



## Health Monitoring of Cement-Based Structures/Materials: Signal Processing and Artificial Intelligence Techniques

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Dear colleagues,

The costs for repairing and maintaining cement-based structures currently represent a significant proportion of the gross national product in developed countries. Monitoring the health status of these structures is of utmost importance in order to plan timely management interventions and avoid the eventual failure of the structure itself. Many different measurement techniques can be adopted to monitor the health status of cement-based structures, including: electrical impedance measurements (to detect the ingress of contaminants, monitor the curing period, detect strain and crack formation, identify corrosion processes, sense temperature changes, etc.), computer vision techniques (e.g., to detect cracks or surface defects), ultrasound methods and/or thermal imaging (e.g., to evaluate the moisture content and the presence of delamination phenomena), and strain gauges (widely used in structural health monitoring (SHM) to monitor loads and related strain). In addition, various sensors can be combined to obtain more accurate results (sensor fusion)...





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