

# Save the Earth by Carbon Recycling with Cement and Concrete

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# **LCCO<sub>2</sub>** in Cement and Concrete



# Toward Carbon Neutrality in Concrete

## **Toward carbon neutral concrete**

- Concrete is indispensable for construction.
- Concrete shall be sustainable like wood.
  - Sufficient resources
  - Well-balanced between raw materials (Ca, Mg, CO<sub>2</sub>) and products (cement, concrete)
  - Closed completely recyclable
  - Locally produced for locally utilized
  - Economic



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### CCC (Calcium Carbonate Concrete): promising candidate

- Carbon negative or neutral
  - $\rightarrow$  CCUS equivalent to CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by the past cement concrete
- Locally produced for local utilized
  - $\rightarrow$  CO<sub>2</sub> and concrete structures that are ubiquitous

#### Completely recyclable

 $\Rightarrow$  Recyclable as many times as you like with negligible CO<sub>2</sub> emission

# Circulation of CO<sub>2</sub> and Ca in Construction



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# Thank you for your kind attention!

## Save the earth!

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