <p>LCC results will be given in terms of euro (and euro per square meter). Importantly, for noise-related issues, it is noted that the analyses must include the consideration of the SEL, as well as the daily time of exposure. It is worth noting that: 1) Different types of Electrical Vehicles, EVs, will be considered (battery EVs, Plug-in hybrid EVs, Range-extended EVs, Hybrid EVs, Fuel cell EVs). 2) Different stages will be considered (raw materials, production, use, end-of-life); 3) Synergies with circular economy will be addressed (e.g., cradle to cradle, reuse and recycling consideration, cf. EEA Report No 13/2018).</p> <p>C.2 makes a contribution to the majority of the objectives. It affects objective 1 because noise reduction is crucial in LCA and in LCC assessments. Furthermore, C2 makes a contribution to objective 2. Data gathered from the remaining actions, particularly B4 and B6, will be used to assess the individual and synergistic “weight” of the different causes of traffic noise (the remaining factors being constant): pavement, tyres (focusing on what happens just changing the tyre), and EV type. Apart from the clear information emerging in terms of sound levels, the overall impact is going to be assessed through the LCA and LCC analyses. This is going to be the basis for editing guidelines as per objective 4, demonstrating the different sustainability of each solution (cf. objective 6). For the durability of low-noise surfaces (objective 6), it is noted that this property mainly depends on the following aspects: mechanical performance of the layer (fatigue resistance, modulus, shear resistance, surface texture, friction) and noise performance of the layer.</p> <p>Finally, for the sustainability (objective 6), the action C1 is going to make a contribution in terms of life cycle assessment, where the overall impact is going to be assessed through a wide spectrum of indicators such as the global energy requirement, the carbon footprint, and the noise impact.</p>	<p>Results: see the paper that was published. Further studies are in progress.</p>





## 32/40. Focus on C2

These analyses will continue and will focus on evaluating tracks efficiency from a comprehensive point of view, including soundscape components (B5), thus achieving obj.6 of demonstrating the durability and effectiveness through LCA.

Data gathering are still in progress by UNIRC.

A first paper, *“Energy and Environmental Life Cycle Assessment of Sustainable Pavement Materials and Technologies for Urban Roads”*, has been published. This is available on the website of the LIFE E-VIA project:





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33/40. Focus on D1

# Action D1

Information and awareness raising activities  
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### 34/40. Focus on D1

The following papers have been submitted from the beginning of the LIFE E-VIA project:

"Energy and environmental life cycle assessment of sustainable pavement materials and technologies for urban roads"	Sustainability
"Particulate matter from non-exhaust sources"	ENVIRO Conference 2020
"The study of road pavement performance through impact hammer tests"	ENVIRO Conference 2020
"Smart road infrastructures through vibro-acoustic signature analyses"	4th International Symposium NEW METROPOLITAN PERSPECTIVES 2020
"Acoustic impact of electric vehicles"	20th IEEE Mediterranean Electronical Conference (MELECON) 2020
"Electric vehicles diffusion: changing pavement acoustic design?"	Journal Noise Mapping 2021
"Acoustical characterization of low-noise prototype asphalt concretes for electric vehicles"	Euronoise 2021 Congress
"Low-noise Road mixtures for electric vehicles"	Euronoise 2021 Congress



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### 35/40. Focus on D1

The abstract of one paper has been submitted for the **51<sup>st</sup> International Congress and Exposition on Noise Control Engineering** which will be held in Glasgow, from 21 to 24 August 2022.






**LIFE18 ENV/IT/000201 E-VIA – Meeting in Reggio**


*“Electric Vehicle noise control by Assessment and optimisation of tyre/road interaction”*

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**Date:** October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 10:30 a.m.

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**Location:** Reggio Calabria, Engineering building, Aula A6, DIIES, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor

The internal and technical progress project meeting in **Reggio Calabria** was held on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021.



36/40. Focus on D2

# Action D2

Technical dissemination activities to stakeholders  
[scheduled: 07/2019-03/2023]







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### 37/40. Focus on D2

An activity of dissemination of the LIFE E-VIA project has been made during the “Night of the Researchers” (*La notte dei ricercatori*) in Italy.



**LIFE E-VIA Electric Vehicle noise control by assessment and optimisation of tyre/road interaction.**

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### 38/40. Focus on D2







Note that a short presentation of the project E-VIA is reported on the website:  
<https://www.superscienceme.it/>



## Electric Vehicle noise control by assessment and optimisation of tyre/road interaction.

### LIFE18 ENV/IT/000201. LIFE E-VIA



Partners	Objectives
	2 pavement solutions. 5 different EV types
	One reference ICE vehicle. 3*6=18 types of tyres
	LCA and LCCA (synergistic efficiency of pavement surfaces, tyres and vehicles )
	Rolling noise coefficients (CNOSSOS-EU)
	National and Italian regional policies
	People's awareness of noise pollution and health effects
	Reducing noise emission by 5 dB(A) and CO <sub>2</sub> emissions reduction (21%)
	Low-noise surfaces: implementing in further EU and extra-EU scenarios

### Web sites

<http://life-evia.eu>  
[http://ec.europa.eu/environment/life/project/Projects/index.cfm?fuseaction=search.dspPage&n\\_proj\\_id=7210](http://ec.europa.eu/environment/life/project/Projects/index.cfm?fuseaction=search.dspPage&n_proj_id=7210)



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## 39/40. Focus on D2.3 – Updates about the Contest

In the proposal above the following tasks, subtasks, and details were scheduled and stated as follows:

- Task D. Public awareness and dissemination of results
- Subtask D2.3 Organization of events/activities devoted to the project
- Workshop in Reggio Calabria, date tbd. Organizer: UNIRC; other partners will attend and present a scientific contribution. On this occasion the students' contest awarding (D1 action) will be organized.
- As a prize for this contest, a visit to the laboratory for tests on road, railways and airport materials of UNIRC, and a visit to CRD's R&D facilities in Hanover are foreseen and attentively considered in terms of costs. Prize: "it is foreseen to pay for the flight and hotel costs for the 2 students winners of the contest and for an accompanying teacher".

Due to the pandemic, the workshop and the contest underwent multiple rescheduling efforts. At the moment there is an agreement with the high school "Liceo Scientifico Alessandro Volta" of Reggio Calabria. Based on that, the meeting held in Reggio on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 was already attended on line by a number of students of the high school above.





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## 40/40. Focus on D2.3 – Updates about the Contest

The following table summarises the tentative roadmap for the contest:

When	Action	Details
October 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	Three hours: E-VIA meeting already held	Meeting held in Reggio Calabria
February/March, 2022	Four hours times two mornings (8 hours)	Main topics: 1) Acoustics. 2) Tyre-pavement interaction. 3) Main devices (Kundt tube, mechanical impedance; Adrienne system; resistivity device)
February/March, 2022	Four hours at school “Volta”	Details and editing of the report
March/April, 2022	Contest on the Optimal EV sound	Tentative board: one representative per partner.
March/April, 2022	Trips and visits.	Visit to CRD’s R&D facilities in Hanover and/or to other venues, as per final decisions.



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# LIFE E-VIA

Electric Vehicle noise control by Assessment and optimisation of tyre/ road interaction

[www.life-evia.eu](http://www.life-evia.eu)



Start : July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019

End: March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023

## THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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## LIFE E-VIA PROJECT

Monitoring visit 25<sup>TH</sup> February 2022 - Firenze

**Vienrose Ingegneria**

**Responsible for actions B5, D1 and D2**

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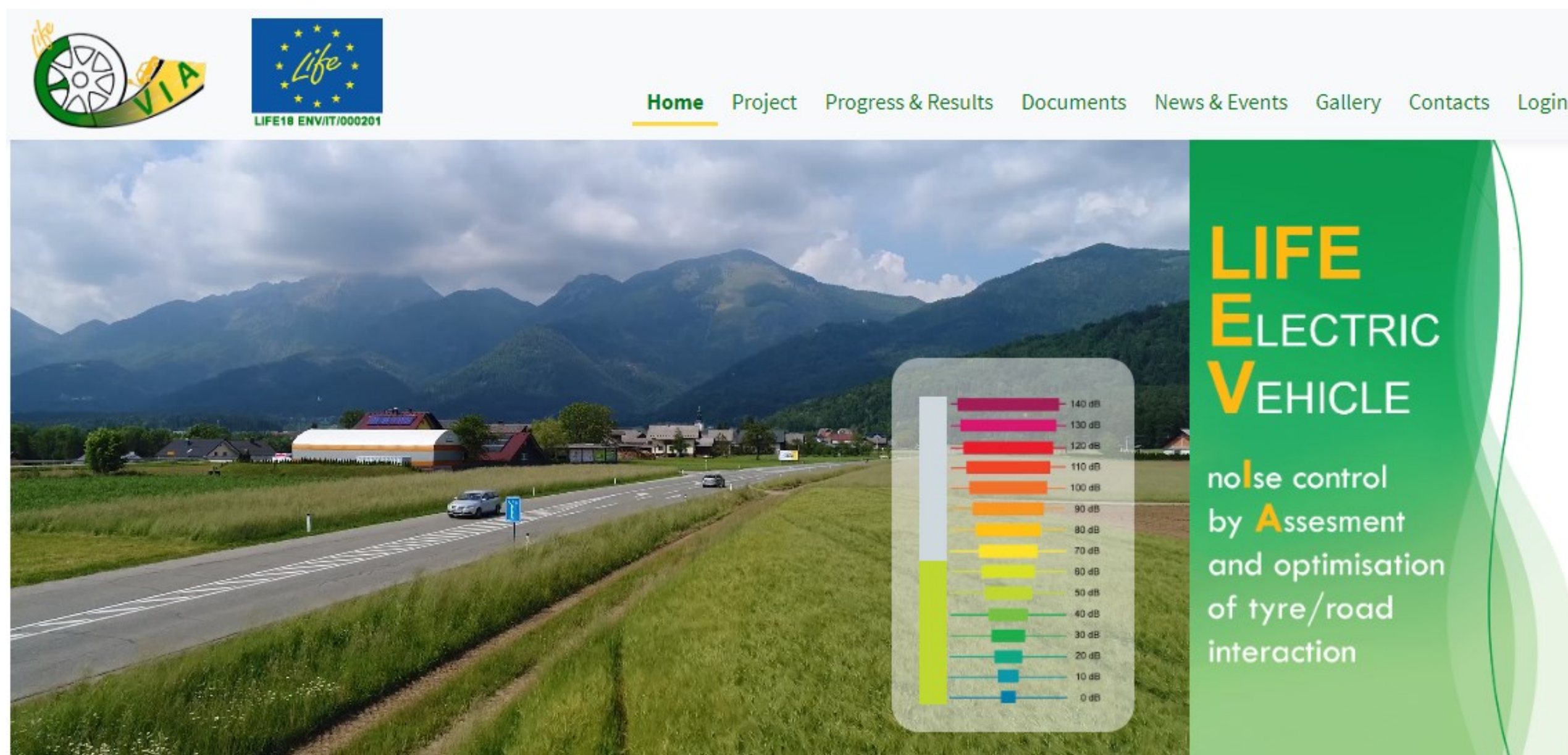


# ACTION D1



# Website



<http://life-evia.eu/>





# Report on statistics on Website visits

On a trimester basis a *Report on website design and statistics on visits* is drafted and published on the project website (not foreseen by project proposal).

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# Report on statistics on Website visits

According to the filled **LIFE KPI indicators**, the values of the following indicator is requested to be provided at the end of the project and three years after its conclusion:

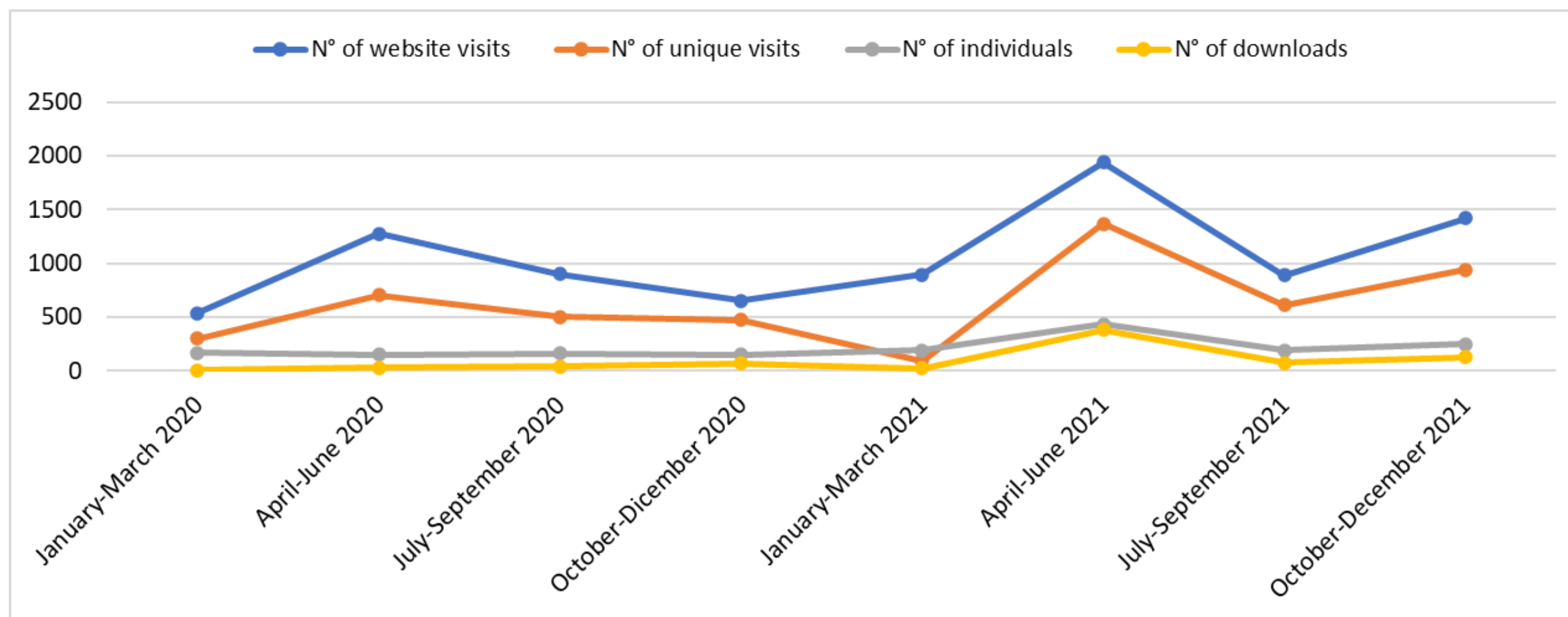
- n° of unique visits

In addition to the mandatory statistics to be provided according the Project's proposal and the KPI, **further indicators** are analysed and reported:

- n° of individuals
- n° of download
- average visit duration
- typology of access: direct to the website link or indirect
- country of origin of the device
- most visited pages
- typology of device used by visitors to connect

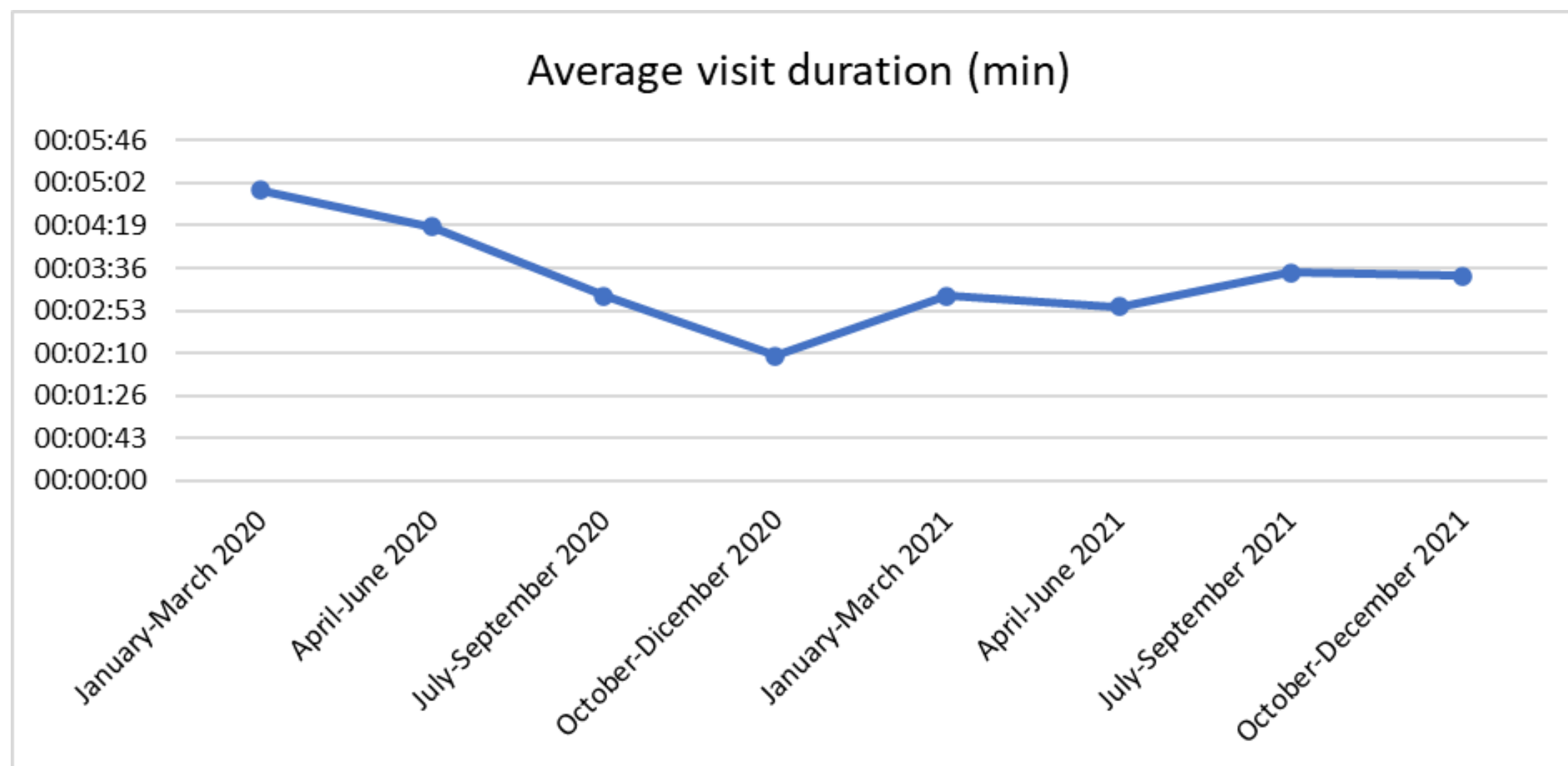


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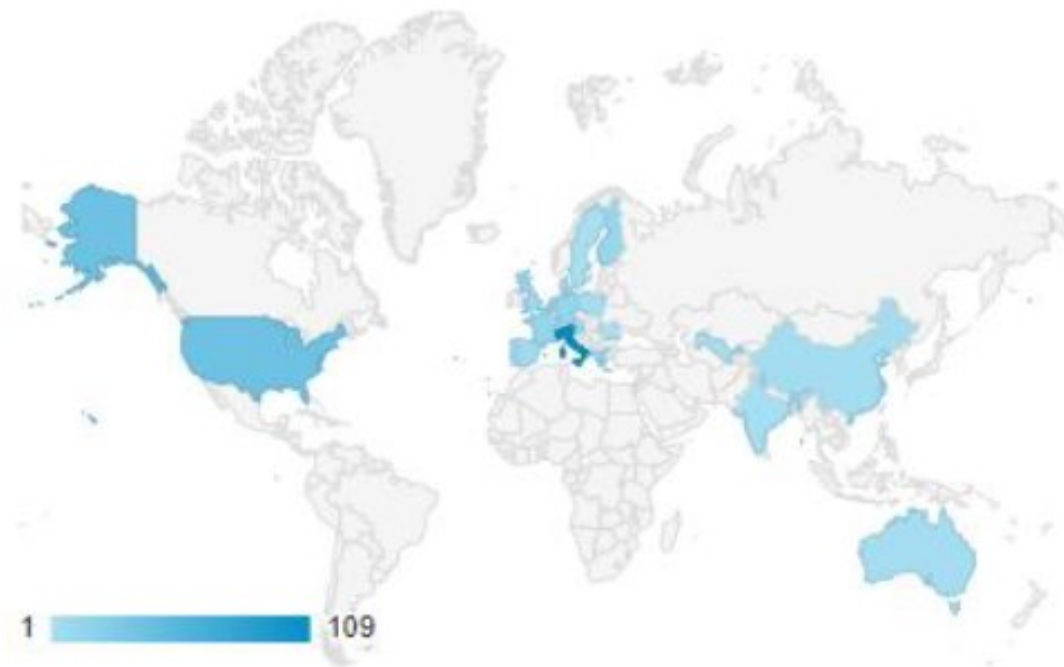




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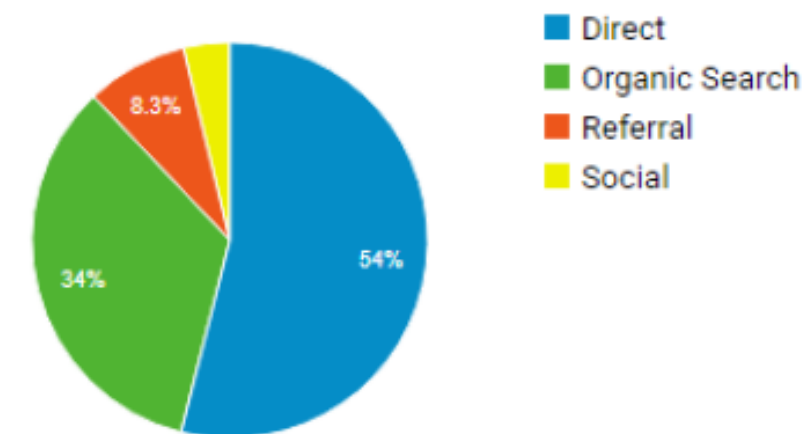
## Some additional indicators

*Map of Countries of origin of the connected devices*



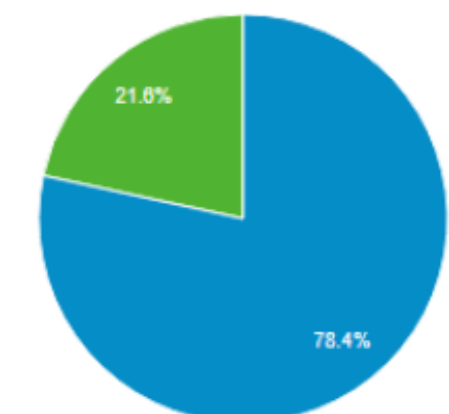
*Percentage of direct vs indirect connections*

Top Channels

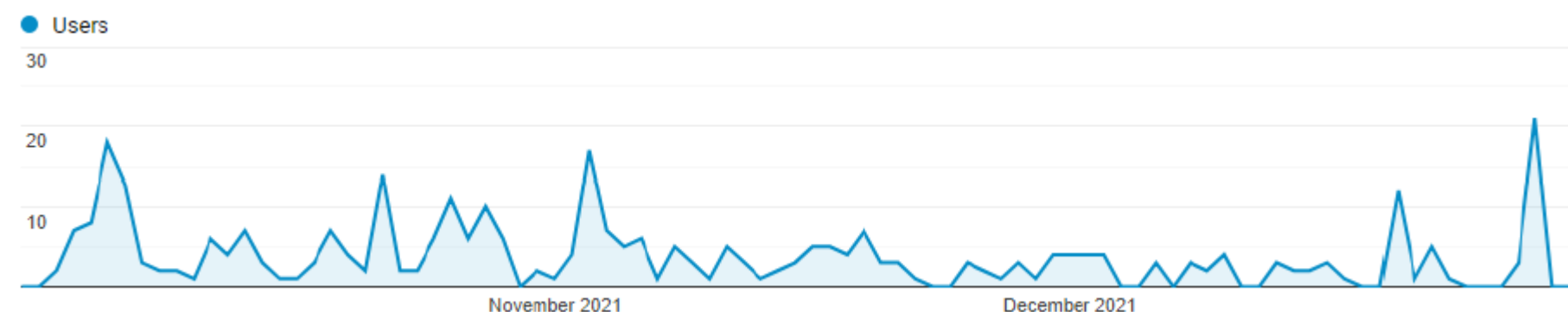


*Percentage of New visitors vs Returning visitors*

■ New Visitor ■ Returning Visitor



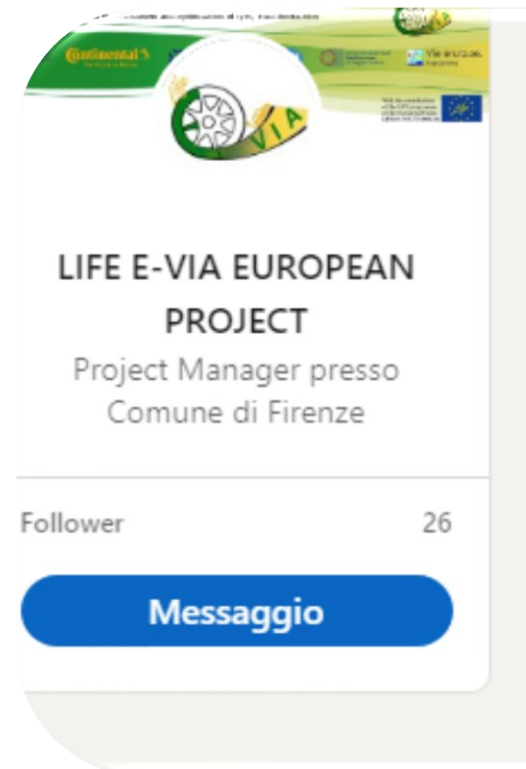
*Trend of website visits*





# Social networks

Facebook page: 132 followers – 30 post (period 1/7/2020-31/12/2021)  
Linkedin account: 34 followers – 30 post (period 1/7/2020-31/12/2021)





# Statistics on social networks

Period January 2020-December 2020 vs January 2021-December 2021



Sessions: **71.38%**



Sessions via Social Referral:  
**125.88%**

Social Network ?	Sessions ?	↓
1. Facebook		
01-Jan-2021 - 31-Dec-2021	121 (63.02%)	
01-Jan-2020 - 31-Dec-2020	71 (83.53%)	
% Change	70.42%	
2. LinkedIn		
01-Jan-2021 - 31-Dec-2021	66 (34.38%)	
01-Jan-2020 - 31-Dec-2020	10 (11.76%)	
% Change	560.00%	



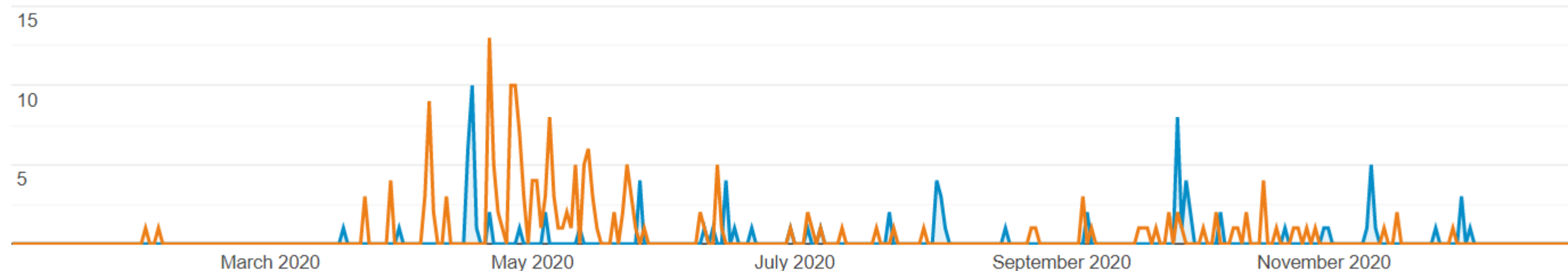


# Statistics on social networks

Period January 2020-December 2020 vs January 2021-December 2021

01-Jan-2020 - 31-Dec-2020: ● Sessions via Social Referral

01-Jan-2021 - 31-Dec-2021: ● Sessions via Social Referral



01-Jan-2020 - 31-Dec-2020: ● All Sessions

01-Jan-2021 - 31-Dec-2021: ● All Sessions





# Dissemination Plan – structure

TYPE OF ACTION	DELIVERABLES	CODE
Dissemination products	Dissemination Plan	1
	Life E-VIA Website	3
	Noticeboard in English language	18
	Noticeboard in French language	21
	Noticeboard in German language	22
	Noticeboard in Italian language	23
	Scientific papers	36
	Article published in open access top ranked journal	15
	Article for local magazines about EV Festival	16
	Articles for peer-reviewed open access journal	20
	Open Source Articles on peer-reviewed international journal	19
	Report on yearly participation in INAD	25
Promotion activities	Layman's report	35
	Press conferences	11
	Radio campaign	17
	Video of the prototype construction	8
Events	Promotional video about EV FESTIVAL	26
	Final event in Florence	37
	Workshop in Reggio Calabria	24
	Events	E
	Six-monthly meetings of the EUROCITIES	M







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# Dissemination Plan – timeline 2/3



LIFE E-VIA (LIFE18 ENV/IT/000201)  
DISSEMINATION PLAN

TYPE OF ACTION	DELIVERABLES	2021											
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Dissemination products	Dissemination Plan												
	Life E-VIA Website												
	Noticeboard in English language									18_3; 18_4			18_5
	Noticeboard in French language							21_1		21_2			
	Noticeboard in German language					22_1				22_2			22_3
	Noticeboard in Italian language					23_1				23_2			23_3; 23_4
	Scientific papers					36_7; 36_8	36_9	36_11; 36_12	36_13		36_14; 36_15; 36_16		
	Article published in open access top ranked journal						15						
	Article for local magazines about EV Festival												
	Articles for peer-reviewed open access journal												20_2
	Open Source Articles on peer-reviewed international journal												
	Report on yearly participation in INAD							25_1					
Promotion activities	Layman's report												
	Press conferences				11_4								
	Radio campaign												
	Video of the prototype construction						8						
Events	Promotional video about EV FESTIVAL												
	Final event in Florence												
	Workshop in Reggio Calabria												
	Events	E_2				E_3					E_4	E_5	
	Six-monthly meetings of the EUROCITIES				M_2								





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# Dissemination Plan – detailed activities 1/4

Dissemination Plan Ref.n.	Deadline	Code	Issued on	Description
1	01/09/2019			Dissemination plan
		1	September 2019	Start of dissemination activities
2	01/12/2019			Life E-VIA Website
		3	December 2019	Development and launch of LIFE E-VIA website <a href="http://www.life-evia.eu">www.life-evia.eu</a>
3	31/12/2021			Video of the prototype construction
		8	June 2021	Video of the prototype construction in Nantes "Low-noise road surface prototype for electric vehicles"
4	31/07/2022			Press conferences
		11_a	April 2021	Press release: "A San Jacopino arriva l'asfalto anti rumore: Firenze città pilota in Europa per la sperimentazione"
		11_b		
		11_c		
5	31/12/2022			1 Article published in an open access top ranked journal
		15	June 2021	Article published in an open access journal NOISE MAPPING: "Road surface influence on electric vehicle noise emission at urban speed"
6	31/12/2022			1 Article for local magazines about EV Festival
		16		
7	31/12/2022			1 Radio campaign
		17		
8	31/12/2022			Noticeboard in English language printed in almost 100/300 copies each
		18_1	February 2020	LIFE E-VIA: objectives and actions (EN)
		18_2	February 2020	LIFE E-VIA: Roll-up (EN)
		18_3	September 2021	LIFE E-VIA: the pilot case (EN)
		18_4	September 2021	LIFE E-VIA: laboratory experiments (EN)
		18_5	December 2021	LIFE E-VIA: survey ante/post operam (EN)
		18_6	January 2022	LIFE E-VIA: Tyre role in the context of EV and ICEV (EN)
		18_7		
		18_8		
		18_9		
		18_10		
		18_11		
		18_12		
		18_13		
		18_14		
		18_15		





# Dissemination Plan – detailed activities 2/4

Dissemination Plan Ref.n.	Deadline	Code	Issued on	Description
9	31/12/2022			2 Open Source Articles on peer-reviewed international journal for dissemination of the obtained results
		19_1		
		19_2		
10	31/12/2022			3 Articles for peer-reviewed open access journal (e.g., Materials, MDPI and Applied Acoustics)
		20_1	January 2020	Paper published on Open Access Sustainability 2020 about the sustainable pavement materials for the urban roads.
		20_2	December 2021	Paper published on the special issue "Understanding the impact of mobility on urban noise pollution" of the Journal "NoiseMapping"
		20_3		
11	31/12/2022			Noticeboard in French language printed in almost 100/300 copies each
		21_1	July 2021	LIFE E-VIA: objectives and actions (FR)
		21_2	September 2021	LIFE E-VIA: the pilot case (FR)
		21_3	January 2022	LIFE E-VIA: laboratory experiments (FR)
		21_4	September 2022	LIFE E-VIA: OPTIMISATION DU BRUIT DE CONTACT PNEUMATIQUE/ CHAUSSEE POUR LES VEHICULES ELECTRIQUES
		21_5		
12	31/12/2022			Noticeboard in German language printed in almost 100/300 copies each
		22_1	May 2021	LIFE E-VIA: objectives and actions (DE)
		22_2	September 2021	LIFE E-VIA: the pilot case (DE)
		22_3	December 2021	LIFE E-VIA: laboratory experiments (DE)
		22_4	January 2022	LIFE E-VIA: Tyre role in the context of EV and ICEV (DE)
		22_5		
13	31/12/2022			Noticeboard in Italian language printed in almost 100/300 copies each
		23_1	May 2021	LIFE E-VIA: objectives and actions (IT)
		23_2	September 2021	LIFE E-VIA: the pilot case (IT)
		23_3	December 2021	LIFE E-VIA: laboratory experiments (IT)
		23_4	December 2021	LIFE E-VIA: survey ante/post operam (IT)
		23_5		
14	31/12/2022			Proceedings of workshop in Reggio Calabria and students' contest awarding (USB Keys) - 50 copies
	Workshop in Reggio	24		
15	31/12/2022			Report on yearly participation in INAD (3 reports 2020,2021,2022)
		25_1	July 2021	Report INAD Italia 2020-2021
		25_2		
		25_3		
16	31/01/2023			1 promotional video about EV FESTIVAL
		26		
17	31/01/2023			Layman's report
		35		



# Dissemination Plan – detailed activities 3/4

Dissemination Plan Ref.n.	Deadline	Code	Issued on	Description
18	31/03/2023			Scientific papers to be presented in national/international congresses
		36_1	December 2019	Scientific contribution about the project in the EAI SmartCity 360° 2019 International Summit.
		36_2	March 2020	JTAV 2020: (ille-France) "LIFE E-VIA: noise control of electric vehicles by optimizing tire-road interaction"
		36_3	May 2020	Paper submitted to: 11th International Conference "Environmental Engineering" (ENVIRO)
		36_4	May 2020	Paper submitted to: 4th International Symposium "NEW METROPOLITAN PERSPECTIVES"
		36_5	June 2020	Paper submitted to the international conference: 20th IEEE Mediterranean Electronical Conference (MELECON)
		36_6	November 2020	Paper submitted to Forum Acusticum Congress "LIFE E-VIA project: noise, electric vehicles and tyres"
		36_7	May 2021	Presentation to AIA Congress "IL PROGETTO LIFE E-VIA: CONTROLLO DEL RUMORE DEI VEICOLI ELETTRICI MEDIANTE VALUTAZIONE E OTTIMIZZAZIONE DELL'INTERAZIONE PNEUMATICO/ASFALTO"
		36_8	May 2021	Presentation of the project to the European Tire and Rim Technical Organisation (ETRTO)
		36_9	June 2021	Presentation at the French "Journées Techniques Acoustique et Vibrations" (JTAV2021, 8 June 2021, e-seminar): "Projet LIFE E-VIA : Influence du revêtement de chaussée sur l'émission sonore des véhicules électriques"
		36_10	2021/2022	Praticò F.G., Briante P.G., Colicchio G., Fedele R. Asphalt concretes for electric vehicles. Abstract submitted to: 11th International Conference on the Bearing Capacity of Roads, Railways and Airfields (BCRRA). 29 June - 1 July 2021, Trondheim, Norway.
		36_11	July 2021	Presentation to ICSV27 "THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF SOUND: WORLD WILD PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES"
		36_12	July 2021	Presentation to ICSV 27 "THE LIFE E-VIA PROJECT: NOISE CONTROL OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES THROUGH ASSESSMENT AND OPTIMIZATION OF TYRE /ASPHALT INTERACTION"
		36_13	August 2021	Presentation/ paper at the Annual Meeting of the German Acoustical Society: DAGA 2021 - 47. Jahrestagung für Akustik, 15. - 18. August 2021, Vienna.
		36_14	October 2021	Paper submitted to EURONOISE 2021 "Acoustical characterization of low-noise prototype asphalt concretes for electric vehicles"
		36_15	October 2021	Abstract/ presentation submitted to PIARC International Sustainability of Road Transport "LIFE E-VIA: Prototypal low-noise road surface for the reduction of electric vehicle rolling noise in urban area"
		36_16	October 2021	Paper submitted to EURONOISE 2021 "Low-noise road mixtures for electric vehicles"
		36_17	March 2022	Presentation/ paper at the Annual Meeting of the German Acoustical Society: DAGA 2022 - 21. – 24. März 2022, Stuttgart,
		36_18	August 2022	Paper submitted to INTERNOISE 2022 "Low-noise friction courses containing treated and un-treated crumb rubber to mitigate tyre/road noise in urban contexts"
19	31/03/2023			Proceedings of Final Event in Florence (USB Keys) -400 copies
	International Congress in Florence	37		



# Dissemination Plan – detailed activities 4/4

OTHER DISSEMINATION ACTIVITIES				
20	31/12/2022			Events
		E_1	September 2019	9th international FKL Symposium: The lost sounds rediscovered by the students of the schools that participated in the INAD 2019 initiative
		E_2	January 2021	IYS 2020 Steering Committee Meeting: student competition and Italian events
		E_3	May 2021	Webinar "Mobilità elettrica e asfalti a bassa emissione di rumore: il progetti LIFE E-VIA e altri contributi"
		E_4	October 2021	International Congress in Florence- EXPO MOVE 2021
		E_5	November 2021	Webinar "URBAN HEAT ISLAND AND NOISE: OUR NOT SO INVISIBLE ENEMIES"
		E_6	August 2022	Structured session on "Tyre/road noise" at INTER-NOISE 2022 which will be held August 21–24, 2022, at the Scottish Event Campus (SEC) in Glasgow, U.K..
		E_7	September 2022	Event "Assises Nationales de la Qualité de l'Environnement Sonore"
21	31/12/2022			Six-monthly meetings of the EUROCITIES Environmental Working Groups
		M_1	October 2019	EUROCITIES: Meeting in Oslo during the Environment Forum
		M_2	April 2021	EUROCITIES: Networking activities and information exchanges about LIFE E-VIA project and related activities have been carried out by FIRENZE during the "Environmental forum" held on 28-30 April 2021.
		M_3		
		M_4		
		M_5		
		M_6		
Other activities				
Meeting		September 2019	First meeting among partners	
Project kick off meeting		November 2019	LIFE 18 ENV and GIE Welcome meeting in Brussels	
Meeting		July 2020	First meeting among partners	
Meeting		October 2020	First meeting among partners	
Articles		April 2021	Articles published on Italian journals	
Meeting		April 2021	Meeting among partners	
Lesson to students		June 2021	Lesson to students from the University of Applied Sciences in Hanover	





# **ACTION D2**

## ***ACTIVITIES FROM MAY 2021 TO FEBRUARY 2022***

# LIFE E-VIA

Electric Vehicle noise control by Assessment and optimisation of tyre/ road interaction



## Dissemination and participation photo album

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# LIFE E-VIA: objectives and actions (DE)

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## LIFE E-VIA

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### Hintergrund

Belastungsdaten der Europäischen Umweltagentur (EEA) zeigen, dass mehr als 100 Millionen EU-Bürger durch gesundheitsbelastende Geräuschpegel beeinträchtigt sind. Laut Weltgesundheitsorganisation (WHO) ist dabei in etwa jede dritte Person in der Europäischen Region Verkehrslärm ausgesetzt, der ungesund ist. 20 % aller Europäer, insbesondere in urbanen Gebieten, sind regelmäßig nächtlichen Schalldruckpegeln ausgesetzt, die gesundheitsschädlich sein können. Wie in der *Noise in Europe Conference* (April 2017) und den WHO Richtlinien (Okt. 2018) ausgeführt wird, müssen EU-Regeln zur Schallquellenanormierung auch mit weiteren effektiven Maßnahmen wie Verbesserungen an Straßenoberflächen oder Reifen, und städtebaulichen Maßnahmen kombiniert werden. Eine Maßnahme, die allgemein als der beste Ansatz zur Geräuschreduzierung und Minimierung gesundheitsschädlicher Luftverschmutzungen im städtischen Umfeld angesehen wird, ist die Einführung der Elektromobilität. Aufgrund der im Vergleich zu klassischen Verbrennungsfahrzeugen geänderten Eigenschaften von Elektrofahrzeugen (EV) gibt es einen Bedarf zur Untersuchung der Reifen-/Fahrbahninteraktion. Weiterhin fehlen, selbst unter Berücksichtigung der Richtlinie 2002/49/EC, entsprechende Koeffizienten, um das CNOSSOS-Model (Richtlinie 996/2015/EC) für die neuen Fahrzeugtypen und Geräuschspektren anwenden zu können.

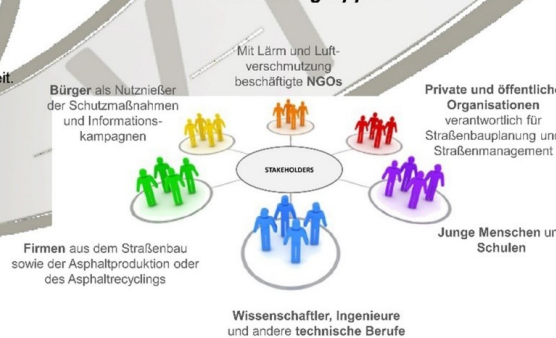
### Ziele

- 1 Eine Lärmreduzierung für dichtbesiedelte urbane Gebiete durch die Implementierung von Minderungsmaßnahmen die auf **optimierte Straßenbeläge und Reifen für EVs** abzielen. Zwei Straßenoberflächen, mindestens fünf verschiedene Elektrofahrzeuge, ein Referenzfahrzeug mit Verbrennungsmotor und mindestens drei verschiedene Reifen pro Fahrzeugklasse (inkl. spezieller EV-Reifen) werden getestet
- 2 Eine Abschätzung der **Minderungseffektivität und -potentials** von **Reifen, Fahrbahnbelägen und Verkehrseigenschaften** (z.B. Verkehrsspektren, Geschwindigkeiten, Fahrweisen) auf einem höheren Verständnisniveau: Lebenszyklus-/Lebenszykluskostenanalyse (LCA und LCCA) werden durchgeführt um die individuelle und synergetische Effizienz verschiedener Fahrbahnbeläge, Reifen und Fahrzeugen zu zeigen, inkl. eines Vergleichs zwischen reinem Verbrennungs-, Misch- und reinem EV-Verkehr).
- 3 Beizutragen zur **effektiven Umsetzung von EU-Gesetzgebung** (EU Richtlinien 2002/49/EC und 2015/996/EC) durch die Bereitstellung von speziell für elektrische Fahrzeuge angepasste Rollgeräusch-Koeffizienten für die Common Noise Assessment Methode (CNOSSOS-EU). Dies ermöglicht beratenden, planenden und umsetzenden Personen und Organisationen die Betrachtung zukünftiger Szenarien.
- 4 Beizutragen zur **National- und Regionalpolitik** durch die Herausgabe von **Richtlinien und Empfehlungen** zur Nutzung und Anwendung der Projektergebnisse. In Kollaboration mit dem Projekt wird beispielsweise durch die regionale Umweltbehörde der Toskana (ARPAT) geschehen. Weitere italienische Kommunen und Regionen haben ebenfalls ihr Interesse bezeugt.
- 5 Eine **Verbesserung des öffentlichen Bewusstseins** für schädliche Geräuschbelastungen, die daraus resultierenden Gesundheitsgefahren und die damit zusammenhängenden Möglichkeiten der Elektromobilität, mittels zielgerichteter Informationskampagnen und -veranstaltungen, sowie einer Beteiligung der Bevölkerung durch Soundscape-Befragungen und einer der Einbeziehung in die Geräuschdatenerfassung..
- 6 Das **Demonstrieren und Bewerben eines nachhaltigen (elektrischen) Straßenverkehrs** durch Reduzierung der Schallbelastung um 5 dB(A) im Bereich der straßenzugewandten Außenfassade bei gleichzeitiger Reduzierung der CO<sub>2</sub>-Emissionen um 21 % (Werte im Kontext der Gegebenheiten der italienischen Pilotanwendung und des Stands der entsprechenden Literatur)
- 7 Eine **Förderung der Nutzung geräuschoptimierter Straßenoberflächen** in entsprechenden Szenarien **innerhalb und außerhalb der EU** durch die Zuschaustellung der Haltbarkeit und Nachhaltigkeit entsprechender Lösungen mittels LCA und LCCA

### Maßnahmen

- A. Vorbereitende Maßnahmen**
- A1 Elektrofahrzeuge und ihre Geräuschemissionen
  - A2 Technologien für leise Fahrbahnbeläge und ihre zeitliche Leistungsfähigkeit
  - A3 Die Rolle des Reifens im neuen Kontext von Elektro- vs. Verbrennungsfahrzeugen
- B. Implementierungsmaßnahmen**
- B1 Fahrbahnoberflächendesign
  - B2 Reifen-/Fahrbahninteraktionsstudie und Prototypimplementierung
  - B3 Pilotanwendung: Implementierung, Replikation und Transferierbarkeit
  - B4 Fahrbahneffizienztests im Rahmen der Pilotanwendung
  - B5 Soundscape-Analyse
  - B6 Auswertung von EV-Geräuschemissionen
  - B7 Holistische Leistungseigenschaften von Reifen
- C. Monitoring der Wirkung der Projektmaßnahmen**
- C1 Monitoring der Wirkung der Projektmaßnahmen
  - C2 Lebenszyklusanalyse (LCA) und Lebenszykluskosten (LCC)
- D. Öffentliches Bewusstsein und Verbreitung der Ergebnisse**
- D1 Informations- und Sensibilisierungsmaßnahmen
  - D2 Verbreitungsmaßnahmen und technische Interessengruppen
- E. Projektmanagement**

### Interessengruppen



Projektwebsite: <https://life-evia.eu/>

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**2 ore di aggiornamento per Tecnici Competenti in Acustica**

L'aggiornamento per i TCA è riservato ai primi 36 iscritti

Il corso è riconosciuto dalla Regione Toscana con Prot. n. 0177764 del 21/04/2021

N° of participants - about 130

Type of participants - about half of them engineers, about 20% acousticians, the rest architects, university researchers and other technicians and employees of administrations/public bodies (in addition to those from co-organisers)

Technical experts in acoustics who received training credits - 34

Authorities involved (among the participants) - Bolzano Province, Como Province, ARPA, Aosta Valley Region among the main ones, as well as several Italian universities

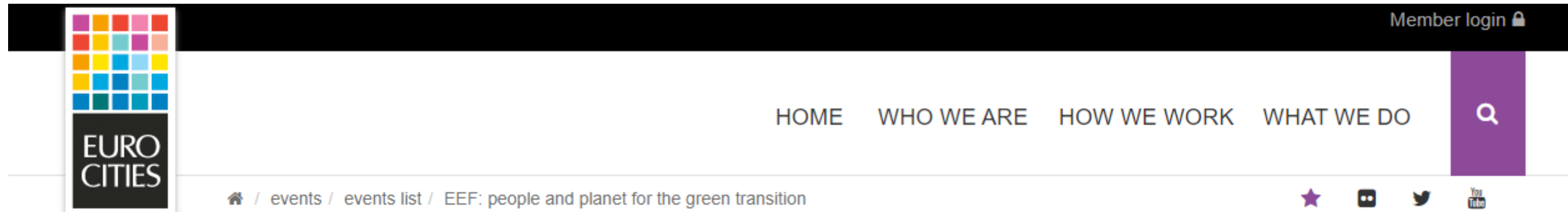


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## ■ EEF: people and planet for the green transition (28-30 April)

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We are delighted to announce the theme of our EEF hosted online by Porto and Guimaraes as "people and planet for a green transition". Join us for three mornings between **28, 29 and 30 April** as we discuss what it means to transition to a healthy and thriving city for all, explore case studies and analyse how we can achieve the status of a thriving city moving forward.

Registrations will open very soon. Watch this space! A hint of what's to come? Oh alright...

### Driving the green transition through recovery

Wednesday 28 April @ 09.30-13.30 CET

What does it mean to have a 'green transition'? How can we use recovery strategies to drive the green transition?

Join us as we explore what it means to transition, hold a high-level political debate on driving the transition through recovery and network with our cities to learn how we can localise the European Green Deal through a city showcase (open call – got something to showcase? Get in touch!).

### How to enact the green transition locally

Thursday 29 April @ 09.30-12.20 CET





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### IL PROGETTO LIFE E-VIA: CONTROLLO DEL RUMORE DEI VEICOLI ELETTRICI MEDIANTE VALUTAZIONE E OTTIMIZZAZIONE DELL'INTERAZIONE PNEUMATICO/ASFALTO

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#### SOMMARIO

Il progetto Life E-VIA "Electric Vehicle noise control by Assessment and optimisation of tyre/road interaction", co-finanziato nell'ambito dell'obiettivo prioritario del Programma Life2018 collegato all'inquinamento acustico, affronta la problematica del rumore da traffico stradale, ponendosi in una prospettiva futura in cui i veicoli elettrici e ibridi saranno una parte consistente del traffico stradale e combinando asfalti a bassa rumorosità con pneumatici specifici per i veicoli elettrici.

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# Presentation of the project to the European Tire and Rim Technical Organisation (ETRTO)

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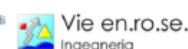
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LIFE E-VIA

Electric Vehicle noise control by Assessment and optimisation of tyre/road interaction



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## Objectives

1. To **reduce noise** for roads inside very populated urban areas through the implementation of a mitigation measure aimed at **optimizing road surfaces and tyres of EVs**.



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## Objectives

3. To contribute to **EU legislation effective implementation** providing rolling noise coefficients within the Common Noise Assessment Method (**CNOSSOS-EU**), specifically tuned for EVs, aiming at helping to developing **future scenarios**.



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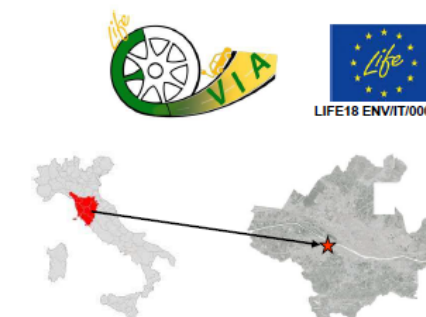
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## Pilot Area Florence

- As a pilot implementation a section of a road in Florence will be paved with the new low-noise road surface.
- The pilot area will be the focus of further actions relating to
  - performance and wear/ageing monitoring of the new surface,
  - LCA/LCAA analysis,
  - Soundscape analysis,
  - ...
- The re-pavement of the road will also be linked to an EV festival planned to be held in Florence which shall promote Electric Mobility.



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# Lesson carried out by CRD to students the University of Applied Sciences in Hanover

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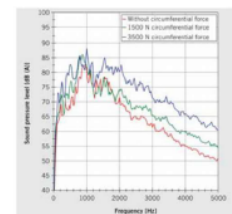
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### Warum besondere Anforderungen an Reifen und Straße für Elektrofahrzeuge?

Im Vergleich zu Fahrzeugen mit Verbrennungsmotoren...

- ...sind EVs schwerer.
  - Höhere Reifenlast → höheres Rollgeräusch.
  - Stärkere Abnutzung von Reifen und Straße.
- ...haben EVs in einem weiten Drehzahlbereich ein höheres Drehmoment.
  - Zusätzliche Rollgeräusch-Anregemechanismen.
  - Stärkere Abnutzung von Reifen und Straße.
- ...gibt es einen nochmals verstärkten Fokus auf niedrigem Rollwiderstand.
  - Niedrigerer Rollwiderstand → höhere Fahrzeugreichweite → höhere Kundenakzeptanz.

Akustische Aspekte  
Weitere relevante Aspekte



Quelle: F. Stalter et al.: Influence of driving torque on tyre noise, Auto Tech Review 10/2013, 34-35.

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### Absorbierende Straßenbeläge

Absorption entlang der Luftschallausbreitung



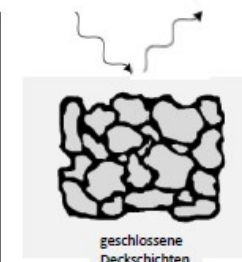
Minderung von akustischen Resonanzen in der Aufstandsfläche



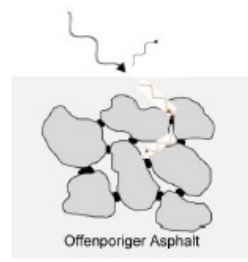
Reduzierung des Horneffektes



Horneffekt: effiziente Abstrahlung aufgrund kontinuierlicher Impedanzanpassung in der Horngeometrie



Auftreffender Schall wird nahezu komplett reflektiert



Ein Teil des Schalls dringt in die Deckschicht ein und durch viskose Reibung dissipiert

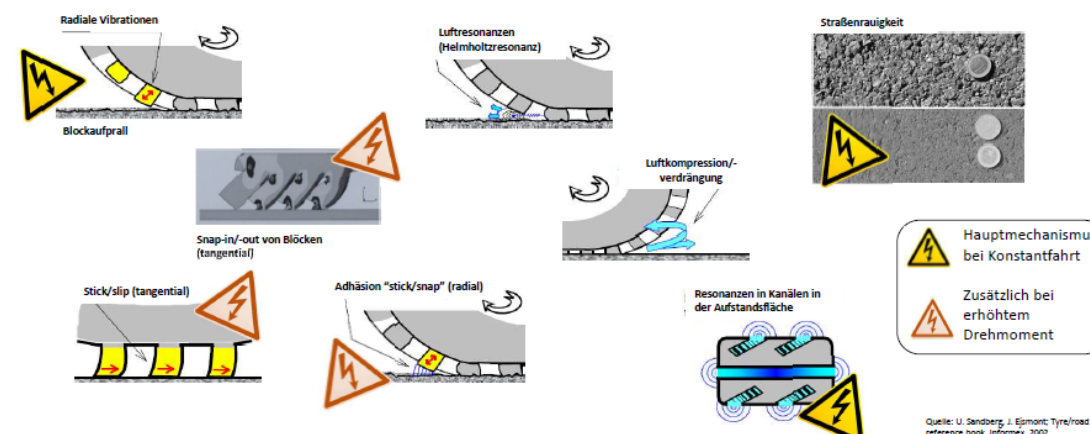
- Nachteile:
- Verstopfung der Poren
  - Kürzere mechanische Lebensdauer

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### Anregungsmechanismen des Reifen-/Fahrbahngeräusches



- Hauptmechanismus bei Konstantfahrt
- Zusätzlich bei erhöhtem Drehmoment

Quelle: U. Sandberg, J. Epmont: Tyre/road noise reference book, Informa, 2002.

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## NOISE MAPPING

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### Road surface influence on electric vehicle noise emission at urban speed

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**Abstract:** Considering the relative quietness of electric motors, tyre/road interaction has become the prominent source of noise emission from Electric Vehicles (EVs). This study deals with the potential influence of the road surface on EV noise emission, especially in urban area. A pass-by noise measurement campaign has been carried out on a reference test track, involving six different road surfaces and five electric passenger car models in different vehicle segments. The immunity of sound recordings to background noise was considered with care. The overall and spectral pass-by noise levels have been analysed as a function of the vehicle speed for each couple of road surface and EV model. It was found that the type of EV has few influence on the noise classification of the road surfaces at 50 km/h. However, the noise level difference between the quietest and the loudest road surface depends on the EV model, with an average close to 6 dBA, showing the potential effect of the road surface on noise reduction in the context of growing EV fleet in urban area. The perspective based on an average

the European area, where about 2.5 million of electric passenger cars were in circulation at the end of 2020. This figure comprises battery electric vehicles (BEVs) and plug-in electric vehicles (PHEVs). The market share of new EV registrations over the European area has been reaching 9.4% in 2020 against 3.7% in 2019. Depending on projection scenarios [2], it is expected to reach 15% to 30% of the global vehicle fleet by 2030.

A main advantage of EVs is that there is no exhaust emission while driving in pure electric mode, locally improving air-quality. EVs also contribute to the reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emission in the struggle against global warming [3]. Another key asset of EVs is the relative quietness of electric motors. This leads to the predominance of tyre/road noise from about 20 km/h at steady speed [4, 5]. According to EEA [6], in 2019 at least 20% of the European population was still exposed to noise levels that are considered harmful to human health. This burden is mainly due to road traffic noise, with more than 100 million EU citizens affected by high noise levels exceeding WHO recommendation [7]. Therefore, the development of low emission zones



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- 10h05 - 10h45 Elaboration de modèles d'émission sonore représentatifs de nouvelles catégories de sources routières M.-A. Pallas (Univ. G. Eiffel/UMRAE)
- 10h45 - 11h25 Amélioration des méthodes de caractérisation des émissions de bruit ferroviaire O. Chiello & M.-A. Pallas (Univ. G. Eiffel/UMRAE)
- Pause
- 13h30 - 14h30 Présentation de NoiseModelling - Utilisation dans le cadre de la recherche
  - Présentation de NoiseModelling et application P. Aumond (Univ. G. Eiffel/UMRAE)
  - Couplage Symuvia/MatSim A. Can @ V. Lebescond (Univ. G. Eiffel/UMRAE)
  - Nouveaux développements pour la prise en compte des façades végétalisées B. Gauvreau (Univ. G. Eiffel/UMRAE)
- 14h30 - 14h50 Présentation de l'outil PLAMADE et couplage avec NoiseModelling S. Cariou (Cerema/DterEst/UMRAE) & D. Ecotière (Cerema/DterEst/UMRAE)
- 14h50 - 15h30 Impact du bruit des avions sur la santé : le projet DEBATS A.-S. Evrard (Univ. G. Eiffel/UMRESTTE)
- 15h30 Table ronde A. Kavaj & M.-C. Bihoreau (DGITM), Ph. Maraval & F. Leray (DGPR), XX (DGAC)

#### Mardi 8 juin (JTAV)

- 9h30 - 9h55 Projet LIFE E-VIA : Influence du revêtement de chaussée sur l'émission sonore des véhicules électriques J. Cesbron - S. Bianchetti, M.-A. Pallas, A. Le Bellec, V. Gary, Ph. Klein (Univ. G. Eiffel/UMRAE)
- 9h55 - 10h20 Projet LIFE Cool & Low Noise Asphalt : suivi des performances acoustiques des revêtements de chaussée à faible bruit dans le centre ville de Paris C. Ribeiro (BruitParif)
- 10h20 - 10h45 Méthode d'estimation des incertitudes du bruit éolien en conditions favorables à la propagation B. Kayser (Univ. G. Eiffel/UMRAE)
- 10h45 - 11h10 Estimation du coefficient d'absorption acoustique moyen par des méthodes de machine learning C. Foy (Cerema/DterEst/UMRAE) A. Deleforge & D. Di Carlo (INRIA)
- 11h10 - 11h35 Evaluation environnementale d'une conduite autonome : méthodologie acoustique et vibratoire Ph. Dunez (Cerema/DterNP/TEER/ABV)
- Pause
- 13h30 - 13h55 Création d'une base de données des Points Noirs du Bruit dans les Quartiers Prioritaires du NPNRU L. Mazouz Cerema/DterNP/TEER/ABV)
- 13h55 - 14h20 Réseau à grand nombre de microphones et problèmes inverses mis en jeu Ch. Vanwinsberghe (ISEN Yncréa Ouest)
- 14h20 - 14h55 Plate-forme expérimentale de mesures acoustiques en temps réel S. Carra, V. Janillon (Acoucity)
- 14h55 - 15h20 Prédiagnostic sonore en milieu industriel : développement d'un "kit smartphone" Isabelle Smith Yamane & A. Alarcon (EDF)
- 15h20 Questions diverses - clôture des JTAV 2021

### Des recherches en cours à l'UMRAE

- **Projet européen LIFE E-VIA (2019-2023) :**
  - Electric Vehicle Noise Control by Assessment and Optimisation of Tyre/Road Interaction
  - Julien Cesbron et al., Projet LIFE E-VIA : influence du revêtement de chaussée sur l'émission sonore des véhicules électriques, JTAV 2021, 8/06/2021
  - <https://life-evia.eu/>
- **Signal d'alerte AVAS : caractérisation sous une approche environnementale**
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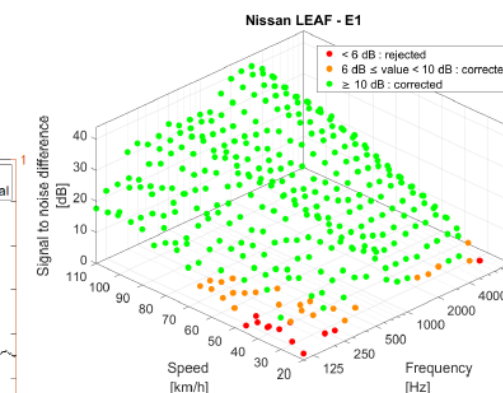
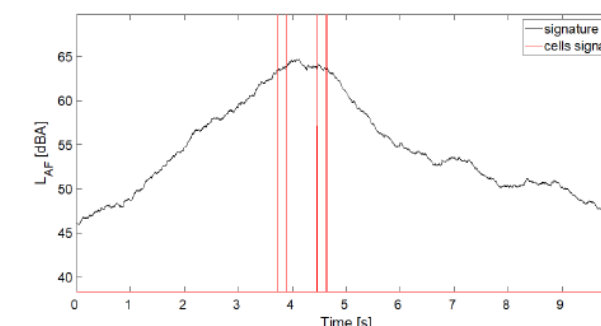
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- Spectra in 1/3 octave frequency band between 100Hz and 5000Hz
- Correction of background noise level (SNR<6dBA rejected)



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# Video of the prototype construction in Nantes

"Low-noise road surface prototype for electric vehicles"

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**VIDEO OF THE  
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# LIFE E-VIA: objectives and actions (FR)

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## LIFE E-VIA

Contrôle du bruit des Véhicules Électriques par  
l'évaluation et l'optimisation  
de l'interaction pneumatique/chaussée



### Contexte

Les données d'exposition de l'Agence Européenne pour l'Environnement (AEE) montrent que plus de 100 millions de citoyens de l'UE sont affectés par des niveaux de bruit élevés ayant un impact négatif sur la santé et la qualité de la vie. À la suite de la circulation routière est notée pour la santé de plus d'une personne sur trois en Europe, d'après l'Organisation Mondiale de la Santé (OMS). 30 % des Européens sont régulièrement exposés à des niveaux sonores nocturnes susceptibles de nuire considérablement à la santé, en particulier dans les zones urbaines. Comme cela a été mis en évidence lors de la conférence Noise in Europe (avril 2017) et dans les recommandations de l'OMS publiées en octobre 2018, le développement des normes européennes à la source doit être complété par d'autres mesures efficaces telles que l'amélioration des revêtements routiers, des pneus, ainsi que l'atténuation acoustique.

L'une des solutions orientées vers des mesures efficaces pour réduire le bruit en milieu urbain, tant en matière de bruit que de qualité de l'air, est l'introduction de la mobilité électrique. Ainsi, pour répondre aux nouvelles exigences des véhicules électriques (VE), il est nécessaire d'approfondir les connaissances sur l'interaction pneumatique/chaussée. De plus, pour la mise en œuvre de la directive européenne 2002/48/CE, les coefficients permettant d'appliquer le modèle CNO5500 (directive 1996/62/CE) aux nouveaux spectres de bruit et aux nouveaux véhicules restent totalement incertains.

### Objectifs

- 1 Réduire le bruit routier au sein des zones urbaines très peuplées par la mise en œuvre d'une solution visant à optimiser les revêtements routiers et les pneumatiques des véhicules électriques (VE). Deux revêtements routiers, au moins 5 modèles de VE, un véhicule à moteur thermique (VMT) de référence et 3 types de pneumatiques (y compris des pneus spécialement conçus pour les VE) seront testés pour chaque technologie de véhicule.
- 2 Estimer l'efficacité et le gain potentiel de réduction des pneus, des revêtements et du trafic (spectre du trafic, vitesses, conditions de conduite) à une échelle plus complète : Une Analyse du Cycle de Vie (ACV) et une Analyse du Coût du Cycle de Vie (ACC) seront réalisées pour évaluer l'efficacité respective et synergique des revêtements de chaussée, des pneus et des véhicules (y compris la comparaison entre trafics caractéristiques de véhicules thermiques uniquement, de véhicules électriques ou mixtes).
- 3 Contribuer à la mise en œuvre effective de la législation européenne (directives 2002/48/CE et 2015/996/CE), en fournissant des coefficients de bruit de roulement pour la méthode commune d'évaluation de bruit (SMA5500-EU), spécialement adaptés aux VE, données encore non disponibles pour les professionnels, les entreprises et les ministères en charge d'élaborer des scénarios futurs.
- 4 Contribuer aux politiques nationales et régionales italiennes, en publiant des recommandations sur l'utilisation et l'application de la méthodologie issue du projet, qui seront adoptées par la Région Toscane, via l'Agence Régionale pour l'Environnement de Toscane (ARPAE) soutenant le projet. La Région de Calabre et la ville Reggio de Calabre ont également exprimé leur intérêt.
- 5 Sensibiliser le public à la pollution sonore et aux effets sur la santé en expliquant les possibilités offertes par les véhicules électriques par le biais d'événements, de communications et de promotions spécifiques, tout en élargissant la perception des personnes vis-à-vis du bruit sous l'angle météorologique de paysage sonore et en les impliquant dans l'acquisition de données sur le bruit.
- 6 Demander et promouvoir la stabilité routière durable (électrique), en réduisant les émissions sonores de 3 dB(A) en bord de route et simultanément celles de CO2 (g/kWh) sur la base du concept futur (véhicules GPL, CNG, hybrides, électriques, à essence, diesel) et de la littérature spécialisée.
- 7 Encourager la mise en œuvre de revêtements à faible niveau de bruit dans d'autres scénarios européens et extra-européens, en démontrant leur durabilité et leur pérennité, grâce à une analyse du cycle de vie (ACV) et une évaluation du coût du cycle de vie (ACC) approfondies.

### Actions

- A. Actions préparatoires**
- A1 Les véhicules électriques et leurs émissions sonores
  - A2 Les technologies de chaussées pour les véhicules et la pérennité de leurs performances
  - A3 Le rôle du pneumatique dans le nouveau contexte des VE et des VMT
- B. Actions de mise en œuvre**
- B1 Conception de la formulation du revêtement de chaussée
  - B2 Etude du couplage pneumatique-chaussée et réalisation de prototypes
  - B3 Zone pilote - Mise en œuvre, Reproduction et Maintenance
  - B4 Tests d'efficacité des voies dans la zone pilote
  - B5 Analyse du paysage sonore
  - B6 Évaluation des émissions sonores des VE
  - B7 Performance globale des prototypes
- C. Suivi de l'impact des actions de projet**
- C1 Suivi de l'impact des actions de projet
  - C2 Analyse du cycle de vie (ACV) et coût du cycle de vie (ACC)
- D. Sensibilisation du public et diffusion des résultats**
- D1 Activités d'information et de sensibilisation
  - D2 Activités de diffusion technique auprès des parties prenantes
- E. Gestion du projet**

### PARTIES PRENANTES



Site web du projet: <https://life-evia.eu/>



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## NETWORKING ACTIVITIES



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L'obiettivo dei progetti europei Life Nereide e Life E-Via è quello di studiare una risposta all'inquinamento acustico causato dal traffico nei centri urbani, che ogni anno affligge 100 milioni di persone in tutta Europa

### PROGETTI EUROPEI LIFE NEREIDE E LIFE E-VIA

## Asfalti con materiali riciclati contro l'inquinamento acustico e a favore della mobilità elettrica

In Italia sono in corso due progetti europei, Life Nereide e Life E-Via, che intendono proporre soluzioni contro l'inquinamento acustico: uno dei problemi ambientali che toccano maggiormente la salute e la qualità della vita della popolazione europea. L'Agenzia Europea dell'Ambiente (EEA) stima infatti che siano oltre 100 milioni i cittadini europei esposti in maniera prolungata a livelli di rumore eccessivi e che, per questo, rischino conseguenze anche gravi per la salute. Stima inoltre che l'inquinamento acustico stradale notturno, ancora più dannoso per la salute, colpisca almeno il 20% della popolazione europea che vive nelle aree urbane. Alcune tra le azioni più efficaci introdotte per risolvere questo problema riguardano la realizzazione di pavimentazioni stradali a bassa emissione sonora, ottenute anche con materiali di riciclo, e la progressiva diffusione della mobilità elettrica. Nati per analizzare i benefici possibili derivanti da tali soluzioni, Life Nereide e Life E-Via sono due progetti finanziati dal programma Life, volto a sostenere azioni a favore dell'ambiente e del clima. Il progetto Life Nereide, che si sta avviando alla conclusione, ha portato alla definizione delle migliori soluzioni per realizzare pavimentazioni estremamente silenziose e sostenibili, capaci di ridurre il rumore del traffico fino a 5 dB grazie a un uso intelligente di materiali quali il polverino di gomma riciclata e il fresato d'asfalto, ottenuto dalla rimozione di vecchie pavimentazioni. Il progetto è guidato dal Dipartimento d'Ingegneria Civile e Industriale dell'Università di Pisa e vede come partner la Regione Toscana e l'agenzia regionale Arpat, il centro di ricerca belga BRRC, l'Idasc-CNR e il consorzio Ecopneus. Grazie al progetto sono state definite 12 differenti mescole bituminose, posate su diverse strade della Toscana; sono state poi effettuate misurazioni acustiche sulle pavimentazioni e indagini sulla popolazione, per conoscere gli effetti concreti su chi vive nei pressi di strade a elevato scorrimento. Dal canto suo, il progetto Life E-Via si sta invece concentrando sui veicoli elettrici e ibridi, studiandone l'interazione pneumatico-strada per individuare e implementare misure di mitigazione del rumore attraverso l'ottimizzazione sia degli pneumatici sia del fondo stradale, anche attraverso lo sviluppo di un nuovo asfalto "silenzioso" messo a punto grazie a un approccio simile a quello adottato da Life Nereide. Il progetto vede coinvolti il Comune di Firenze, in qualità di coordinatore, e i partner: Continental, iPool, Università Gustave Eiffel, Università degli Studi Mediterranea di Reggio Calabria e Vie En.Ro.Se. Ingegneria.

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### IN VIA PAISIELLO

#### Arriva l'asfalto anti rumore

Sono iniziati ieri i lavori di asfaltatura in via Paisiello. Non si tratta di semplice bitume, ma di un nuovo asfalto anti rumore che viene sperimentato proprio a Firenze. Un materiale, che permette una riduzione delle emissioni rumorose prodotte dalle auto e rientra nel progetto Life E-Via, che vede Firenze città capofila. I lavori proseguiranno fino a venerdì con restringimenti di carreggiata su via Paisiello tra via Rinuccini e via Lagorio e chiusura delle traverse laterali. «Grazie a questo progetto - hanno detto l'assessore all'Ambiente Cecilia Del Re e l'assessore alla Mobilità Stefano Giorgetti - possiamo contribuire a ridurre l'inquinamento acustico nelle aree urbane». L'obiettivo è quello di ottimizzare asfalti e pneumatici per ridurre il rumore. Il Progetto, co-finanziato dall'Unione europea ha avuto inizio a luglio 2019 e terminerà a gennaio 2023.

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## INTERNATIONAL NOISE AWARENESS DAY

**INAD Italia 2020-21**  
*"AscoltiAMO i suoni"*



**Report finale**

È stata inoltre svolta una intensa comunicazione sui social network e attraverso contatti diretti con molte redazioni giornalistiche, con scuole musicali e conservatori italiani.

LIFE E-VIA project (LIFE18 ENV/IT/000201): il progetto, finanziato dall'Unione Europea, si concentra sulle potenzialità di utilizzo dei veicoli elettrici ed ibridi, che in futuro avranno un ruolo importante nel mercato automobilistico. Il progetto studia l'interazione pneumatico-strada per individuare ed implementare misure di mitigazione del rumore, attraverso l'ottimizzazione sia degli pneumatici dei veicoli elettrici sia del fondo stradale. Inoltre il progetto prevede un'intensa attività di disseminazione e sensibilizzazione sul tema del rumore, organizzando anche attività negli istituti scolastici, in accordo e in collaborazione anche con l'attività portate avanti nelle diverse Nazioni dei partner del Progetto (Italia, Francia e Germania) nell'ambito di INAD.

L'evento è stato diffuso principalmente attraverso i seguenti canali:

CONVEGNI:

- Convegno Nazionale AIA – Online 24-28/05/2021



- IYS 2020-2021 Steering Committee Meeting – Online 16/01/ 2021



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- siti internet delle scuole e degli Enti partecipanti.

SOCIAL NETWORK:

- pagina facebook: INAD Italia;
- gruppo facebook: Noise Awareness Day Italia;
- pagina facebook: International Year of Sound.

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## Abstract submitted to BCRRA conference “Asphalt concretes for electric vehicles”

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### **Abstract submitted to 11th International Conference on the Bearing Capacity of Roads, Railways and Airfields (BCRRA).**

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**Abstract:** The interaction among electric vehicles (EVs) and road pavements affects road performance in a different way with respect to internal combustion engine vehicles (ICEVs). Consequently, the design of asphalt concrete road pavements for EVs should take into account both functional and mechanistic characteristics. In particular, porosity, resistivity, tortuosity and thickness should be considered to estimate the acoustic absorption, while surface texture should be measured to characterize road pavements consisting in both traditional and recycled materials. Unfortunately, there is still lack of methods to consider both functional and mechanistic characteristics for EVs. Based on the above, the main objective of the study here presented is to set up and apply a method to predict the acoustic and mechanistic performance of road pavements to face EV-related problems. GAP graded and Dense graded (i.e., GAP – AC6o, and DGFC – AC6d) mixtures, with different crumb rubber percentages, were produced using the gyratory compactor. Consequently, experimental investigations were carried out to derive acoustic and mechanic properties (including acoustic absorption, airflow resistivity, skid resistance, permeability, and surface texture). Finally, the prediction model was set up and validated using the experimental results. Results show that the proposed model is helpful in selecting and ranking bituminous mixtures based on requirements.

**Keywords:** Electric vehicle, Road Pavement, Acoustic Absorption, Airflow resistivity, Recycled materials.

*Paper submitted to BCRRA2021 will be presented the next year at BCRRA 2022.*





# Paper submitted to ICSV27 "THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF SOUND: WORLD WILD PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES"

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## THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF SOUND: WORLDWIDE PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES

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Sound plays an important role in the enjoyment of landscapes as well as in all human activities included education and it is also an essential part of communication between humans, in the form of speech and listening, creative sounds and music. The International Year of Sound (IYS) is a global initiative under the UNESCO Charter of Sound No. 39C/59. Its purpose is to highlight the importance of sound and the related sciences and technologies in the society and the world, considering landscape aspects and noise control in nature, in the built environment and in workplaces. IYS 2020-21 includes activities organized at the regional, national and international level by the International Commission for Acoustics (ICA). Among them there is a competition for students from around the world on the theme of "My World of Sounds". In particular, primary and middle school students are asked to produce drawings, images, patchwork, collages and similar related to their world of sounds, while high school students are asked to write a verse of the song entitled "We are the sounds of our world", inspired by the melody and refrain of the latter. Moreover, several events such as conferences, seminars, workshops but also performances, exhibitions had been included in the program of national IYS initiatives, as long as they are consistent with the message of the initiative. Due to the spread of the Covid-19 pandemic, only few initiatives took place, nevertheless some international projects have been carried on. In this paper a general updated overview on activities organised in the frame of the IYS is given and the state of implementation of some projects connected with IYS are shown.

Keywords: International Year of Sound, UNESCO, worldwide activities, LIFE projects

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Speakers: Sergio Luzzi

The International Year of Sound (IYS) and Projects

The connection between LIFE E-VIA project and IYS

The LIFE E-VIA project "Electric Vehicle noise control by Assessment and optimisation of tyre/road interaction", which started in July 2019 and will end in January 2023, has been co-financed under the priority objective of the Life2018 Programme related to noise pollution issues.

The project addresses noise pollution due to road traffic noise, focusing on a future perspective in which electric and hybrid vehicles will be a major part of the traffic flow. The main objectives of the project are to propose solutions for the reduction of vehicular traffic noise within highly populated urban areas through the optimisation of road surfaces and tyres of electric vehicles (EVs)

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## THE LIFE E-VIA PROJECT: NOISE CONTROL OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES THROUGH ASSESSMENT AND OPTIMISATION OF TYRE/ASPHALT INTERACTION

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European Environment Agency (EEA) data shows that some 100 million EU citizens are affected by high noise levels, negatively impacting their health. Traffic noise alone is harmful to the health of 40 million EU citizens of which 8 million are regularly exposed to high traffic noise level at night. European policies to reduce environmental noise, and in particular road traffic noise, in densely populated cities are focused on the introduction of low-noise asphalts and a progressive increase in the use of electric vehicles. The LIFE E-VIA "Electric Vehicle noise control by Assessment and optimization of tyre/road interaction" project, co-funded under the priority objective of the Life2018 Programme related to noise pollution, addresses the issue of road traffic noise. Specifically, it looks ahead to a future where electric and hybrid vehicles will be a major part of road traffic and combining low-noise asphalts with tyres specifically for electric vehicles. The LIFE E-VIA project, started in July 2019 with a foreseen duration of 42 months, will foster the application of Directive 2002/49/EC on the assessment and management of environmental noise and of Directive 996/2015/EC on establishing common noise assessment methods (CNOSSOS model), in the context of the promotion and use of electric vehicles (EVs) and hybrid vehicles. The project will seek to develop a solution to reduce the rolling noise of electric and hybrid vehicle tyres in urban areas, taking account of the current best practices, also addressing the soundscape analysis and citizens involvement.

In the present article, after an introduction on the future policies for the reduction of road traffic noise in Europe, the objectives of the LIFE E-VIA project and its methodology are described, demonstrating how the expected results are in line with European strategies. Finally, recent preliminary results achieved by some key actions of the project are mentioned.

**Keywords:** Rolling noise, electric vehicles, EU policies.

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**The LIFE E-VIA project: noise control of electric vehicles through assessment and optimisation of tyre/asphalt interaction**

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#505 LIFE PROJECT E-VIA

Speakers: @ Arnaldo Melloni

**State of progress**

1. After a design phase followed by several laboratory experiments, tests have been carried out at the Nantes test area in France of the two "Brulio" mixtures, which are similar but differ in the presence of crumb rubber from recycled tyres.

2. In the next week the pilot asphalt will be laid in the pilot area in Florence.

**The pilot road**

Paisiello street is the selected pilot road (significant population density, without curves, busy road, close to public offices, the most relevant park, new intervention of urban requalification, fashion school).





# Presentation/ paper at the DAGA 2021 - 47. Jahrestagung für Akustik

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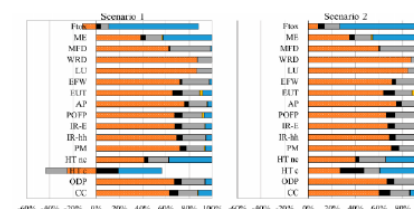
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## Objectives

- To estimate the mitigation efficiency and potential of tyres, pavements and traffic at a higher comprehensive level: Life Cycle Analysis (LCA) and Life Cycle Cost Analysis (LCCA) is performed to demonstrate the individual and synergistic efficiency of pavement surfaces, tyres and vehicles.



Source: F. Praticò et al., Energy and Environmental Life Cycle Assessment of Sustainable Pavement Materials and Technologies for Urban Roads, Sustainability 2020, 12, 704

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## LIFE E-VIA: Electric Vehicle Noise Control by Assessment and Optimisation of Tyre/Road Interaction

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### Introduction

Data collected by the European Environment Agency (EEA) shows that more than 100 million EU citizens are affected by noise levels negatively impacting human well-being. Although noise associated with rail and air traffic cannot be ignored, a significant contributor to these high noise levels is the road transportation sector. According to a World Health Organization (WHO) report [1] ca. 50 % of the EU population are habitually subjected to road traffic noise levels above 53 dBA (the WHO guideline value for outdoor sound levels [2]), and roughly 10 % to levels exceeding 65 dBA, which for example have shown to lead to a 20 % to 40 % increased risk for cardiovascular diseases [3]. Consequently, the WHO states that "at least one million healthy life years are lost every year from traffic-related noise in the western part of Europe" [1].

Road traffic noise comprises of the vehicle's power train noise, rolling noise and aerodynamic noise. Traditionally, rolling noise is the primary noise source for typical internal combustion engine vehicles (ICEV) at common urban driving speeds of roughly 40 km/h to 100 km/h [4]. Below these speeds powertrain noise dominates, and above aerodynamic noise. For electric vehicles (EV) tyre/road noise starts to dominate the overall exterior noise of the vehicle at even lower speeds because of the lower engine noise. Still, at slower speeds EVs exterior noise levels are lower than for ICEVs which is why electric mobility has been identified as an important way to reduce urban noise levels. As an additional benefit also (local) emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> and other air pollutants are reduced.

One of the key focus areas of the LIFE E-VIA project is road traffic noise reduction in densely populated urban areas. Noise mitigation measures are usually most efficient when addressing the problem directly at the source. In terms of the remaining EV traffic noise this means that measures aimed at providing noise optimized road surfaces and tyres have a high noise mitigation potential. Thus, it is one of E-VIA's objectives to develop noise optimized roads and tyres for future electric mobility traffic scenarios.

For the optimization of a low noise EV tyre different boundary conditions than for an ICEV application need to be considered. For EVs the relative contribution of the tyre noise to the overall vehicle noise is considerably increased because of the drastically lower drivetrain noise. Because of the higher drivetrain efficiency of electrical engines also the tyre rolling resistance has a relatively higher contribution to the energy consumption of an EV than for an ICE vehicle. Depending on how the electric energy used for charging the

EV is created, this also can have a significant contribution to the emission of CO<sub>2</sub> and other air pollutants. More importantly, the tyre rolling resistance has a large impact on the achievable mileage of an EV. A large mileage, in turn, is crucial for the public acceptance of EVs as means of transportation. Therefore, a low noise, low rolling resistance tyre is considerably more beneficial for EVs than for comparable ICE vehicles.

From a purely acoustical point of view, tyre requirements for EV applications also change because typically EVs are heavier than comparable ICEVs and have higher available torque values in a wide range of RPMs. Both increased tyre load, and increased tyre torque are known to lead to higher tyre/road noise [4].

To sum up, the LIFE E-VIA project focuses on noise pollution due to road traffic in a future urban environment in which electric and hybrid vehicles will be a consistent portion of the traffic flow. A major objective will be the development of a holistic low noise tyre and a low noise road surface, both optimized for the special requirements of EVs. Within the project a final version of the pavement will later be used for repaving a section of a road in Florence, Italy. This pilot area will be the centre of further accompanying activities like guideline development, local dissemination and information campaigns, a soundscape analysis, and life cycle (cost) analysis. Finally, the measurement data collected during the runtime of the project is intended to be used to update the CNOSSOS model (Directive 996/2015/EC [5]) for new traffic spectra and new electric- or hybrid-powered vehicles.

### Project objectives

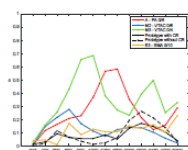
The project objectives are:

- To reduce noise for roads inside very populated urban areas by implementing mitigation measures based on noise optimized road surfaces and tyres for EV applications. The tyres will be developed with a holistic view which assures that relevant, non-noise related performance requirements like safety, rolling resistance, or grip are met.
- To estimate the mitigation efficiency and potential of tyres, pavements, and traffic conditions (e.g. noise spectra, speeds, traffic flow) at a higher, comprehensive level. For this, Life Cycle Analysis (LCA) and Life Cycle Cost Analysis (LCCA) will be performed to demonstrate the individual and synergistic efficiency of pavement surfaces, tyres, and vehicles.

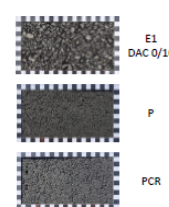
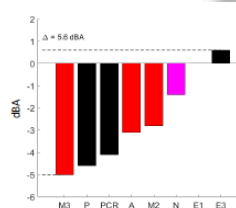
## Technical solutions – road surface

### Road surface:

- Very thin asphalt concrete (VTAC) with max. aggregate size 6mm.
- With/without crumb rubber (PCR/P).
- MPD: ~0.3mm (PCR) / ~0.4 mm (P)
- Effective absorption 1.5 kHz to 5 kHz.



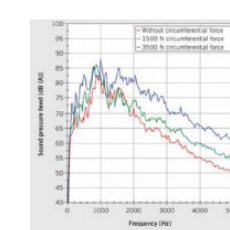
→ Based on prototype noise measurements:  
3.5 dBA to 4.5 dBA with respect to reference DAC 0/10.



## Why special requirements for tyres and roads for EV applications?

Compared to classical ICE vehicles...

- ...are EVs heavier.
  - Higher tyre load → higher tyre/road noise.
- ...exhibit EVs high torque values in a wide range of RPMs.
  - Additional tyre/road noise generation mechanisms.
- ...is there an even increased focus on low rolling resistance for EVs.
  - Reduced rolling resistance → increased mileage → increased customer acceptance.



Source: F. Stalter et al., Influence of driving torque on tyre noise, Auto Tech Review 30(2015), 54-56.

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### Il caso pilota

Dopo una fase progettuale seguita da una serie di accurati esperimenti di laboratorio, sono state selezionate due miscele di asfalto che sono state testate, durante il passaggio di veicoli elettrici, presso l'area di sperimentazione a Nantes. Al termine delle misure svolte in Francia, è stata scelta la miscela più efficace, contenente polverino di gomma da pneumatici riciclati. Quest'ultima è stata utilizzata presso il caso pilota individuato nella Città di Firenze, al fine di analizzare il beneficio apportato in termini di abbattimento del rumore da traffico veicolare. L'area pilota è stata identificata in Via Paisiello, caratterizzata da una significativa densità di abitazione. Il tratto di strada interessato dall'intervento è rettilineo e a senso unico di marcia. Inoltre, l'area pilota è caratterizzata da un elevato flusso di traffico dovuto alla vicinanza con il centro e alla presenza di uffici pubblici. Nelle vicinanze si trovano, inoltre, un importante parco pubblico (Cascine), interventi di riqualificazione urbana (Ex. Manifattura Tabacchi) e vari servizi pubblici, quali scuole, esercizi commerciali, impianti sportivi.

### Inquadramento Stato ante operam



### Lavori di asfaltatura



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### The Pilot case

After an initial designing stage followed by careful laboratory experiments, two different asphalt mixtures have been selected and tested in the experimental area in Nantes, during the electric vehicles passages. The measurements carried out in France allowed to choose the most efficient mixture. This asphalt mixture contains crumb rubber from recycled tyres and it has been used in the pilot case in Firenze in order to analyse the benefits it provides to reduce traffic noise. Via Paisiello has been selected as a pilot area. It is characterized by a significant housing density. The section of the street where the asphalt works have been carried out, is straight and one-way. Moreover, the pilot area is characterized by a high level of traffic caused to its proximity to the city center and the presence of public offices. In the neighbourhood there are also an important public park (Cascine), urban regeneration interventions (Ex. Manifattura Tabacchi) and several public services, such as schools, commercial activities and sport installations.

### Ante operam status



### Asphalting works



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## LIFE E-VIA

Contrôle du bruit des Véhicules Électriques par  
l'évaluation et l'optimisation  
de l'interaction pneumatique/chaussée



Le projet  
pilote

État initial

Après une première phase de conception suivie d'expériences en laboratoire détaillées, deux enrobés ont été sélectionnés et testés sur la zone expérimentale de Nantes, au passage de véhicules électriques. Les mesures effectuées en France ont permis d'identifier le mélange le plus performant. Cette formule de béton bitumineux contient de la gomme provenant de pneus recyclés et a été utilisée dans le projet pilote à Florence afin d'analyser les avantages en matière de réduction du bruit de trafic. La rue Paisiello a été sélectionnée comme zone pilote. Elle se caractérise par une forte densité de logements. La section où les travaux de pose du béton bitumineux ont été réalisés est rectiligne et à sens unique. De plus, elle présente un niveau élevé de trafic dû à la proximité du centre ville et à la présence d'établissements publics. Dans le quartier, on trouve également un important parc public (Cassino), des opérations de réhabilitation urbaine (Ex. Manifattura Tabacchi) et divers établissements publics, tels que des écoles, des activités commerciales et des installations sportives.



Mise en  
œuvre du  
nouveau  
enrobé  
bitumineux



Élimination de l'ancien revêtement routier

Pose du nouveau béton bitumineux

Contrôle de la texture

État final



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Die Pilot-anwendung

Als Ergebnis einer initialen Designphase gefolgt von umfassenden Laborexperimenten wurden zwei Asphaltmischungen ausgewählt und auf einer Teststrecke in Nantes mittels Geräuschmessungen für Vorbeifahrten von Elektrofahrzeugen getestet. Auf Basis dieser Ergebnisse konnte die bessere der beiden Mischungen identifiziert werden. Diese enthält als Besonderheit Gummigranulat von Altreifen. Im Rahmen einer Pilotanwendung wurde in Florenz ein Abschnitt einer Straße mit der ausgewählten Mischung asphaltiert, um das Potential zur Verringerung des Straßenverkehrslärms zu untersuchen. Bei der ausgewählten Via Paisiello handelt es sich um eine Einbahnstraße, die im Bereich der Neuasphaltierung gerade verläuft. Die Umgebung ist aufgrund ihrer Nähe zum Stadtzentrum durch eine hohe Wohndichte und ein hohes Verkehrsaufkommen gekennzeichnet. In der Nachbarschaft gibt es weiterhin einen bedeutenden öffentlichen Park (Casale), Stadterneuerungsprojekte (z.B. Manifattura Tabacchi), Geschäfte und öffentliche Einrichtungen wie Schulen und Sportanlagen.

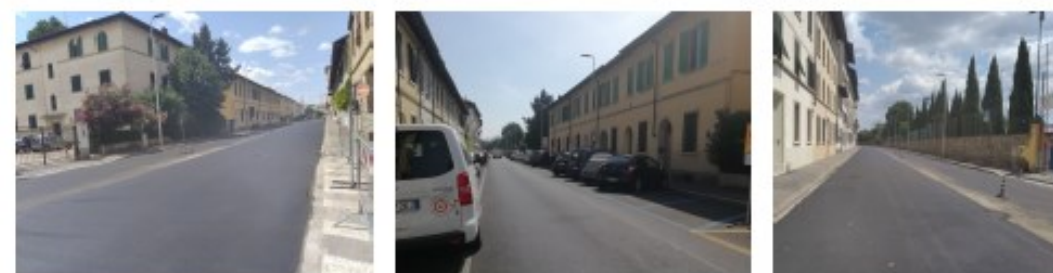
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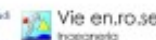
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### Mix design

The University 'MEDITERRANEA' of Reggio Calabria (UNIRC) analysed more than 150 solutions in the literature (friction courses), based on acoustic and non-acoustic performance, in order to select appropriate solutions. Their characteristics and impacts were considered and preliminary tests were carried out. From 150 asphalt concretes, nine mixtures were selected, based on many characteristics, including: 1) Acoustic response, 2) Expected life by referring to mechanistic properties, 3) Permeability, 4) Friction, 5) ENDT value. Based on these latter, open asphalt concretes with Nominal Maximum Aggregate of 6 mm (AC6) were selected. An accurate plan of experiments was set up and followed in order to design and validate the final mixtures. Two types of mixtures were finally designed and tested (AC6 with and without crumb rubber).

### Superpave compaction



### Laboratory experiments

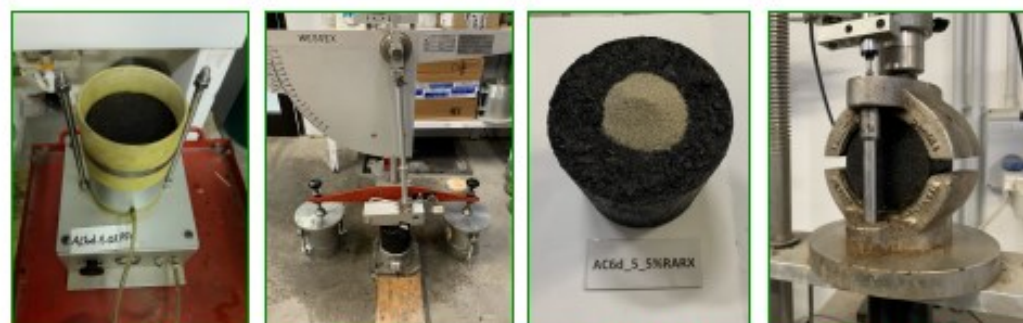


Airflow Resistance

Acoustic Absorption

Mechanical Impedance

Corelok



Permeability

Skid Test

Sand Patch Test

Marshall Stability

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# LIFE E-VIA: Leaflet (EN)

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## ADDITIONAL DOCUMENT

### Objectives of the LIFE E-VIA project

- 1 To reduce noise for roads inside very populated urban areas through the implementation of a mitigation measure aimed at optimizing road surfaces and tyres of EVs.
- 2 To estimate the mitigation efficiency and potential of tyres, pavements and traffic (traffic spectrum, speeds, handling conditions) at a higher and comprehensive level.
- 3 To contribute to EU legislation effective implementation (EU Directives 2002/49/EC and 2015/996/EC), providing rolling noise coefficients within the Common Noise Assessment Method (CNOSSOS-EU).
- 4 To contribute to national and Italian regional policies, issuing guidelines about use and application of the methodology output of the project.
- 5 To raise people's awareness of noise pollution and health effects.
- 6 To demonstrate and promote sustainable road transport mobility (electric), reducing noise emission by 5 dB(A) at receivers' roadside and achieving also CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reduction.
- 7 To encourage low-noise surfaces implementation in further EU and extra-EU scenarios.



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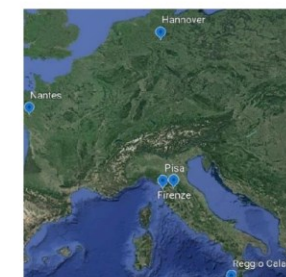
### Background

Which are the solutions to reduce noise in our cities? Are electric vehicles totally silent? How citizens can be involved in proactive good practices for noise reduction? These are some of the questions that the European LIFE E-VIA project aims to answer in depth.

Exposure data from the European Environment Agency demonstrate that more than 100 million EU citizens are affected by high noise levels negatively impacting human health. Traffic noise alone is harmful to the health of almost every third person in the World Health Organization European Region. 20% of Europeans are regularly exposed to night sound levels that could significantly damage health, especially in urban areas. The introduction of electric mobility is widely viewed as having the potential to reduce noise in urban areas, but the noise generated by tyres rolling on the road nevertheless needs careful study and further reduction.

Whitin this context, the project intends to:

- tackle noise pollution from road traffic noise focusing on a future perspective in which electric and hybrid vehicles will be a consistent portion of the flow;
- combine knowledge of road optimization and tyre development in order to test an optimized solution for reducing noise in urban areas and Life Cycle Cost with respect to actual best practices.



### Actions

LIFE E-VIA started in July 2019 and will end in January 2023. The project is coordinated by the Municipality of Firenze and involves as partners the Mediterranean University of Reggio Calabria, Continental, Vie en.ro.se Ingegneria, University Gustave Eiffel and I-POOL. Specifically, the project has:

- built in Nantes a test road surface designed for the specific context of electric vehicles (EVs) and their tyres. Different EV types have been tested on this surface, with different tyre types per vehicle, to identify the optimal combination for noise reduction. An internal combustion engine vehicle has been used as reference;

- carried out further testing in a pilot area in Florence (Via Paisiello), with the construction of two road surfaces, an optimised and a reference one.

On-going activities:

- estimation of the noise mitigation efficiency and potential of tyres, road surfaces and traffic through a life-cycle and a life-cycle cost analysis;
- calculation of rolling noise coefficients according to the EU CNOSSOS model for the EV fleet in order to define guidelines on the application of the project's results;
- involvement of citizens through targeted information initiatives on electric and sustainable mobility and through soundwalks and interviews.





# LIFE HEATLAND PROJECT WORKSHOP "URBAN HEAT ISLAND AND NOISE: OUR NOT SO INVISIBLE ENEMIES"

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## URBAN HEAT ISLAND AND NOISE: OUR NOT SO INVISIBLE ENEMIES



17<sup>th</sup> November 2021 17:00h CET - Online

17:00 Welcome.

Vladimir Gumilar. Director at Construction Cluster of Slovenia.

17:10 Cool Pavements for Future Cities. Bye Bye Heat & Noise. **LIFE HEATLAND** project.

Francisco Miguel Moral. Head of Energy and Insulation Area, CTCON.

17:30 Fight against noise and heat in the city. **LIFE COOL & LOW NOISE IMPACT** project.

Giulia Custodi. Environmental Health Impact Division, Paris City Council.

Maily Chanial. Paris City Hall, Water and Sanitation & Roads and Traffic Divisions.

18:00 Reducing noise for roads inside very populated urban areas. **LIFE E-VIA** project.

Arnaldo Melloni. Environmental Management, Municipality of Florence.

18:30 Cool pavement technology in Arizona. **CITY OF PHOENIX COOL PAVEMENT** Program.

Ryan Stevens. PE, Civil Engineer III, City of Phoenix Street Transportation Department.

Rubben Lolly. PE, CCPM, Special Projects Administrator, City of Phoenix Street Transportation Department.

19:00 Cooling LA's Neighborhoods. **COOL STREETS LA** program.

Greg Spotts. Assistant Director and Chief Sustainability Officer StreetsLA.

19:30 Closure

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URBAN HEAT  
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Our not invisible  
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## « E-VIA » Electric Vehicle noise control by Assessment and optimisation of Tyre/road interaction

PROJECT LOCATION: Florence Italy

BUDGET INFO:

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55% EC Co-funding: 933,295 €

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PROJECT'S IMPLEMENTORS:

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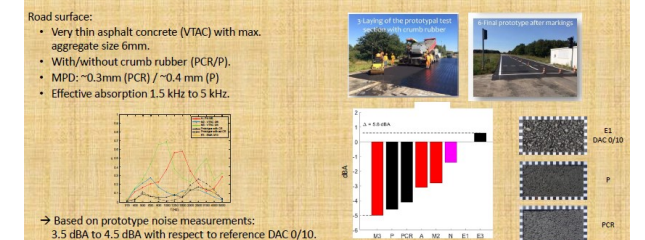
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Project Manager



## Technical solutions – road surface



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Paisiello street is the case pilot road selected



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Collected  
questionnaires

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## Acoustical characterization of low-noise prototype asphalt concretes for electric vehicles

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### Abstract

The paper deals with the acoustical characterization of low-noise asphalt concretes developed for noise reduction in urban areas within the LIFE E-VIA project (LIFE18 ENV/IT/000201). With the perspective of an increasing number of electric vehicles (EVs) in urban area, the asphalt concrete mixes have been optimized considering Life Cycle Cost with respect to actual best practices. Two very thin asphalt concretes (VTAC) of 6 mm maximum aggregate size have been implemented on a reference test track in France. Both are based on the same formulation, but one mix contains 1.9% crumb rubber by weight. The noise performance of these prototype test sections has been evaluated by means of close-proximity (CPX) tests and controlled pass-by (CPB) noise measurements for two EV models. CPX results have shown a noise reduction of about 3 dB(A) by comparison with a reference dense asphalt concrete 0/10, while an average pass-by noise reduction of about 4 dB(A) has been observed for the sample of EVs tested.

**Keywords:** electric vehicles noise, tyre/road noise, low-noise asphalt concrete, life cycle analysis.





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## LIFE E-VIA: prototypal low-noise road surface for the reduction of electric vehicle rolling noise in urban area

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## Design and construction of the prototype road surface

On Universit  Gustave Eiffel reference test track in Nantes (France)

- 1 variant without Crumb rubber (P)
- 1 variant with Crumb rubber (PCR)

Fraction (mm)	Mix without crumb rubber Test section P	Mix with crumb rubber Test section PCR
4/6.3	7.0%	7.0%
2/4	33.0%	33.0%
0/2	52.0%	51.0%
0/1 (RARX-CR)	-	1.9%
Fines	1.6%	1.0%
Filler bitumen	-	6.1%
Total bitumen	6.4%	6.4%

## LIFE E-VIA: motivations and objectives

- An exponential increase of electric vehicles (EV) fleet in Europe (10.7% of new registrations in 2020) – Source EAFO
- Projection scenario: 15% to 30% of the global market share by 2030 – Source IEA
- EVs have a low propulsion noise ⇒ emergence of rolling noise in urban area
- Specificities of EVs
  - Weight
  - Acceleration capabilities
  - Range requirements before recharging

## Physical properties: 3D-texture

- Characterization of road surface texture according to ISO 13473-1 and ISO 13473-4

- MPD calculated from texture

Test section	E1 (ref)	P	PCR
MPD (mm)	0.82	0.39	0.30

⇒ Low texture level at wavelength > 4 mm  
 ⇒ Quite lower MPD than E1





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## Low-noise road mixtures for electric vehicles

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### Abstract

The road pavements of the future should be designed to take into account the variation of the traffic noise due to traffic increase and electric vehicles (EVs) diffusion. Indeed, EVs are very different from internal combustion engine vehicles. Importantly, they could be quieter than traditional vehicles at low frequencies, but could be noisier at high frequencies. This study aims at presenting the acoustic and mechanical performance of two asphalt concretes that were designed to reduce the problem mentioned above. In more detail, an experimental investigation was carried out to test samples of asphalt concretes with low nominal maximum aggregate sizes, with and without crumb rubber, added applying the dry method. A gyratory compactor was used to make the samples and acoustic and mechanic properties were tested. Results show that mechanistic-related strategies such as the addition of crumb rubber could improve the acoustic performance. Consequently, there is probably room for improving design criteria.

**Keywords:** traffic noise, electric vehicles, low-noise road mixtures, acoustic and mechanical performances, crumb rubber.



## Task 2) Design/creation of mixtures/samples with and without TCR (1/1)

- Based on the Superpave mix design method, the optimum %B was 5%. Hence, three percentages of bitumen per mix type were considered (about 3%, 5%, and 7%).
- The gyratory compactor revolution number was maintained constant (i.e., 210).
- The TCR was added applying the dry process. TCR seems to negatively affect the compaction level of the samples (cf.  $G_{mb\_DIM}$ ). Hence, %TCR = 2.

Table 2 – Samples' compaction and features.

Type of mixture	Sample ID	Bitumen by mix weight [%]	TCR by mix weight [%]	Gyratory compactor revolution number	Sample dimensions (thickness × diameter) [mm × mm]	Sample weight [g]	$G_{mb\_DIM}$ [-]
AC6*	AC60_3%B_0%TCR_21	3.2	0.0	210	117.4 × 97.5	2066.09	2.36
AC6*	AC60_5%B_0%TCR_22	5.2	0.0	210	117.2 × 97.5	2109.57	2.41
AC6*	AC60_7%B_0%TCR_23	7.2	0.0	210	119.6 × 97.5	2154.78	2.41
AC6**	AC60_3%B_2%TCR_24	3.0	2.0	210	123.7 × 97.5	2105.22	2.28
AC6**	AC60_5%B_2%TCR_25	5.0	2.0	210	107.0 × 97.5	2151.30	2.39
AC6**	AC60_7%B_2%TCR_26	7.0	2.0	210	123.9 × 97.5	2198.26	2.36

Symbols: AC6 = Asphalt Concrete with Nominal Maximum Aggregate Size of 6 mm. 3%B = Percentage of bitumen of 3% (w/w by the total weight of the mixture). 0%TCR = Percentage of TCR of 0%.  $G_{mb\_DIM}$  = Bulk Specific Gravity calculated considering the characteristics of the sample (dimensions and weight).



Figure 1 – Upper surfaces of samples.

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## Task 4) Analysis of the results (5/5)



## Task 3) Testing of samples with and without TCR (1/1)

- Six samples (with or without TCR) were tested using the devices in Figure 2.
- The method and the system used to measure both mechanical and acoustic responses were developed by the authors of the paper.

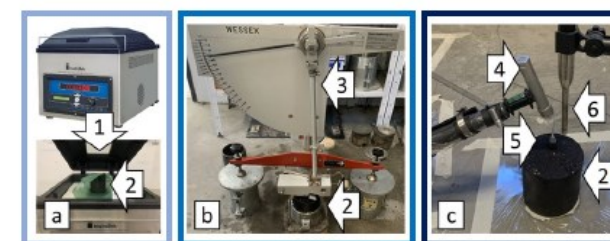


Figure 2 – Main devices.

Notes. 1: Corelok machine. 2: Samples. 3: Pendulum tester. 4: Impact hammer. 5: Accelerometer. 6: Microphone.

Legend: Test → Parameter

a →  $G_{mb\_Corelok}$

b → PTV

c → K = Force/Displacement;  
MI = Force/Velocity;  
RAR = Acoustic response to an impact hammer hit.

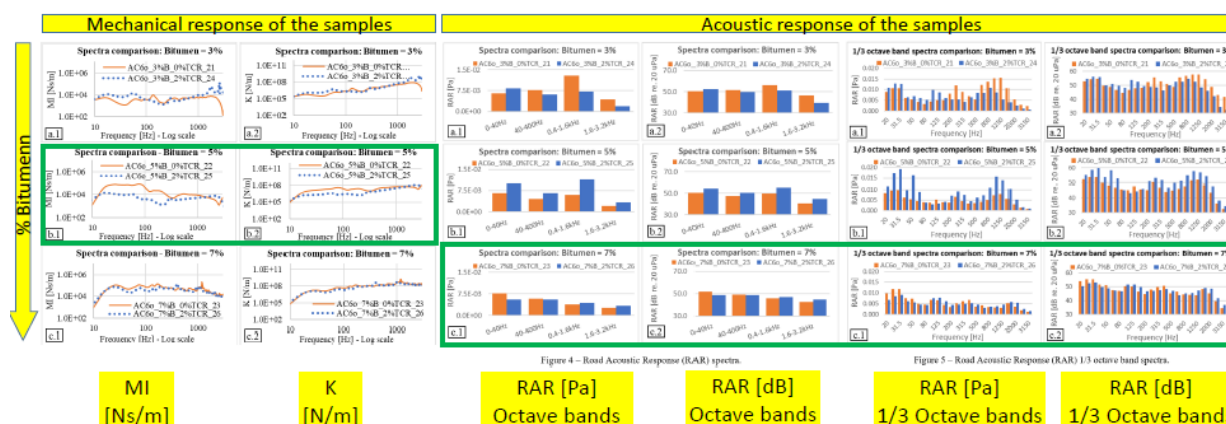


Figure 4 – Road Acoustic Response (RAR) spectra.

Figure 5 – Road Acoustic Response (RAR) 1/3 octave band spectra.





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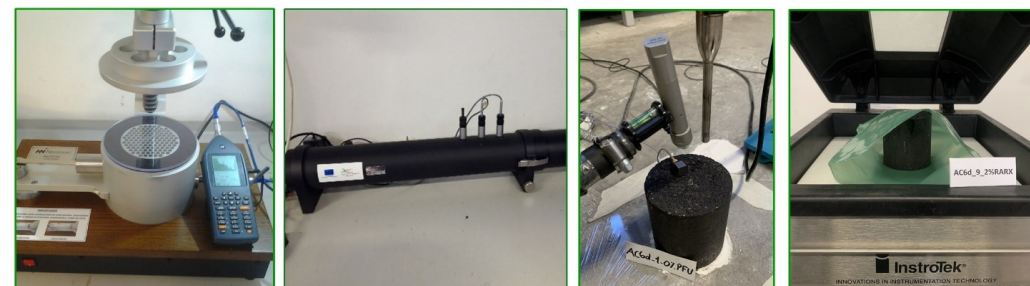
### Progettazione della miscela

L'Università 'MEDITERRANEA' di Reggio Calabria (UNIRC) ha analizzato più di 150 soluzioni presenti in letteratura (*strati di usura*), basandosi su performance acustiche e non-acustiche, con l'obiettivo di selezionare le soluzioni più appropriate. Sono stati considerati le caratteristiche e gli impatti di ogni soluzione, e sono stati condotti dei test preliminari. Da un totale di 150 conglomerati bituminosi, sono state selezionate nove miscele, sulla base delle seguenti caratteristiche: 1) Risposta Acustica; 2) "Durata di vita", facendo riferimento alle attività Meccaniche; 3) Permeabilità; 4) Frizione; 5) Valore ENDT. Sulla base di queste caratteristiche, sono stati selezionati conglomerati bituminosi con aggregato massimo nominale di 6 mm (AC6). Un accurato piano di esperimenti ha permesso di progettare e validare le miscele scelte. Infine sono state progettate e testate due tipologie di miscela (AC6 con e senza polverino di gomma).

### Compattazione metodo Superpave



### Esperimenti di Laboratorio



Resistenza al flusso d'aria

Assorbimento Acustico

Impedenza meccanica

Corelok



Permeabilità

Skid Test

Sand Patch Test

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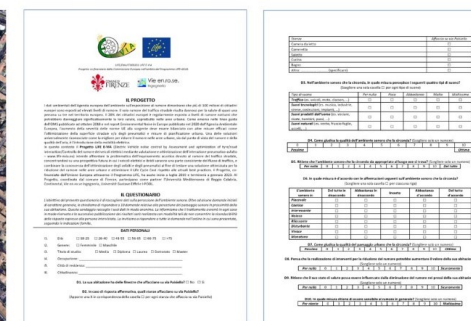
### Il Caso Pilota

Nella seconda metà del mese di luglio 2021 sono stati realizzati gli interventi nel caso pilota di via Paisiello (Firenze): su un tratto di strada è stato steso un innovativo asfalto a bassa emissione sonora per ridurre l'inquinamento acustico. Al fine di valutare la percezione dei cittadini, prima e dopo la realizzazione dei lavori, sono stati somministrati questionari ai residenti nel tratto di strada interessato. Ad inizio luglio, sono stati consegnati 92 questionari ante-operam, di questi, 56 sono stati restituiti compilati. Successivamente alla realizzazione dei lavori (settembre), sono stati consegnati 101 questionari post-operam, dei quali 56 sono stati riconsegnati compilati. L'analisi dei dati mostra che la stesa dell'asfalto a bassa emissione acustica ha avuto un impatto positivo per quanto riguarda la percezione del rumore. In particolare, il 77% degli intervistati ha valutato in maniera positiva gli effetti dell'asfalto sviluppato dal progetto sulla riduzione del rumore causato dal traffico.

### Contesto e strumento metodologico

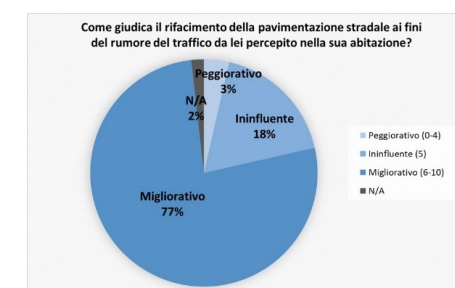
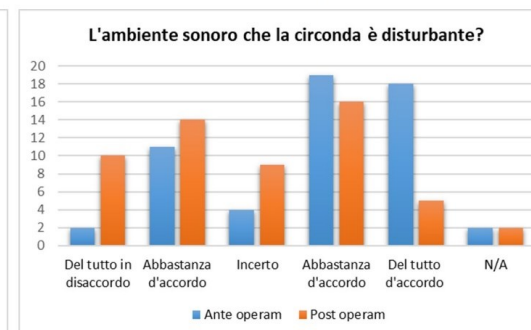
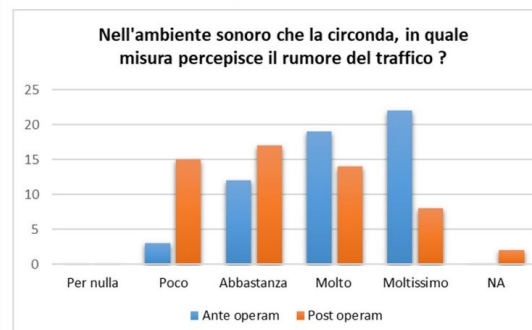


Il caso pilota a Firenze



Questionari ante-operam

### Analisi dei dati



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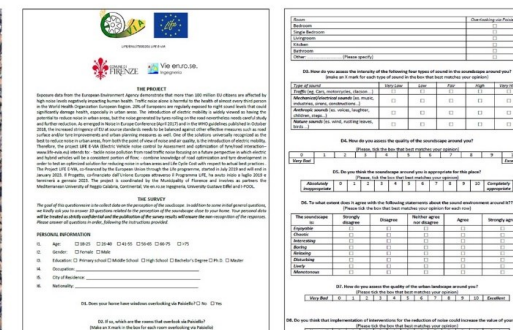
### The Pilot case

The interventions in the pilot case located in Paisiello street (Florence) have taken place in mid July 2021: an innovative low-noise asphalt that aims to reduce traffic noise pollution was laid down in a portion of the street. In order to evaluate citizens soundscape perception before and after the pilot intervention realization, ante-operam and post-operam questionnaires were submitted to Paisiello street's residents. In particular, 92 ante-operam questionnaires were delivered, and 56 completed questionnaires were returned. In September, 101 post-operam questionnaires were delivered and 56 returned. The analysis shows a positive subjective impact of the low-noise asphalt implementation. As an illustration, according to 77% of the respondents the re-paving reduced the traffic noise perceived in their home.

### Context and Methods

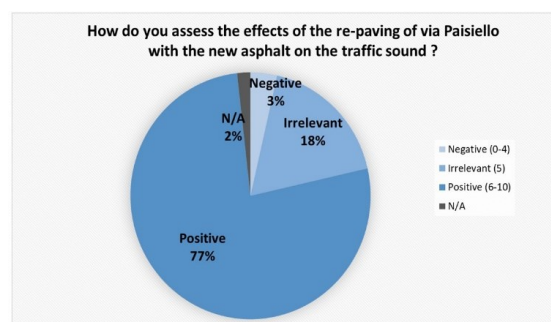
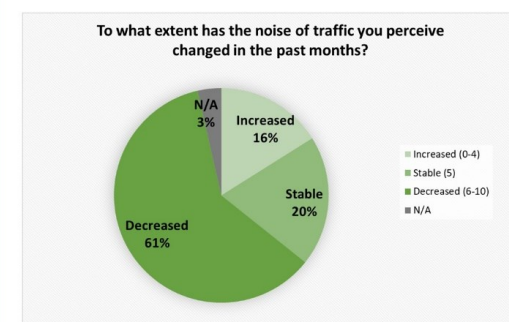
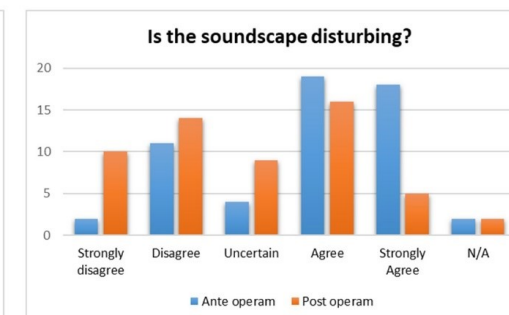
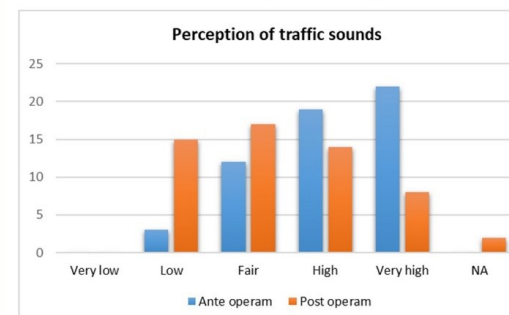


The pilot case in Florence



Delivered Questionnaires

### Survey Analysis



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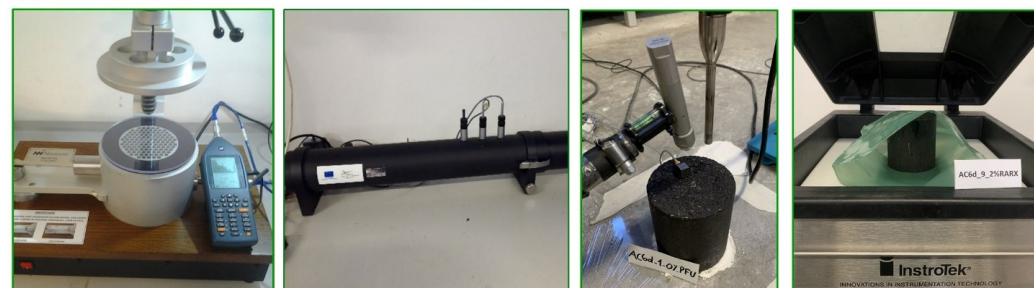
### Mischungs- design

Die Università Mediterranea Di Reggio Calabria (UNIRC) hat zur Findung eines optimalen Straßenbelags mehr als 150 in der einschlägigen Literatur erwähnte Deckschichten auf ihre akustischen und nicht-akustischen Leistungsfähigkeiten untersucht. Weiterhin wurde die Umweltverträglichkeit berücksichtigt und eine Reihe von Vortests durchgeführt. Auf dieser Basis wurden von den 150 Vorschlägen neun Asphaltbetonmischungen ausgewählt, wobei besonderer Fokus auf (1) die akustischen Eigenschaften; (2) die auf Basis der mechanischen Eigenschaften zu erwarteten Lebensdauer; (3) die Permeabilität; (4) die Friktionseigenschaften; und (5) den *END*-Wert (gemäß ISO 10844) gelegt wurde. Aus diesen wurden dann Asphaltbetonmischungen mit einer maximalen nominalen Korngröße von 6 mm (AC6) ausgewählt. Mittels einer detaillierten Reihe von Experimenten wurden schließlich die finalen zwei Mischungen entwickelt und validiert. Es handelt sich dabei um zwei AC6-Mischungen mit/ohne Gummigranulatanteil.

### Asphaltbeton- verfestigung



### Labor- experimente



Strömungswiderstand

Akustische Absorption

Mechanische Impedanz

Corelok



Permeabilität

Reibungsmessung

Sandfleckverfahren

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de l'interaction pneumatique/chaussée



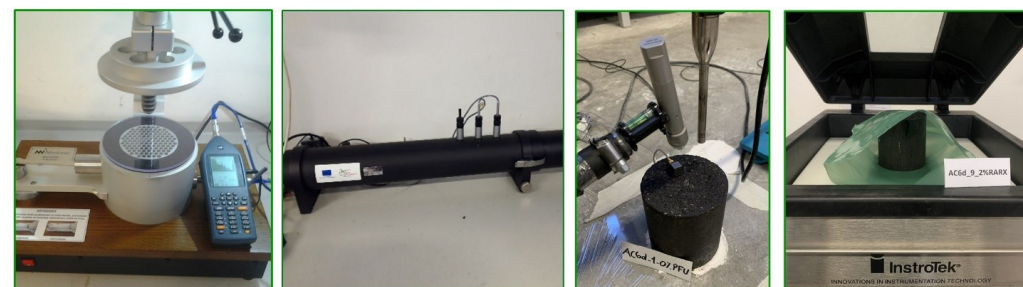
### Conception du mélange

L'Université « méditerranéenne » de Reggio de Calabre (UNIRC) a analysé plus de 150 solutions de surface routière disponibles dans la littérature, sur la base de leurs performances acoustiques et non acoustiques, pour sélectionner les solutions pertinentes. Leurs caractéristiques et impacts ont été considérés et des tests préliminaires ont été effectués. À partir des 150 bétons bitumineux, neuf formulations ont été retenues, selon de nombreux critères incluant : 1) la réponse acoustique; 2) la durée de vie relativement aux propriétés mécaniques; 3) la perméabilité; 4) l'adhérence; 5) la valeur ENDT (« Expected pass-by Noise level Difference from Texture level variation of the road surface »). Pour cette dernière, des bétons bitumineux ouverts de taille nominale de granulats 6 mm (AC6) ont été retenus. Un plan d'expérience précis a été élaboré et appliqué pour concevoir et valider la formulation définitive. Deux variantes ont finalement été réalisées et testées (AC6 avec et sans poudrette de caoutchouc).

### Compactage Superpave



### Tests en laboratoire



Résistance au passage de l'air      Absorption acoustique      Impédance mécanique      Corelok



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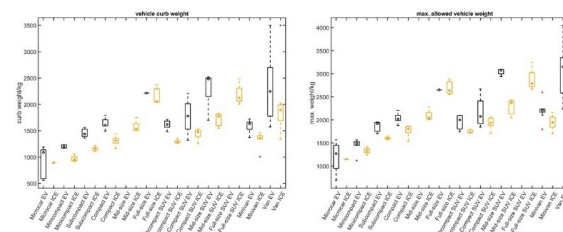
### Vehicle weight



Electric vehicles (EV) differ from their traditional internal combustion engine (ICEV) counterparts in many technical or design features. Some of these changes can influence the rolling noise created by the interaction of the tyre with the road. These parameters are for example increased vehicle loads due to the battery weight which is necessary to provide acceptable mileage, special acceleration/deceleration behaviour due to the different torque characteristic of electrical motors and the recuperation, possible new tyre size trends ("tall-and-narrow") being introduced for mileage, handling or aesthetic reasons, etc. In an analysis of the current and future European EV market it has thus been assessed whether there are systematic differences between EVs and ICEVs which would affect tyre/road noise by any of the previously described mechanisms.

**Background:** Commonly, an increase in tyre load can be associated with an increase in tyre/road noise. While the extend of this load influence on rolling noise depends on tyre type, speed, road surface and inflation pressure, an increase in SPL of 0.5 dB to 2.5 dB per load doubling is typically reported in literature. If an increase in tyre loads necessitates an increase in tyre inflation pressure or tyre construction, further negative effects on tyre/road noise can be expected.

**Observations:** The results indicate that on average EVs are between 20 % and 25 % heavier than ICEVs in curb weight and roughly 10 % to 15 % in maximum weight. This will negatively influence tyre/road noise generation. Often this is accompanied by an increase in tyre inflation pressure – either for load carrying or rolling resistance reasons – which will further increase rolling noise.

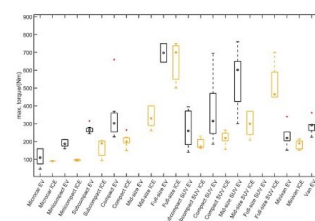


### Vehicle torque



**Background:** Compared to constant speed driving, tyre torque due to acceleration or braking can increase tyre/road noise by several dB. Again, the extend of this increase depends highly on tyre design and operating conditions. This noise increase is caused by micro-scale adhesion and friction mechanisms which are responsible for phenomena like stick/slip and stick/snap which lead to additional tangential vibrations of the tread blocks which are of minor importance under free rolling.

**Observations:** Definite conclusions regarding EV tyre torque are difficult because of a lack of specific data and the large influence of electronic control systems and driving behaviour. Engine torque is in nearly all cases higher for EVs, both in terms of maximum torque as well as the RPM range where this is available. Assuming similar vehicle control systems and driving behaviour to ICEVs this means that tyre torque is potentially also higher for EVs. Combined with reports that over a third of EV fleet users exhibit a more aggressive driving behaviour a worst-case assumption of increased tyre torque for EVs seems reasonable.

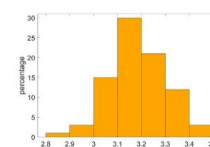


### Tyre sizes

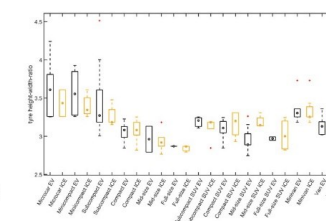


**Background:** The sound radiation from the area close to the tyre/road contact patch is amplified by the horn-like geometry formed between tyre and road. This amplification is frequency dependent with average amplifications of 5 dB to 12 dB per third-octave band having been reported for complex pass-by situations. The amplification is strongly affected by tyre width, with smaller tyres reducing the amplification effect. Tall-and-narrow tyre concepts as used by some EVs (e.g. BMW i3) have a significant influence on the amplification from the horn effect, affecting both the frequency and the amplitude of the peak amplification.

**Observations:** New tyre size concepts, for example tall-and-narrow, are not widely employed for EVs. Contrary, for EVs based on an ICEV platform usually no changes in tyre size are observed. For new EV platforms often only slight adjustments in tyre sizes are noticeable, typically in form of a small increase in tyre diameter and/or width. The relation between tyre height and width, defined here as height-width-ratio  $HWR$  = tyre diameter/tyre width, which is important for the amplification of the sound radiation, mostly stays in the same range as established for classical ICEV applications.



Height-width-ratio for the typical tyre sizes used by the 50 most sold ICEVs in the European market in 2019.



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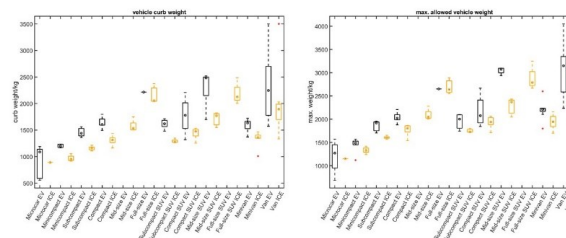
### Die Rolle des Reifens im Kontext des Wechsels von ICEVs zu EVs

### Fahrzeug- gewicht

Elektrofahrzeuge (EV) unterscheiden sich von ihren Gegenstücken mit Verbrennungsmotor (ICEV) in vielen Technik- und Designaspekten. Einige dieser Unterschiede können einen Einfluss auf das durch die Reifen-/Fahrbahninteraktion verursachte Rollgeräusch haben. Dabei handelt es sich z.B. um erhöhte Fahrzeuglasten aufgrund des für akzeptable Reichweiten nötigen Batteriegewichtes; spezielles Beschleunigungs-/Bremsverhalten aufgrund der speziellen Drehmomenteigenschaften von elektrischen Motoren und der Rekuperation; oder neue Reifengrößen (*tall-and-narrow*) welche aus Gründen der Reichweite, des Handlings oder der Ästhetik eingeführt werden. In einer Analyse des europäischen EV Marktes wurde deswegen untersucht, inwieweit es systematische Unterschiede zwischen EVs und ICEVs gibt, die das Reifen-/Fahrbahngeräusch durch die genannten Mechanismen beeinflussen können.

**Ausgangslage:** Eine erhöhte Reifenlast kann mit einer Zunahme des Reifen-/Fahrbahngeräusches in Verbindung gebracht werden. Der Umfang dieses Lasteinflusses hängt u.a. vom Reifen, dem Fülldruck, der Geschwindigkeit und dem Straßenbelag ab. In der Literatur wird typischerweise eine Zunahme des Gesamtschalldruckpegels um 0,5 dB bis 2,5 dB pro Lastverdopplung berichtet. Falls eine Erhöhung der Reifenlast auch einen erhöhten Fülldruck oder eine geänderte Reifenkonstruktion verlangt, ist mit einer weiteren Zunahme des Rollgeräusches zu rechnen.

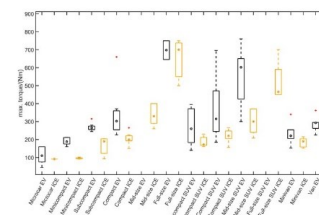
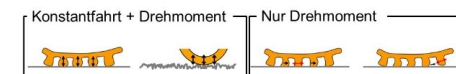
**Beobachtung:** Die Ergebnisse zeigen, dass EVs im Durchschnitt ein 20 % bis 25 % höheres Leergewicht als ICEVs haben und ein etwa 10 % bis 15 % höheres Maximalgewicht. Dies hat einen negativen Einfluss auf das Reifen-/Fahrbahngeräusch. Oftmals liegt zusätzlich – aus Gründen der Lastkapazität oder der Reichweite – ein erhöhter Fülldruck vor, durch den das Rollgeräusch potenziell weiter zunimmt.



### Drehmoment

**Ausgangslage:** Im Vergleich zur Konstantfahrt kann ein Reifendrehmoment durch Beschleunigung oder Bremsen das Rollgeräusch um mehrere dB(A) erhöhen. Der Umfang dieser Zunahme hängt wiederum vom Reifendesign und den Betriebsbedingungen ab. Verursacht wird diese Zunahme durch kleinskalige Adhäsions- und Friktionsprozesse welche zu Phänomenen wie stick/slip oder stick/snap führen. Diese erzeugen zusätzliche tangentielle Vibrationen der Profilblöcke, die unter freien Rollen nur von geringer Bedeutung sind.

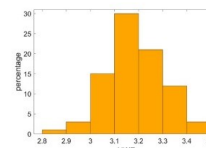
**Beobachtung:** Aufgrund mangelnder Daten zum EV-Reifendrehmoment, und des Einflusses von elektrischen Kontrollsystemen und dem Fahrverhalten ist eine konkrete Aussage schwierig. Das Motordrehmoment ist für EVs nahezu immer höher, sowohl als Maximalwert als auch als Umdrehungsbereich in dem dieser erreicht wird. Wird von ähnlichen Kontrollsystemen und zumindest nicht deutlich passiverem Fahrverhalten ausgegangen, bedeutet dies, dass das Reifendrehmoment von EVs mit großer Wahrscheinlichkeit auch höher ist.



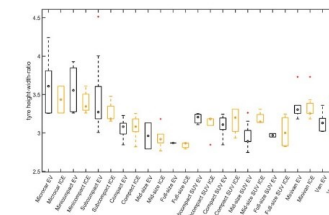
### Reifengröße

**Ausgangslage:** Die Schallabstrahlung aus der unmittelbaren Umgebung des Reifen-/Fahrbahnkontaktes wird durch die einem Horn ähnliche Geometrie zwischen Reifen und Fahrbahn verstärkt. Für diese frequenzabhängige Verstärkung sind für komplexe Vorbeifahrsituationen Erhöhungen von 5 dB bis 12 dB pro Terzband beobachtet worden. Der Effekt hängt stark von der Reifenbreite ab, wobei schmalere Reifen zu einer geringeren Erhöhung führen. Tall-and-narrow Reifenkonzepte, wie sie von einigen EVs (z.B. BMW i3) genutzt werden, haben einen signifikanten Einfluss auf die verstärkte Schallabstrahlung durch den Horneffekt. Dabei wird sowohl die maximale Verstärkung als auch der relevante Frequenzbereich beeinflusst.

**Beobachtung:** Neue Reifengrößenkonzepte, z.B. tall-and-narrow, werden nicht in großen Umfang von EVs benutzt. Im Gegenteil, für EVs die auf klassischen ICEV-Plattformen basieren, ist im Normalfall keine Änderung der Reifengröße zu beobachten. Für neue EV-Plattformen ergeben sich oftmals nur geringe Anpassungen der Reifendimensionen, typischerweise in Form einer leichten Zunahme von Reifenbreite und/oder Felgendurchmesser. Das Verhältnis zwischen Reifenhöhe und -breite, hier definiert als height-width-ratio  $HWR = \text{Reifendurchmesser} / \text{Reifenbreite}$ , welches für die Verstärkung der Schallabstrahlung von Bedeutung ist, liegt Größtenteils im selben Bereich wie für klassische ICEVs.



Height-width-ratio für die typischen Reifengrößen, die von den 50 meist-verkauften Fahrzeugen auf dem europäischen Markt in 2019 benutzt wurden.



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### Research Article

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## Electric vehicles diffusion: changing pavement acoustic design?

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**Abstract:** Electric vehicles (EVs) are progressively entering into the current noisy urban ecosystem. Even though EVs are apparently quieter than traditional Internal Combustion Engine Vehicles (ICEVs), they have an impact on noise maps and road pavement designers should take this into consideration when designing future low-noise road pavements. Consequently, the main objective of this study is to define what are the most important aspects that road pavement designers should take into account. For this reason, in this paper, the noise emitted by EVs was analysed, considering parameters (e.g., speed and frequency) and comparisons, in order to identify crucial characteristics. Results show that EV noise could call for the improvement of pavement acoustic design due to the Acoustic Vehicle Alerting System (AVAS), high-frequency peaks, and noise vibration harshness.

**Keywords:** Internal combustion engine vehicles, Electric vehicle, Traffic noise, Road pavement design

### 1 Introduction

We tend to think that Electric vehicles (EVs) are quite silent, but it was amply proved that electric motors can emit noise [1]. The advent of EVs into the current traffic-noise-related ecosystem can be compared to the introduction of a new species in a given ecosystem [2], which need to be studied considering different points of view, i.e., of authorities, pedestrians, drivers, and designers. Hence, designers should consider the impact of EVs on noise maps (especially in urban contexts), and take this into consideration when designing future low-noise road pavements [3].

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The first outcome of the studies mentioned above refers to the “excessive quietness” of EVs, especially at low speeds, e.g., Sound Pressure Levels lower than 56 dB @about 10 km/h, cf. also [4]. This may affect the safety of pedestrians, riders, and Internal Combustion Engine Vehicles (ICEVs) drivers [4–6]. In order to solve this problem, regulation and systems have been proposed as discussed in the following (see Section 1.3).

Another important aspect related to the noise produced by vehicles (including EVs) is the tire/road interaction. Hence, solutions related to tires and roads were proposed.

Focusing on tires designed for EVs, Ejsmont *et al.* (2015) [7] concluded that these special tires generate noise similar to general use tires, and that a small noise reduction can be possible if narrow tires with big outer diameter are used. In 2016, Pallas *et al.* (2016) and Czuka *et al.* (2016) [8, 9], within the FOREVER project, investigated the tire/road noise of EVs, and the “low-noise tires” concept (using one EV and nine different tire sets) concluding that:

1. The rolling noise of light EVs does not differ from the one of conventional vehicles.
2. Ecological tires (i.e., which reduce consumption) and current tires for EVs do not reduce significantly the rolling noise.

Mohammadi and Ohadi (2021) [10] proposed a novel approach to design quiet tires, based on multi-objective minimization of generated noise. In this latter study, all the predominant mechanisms related to tire/road noise (texture impact, tread impact, air pumping, pipe resonance, Helmholtz resonance, air cavity resonance, and horn effect) were included in the model. On average, this allowed reducing of about 2 dB(A) the total noise (corresponding to 80% reduction of the normalized texture impact noise), and of 27% the average normalized sound of a patterned tire, by modifying of about the 10% its structural and tread pattern parameters.

For quiet asphalt pavements, it is important to point out that their sound absorption can be modelled [11, 12] and measured using in-lab and on-site methods [13]. Furthermore, road sound absorption is related to several parameters (i.e., thickness, porosity, air flow resistivity, and tortuosity), and more attention should be paid on the im-

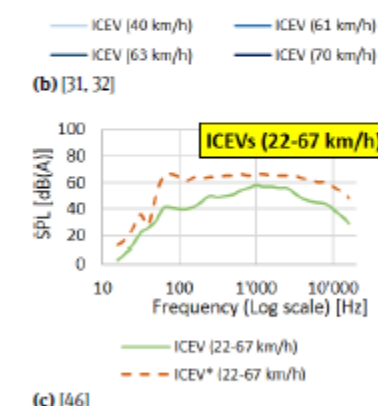
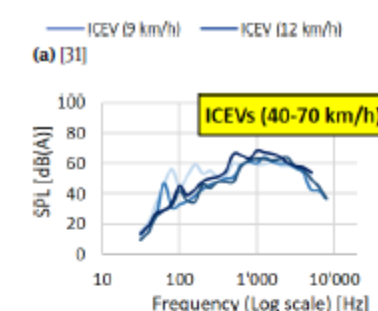
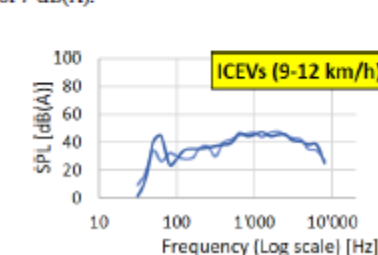
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within the range 500 Hz–1.6 kHz, while for heavy EVs is within 630 Hz and 2.5 kHz).

5. Based on measured data, the equivalent frequency (i.e., the frequency, selected among all the center frequencies of 1/3 bands between 350 Hz and 2500 Hz, that is more often associated to the maximum A-weighted sound pressure level) of light EVs and light ICEVs is 1000 Hz and 800 Hz, respectively. While the same parameter for heavy EVs and heavy ICEVs is 1000 Hz and 630 Hz, respectively.
6. Simulations showed that if the percentage of EVs increases of 10%, the noise of the traffic flow decreases of 7 dB(A).

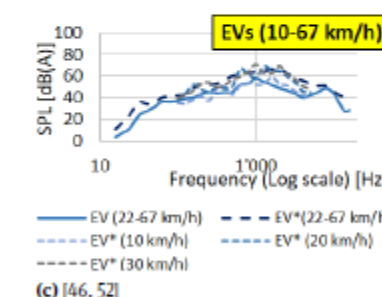
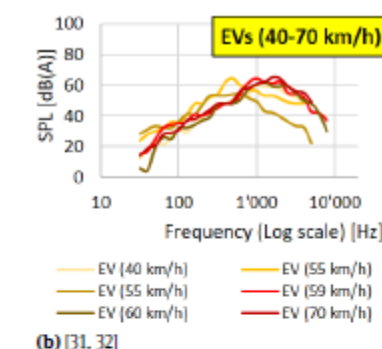
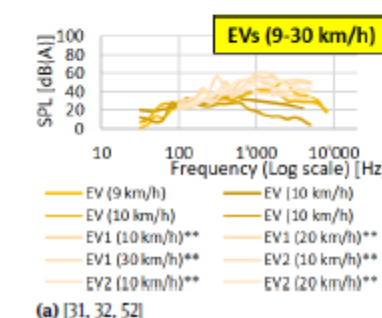


**Figure 3:** A-weighted Sound Pressure Level (Statistical Pass-By method, ISO 11819-1:1997) of ICEVs at different speeds (\* = heavy vehicle) [31, 32, 45].

The following figures (Figures 3–5) show several noise spectra related to both light and heavy ICEVs and EVs [31, 32, 37, 45, 52]. In particular, these figures report the A-weighted Sound Pressure Level of:

1. ICEVs (see Figure 3) and EVs (see Figure 4), moving at different speeds (9–70 km/h), measured applying the Statistical Pass-By method (ISO 11819-1:1997).
2. EVs (see Figure 5) moving at constant speeds, derived applying the method described in the ISO 362-1:2015.

Note that the measurements related to heavy vehicles were pointed out by using asterisks.



**Figure 4:** A-weighted Sound Pressure Level (Statistical Pass-By method, ISO 11819-1:1997) of EVs at different speeds (\* = heavy vehicle; \*\* = motorcycle) [31, 32, 45, 52].





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