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## Cool pavements for adapting Paris to climate change

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In order to adapt to climate change, cities are studying various urban cooling techniques to improve

pedestrian thermal comfort of users during heatwaves including urban greening and cool materials [1,2]. On

technique being considered by the City of Paris is cool pavements [3] . To this aim, an experimental test site

has been constructed and instrumented to study the thermal and climatic behavior of candidate sidewalk

structures.

The experimental demonstrator is located in Bonneuil-sur-Marne near Paris, France. This experimental

device consists of 16 samples of various sidewalk structures [4]. Each sample is approximately 4x4m across

by 25 cm deep and is composed of several layers following real-world conditions. The samples are instrumented with temperature and heat flow sensors at several depths, with the data recorded every 5

minutes. Additional weather measurements are also conducted onsite to monitor air temperature and

humidity, global horizontal short- and longwave irradiance as well as wind speed and direction.

This communication is focused on data collected during the summers of 2021 and 2022, specifically

temperatures and heat fluxes and the derived surface heat budget of each sample. These data from each

strcture will be analyzed with respect to their contribution to the degradation of pedestrian thermal comfort

as well as to the urban heat island effect in order to inform the city services in their selection of suited

sidewalk materials.

Additional testing inside a climate chamber will supplement the demonstrator test site with

complementary measurements performed in the laboratory.

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