

Durability of ultra high performance fibered concretes in two acidic environments

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Abstract. The objective of this research is to study the durability of specimens of a high-performance fiber-reinforced concrete (UHPFC) in two aggressive media concentrated at 10% (nitric acid, hydrochloric acid) for a period of one month. The study of durability has shown that specimens made from pozzolan-substituted cement have better chemical resistance in both acidic solutions (the loss of mass decreases with the increase of pozzolan substitution rate), so UHPFC prepared with 0% pozzolan have low chemical resistance to attack nitric acid with a loss of mass of 3.97%. On the other hand, in the hydrochloric acid solution the low chemical resistance is presented by the test pieces made with 10% pozzolan since they display 5.49% mass loss.

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