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- Fundamental concepts—binder and aggregate considerations and failure mechanisms,
- Test methods—laboratory and field,
- Remediation—additives and construction practices,
- Field performance and case studies,
- Specifications—shortcomings and need for improvements, and
- Environmental and health issues.

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- Best practices,
- Gaps in knowledge, and
- Research needs.

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