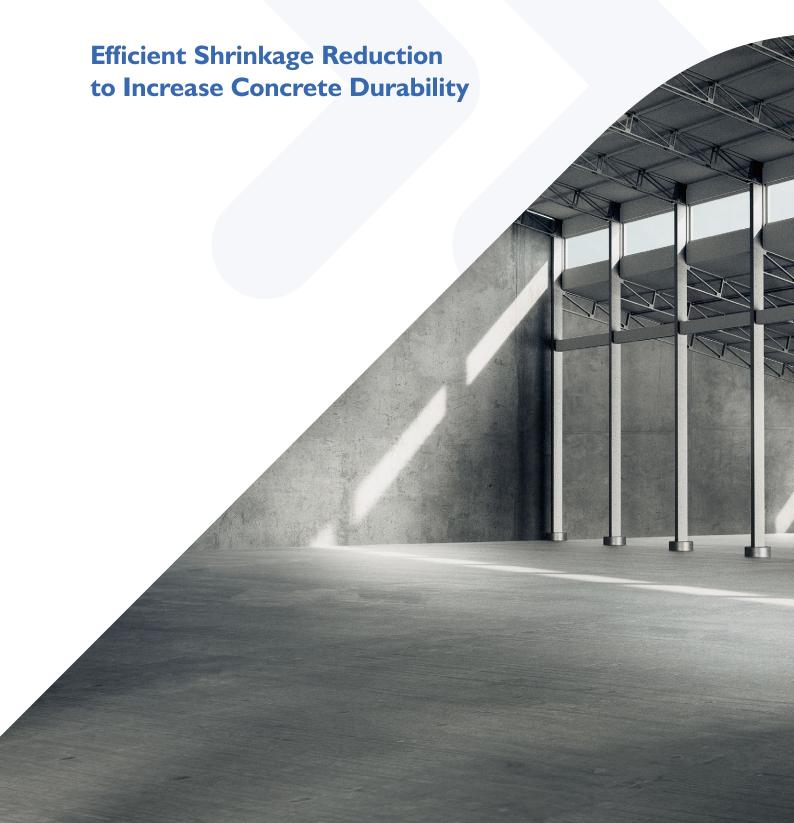


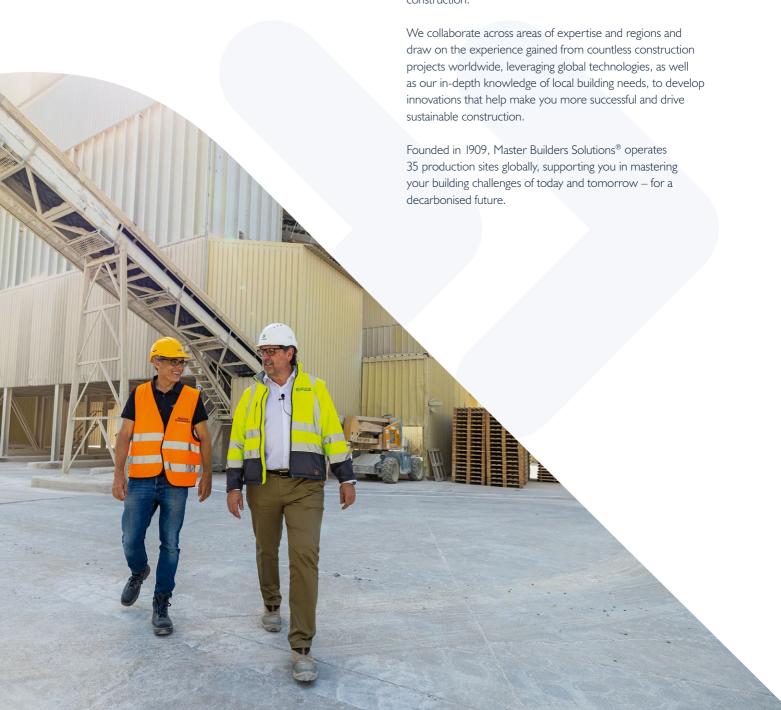
# MasterLife® SRA



### Master Builders Solutions®

As Master Builders Solutions®, we are a leading global producer of responsible solutions for the construction industry, focussed on delivering our vision: **Inspiring people to build better.** 

We provide value-added technology and market-leading R&D capabilities to improve the performance of construction materials and to enable the reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions in the production of concrete. The comprehensive portfolio under the Master Builders Solutions® brand encompasses concrete admixtures, cement additives, and solutions for underground construction.



## MasterLife® SRA

#### Next Level of Shrinkage Reducing Admixtures

#### What is MasterLife® SRA?

Master Builders Solutions® offers a broad range of tailored products covering all requirements regarding concrete durability and serviceability. MasterLife® SRA are liquid shrinkage reducing admixtures which reduce both the autogenous and drying shrinkage of concrete while maintaining its mechanical properties.

This results in customer benefits which comprise both economic and technical advantages for the whole value chain of concrete industry. The admixtures do not contain any expansive material, but chemically reduce the internal capillary forces.

	Product benefits at a glance	MasterLife® SRA 915	MasterLife® SRA 833	MasterLife® SRA 900	
202	Target group	Ready-Mix Precast	Ready-Mix Precast	Ready-Mix Precast	
	Indication	Economic	Benchmark	Premium	
	Shrinkage reduction	**	* * *	***	
	Cement compatibility	* * *	* * *	* * *	
	Strength retention	* * *	* * *	* * *	
	Retardation tendency	**	* * *	***	
	Efficiency	**	***	***	
CE	CE marking		Yes		
• • •	Further aspects		Very low emission of VOC (reaching highest class A+ acc. to EN ISO 16000-9:2006 in combination with French decree 321/2011)		
	*= mild	** = good	*** = very good	**** = excellent	

# Shrinkage of Concrete – A Complex Story

#### Overview on shrinkage characteristics

Shrinkage describes the external changes in the volume of concrete (contraction) which are independent of the loading and caused by changes in the water regime and the chemical reaction (hydration) of the concrete. Shrinkage can be separated into the four types: plastic shrinkage, autogenous shrinkage,

drying shrinkage and carbonation shrinkage (usually negligible for construction concrete). Due to shrinkage, concrete may exhibit a severe crack development which favours the ingress of harmful substances, potentially leading to a decreased durability.





**Definitions** 



Water loss on concrete surface

Self-desiccation due to cement hydration

Environmental water loss due to drying of concrete

- Relative humidity
- Wind conditions
- Temperature
- Setting behaviour (retarder, low cement content, SCM)
- Mainly influenced by
- w/c ratio < 0.40 Cement type
- Cement content
- Stiffness of aggregates
- w/c ratio ≥ 0.40
- Cement type
- Concrete mix design
- Ambient conditions
- Concrete member size

#### Measures to compete

#### **MasterKure**®

surface treatment

#### MasterFiber® 012

synthetic micro fibers

#### MasterLife® SRA I50

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expansion agent

organic shrinkage reducing admixtures recommended dosage: I - 2.5 % bwc

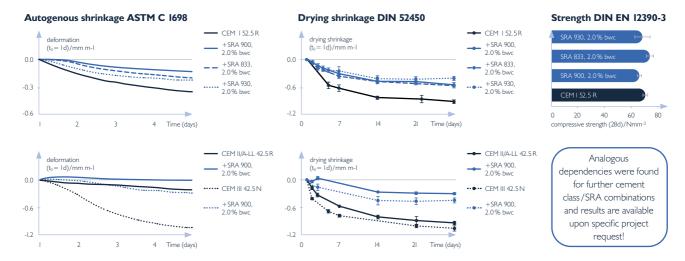
## Proof of Performance – See the Difference

#### Next level MasterLife® SRA: Enhanced performance all along the line

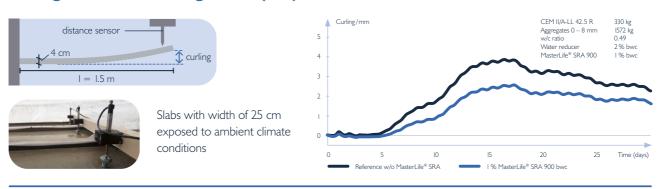
The highly efficient shrinkage reducing admixtures reduce the autogenous and drying shrinkage already at usual dosages of 1% by weight of cement (bwc). They are beneficial for readymix producers, precast industry and/or general contractors, which intend to reduce the life cycle costs of a construction.

Reduced crack widths lead towards a higher durability and an increased joint spacing in slabs may help saving further costs, while a high cement compatibility and excellent strength retention properties guarantee practical application possibilities.

#### Experimental results with cement mortars (w/c ratio = 0.35)



#### **Curling of thin self-levelling screed (SLS)**





#### Contact us!

For recommendations regarding compatibility with other chemicals or building materials, please consult your local Master Builders Solutions® Technical Advisor.





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Complete solutions for air entrained concrete

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Solutions for the manufactured concrete product industry

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Solutions for cement manufacture

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