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# Defect overview of flat roofs (construction, design and materials)

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# Examples of malfunctions from the life of a expert witness



# Forgotten Work Tool (Liability Issue)



# Lifetime

Lifetime is different than warranty. The guarantee is for perfect function. The service life is how long it will last without a comprehensive replacement.

The supporting structures should have a service life of more than 50 years.

Roofs, or easily repairable structures (without interfering with the load-bearing structures) should have a service life of more than 25 years.

Coatings, sealants, etc. have a shorter lifespan. I.e. even under 10 years. For sealants, the lifespan is within units of years.



# System malfunctions

Every building needs to be reconstructed, the question is when. The service life of roof insulation systems is half (even shorter) than the service life of supporting structures.

# Roof with technical equipment of buildings











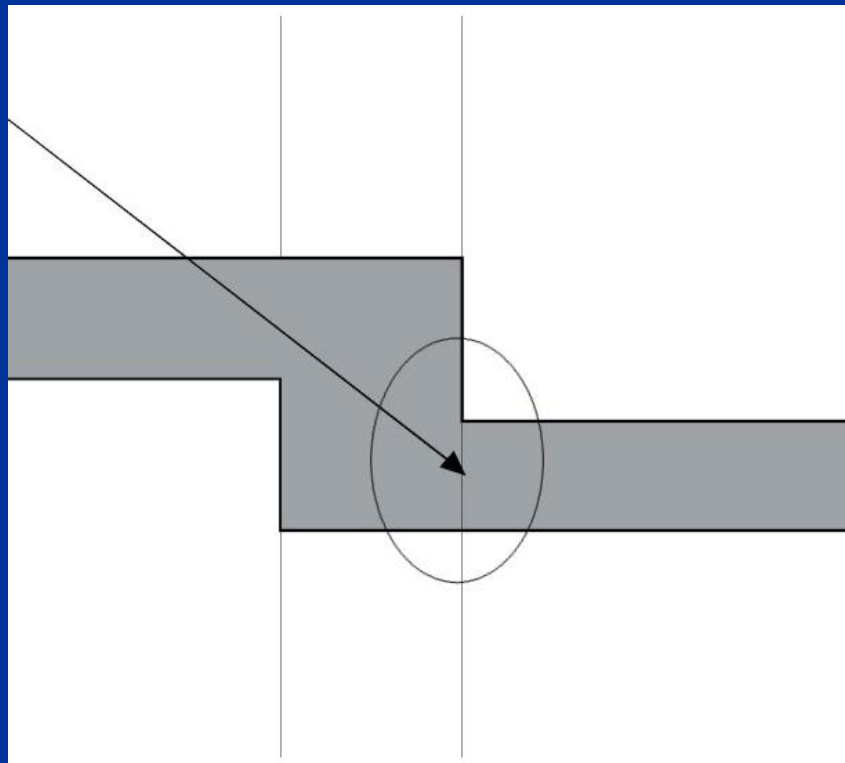
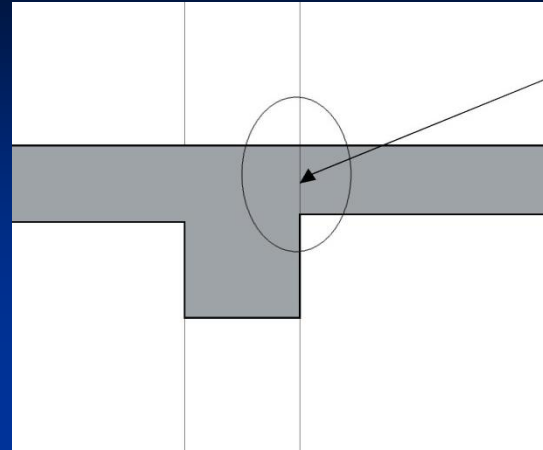


For buildings is necessary respect  
for the thickness  
of building structures











# Static faults

As a result of overload:

- Under-dimensioning of load-bearing structures during design or execution.
- Point or surface extraordinary load during assembly - e.g. by stacking several pallets of waterproofing materials in one place.
- Adding additional layers regardless of load-bearing capacity during roof sheathing reconstructions.
- A change in the way of use, the consequence of which is an increase in the payload.
- If the drainage system is blocked or inadequate, it can become loaded with retained rainwater.

# Static faults

## Wind load

- Quantitative or qualitative deficiencies in mechanical fastening[1]/ within the roof sheathing - in area or in details (especially in plumbing details)
- Low-quality or insufficient attachment of structural elements, especially skylights
- Poor quality or insufficient connection between the individual layers of the roof covering

[1] / In particular insufficient quantity and corrosion of mechanical fastening elements.









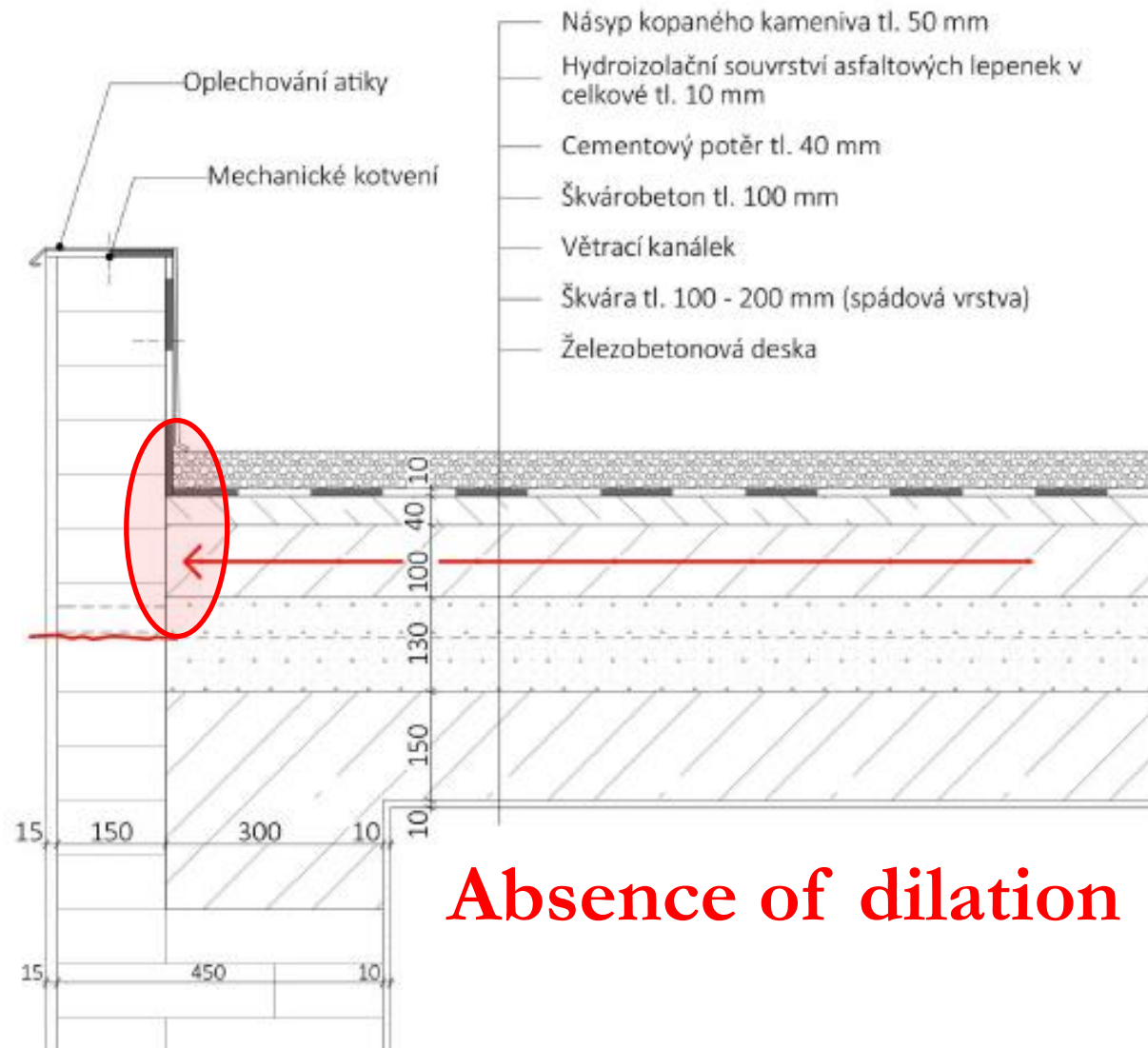








# The principle of pushing away of roof parapet





# Adding loads

Bad static dimensioning, the absence of spreading wedges allows deformation of structures and therefore changes in slope ratios. It is also dangerous to add weight when changing the function of the roof.





# Extreme climatic conditions























# Extremely poor workmanship

Mechanical fastening for facades  
Wrong position of this fastening  
Insufficient separation of bitumen and single ply



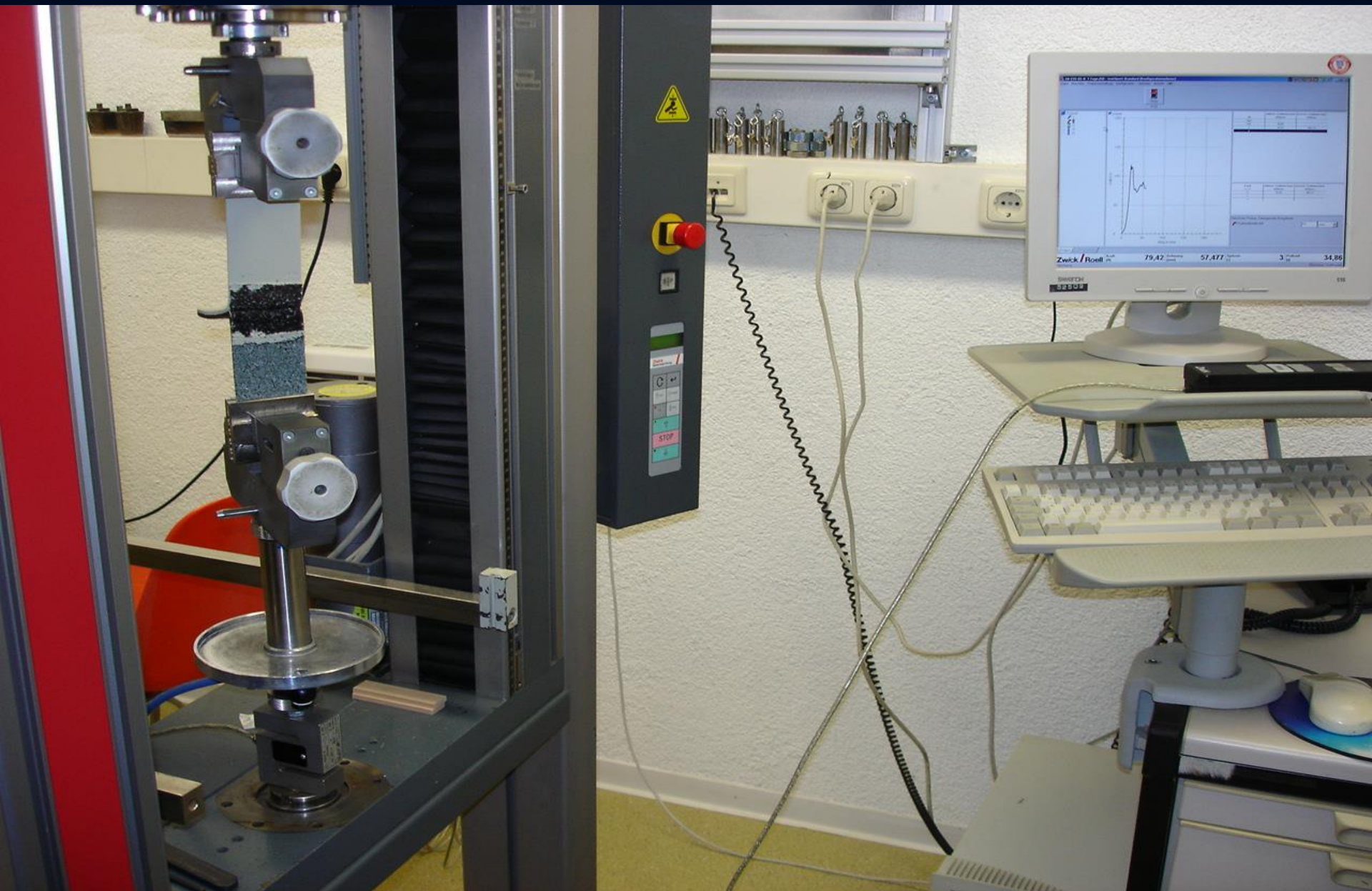


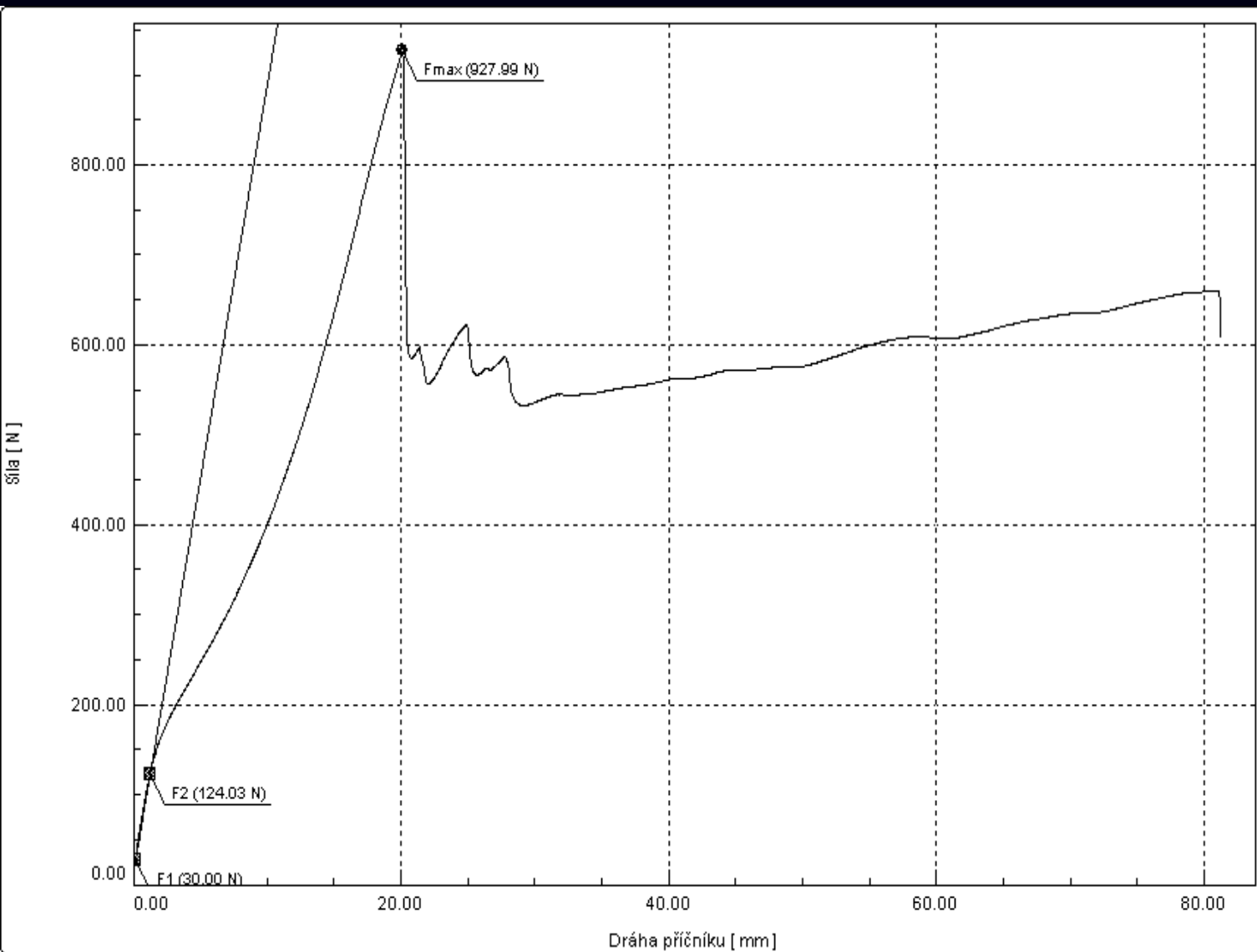
# Scratched, corroded mechanical fasteners



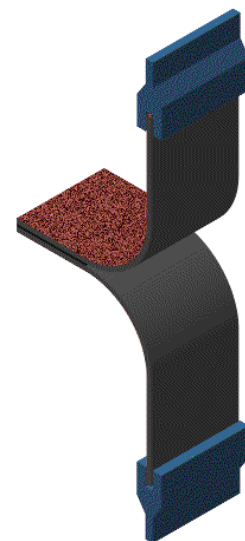
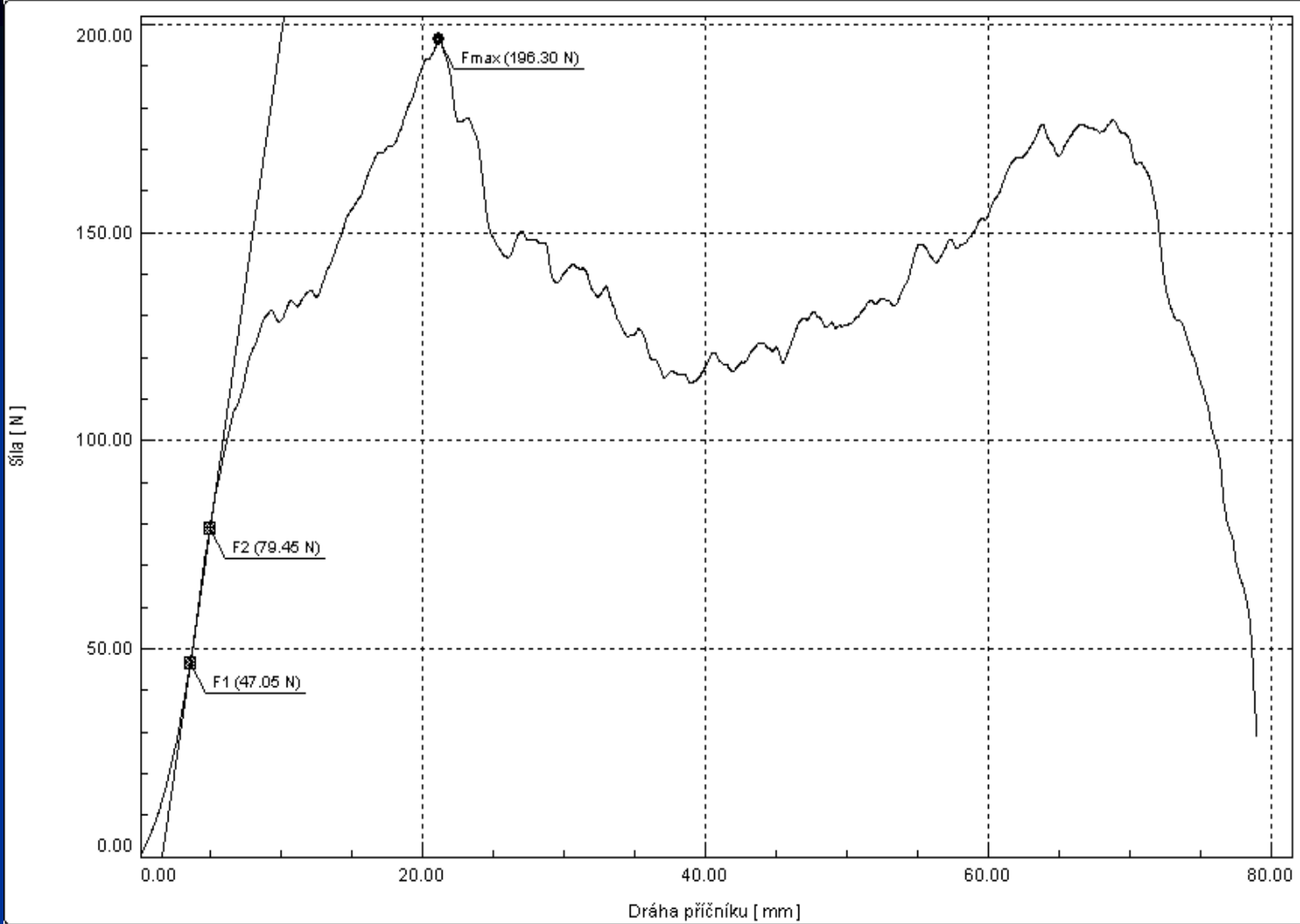












# An example of the extreme effect of hail on asphalt waterproofing









# An example of the extreme effect of hail on transparent skylights







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# An example of the effect of hail on foil waterproofing - general view



# An example of the effect of hail on foil waterproofing - detail





# Plumbing damaged by hail





Hydroizolace z syntetických fólií



# Improvised repair using wrapping film



# Corrosion of supporting building structures and other construction

- Long-term leakage causes corrosion of metal elements (reinforcements, profiled sheets), but also of all other materials
- By using building materials that have a corrosive effect on metal elements, especially perlite, slag, expanded clay, etc.
- Frost corrosion of all building materials occurs due to long-term exposure to flowing water



# Heavy Corrosion of fastening elements



**Kesternich test – cyclic loading of an element in an aggressive sulfur oxide atmosphere, a quality element must pass min. 12 cycles with no signs of corrosion**





# Test results



# Defects from the point of view of building physics in the area, or in detail (examples)



# Passive balance of condensed and evaporated water vapor



# Condensation in the air space inside of roof





# Condensation on a cold surface inside an air gap

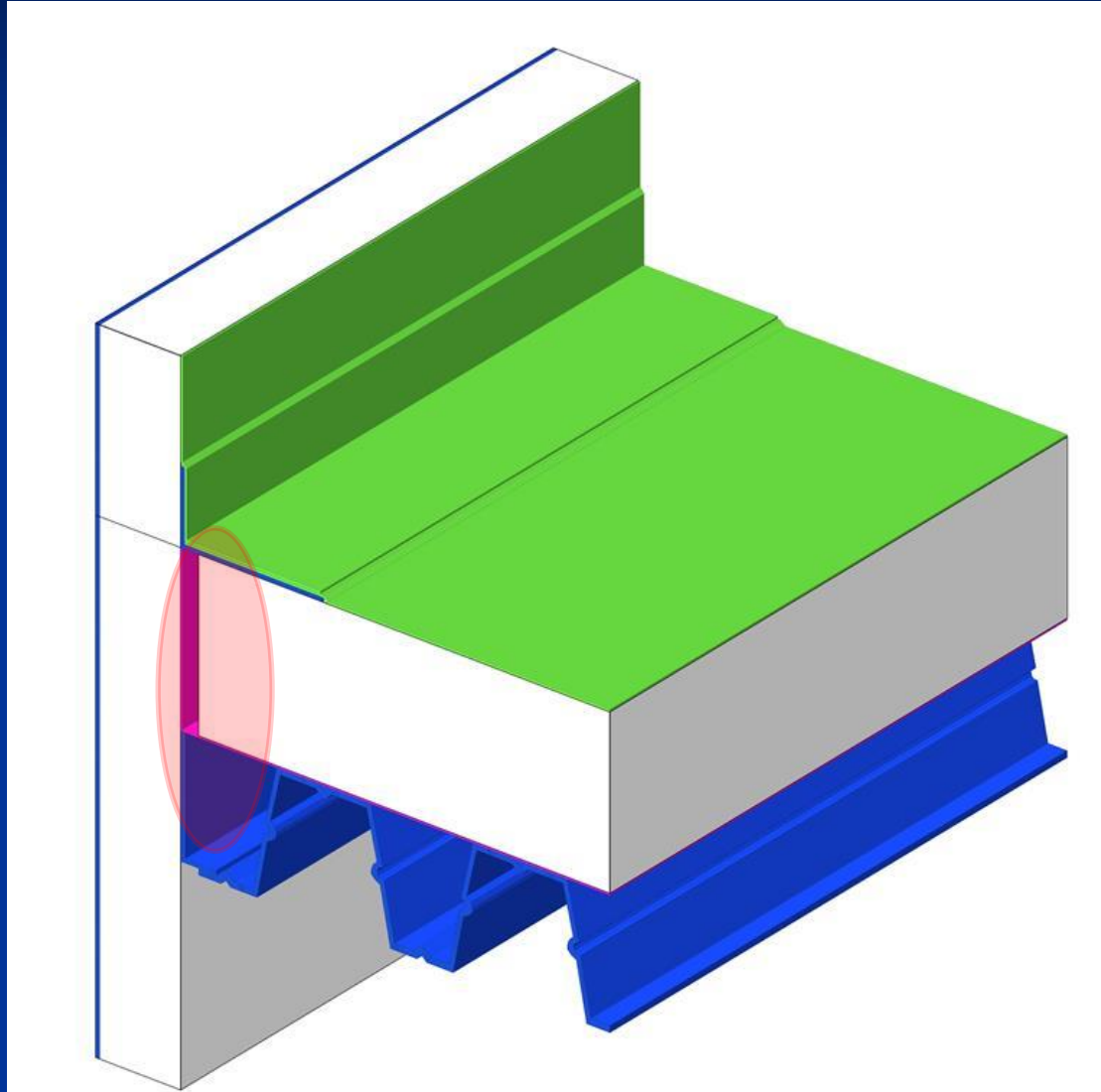


# Thermal bridge in construction detail

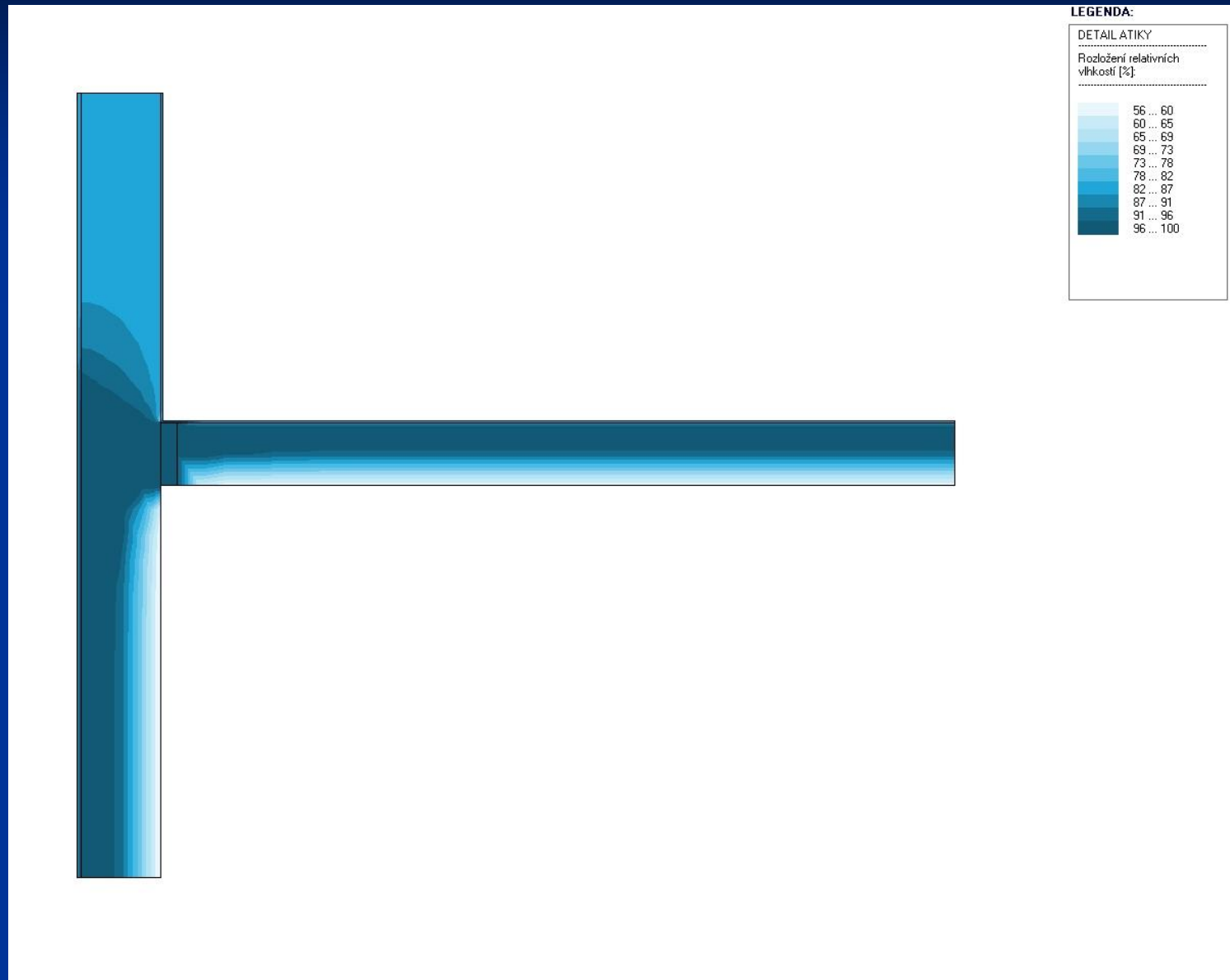




# Thermal bridge in construction detail - shrinking polystyrene foam

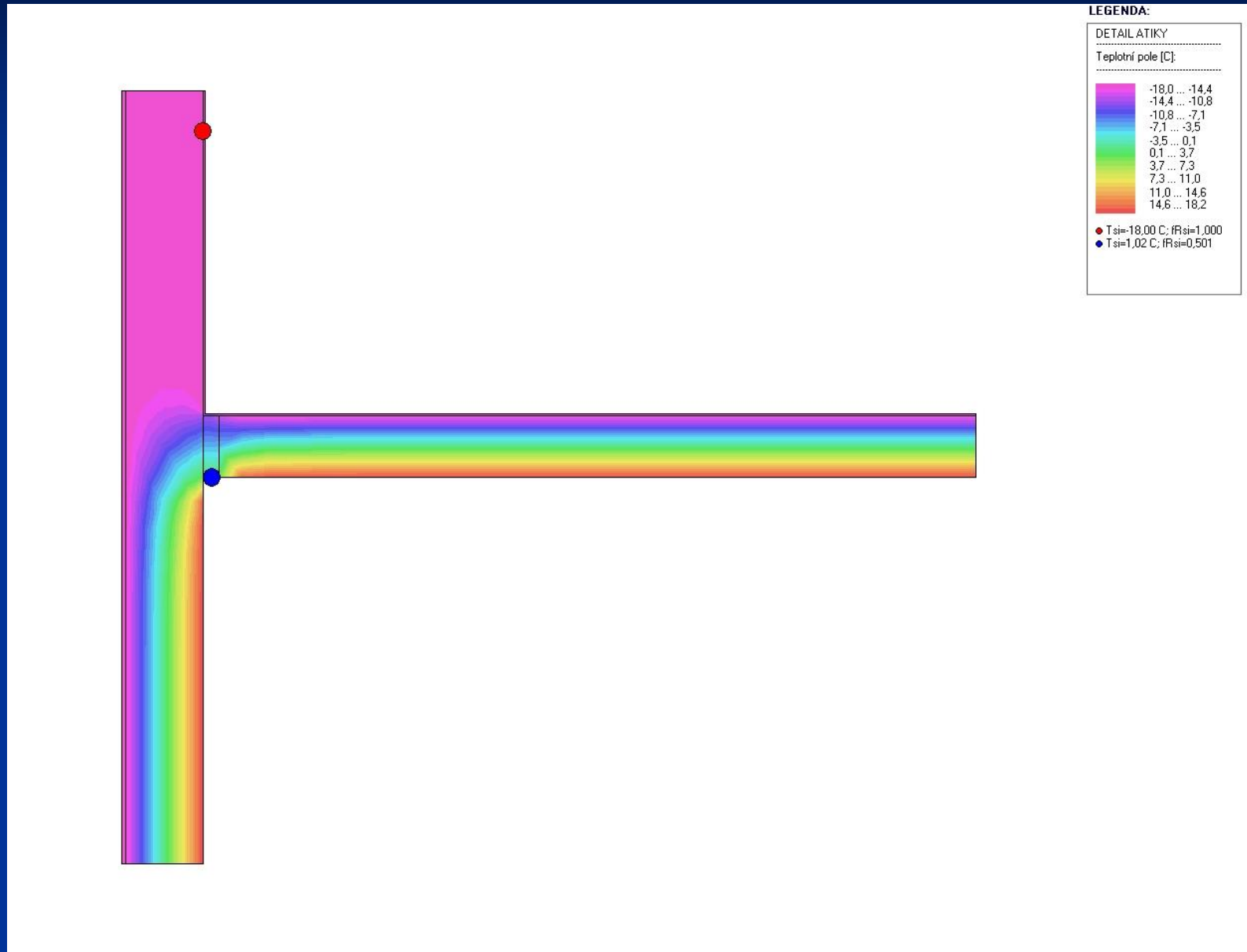


# Moisture parameters of the detail





# Temperature parameters of the detail



# Treatment of waterproofing during implementation and during the service life



# Enemies of roofs and waterproofing

# Logistics and transport







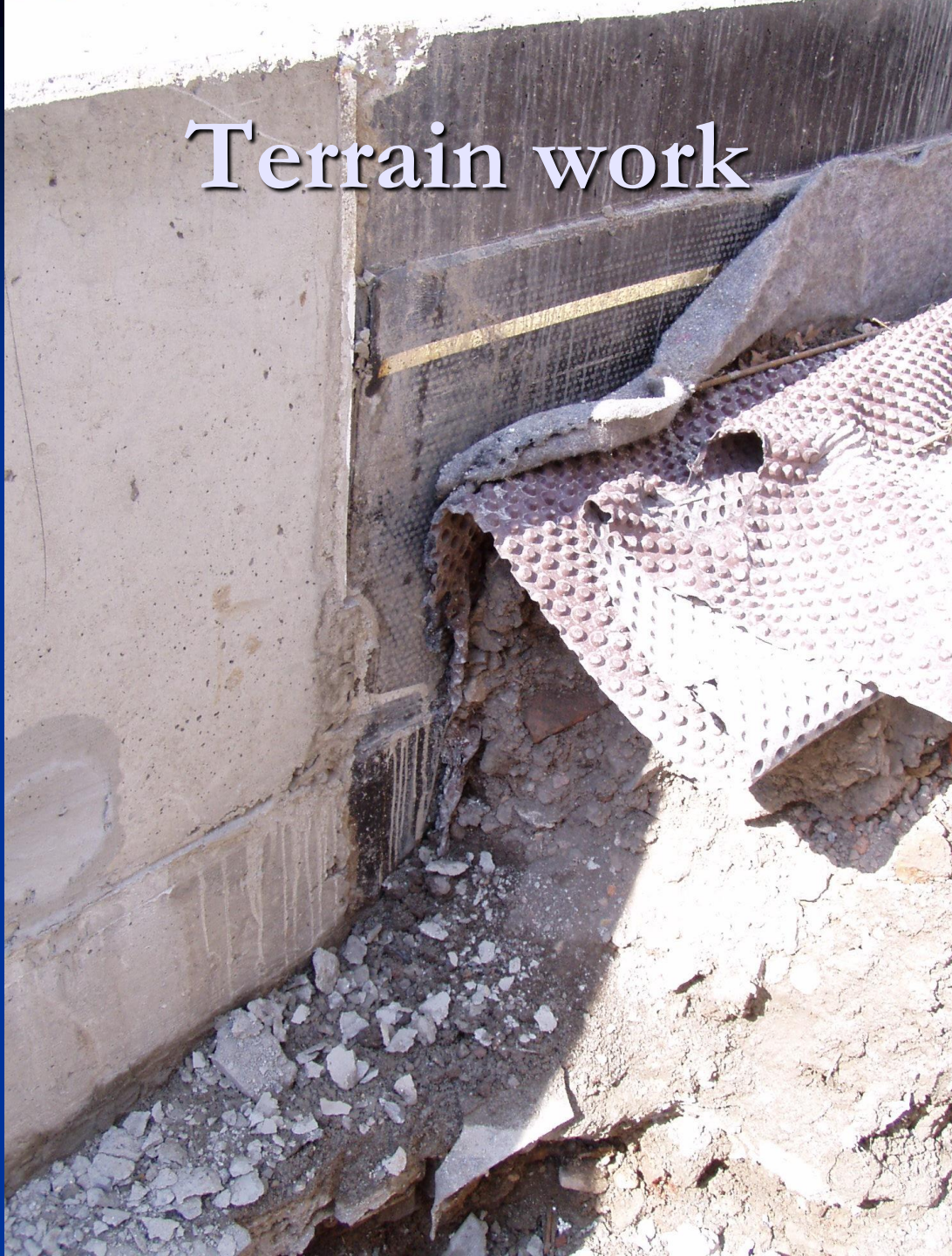


# Core drilling - additional





# Terrain work





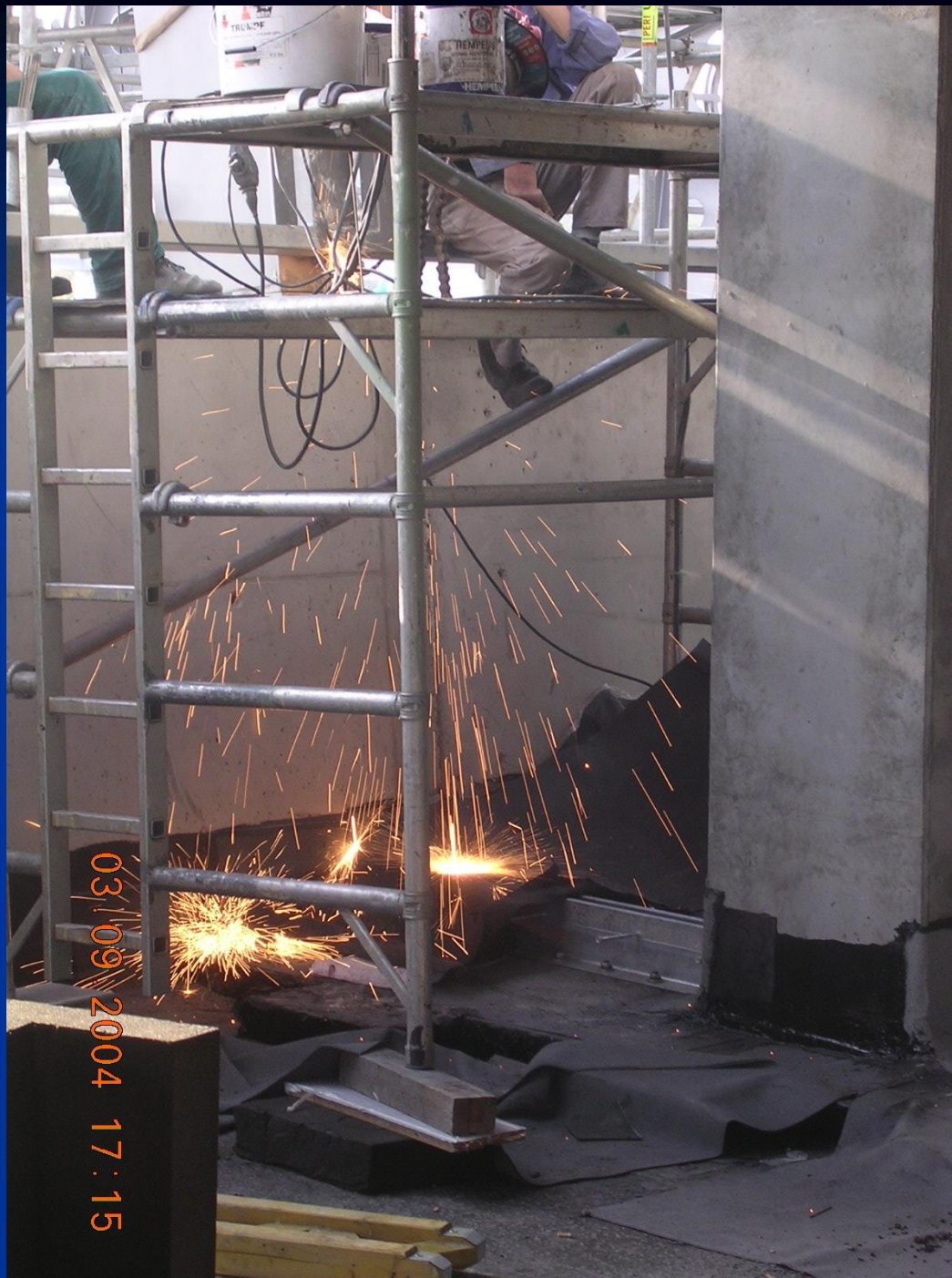




# Grinding, cutting of steel elements







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# Geodetic work



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# Geodesic nail





# High heels











# Warehouse at construction site







# Irrigation fastening through waterproofing





# Intensive vegetation roof, but due to insufficient maintenance



# Intensive vegetation roof, but due to insufficient maintenance



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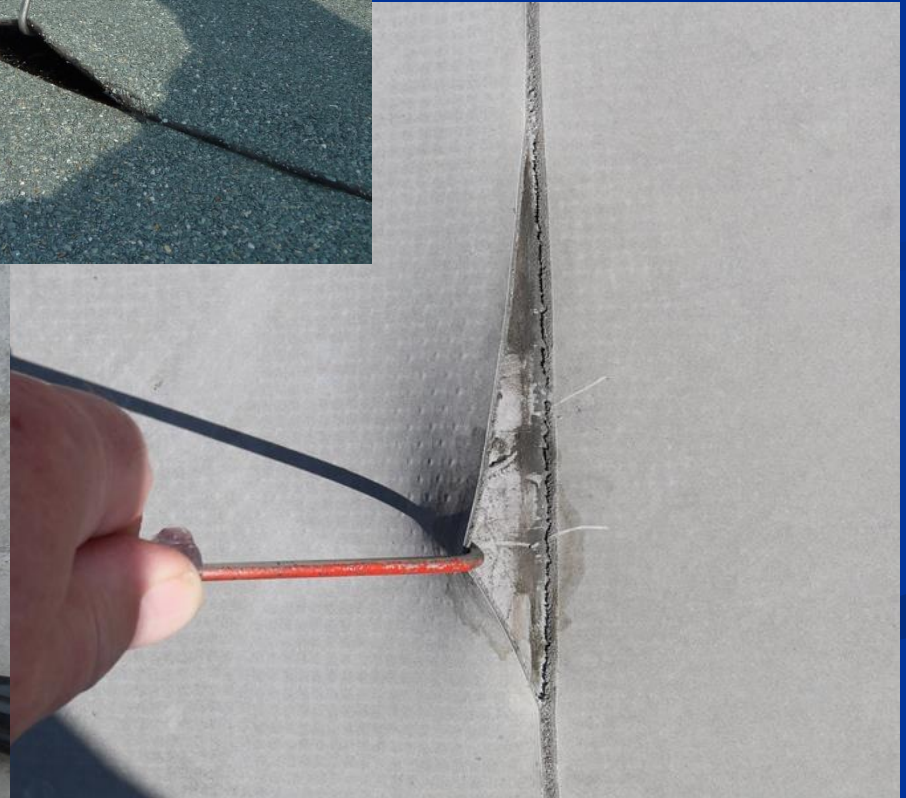
# Blocked outlet due to bad maintenance



# **Defects of waterproofing coatings (including basic identification)**



# Needle test



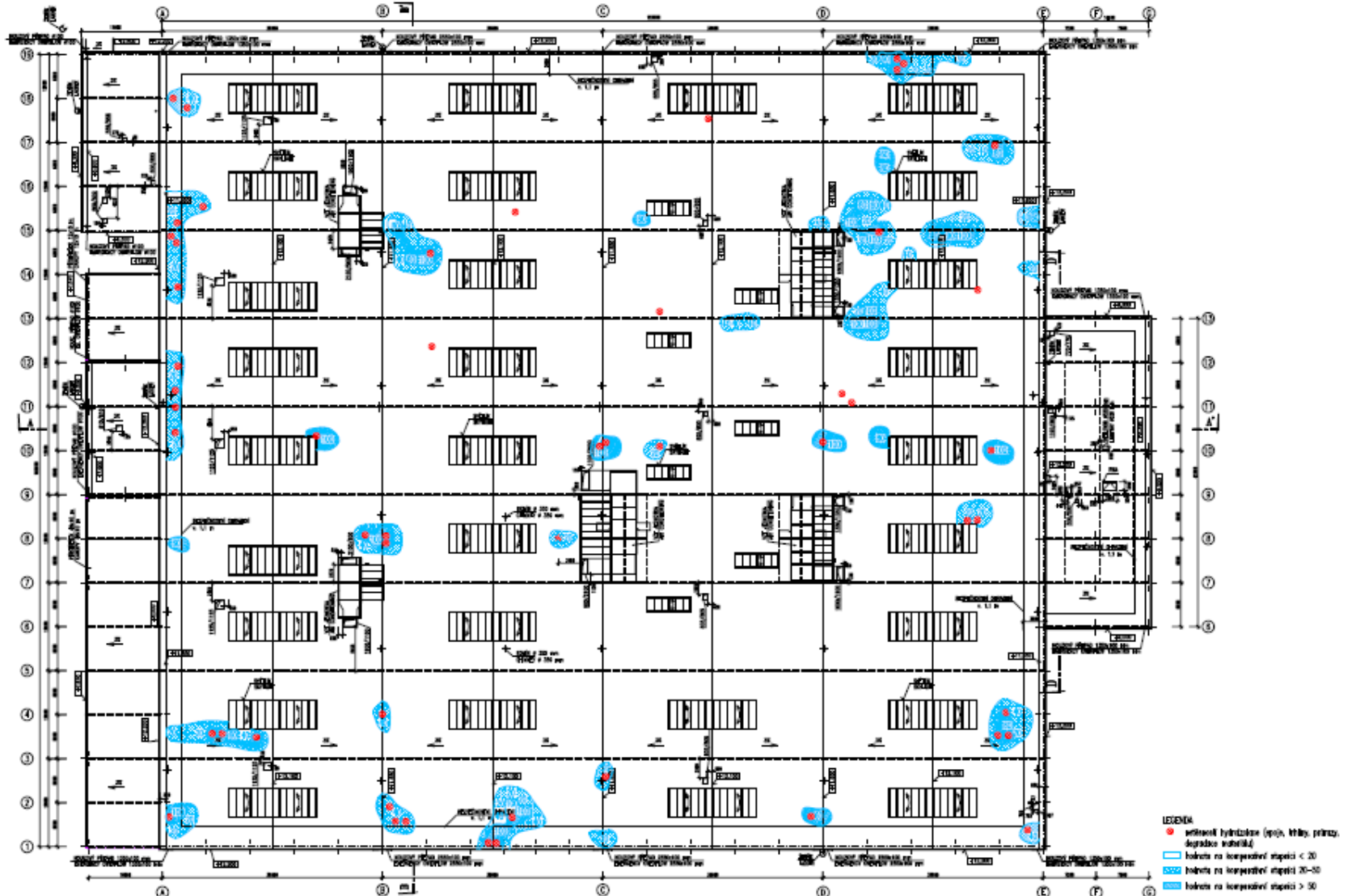


# Impedance defectoscopy



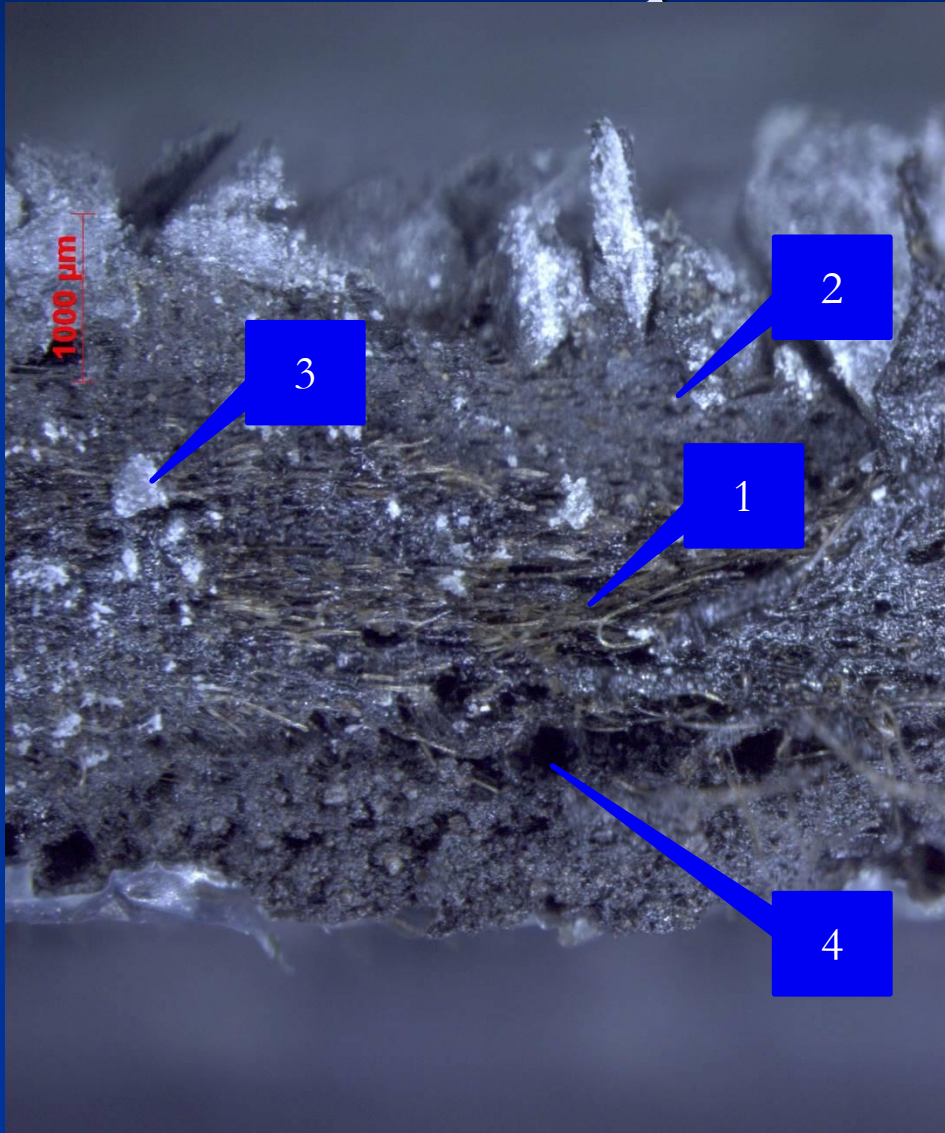


# Humidity map



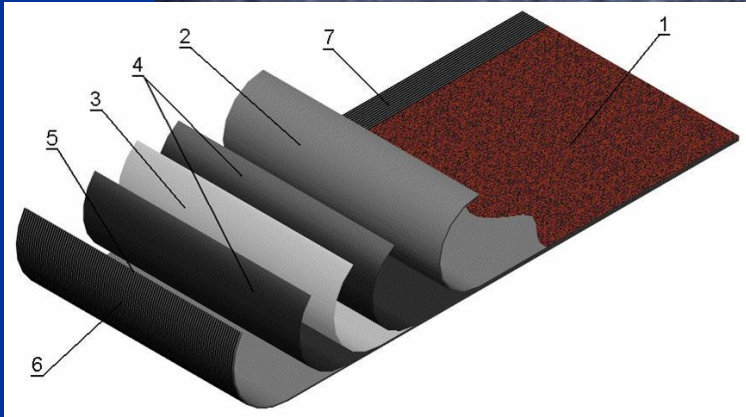
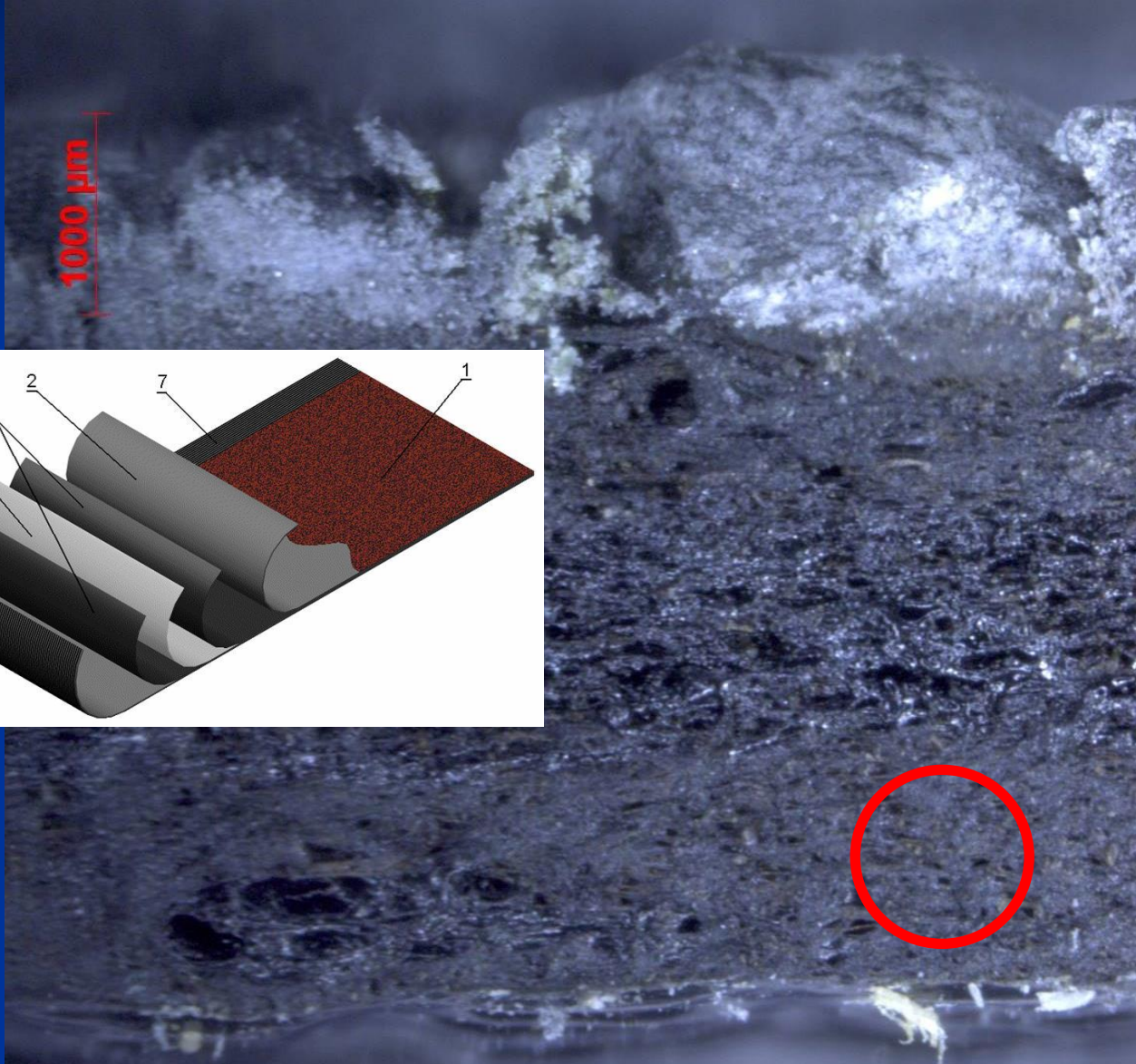


# Microscopic photograph of asphalt belt



- 1./ Very heavy reinforcing insert – polyester mat, not completely compressed and saturated with asphalt,
- 2./ The shale sprinkle showing significantly different granulometry is pushed very deep into the mass, practically up to the reinforcing insert.
- 3./ Light spots are mineral filler, there is a lot of it and it is unevenly mixed
- 4./ "Holes" in the insulating asphalt mass. These are a consequence of the manufacturing technology

# Microscopic photograph of asphalt belt

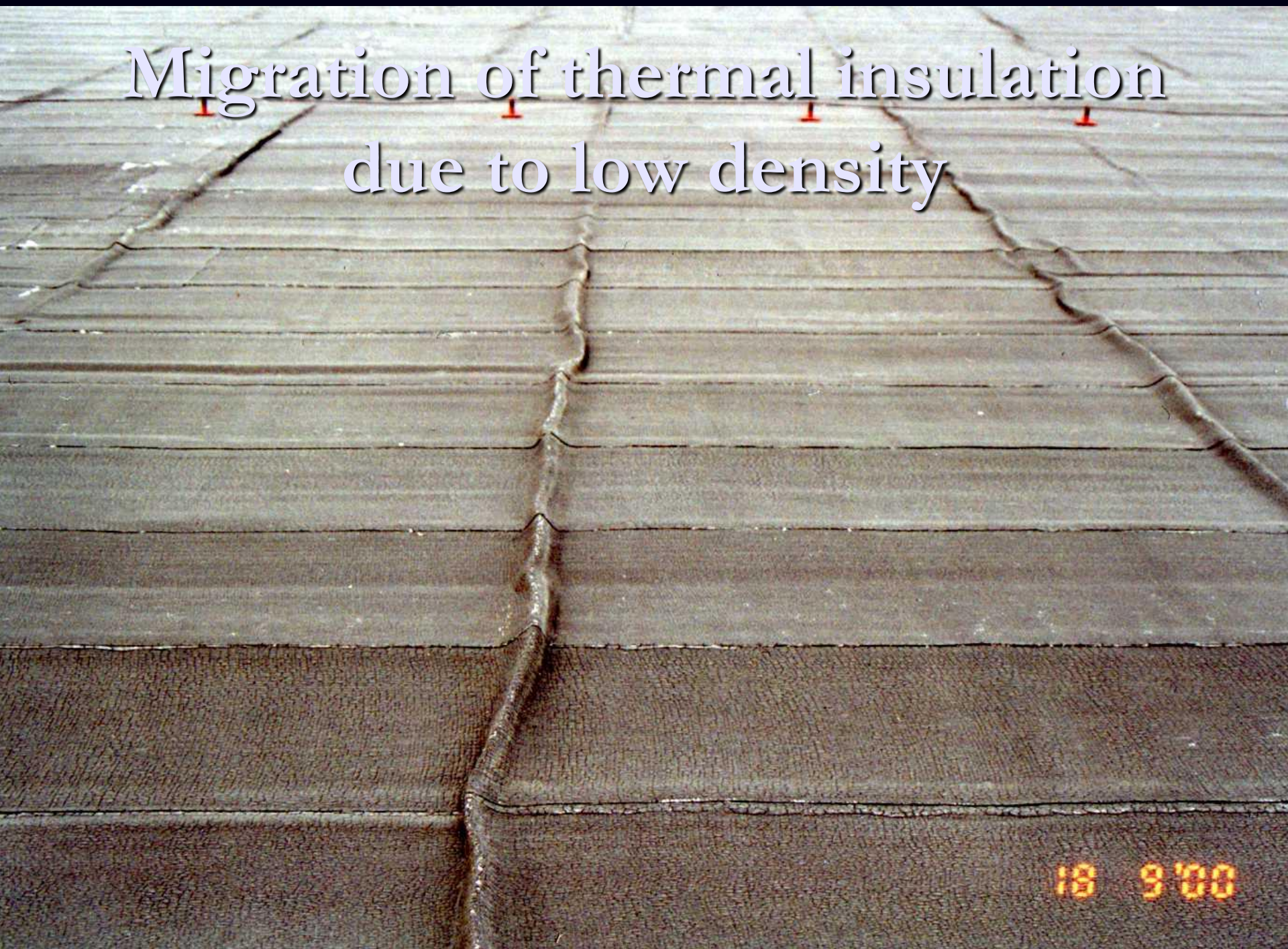


Part v  
red circle  
is an example  
as it should  
asphalt  
he had a belt  
to look like.



# Defects in the base under waterproofing

# Migration of thermal insulation due to low density

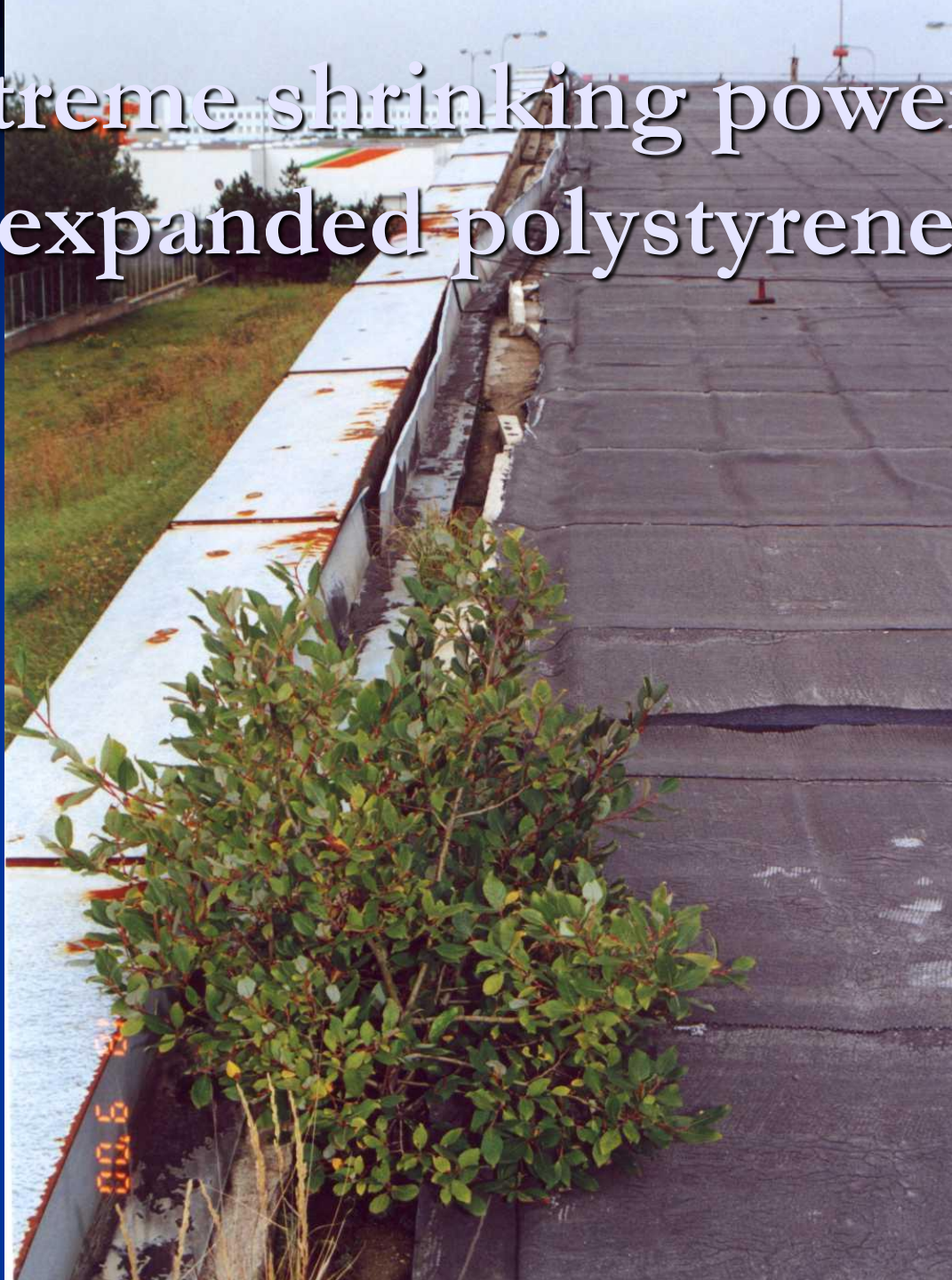








# Extreme shrinking power of expanded polystyrene





# Defects (shrinking) of thermal insulations, their insufficient thermal resistance





# Migration of thermal insulation under high temperature





# Degradation of the strength of mineral fiber thermal insulation due to heavy traffic



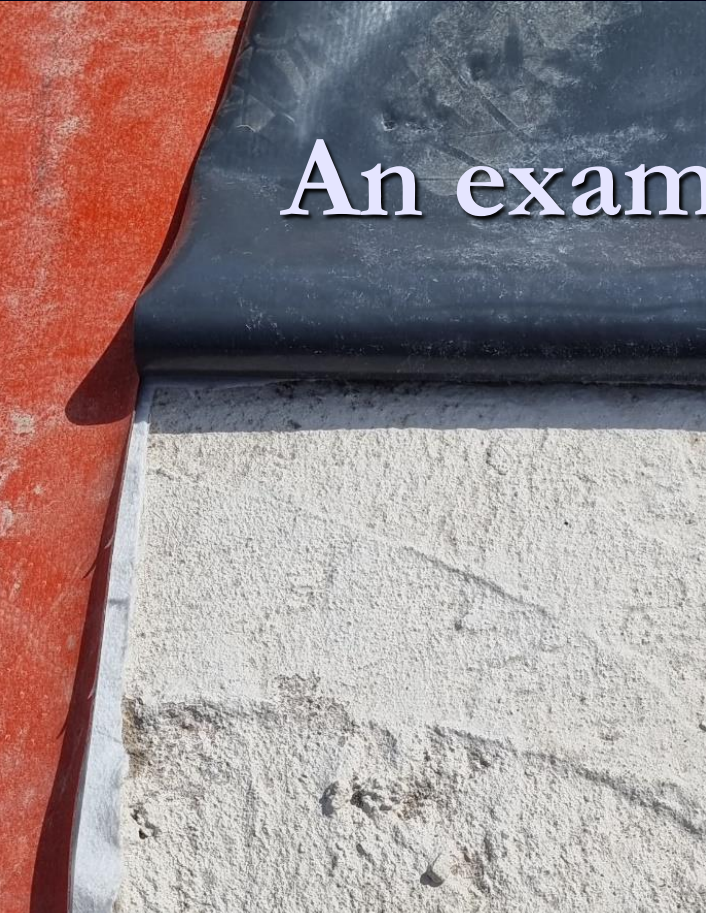




In general, there must not be a problem with the substrate, especially with its flatness and roughness, but also strength



# An example of bad practice





# Defects of waterproofing





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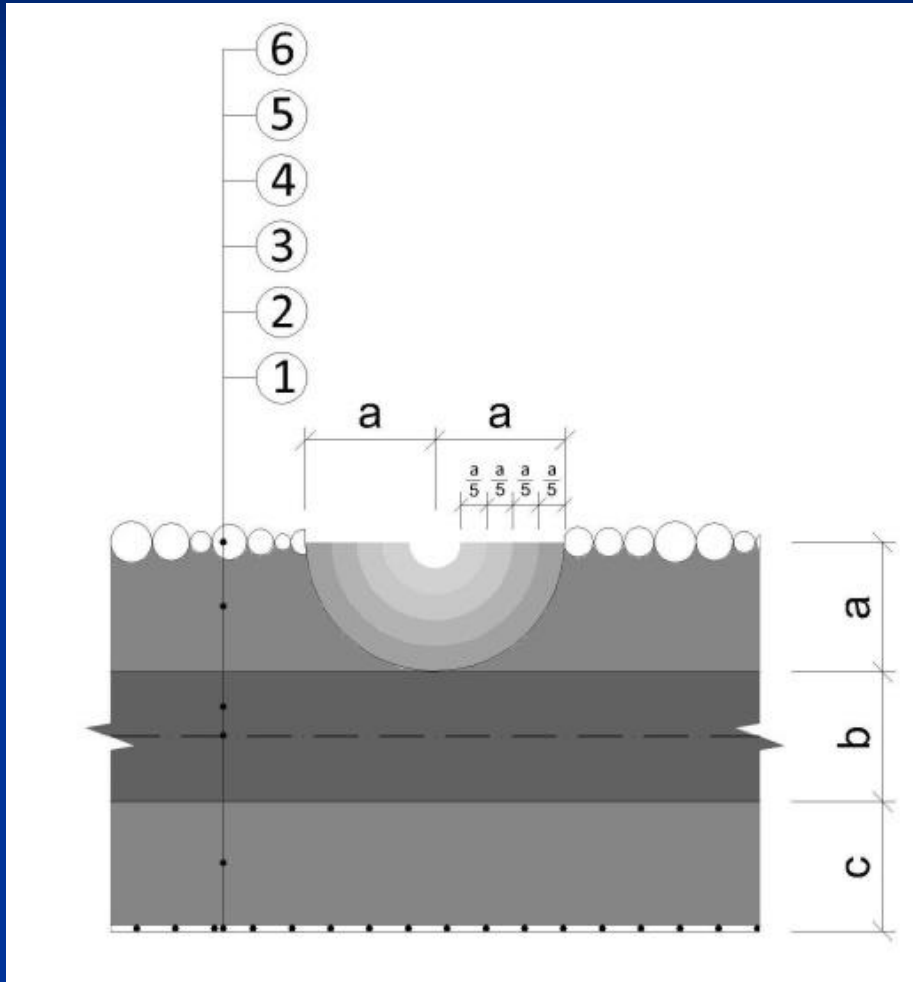


# Cut of asphalt waterproofing with alligatorring





# The principle of alligatoring



Alligatoring scheme with  
step-by-step se  
increasing damage  
waterproofing belt.

## Explanations:

- 1 – bottom layer,
- 2 – lower asphalt layer,
- 3 – reinforcing insert,
- 4 – primary asphalt layer,
- 5 – upper asphalt layer,
- 6 – top surface treatment.

# Runoff of asphalt belt – general view





# Runoff of asphalt belt – detail view





# Asphalt runoff leading to the exposure of the reinforcement





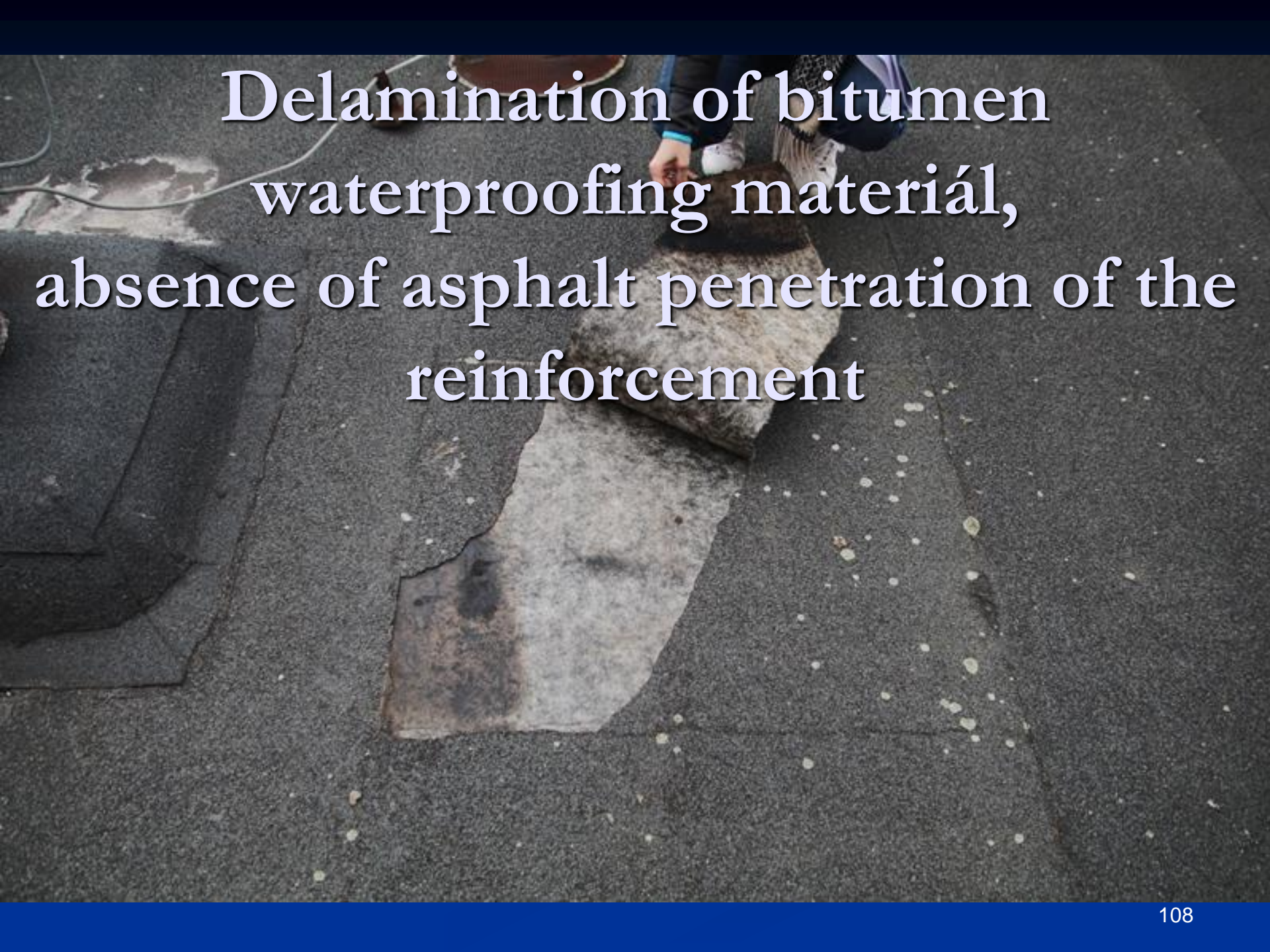
# Principle of hydrophobization



# Delamination of bitumen waterproofing material





A photograph showing a large, irregularly shaped area where the dark bitumen waterproofing material has delaminated from the underlying concrete slab. The exposed concrete is light gray and shows signs of moisture and staining. A person's legs and feet are visible at the top of the frame, standing on the remaining bitumen. The text is overlaid in a large, white, serif font.

Delamination of bitumen  
waterproofing material,  
absence of asphalt penetration of the  
reinforcement

# Delamination of single plywaterproofing material





# Cracks that are the result of migration of plasticizers

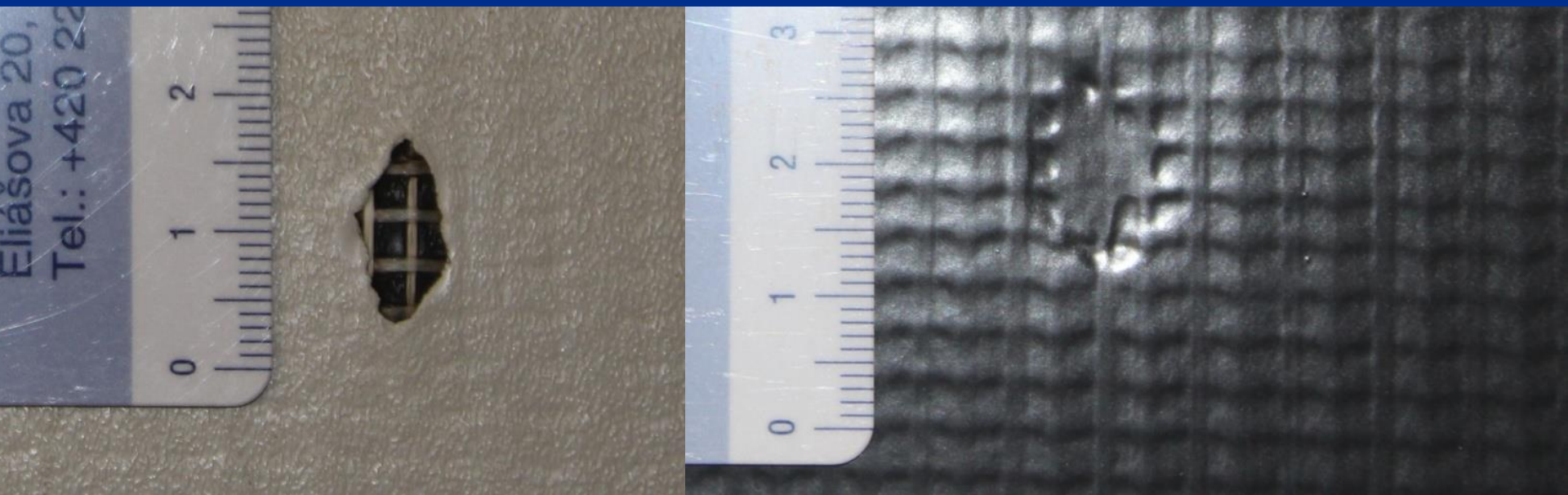


**Cracks that are the result of the migration of plasticizers and the high content of mineral fillers**

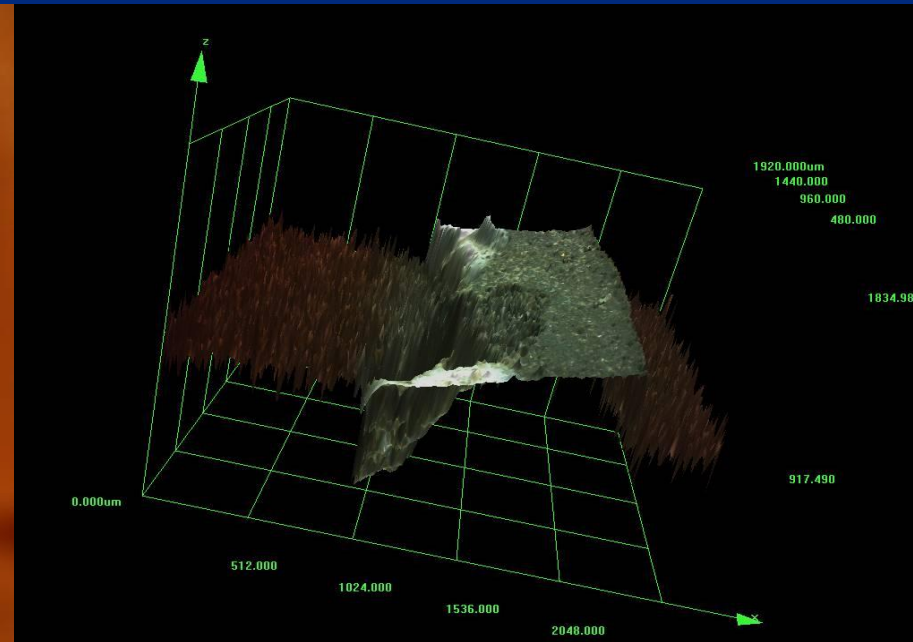




# Mikrofotografie fólie mPVC – vrchní a spodní plocha



# Mikrofotografie fólie mPVC- řez a 3D modelace





A change in the color of the waterproofing surface as a signal of degradation, in this case for single ply waterproofing.

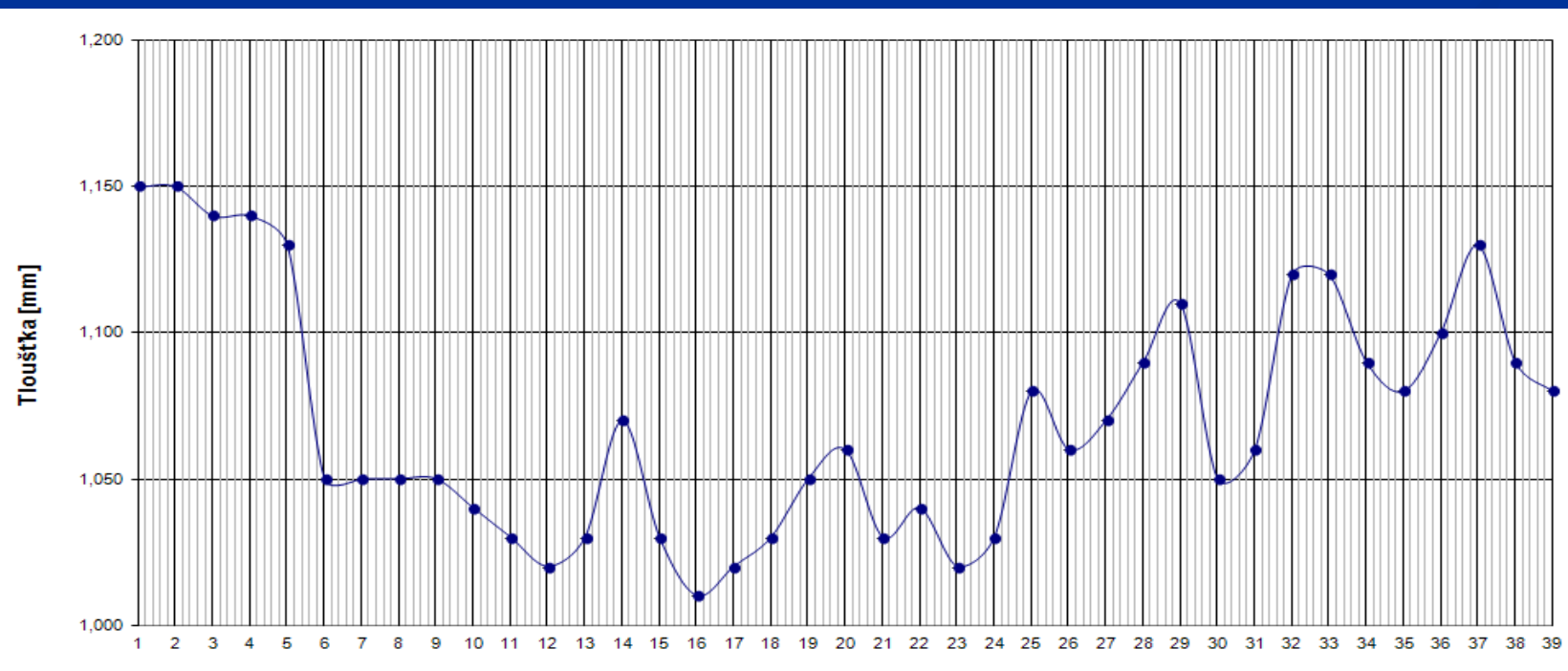




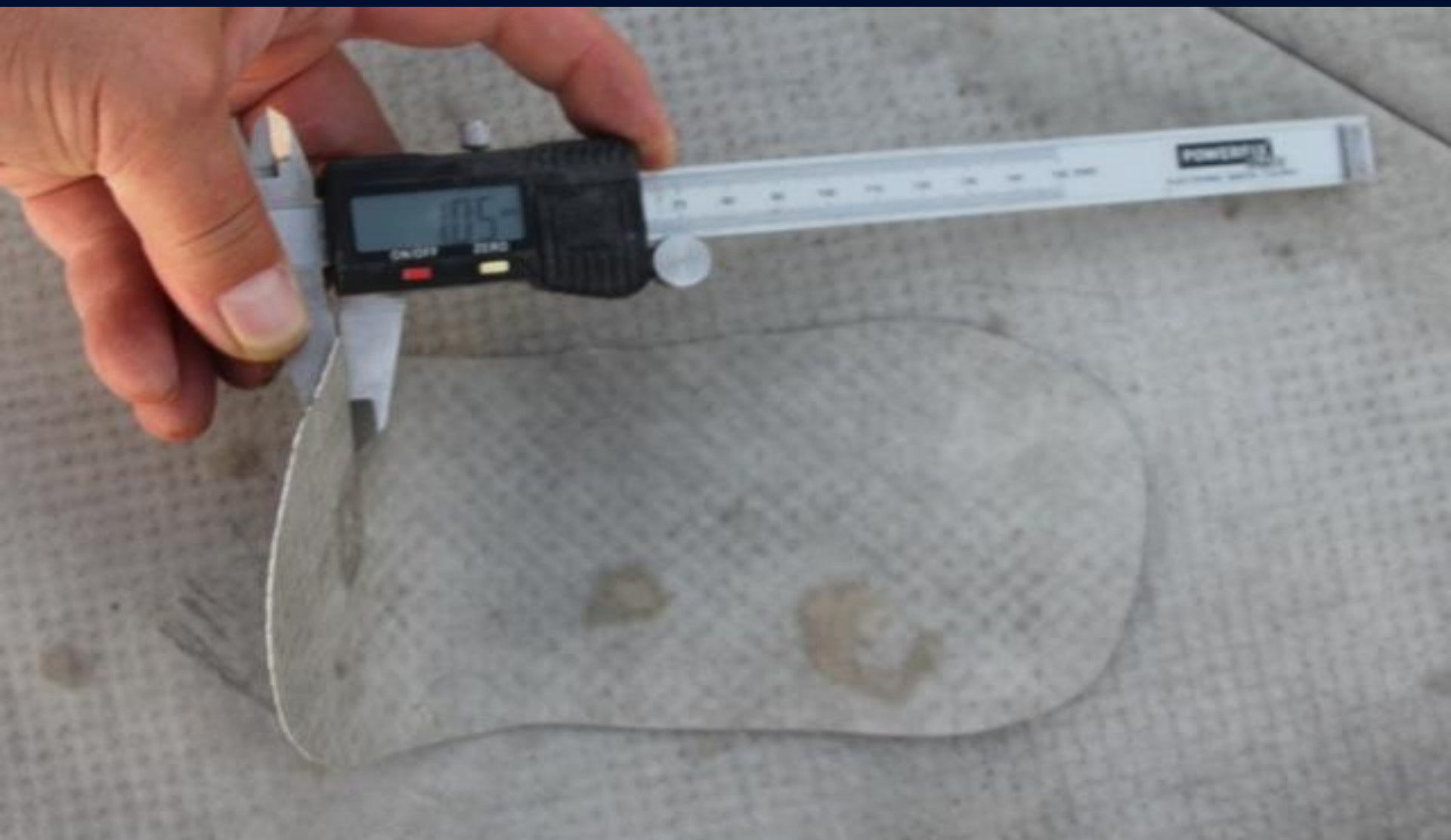
A change in thickness is another  
signal of degradation for single  
ply waterproofing



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Tloušťka	[mm]	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		1,030	1,020	1,030	1,070	1,030	1,010	1,020	1,030	1,050	1,060
tloušťka	[mm]	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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tloušťka	[mm]	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	
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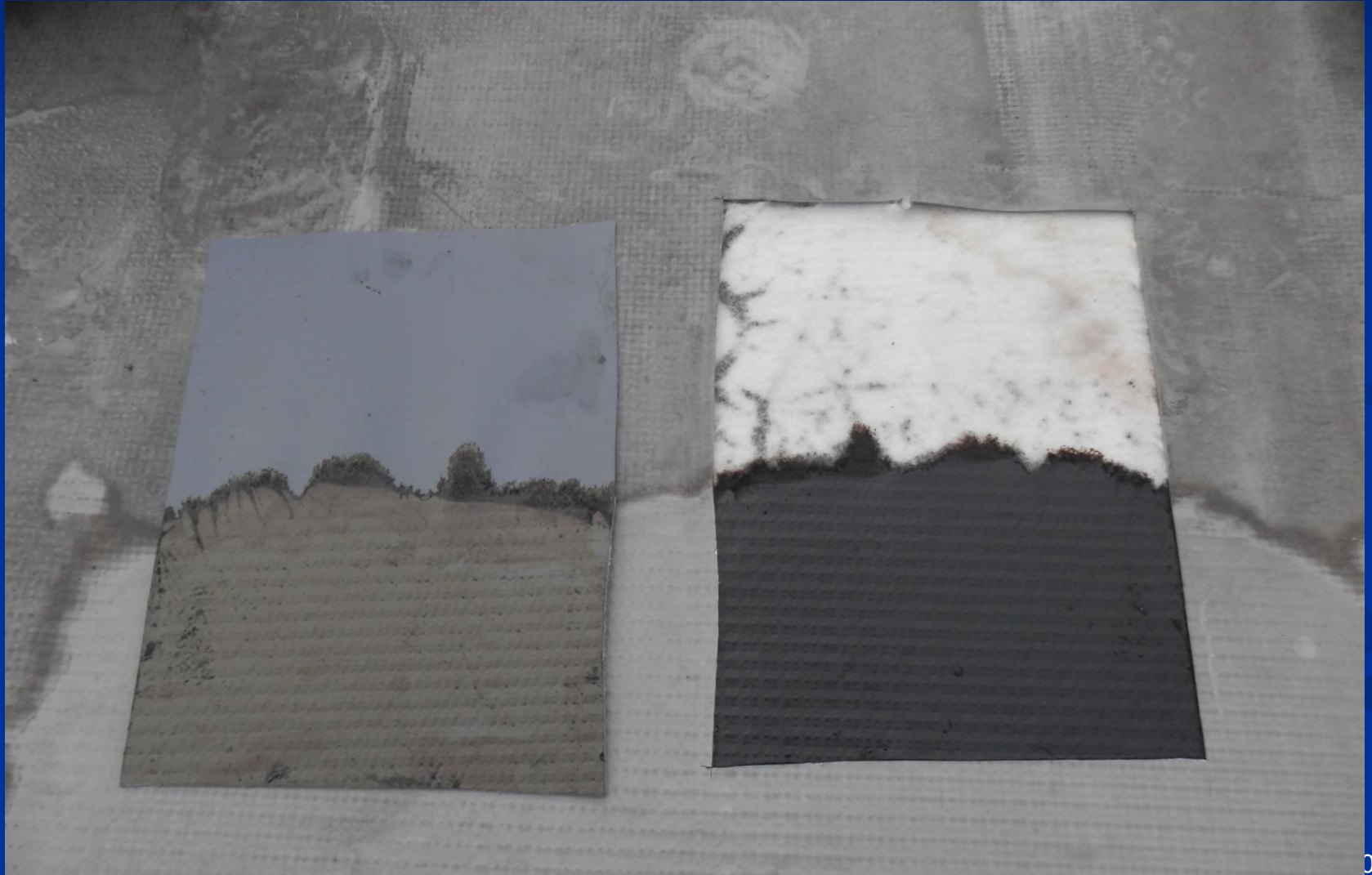




Asphalts and foam thermal insulation are not compatible with single ply waterproofing



# Single ply waterproofing in long-term contact with mPVC single ply

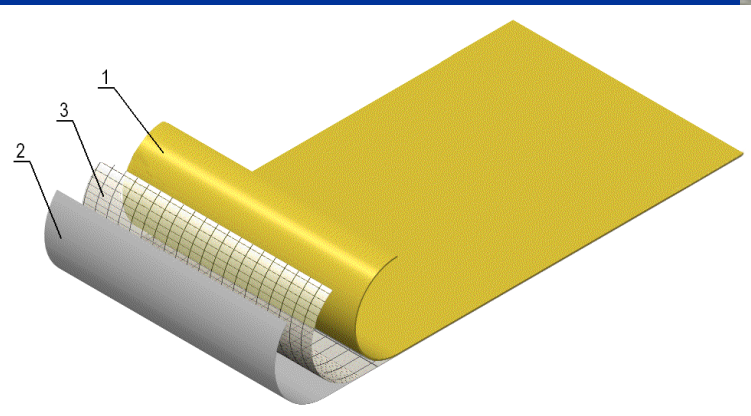
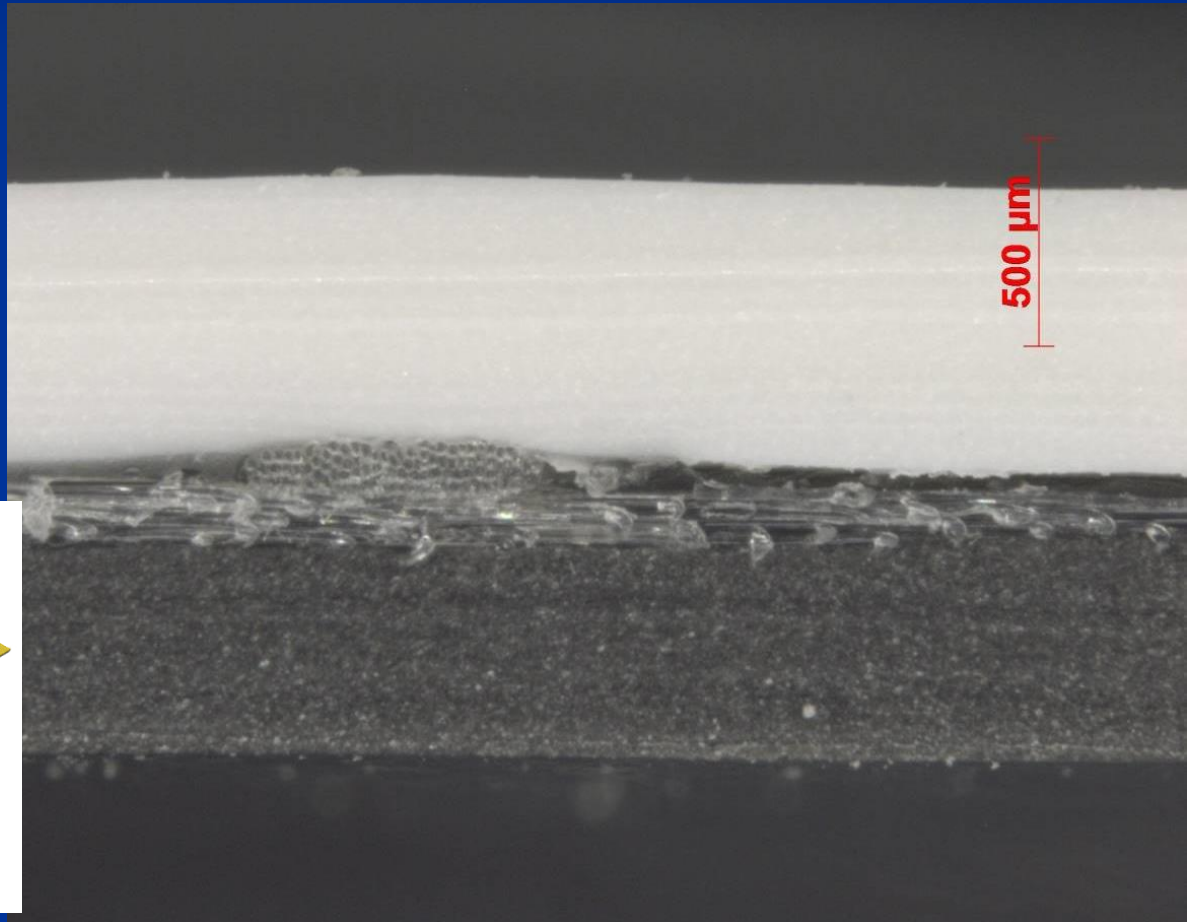


# Single ply waterproofing in long-term contact with polystyrene foam foil

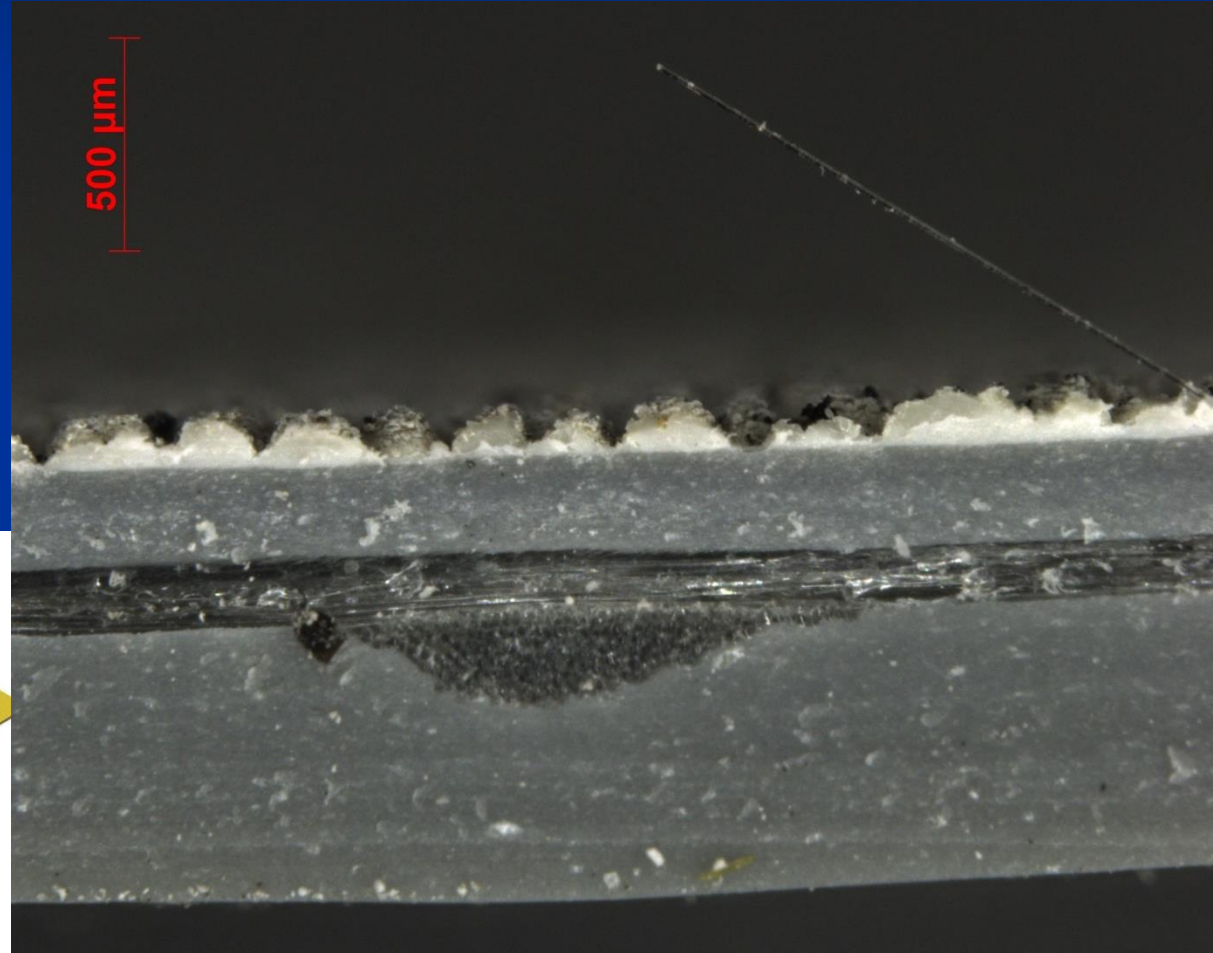
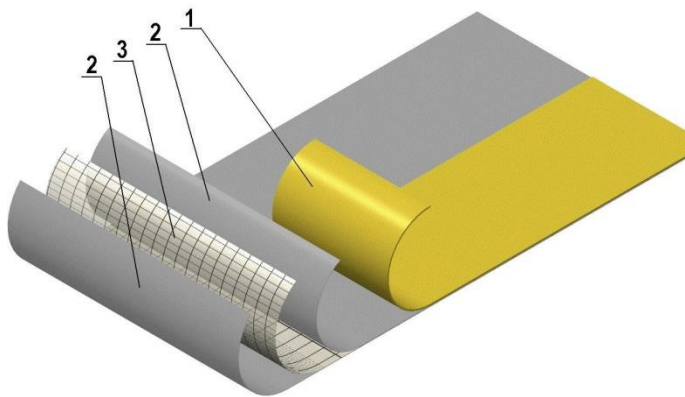




# Microscopic photo of mPVC single ply (1/2 thickness is UV stabilized)

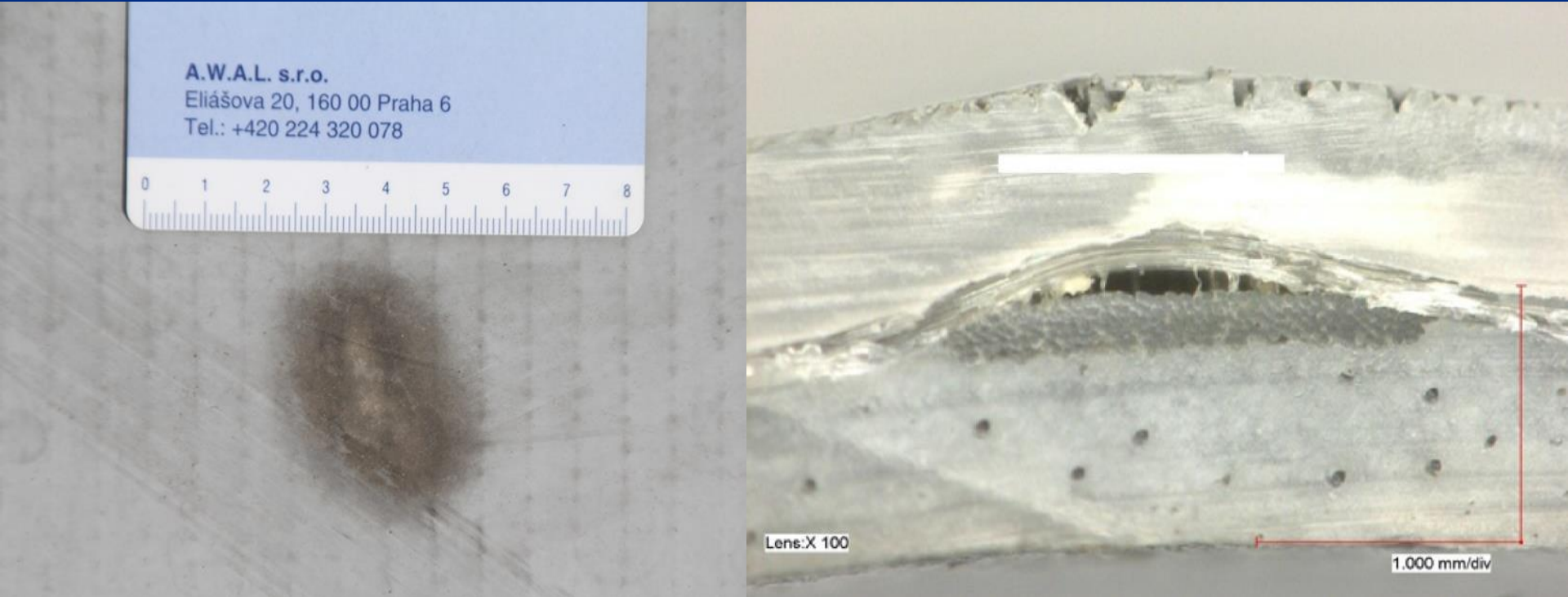


# Microscopic photo of mPVC single ply (only the thin layer on the surface is UV stabilized)

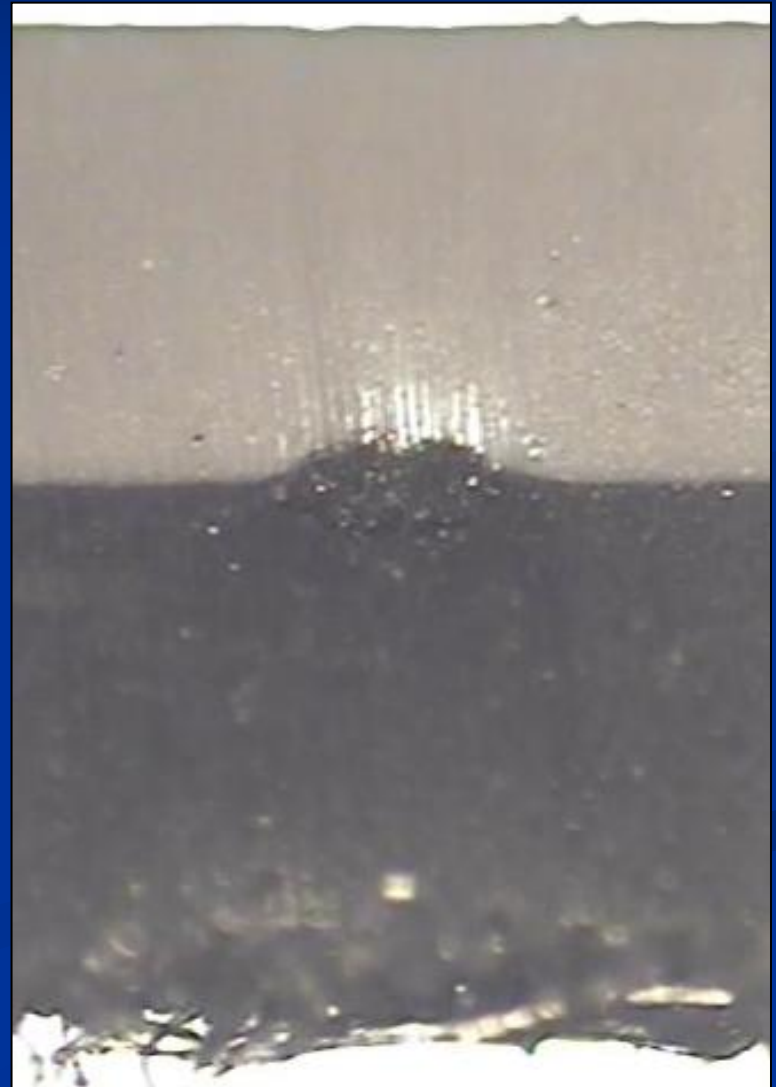




# Microscopic photo of mPVC single ply – cut of a defect (blister)



# Eccentrically placed reinforcement

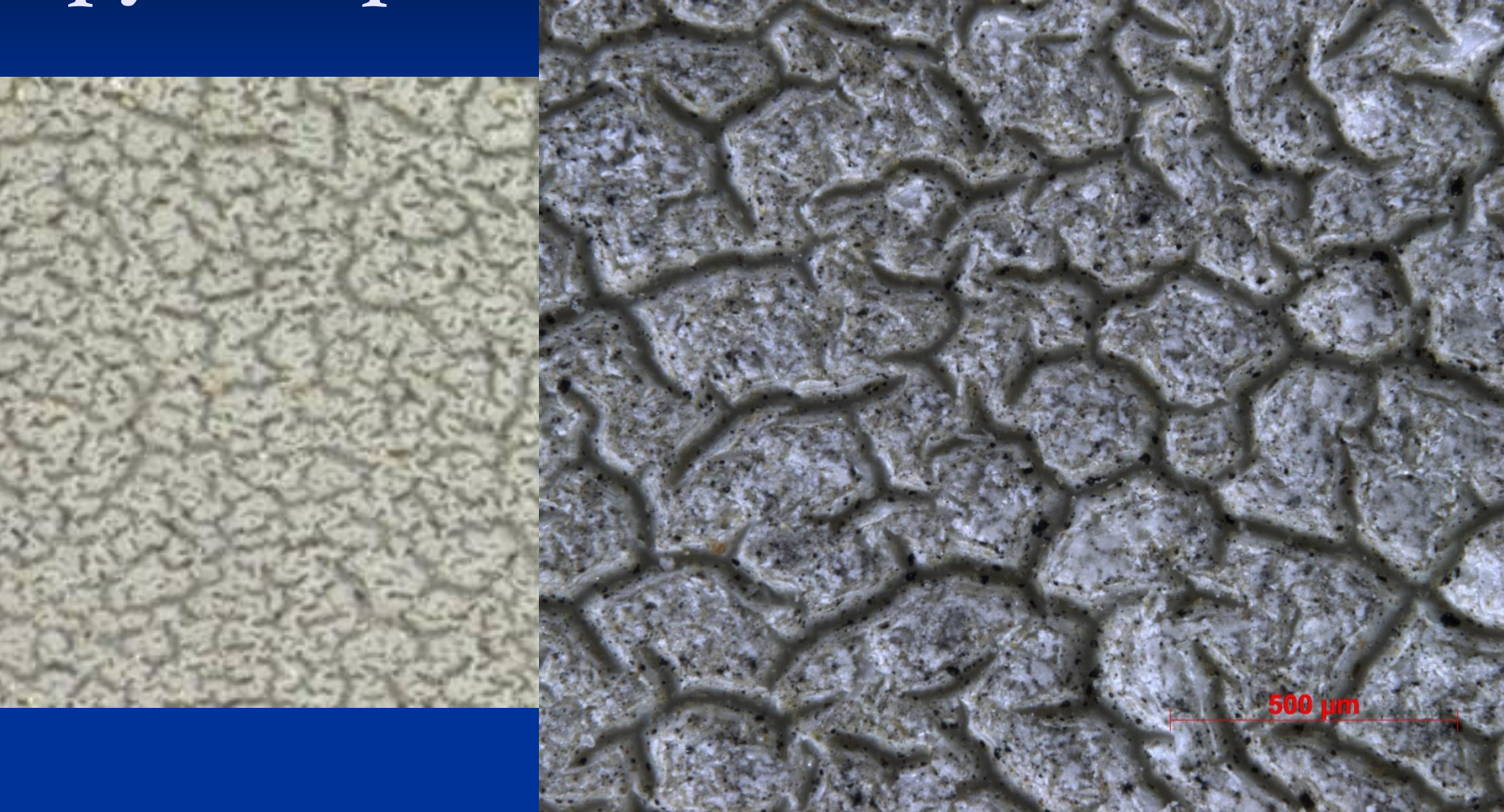




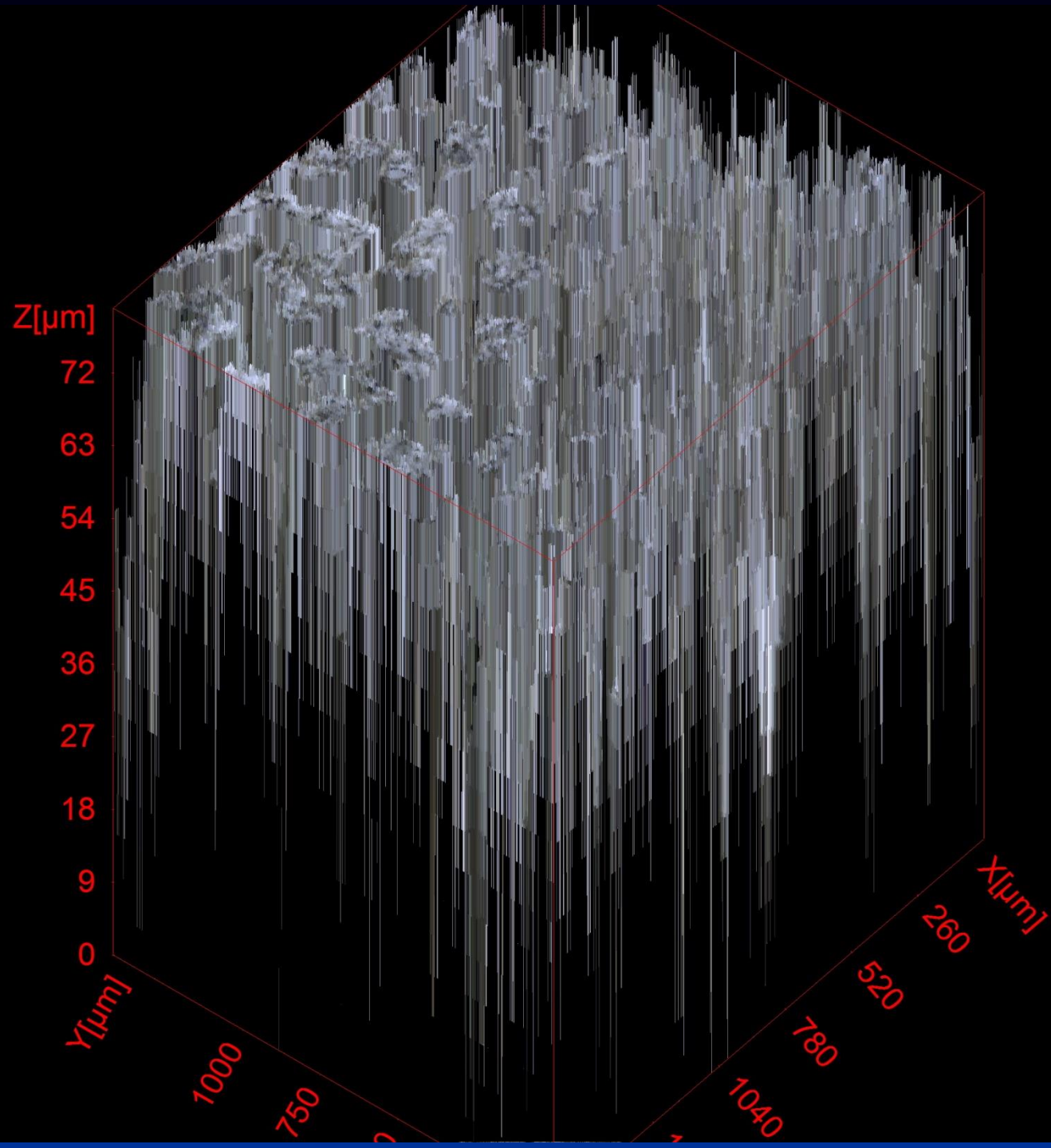
# Consequence



# Microscopic photo of mPVC single pyl - top surface





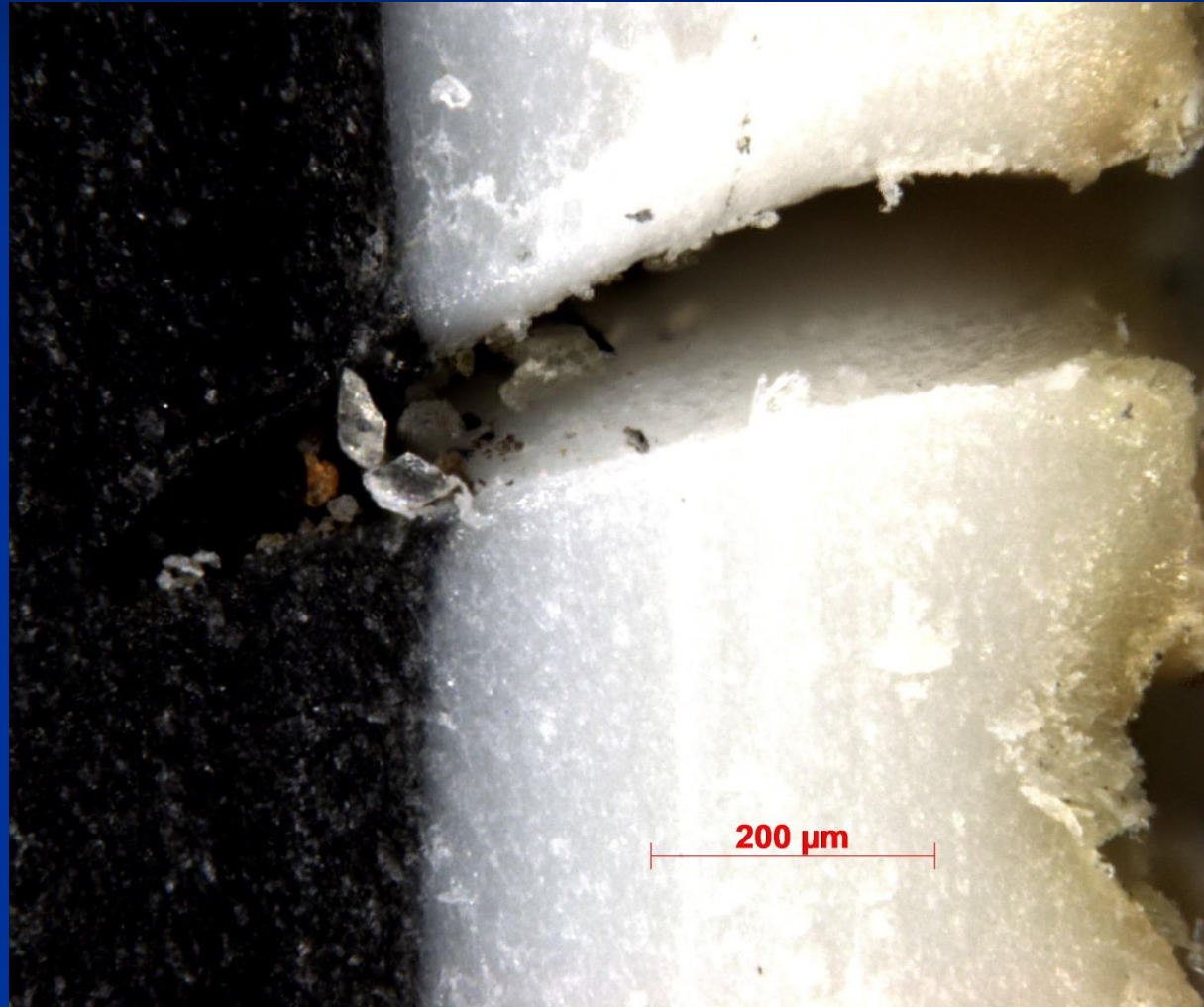


# Microscopic photo of mPVC foil - cut





# Microscopic photo of mPVC foil - cut



# Hydrophobization of single ply





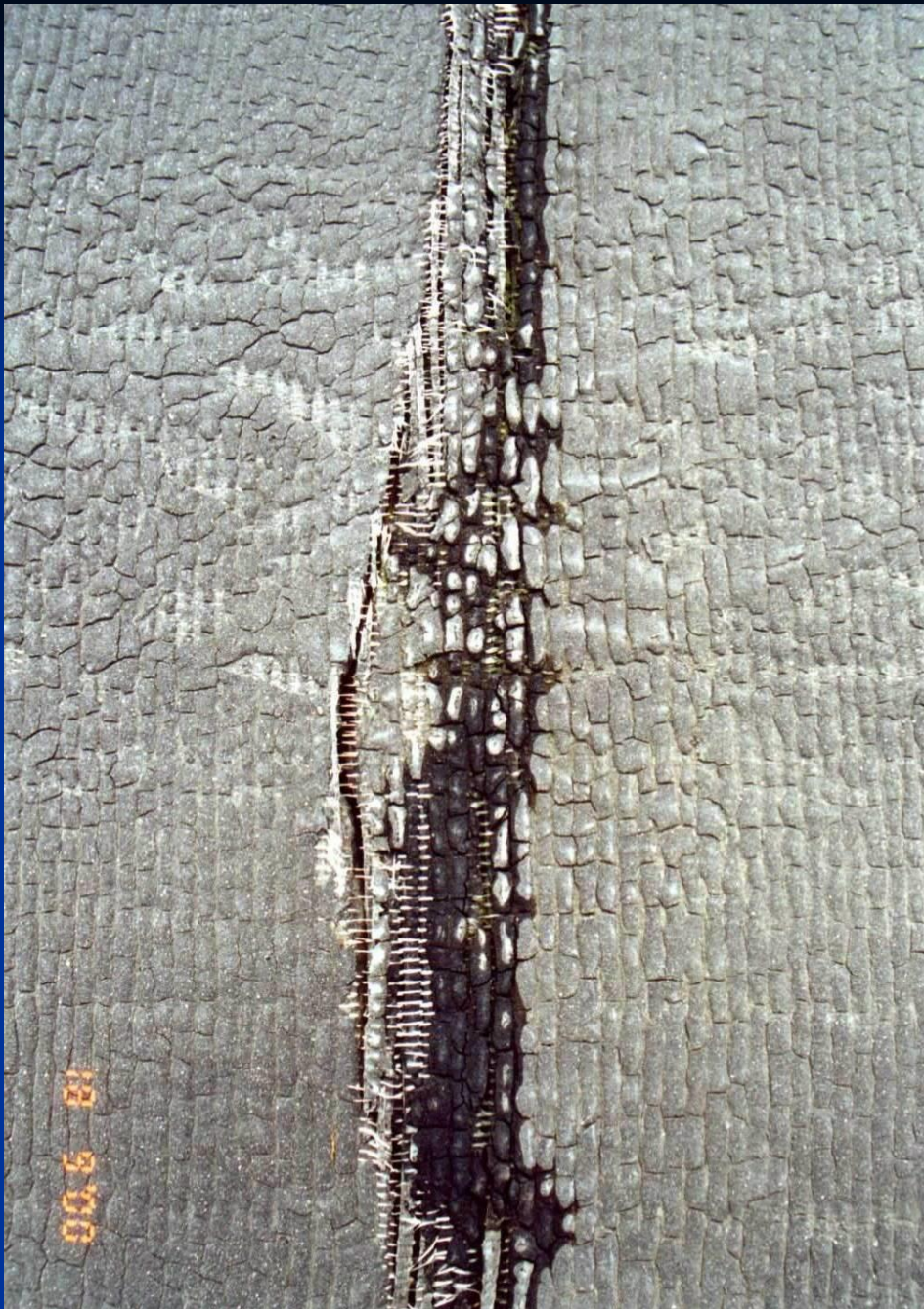
# Volumetric changes of single ply waterproofing





# Crack of waterproofing

Insufficient strength waterproofing material, or its insufficiency ductility are defects already very rare, reinforcing inserts already have such properties that waterproofing they usually don't crack anymore due to force stress.





Insufficient strength of asphalt  
waterproofing materials



# Realization of waterproofing - in the area



Making cross overlaps is prohibited  
for bitumen felt and also single ply to





A photograph of a flat roof surface, likely made of concrete or a similar material. The roof is divided into a grid of rectangular sections by faint lines. In the center, there is a large, cylindrical vent pipe or chimney. To the left of the pipe, there are some small, dark objects on the roof. The text "Making cross overlaps is prohibited for bitumen felt and also single ply to" is overlaid on the top half of the image in a white, serif font with a black outline.

Making cross overlaps is prohibited  
for bitumen felt and also single ply to

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# Tearing the single ply is prohibited





# Unremoved sprinkling from the overlap





# Unburned burning film, including packing tape





Locally insufficient welding -  
"mouth"





Bad, insufficient hot air welding  
of single ply



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# Locally insufficient welding - "mouth"





# Bad, uneven hot air welding

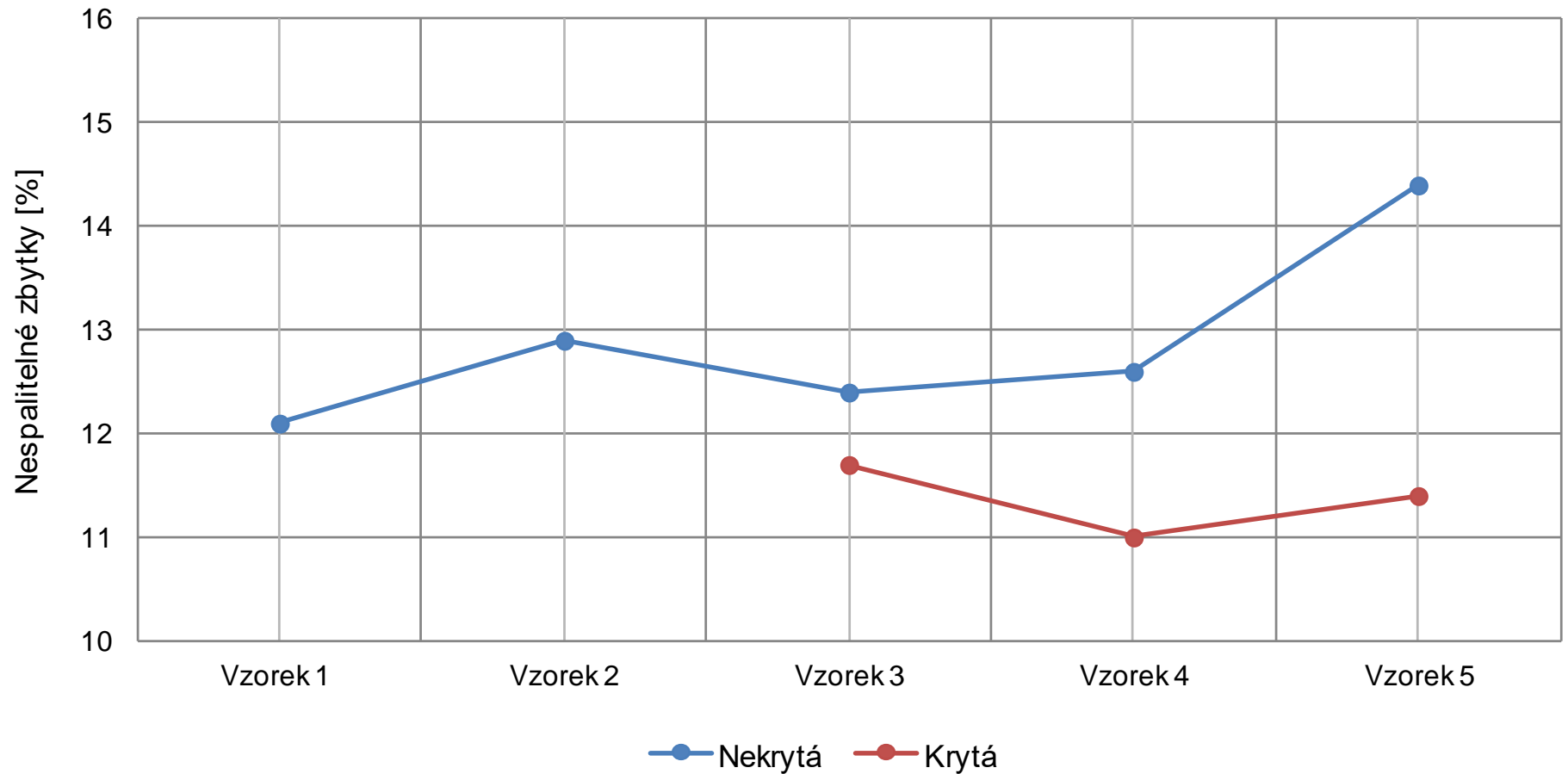


# Defektoskopie

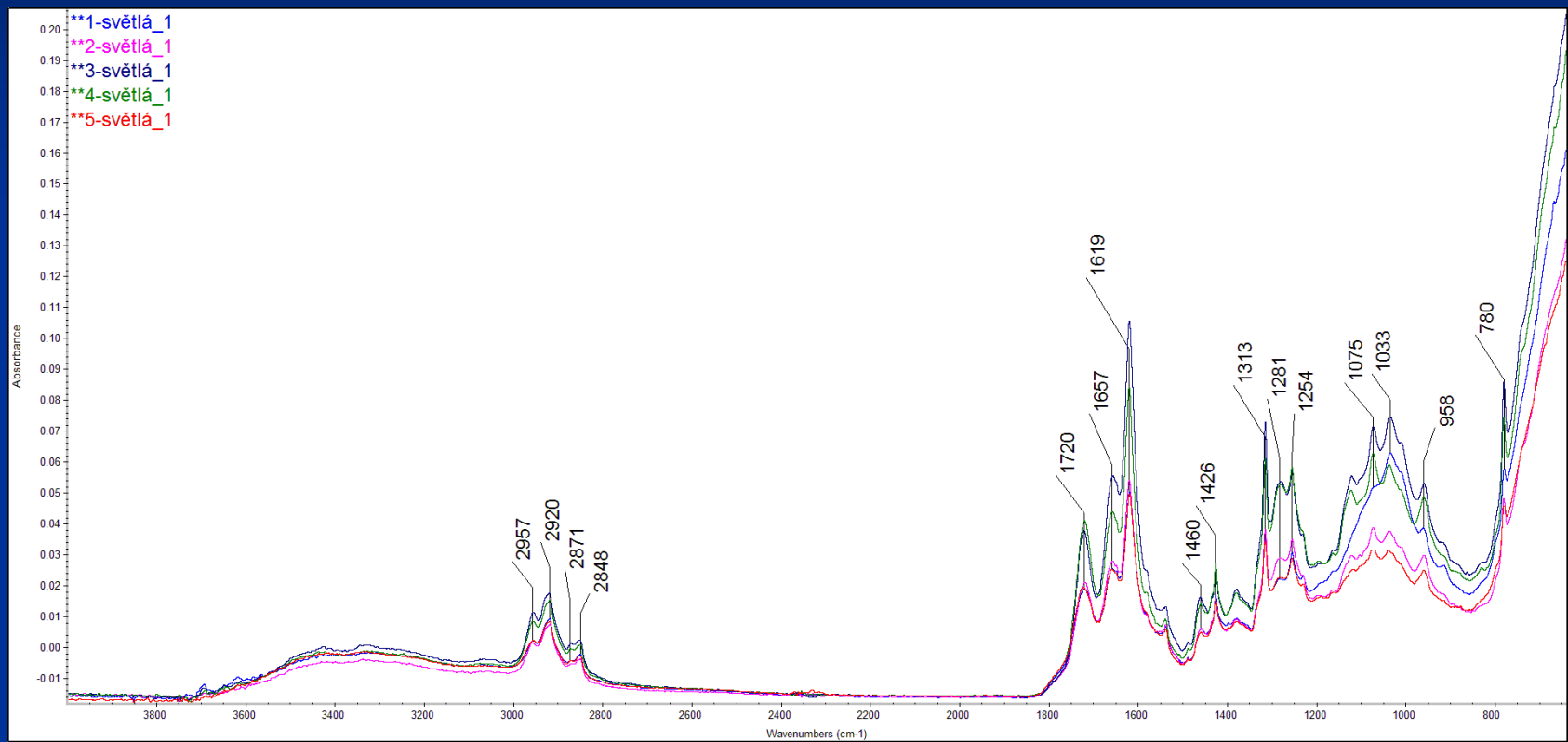




# Unburnable residues



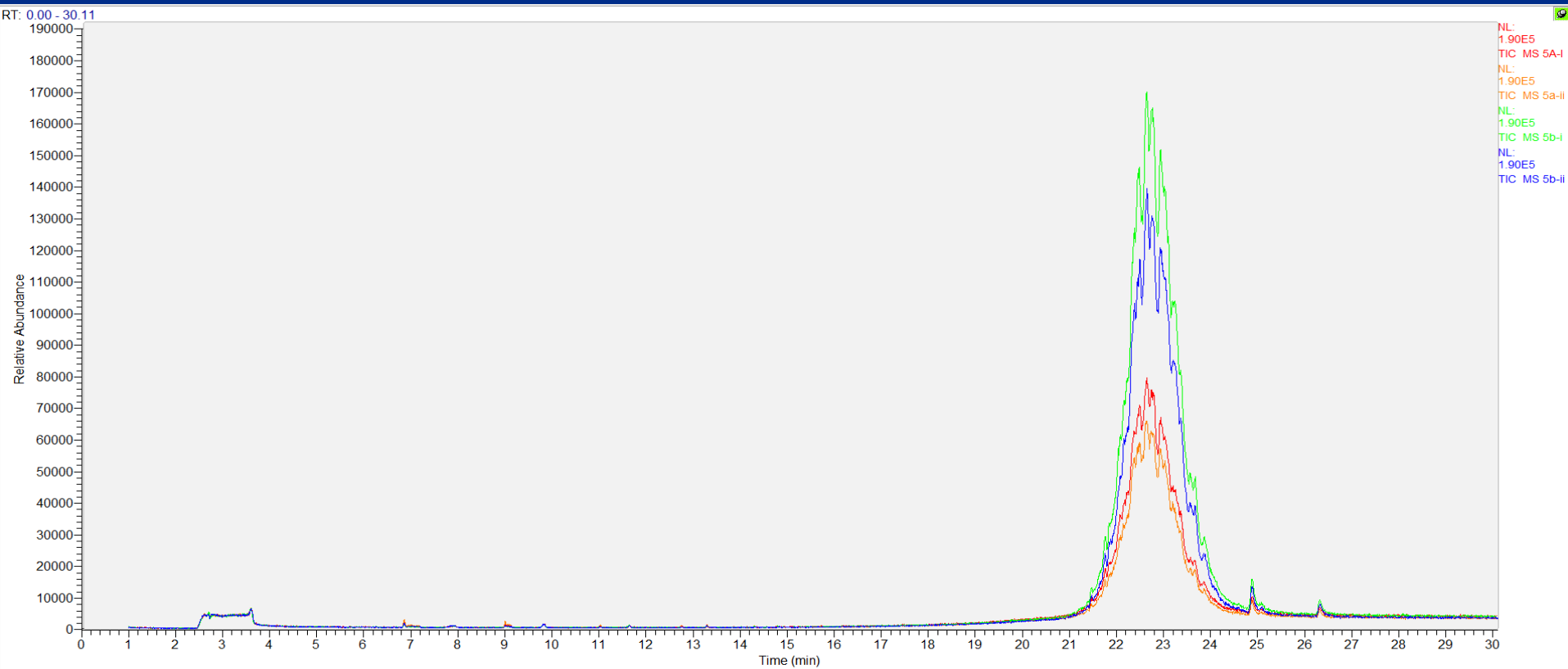
# IR analysis



Comparison of degraded and non-degraded mPVC single ply waterproofing

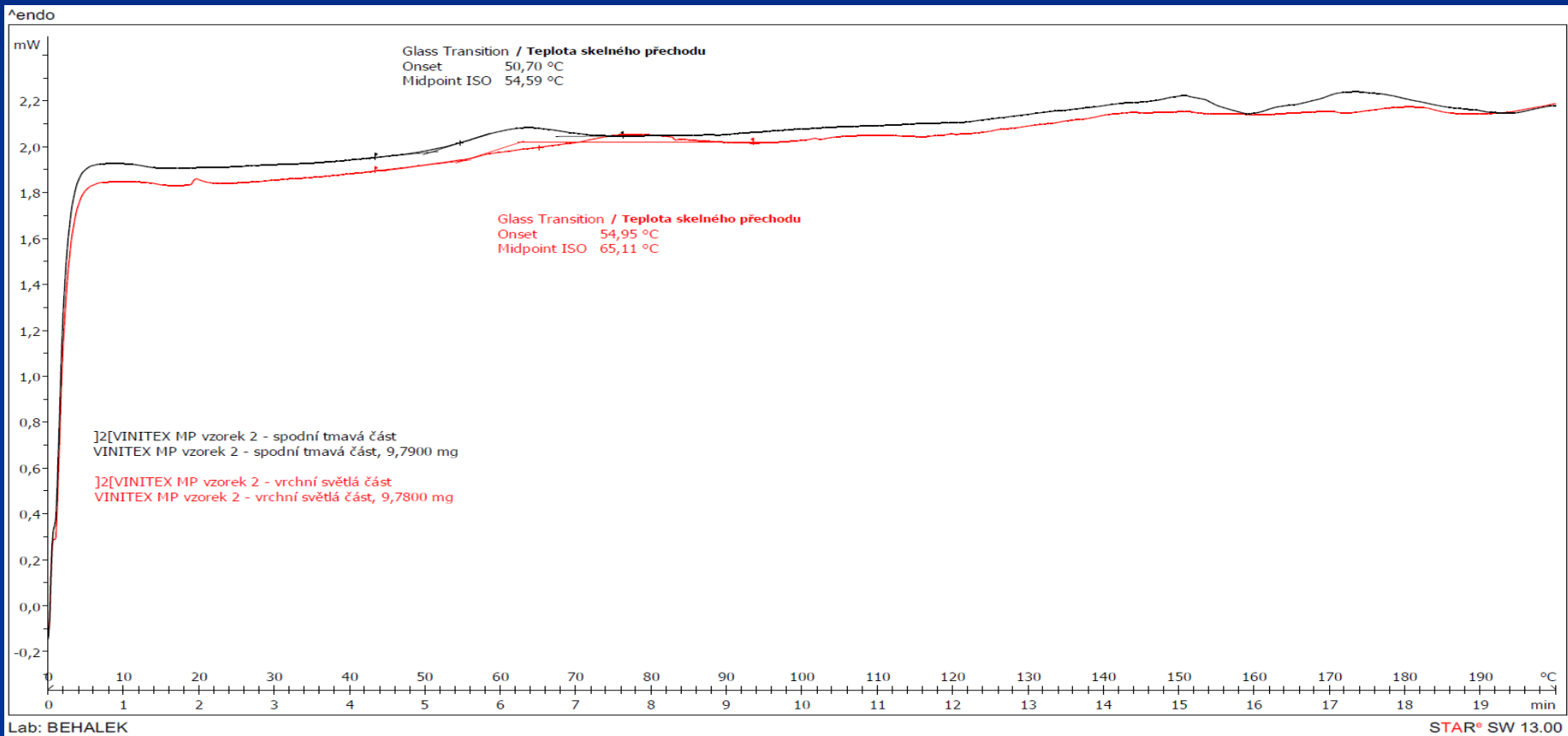


# Gas chromatography



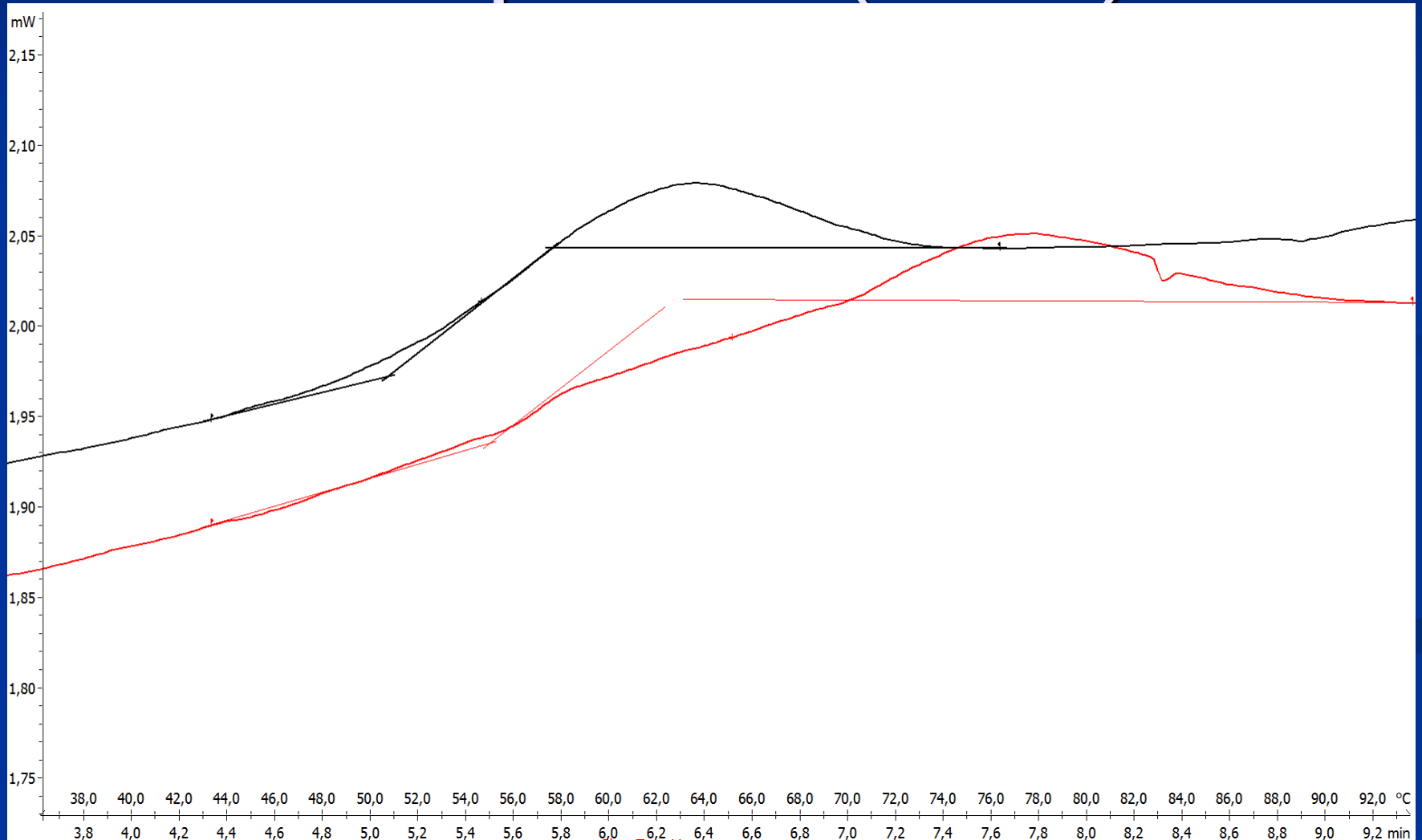
Comparison of plasticizer degradation (evaporation)

# Measuring the glass transition temperature





# Measuring the glass transition temperature (detail)



# Realization of waterproofing - in the detail



# Never combinate asphalt and single ply



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# Bad ending on roof parapet





# Bad ending on roof parapet









# Bad ending on roof parapet



# Bad ending on roof sky lights





# A poorly executed corner









# Corroded outlet





# Corroded outlet





# Absence of mechanical fastening of the outlet



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# Outlet not for roofs, but for showers







# The penetration of a circular profile





















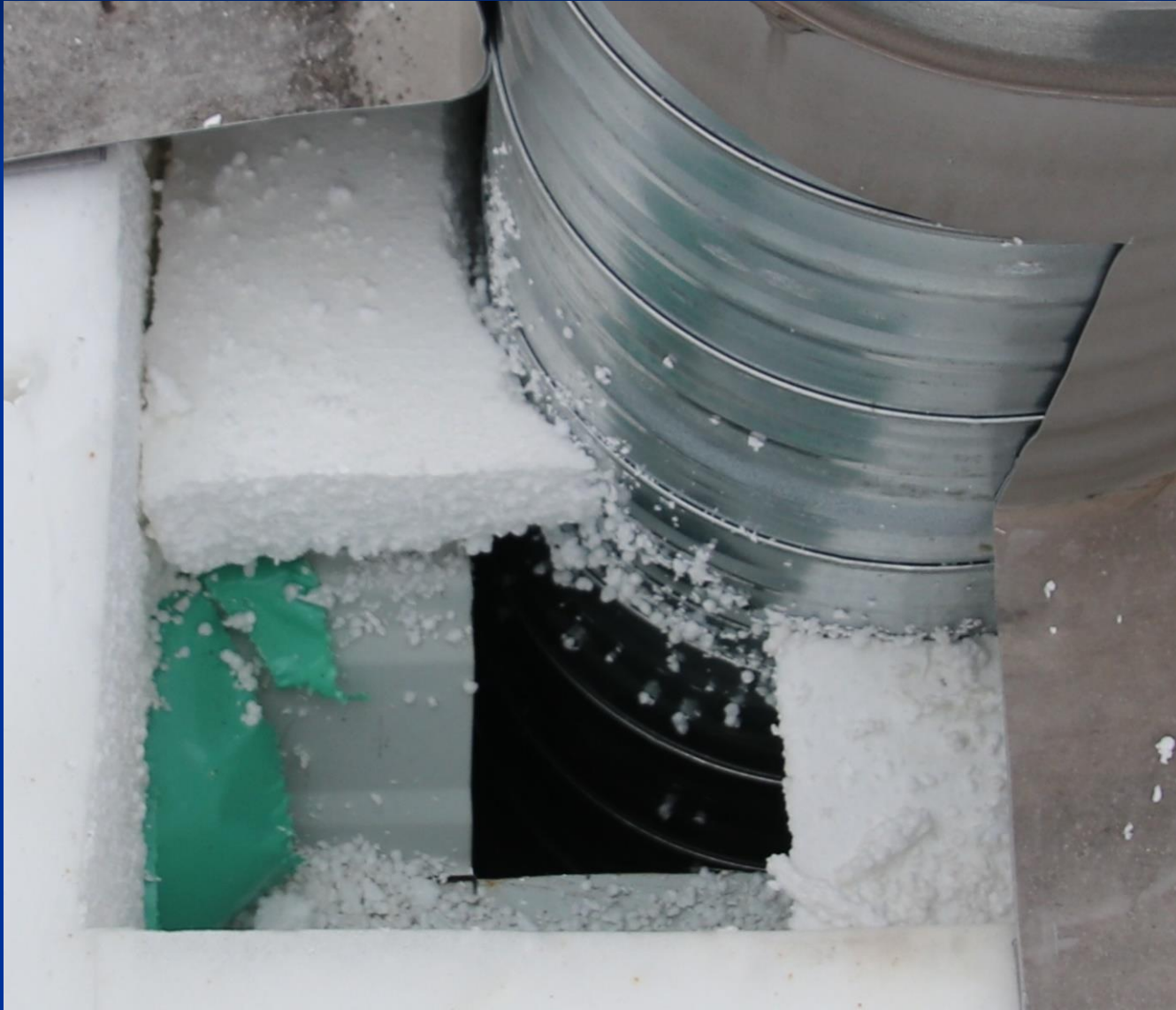
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# Squaring the circle

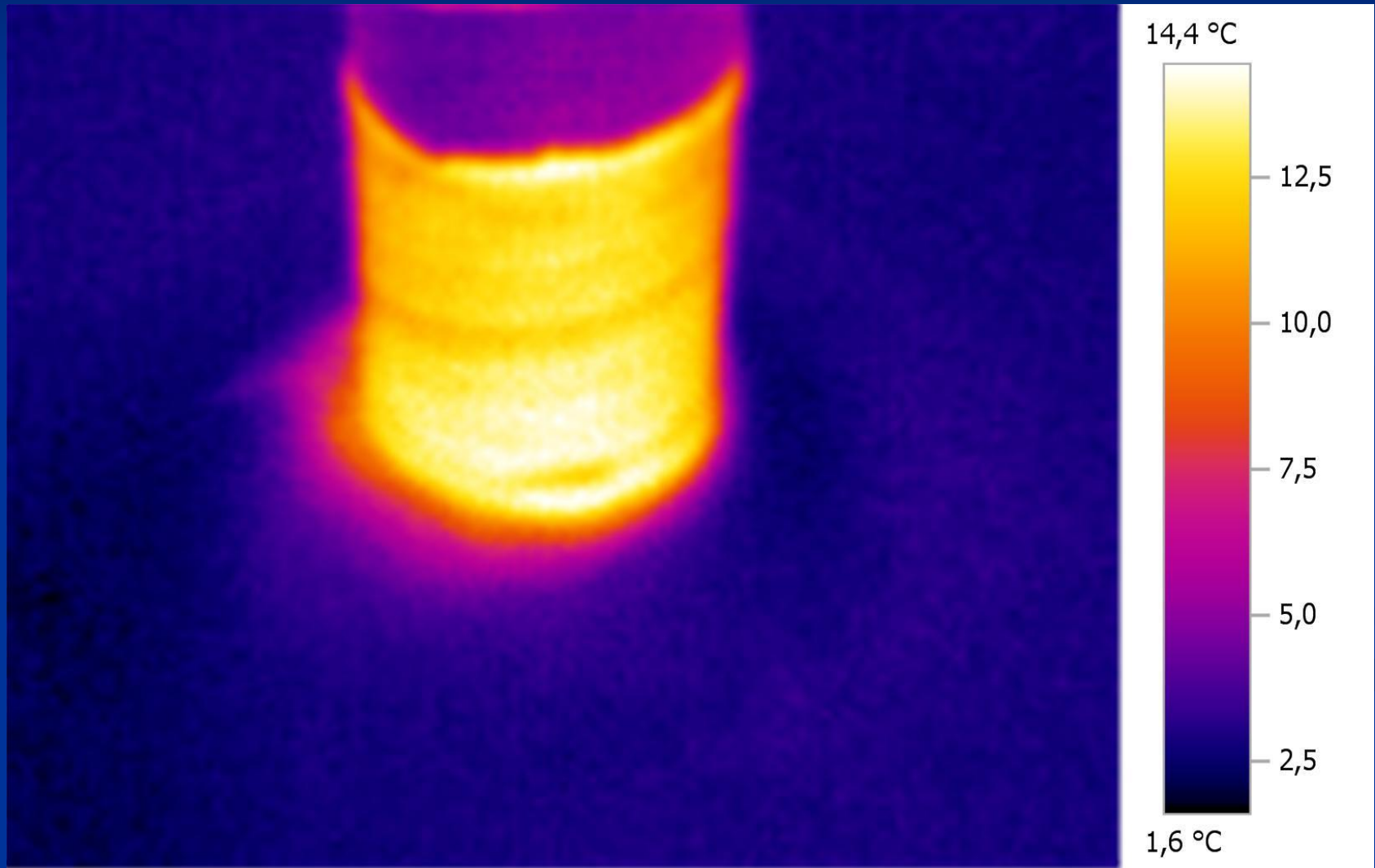


# Vapor (defected) barrier and penetration





# Thermal imaging

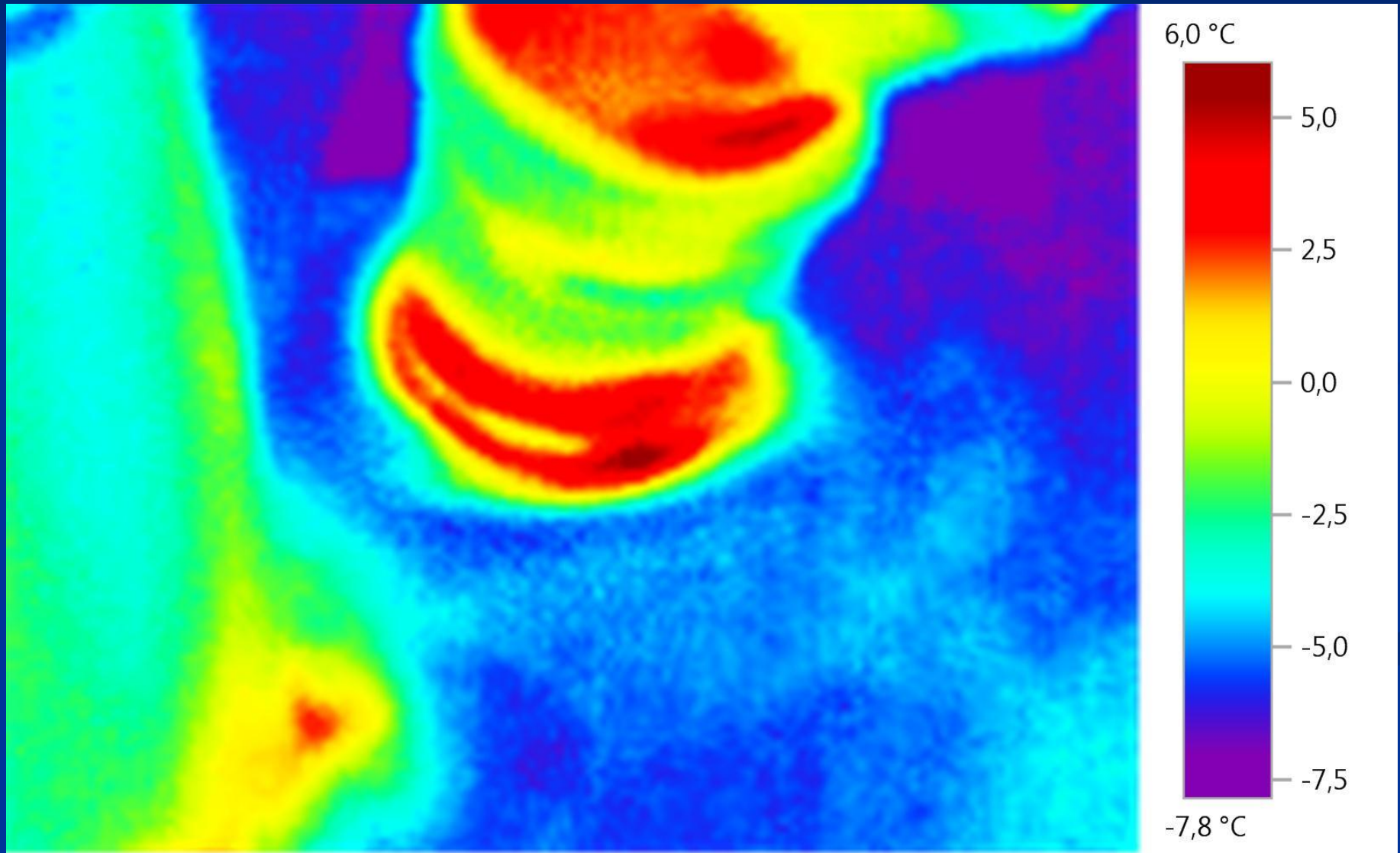


# Non-processable mass penetration





# Thermal imaging



# Non-processable mass penetration





# Non-processable mass penetration





# Right-angled penetration













# Right-angled penetration and waterproofing is slipping down



Very complicated details that can only be solved with liquid-applied waterproofing, e.g. PMMA





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# Bizardní detaily



# Ultra šikmý prostup





# Prostup s opěrou



# Olepený I prostup





# Těžce opracovatelný detail



# Detail těžce opracovatelného detailu





# Ukotvení fasády



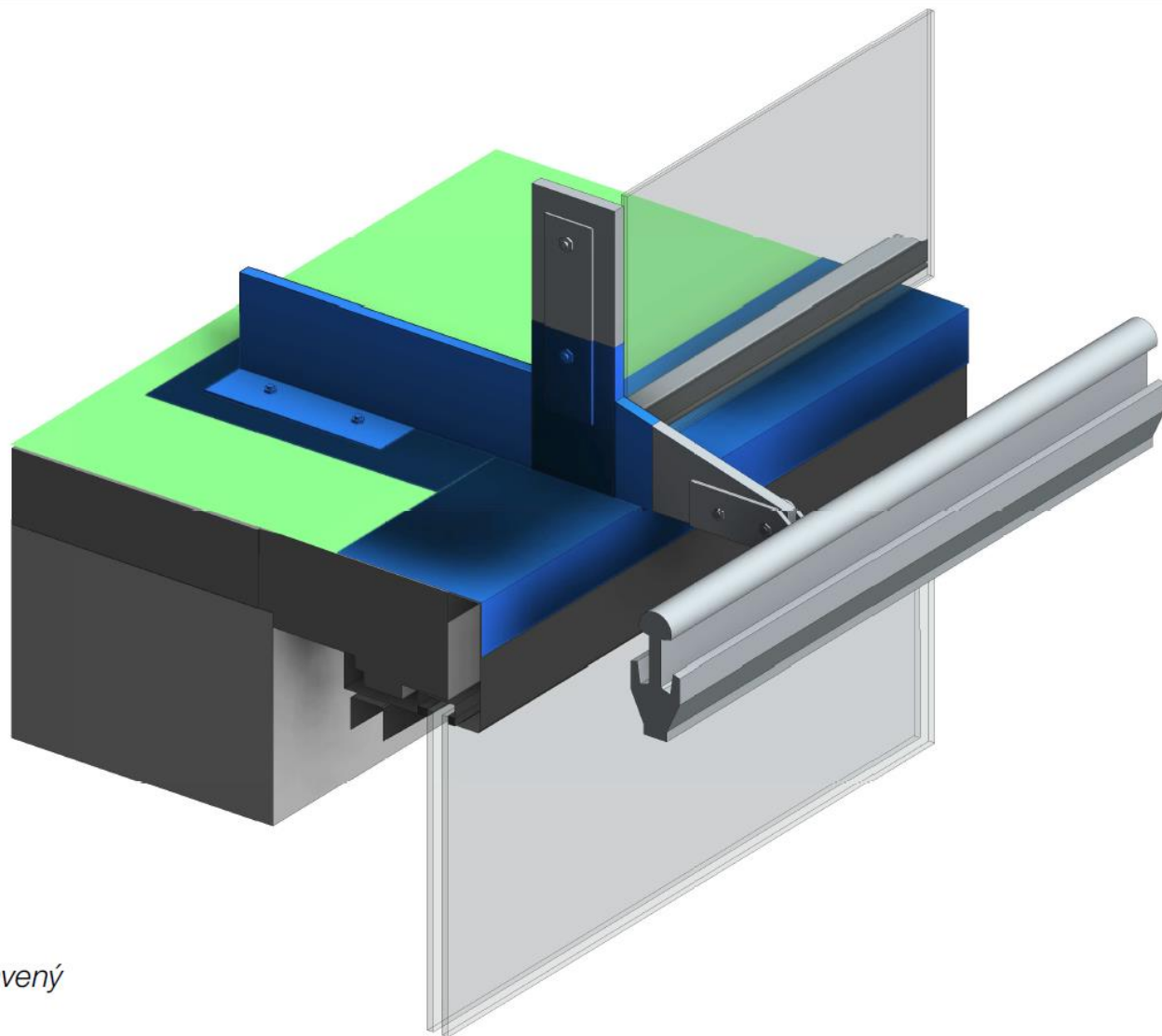


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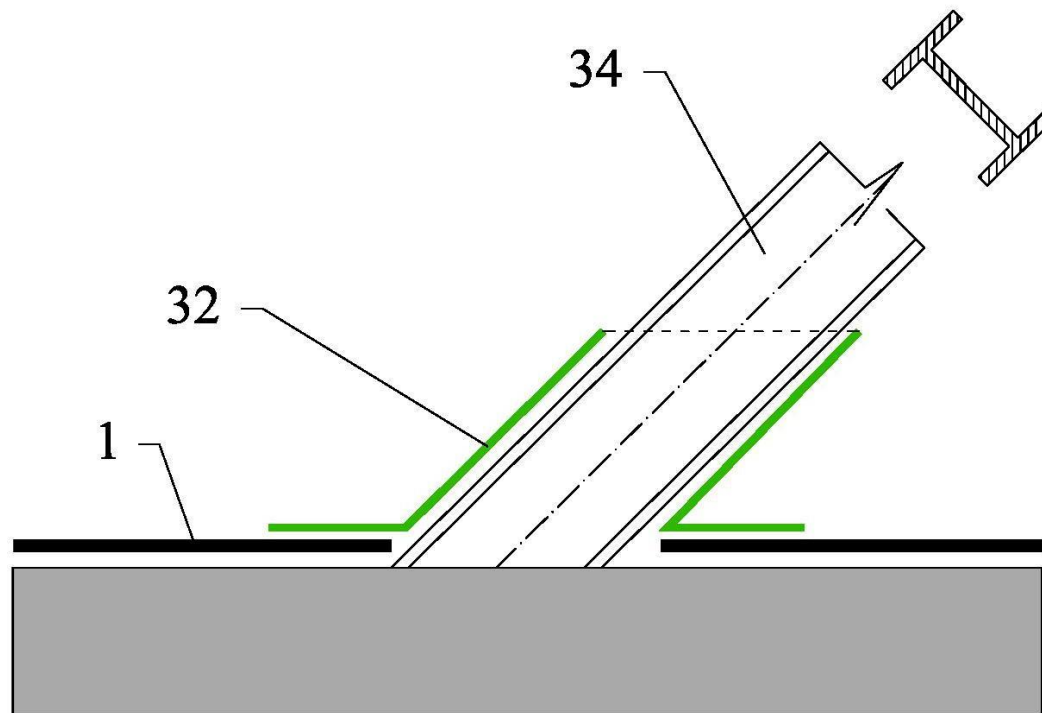


# 3D detail řešení (BIM)



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3D pohled b

# Složitý detail opracovaný Triflexem





# Složitý detail opracovaný Triflexem



# No space for waterproofing





# No space for waterproofing





# No space for waterproofing





End of the waterproofing on the  
door frame

























# End of the waterproofing on the door frame – with bitumen felt



# Solution with PMMA liquid applied waterproofing





# End of waterproof insulation on the facade

End of waterproof insulation on  
the facade





# End of waterproof insulation on the facade





End of waterproof insulation on  
the facade





# End of waterproof insulation on the facade



End of waterproof insulation  
on the facade with PMMA  
liquid applied waterproofing





# Defects liquid applied waterproofing



# Defects liquid applied waterproofing





# Defects liquid applied waterproofing



# Walk window



# Walk window





# Walk window with PMMA waterproofing





# Cable penetration – ending of waterproofing

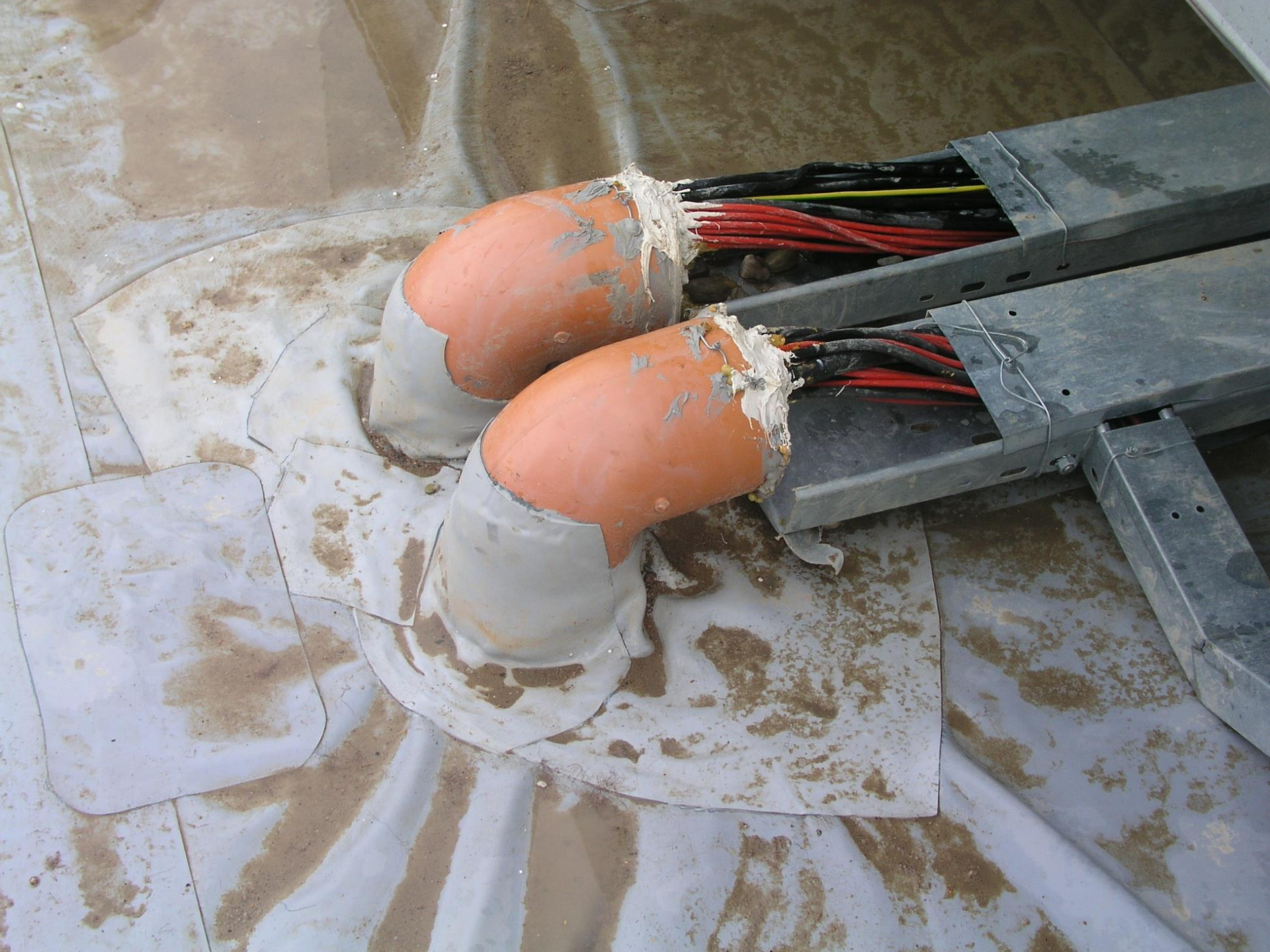
























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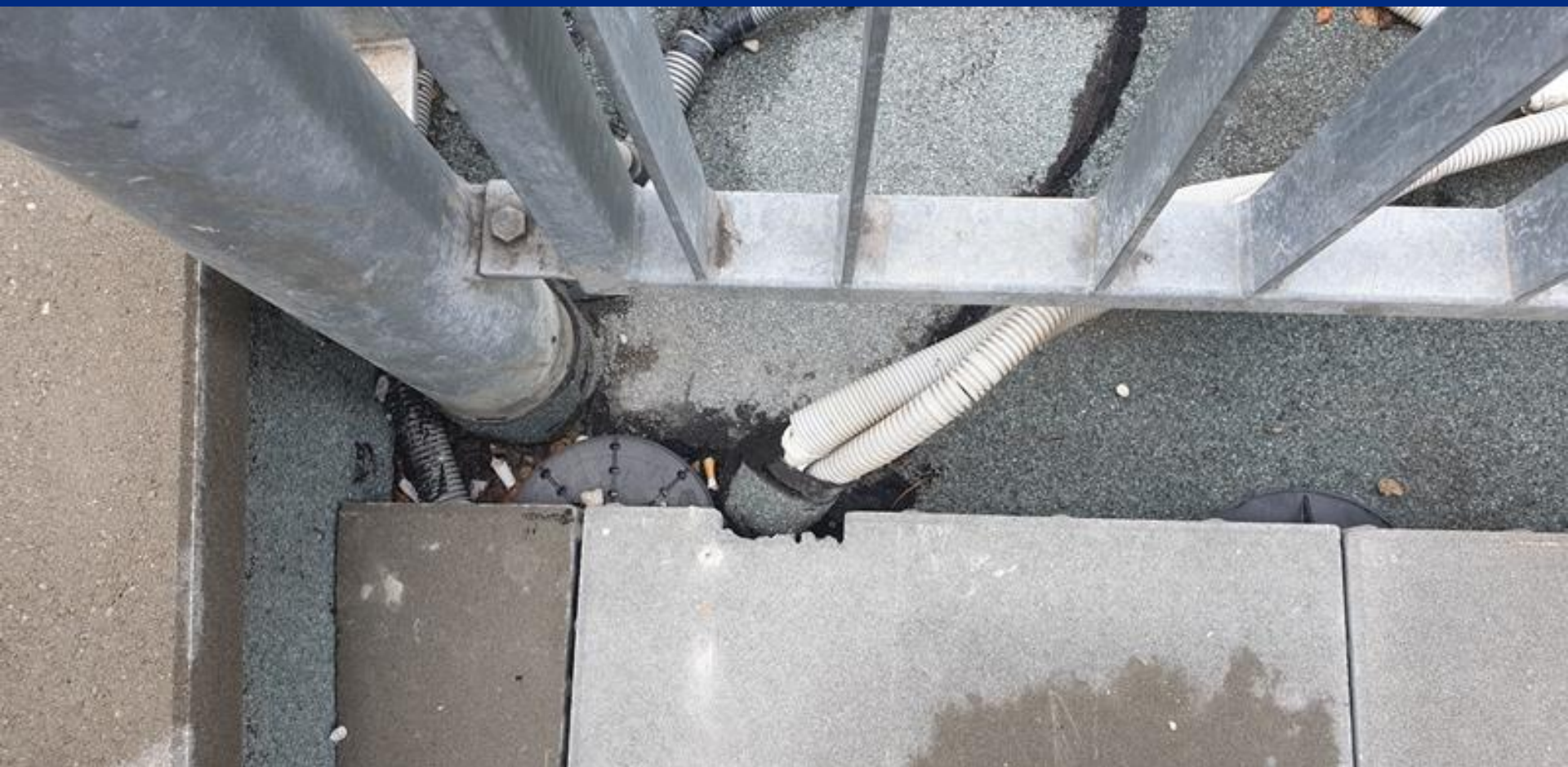
















# The penetration of a small circular profile— lightning rod

















# Supports of roof equipment







# Dilation waterproofing













# The End