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Publications and Presentations

Thesis & Dissertation

1. R.J. Thomas, "Properties and performance of alkali-activated concrete," Ph.D. Dissertation, Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY, May 2016. Proquest Link
2. R.J. Thomas, "Feasibility study of concrete reinforced with fiber-reinforced polymer tubes and rods," M.S. Thesis, Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY, May 2013.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Publications

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Peer-Reviewed Conference Proceedings

1. W. Ahmad*, M.S. Dawood*, P.J. Collins, A. Radlinska & R.J. Thomas, “Effect of concrete exposure in low Earth orbit,” in *Proceedings of the 2026 Earth & Space Conference*, College Station, TX, April 13-16, 2026.
2. S. Paudel, R.J. Thomas & S. Banerji, “Performance of concrete with ground glass pozzolan as partial cement replacement,” in *Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Concrete Under Severe Conditions (CONSEC24)*, Chennai, India, September 2024.
3. M. Nazari, R.J. Thomas & S. Banerji, “Developing and characterizing self-crack-healing Roman concrete for bridge deck applications,” in *Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Concrete Under Severe Conditions (CONSEC24)*, Chennai, India, September 2024.
4. S. Dawood*, P.J. Collins, A. Radlinska & R.J. Thomas, “Micromechanical and microstructural analysis of lunar concrete,” in *Proceedings of the 2024 ASCE Earth & Space Conference*, Miami, FL, April 2024.
5. A. Banei Pour, R.J. Thomas, M. Maguire & A.D. Sorensen, “Qualifying commercial rapid repair media for partial depth bridge deck repairs in Utah,” in *99th Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board (TRB)*, Washington, DC, January 2020.
6. S. Dorafshan, R.J. Thomas, C. Coopmans & M. Maguire, “Deep learning neural networks for sUAS-assisted structural inspections: Feasibility and applications,” in *2018 International Conference on Unmanned Aircraft Systems (ICUAS)*, Dallas, TX, June 2018.
7. R.J. Thomas, C. Bedke & A.D. Sorensen, “Dynamic shear energy absorption of ultra-high-performance concrete,” in *19th International Conference of Cement, Concrete, and Construction Technology (ICCCT)*, Miami, FL, March 2017.
8. R.J. Thomas & S. Peethamparan, “Effect of specimen size and curing condition on the compressive strength of alkali-activated concrete,” in *96th Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board (TRB)*, Washington, DC, January 2017.
9. Z. Li, R.J. Thomas, D. Lezama** & S. Peethamparan, “Evaluation of ASTM methods for detection of alkali-silica reaction in alkali-activated concrete,” in: *96th Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board (TRB)*, Washington, DC, January 2017.
10. R.J. Thomas & S. Peethamparan,” Modified test for chloride permeability of alkali-activated concrete,” in: *95th Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board (TRB)*, Washington, DC, January 2016.
11. R.J. Thomas & S. Peethamparan, “Reinforcement of hollow concrete beams with FRP bars made from recycled materials,” in: *13th International Conference on Advances in Concrete Technology and Sustainability Issues*, Ottawa, ON, July 2015.
12. R.J. Thomas & S. Peethamparan, “Elastic modulus and Poisson’s ratio of alkali-activated cement-free concrete,” in: *94th Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board (TRB)*, Washington, DC, January 2015.
13. R.J. Thomas, A. Howe** & S. Peethamparan, “Alkali-activated cement-free concrete: Development of practical mixtures for construction,” in: *93rd Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board (TRB)*, Washington, DC, January 2014.

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Invited Presentations

1. Mar 2027: “Lunar concrete: It’s out of this world,” Maryland Society of Professional Engineers, Online. (Webinar)
2. Feb 2027: “The brave new world of alternative cements,” ACI Intermountain Chapter/Utah Ready-Mixed Concrete Association 2027 Concrete Conference, Layton, UT. (Invited)
3. Feb 2027: “Why cement chemistry matters: Long-term performance of rapid-setting cements,” Utah State University, Logan, UT. (Seminar)
4. Oct 2026: “Experiences as a teacher and researcher working at a smaller school,” Fall 2026 ACI Concrete Convention. (Panel)
5. Mar 2026: “Early set, evolving durability: Time-dependent performance of calcium sulfoaluminate cement,” New York Construction Materials Association Spring Conference, Troy, NY. (Invited)
6. Feb 2026: “Alternative (special) cements and pathways to utilization,” ACI Eastern New York and ACI Western New York Chapter Joint Webinar, Online. (Webinar)
7. Jun 2025: “Early career tips for building your career,” Clarkson University Early Career Proposal Writing Bootcamp, Potsdam, NY. (Workshop)
8. May 2025: “Space concrete: The final frontier,” Clarkson University Center for Advanced Materials Processing (CAMP) Annual Technical Meeting, Geneva, NY. (Invited)
9. Oct 2024: “The rapid-set paradox: Reconciling early and later-age properties of sulfoaluminate cements,” Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. (Seminar)
10. Sep 2024: “Space concrete: The final frontier,” USEK Lebanon, Online. (Webinar)
11. Mar 2024: “The evolution of microstructure and micromechanical properties in belitic calcium sulfoaluminate cement,” University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR. (Seminar)
12. Feb 2024: “Space concrete: The final frontier,” RILEM Youth Council Webinar Series, Online. (Webinar)
13. Oct 2023: “Advancing concrete to the Moon and beyond,” ACI Student Awards Program, Boston, MA. (Keynote)
14. Aug 2023: “Rapid-strength prestressed concrete: A case study,” BITS Pilani Hyderabad Campus, Telangana, India. (Seminar)
15. May 2023: “Low-carbon concrete: Just like regular concrete, but cooler,” C&S Companies, Online. (Webinar)
16. Mar 2023: “Emerging trends for low-carbon concrete,” New York Construction Materials Association Spring Conference, Troy, NY. (Invited)
17. Dec 2022: “Breaking down barriers to low-carbon concrete,” 35th Annual Association of General Contractors of New York State (AGC NYS) Industry Conference, Saratoga Springs, NY. (Invited)
18. Jun 2022: “A holistic approach to sustainability in the concrete industry,” Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY. (Seminar)
19. May 2022: “Low-carbon concrete: A toolbox approach,” Clarkson University Center for Advanced Materials Processing (CAMP) Annual Technical Meeting, Clayton, NY. (Invited)
20. Sep 2020: “IGNITE: Sustainable infrastructure and materials,” Clarkson University Ignite Speaker Series, Online. (Webinar)
21. Jul 2020: “What I wish I knew about academia and the concrete industry,” ACI Student Student, Young Member, and Faculty Activities Committee, Online. (Webinar)
22. Nov 2019: “Roman concrete: Unlocking the secrets of a thousand-year service life,” Clarkson University ASCE Student Chapter, Potsdam, NY. (Seminar)
23. Sep 2018: “What’s so interesting about concrete?” Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY. (Seminar)
24. May 2018: “Rapid concrete pavement repair,” Utah Department of Transportation, Salt Lake City, UT. (Invited)
25. May 2018: “Concrete electrical resistivity as a performance-based test,” Utah Department of Transportation, Salt Lake City, UT. (Invited)

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26. Apr 2018: “Concrete for the future: Emerging materials and engineering challenges,” Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY. (Seminar)
27. Feb 2018: “Structural materials for the modern world,” Ohio Northern University, Ada, OH. (Seminar)
28. Mar 2017: “Opportunities, challenges, and experiences in concrete research,” Idaho State University, Pocatello, ID. (Seminar)
29. Jan 2016: “Toward sustainable construction materials: A practical look at the development and characterization of cement-free concrete,” Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY. (Seminar).

Contributed Conference Presentations

The presenter’s name is underlined.

1. Oct 2026: W. Ahmad*, R.J. Thomas, “Phase Segmentation of Cementitious Microstructures by SEM Imaging and High-Resolution EDS Hypermapping,” Fall 2026 ACI Concrete Convention, Atlanta, GA. (Oral)
2. Apr 2026: W. Ahmad*, M.S. Dawood*, P.J. Collins, A. Radlinska & R.J. Thomas, “Effect of concrete exposure in low Earth orbit,” 2026 ASCE Earth & Space Conference, College Station, TX. (Oral)
3. Mar 2026: M. Al-Sharah*, O. Ameden*, S. Ashraf*, R.B. Mohan* & R.J. Thomas, “Time dependence of mass transport properties in belitic calcium sulfoaluminate cement concrete,” Spring 2026 ACI Concrete Convention, Chicago, IL. (Oral)
4. Mar 2026: R.J. Thomas, “Progress toward specifying alternative cements for concrete,” New York State Green Building Conference, Syracuse, NY. (Oral)
5. Oct 2025: R.B. Mohan*, S. Peethamparan & R.J. Thomas, “Can standard reactivity tests predict later-age compressive strength?” Fall 2025 ACI Concrete Convention, Baltimore, MD. (Oral)
6. Jun 2025: R.J. Thomas, O. Ameden* & T. Adnan*, “Time Dependence of Chloride Transport Properties and Corrosion Resistance in BCSA Cement Composites,” 3rd International Workshop on Calcium Sulfoaluminate Cements, Leeds, UK. (Oral)
7. Apr 2024: M.S. Dawood*, P.J. Collins, A. Radlińska & R.J. Thomas, “Micromechanical and microstructural analysis of lunar concrete,” 2024 ASCE Earth & Space Conference, Miami, FL. (Oral)
8. Oct 2023: M.S. Dawood* & R.J. Thomas, “Micromechanical and microstructural analysis of lunar concrete,” Fall 2023 ACI Concrete Convention, Boston, MA. (Oral)
9. Oct 2023: T. Adnan* & R.J. Thomas, “Measurement and characterization of chloride transport properties in belitic calcium sulfoaluminate cement concrete,” Fall 2023 ACI Concrete Convention, Boston, MA. (Oral)
10. Jun 2023: R.J. Thomas, “The alkali-silica reaction in belitic calcium sulfoaluminate cement,” First Annual CSA Cement Seminar, University of California Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA. (Oral)
11. Apr 2023: A. Kienzle** & R.J. Thomas, “Monitoring pH in BCSA cements,” Spring 2023 ACI Concrete Convention, San Francisco, CA. (Oral)
12. Apr 2023: T. Adnan* & R.J. Thomas, “Rational methods for evaluating chloride penetrability of BCSA cement composites,” Spring 2023 ACI Concrete Convention, San Francisco, CA. (Oral)
13. Apr 2023: R.J. Thomas, “Fresh and hardened properties of ultra-high-performance concrete,” Spring 2023 ACI Concrete Convention, San Francisco, CA. (Oral)
14. Mar 2023: R.J. Thomas, “Low-carbon materials and the concrete building code,” 21st Annual New York State Green Building Conference, Syracuse, NY. (Oral).
15. Oct 2022: T. Adnan* & R.J. Thomas, “Alkali-silica reactivity of belitic calcium sulfoaluminate cement,” Fall 2022 ACI Concrete Convention, Dallas, TX. (Oral)
16. Mar 2022: A. Kienzle** & R.J. Thomas, “Solidification behavior of BCSA cement,” Spring 2022 ACI Concrete Convention, Orlando, FL. (Oral)

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17. Oct 2021: T. Adnan* & R.J. Thomas, “Mechanical properties of belitic calcium sulfoaluminate cement concrete,” Fall 2021 ACI Concrete Convention, Online. (Oral)
18. Apr 2021: T. Adnan* & R.J. Thomas, “Estimation of mechanical properties for BCSA concrete,” Clarkson University Research and Projects Showcase, Potsdam, NY. (Oral)
19. Mar 2021: R.N. Langford**, A.D. Sorensen & R.J. Thomas, “Damage accumulation of fiber-reinforced concrete using repeated drop impact testing,” Spring 2021 ACI Concrete Convention, Online. (Oral)
20. Apr 2019: R.N. Langford**, A.D. Sorensen & R.J. Thomas, “Modeling damage accumulation of fiber-reinforced concrete using repeated impact testing,” National Council on Undergraduate Research, Kennesaw, GA. (Oral)
21. Mar 2019: Z. Li, R.J. Thomas & S. Peethamparan, “Alkali-silica reactivity of alkali-activated concrete,” Spring 2019 ACI Concrete Convention, Quebec City, QC. (Oral)
22. Mar 2019: R.N. Langford**, A.D. Sorensen & R.J. Thomas, “Modeling damage accumulation of fiber-reinforced concrete using repeated impact testing,” Spring 2019 ACI Concrete Convention, Quebec City, QC. (Oral)
23. Oct 2018: M.A. Al Sarfin, P. Collins**, R.J. Thomas & A.D. Sorensen, “Strain rate sensitivity and behavior of ultra-high-performance concrete under high-frequency shear loading,” Fall 2018 ACI Concrete Convention, Las Vegas, NV. (Oral)
24. Mar 2018: R.J. Thomas & A.D. Sorensen, “Dynamic increase factors for UHPC,” Spring 2018 ACI Concrete Convention, Salt Lake City, UT. (Oral)
25. Mar 2018: P. Collins**, R.J. Thomas & A.D. Sorensen, “High strain rate shear behavior of ultra-high-performance concrete,” Spring 2018 ACI Concrete Convention, Salt Lake City, UT. (Oral)
26. Oct 2017: R.J. Thomas, M. Maguire & A.D. Sorensen, “Modifying concrete mixture proportions to minimize thermal deformations,” Fall 2017 ACI Concrete Convention, Anaheim, CA. (Oral)
27. Sep 2017: R.J. Thomas & A.D. Sorensen, “Dynamic shear energy absorption of ultra-high-performance concrete,” 2017 Intelligence Community Academic Research Symposium (ICARS), Washington, DC. (Oral)
28. Mar 2017: R.J. Thomas, C. Bedke & A.D. Sorensen, “Dynamic shear energy absorption of ultra-high-performance concrete,” 19th International Conference on Cement, Concrete and Construction Technology, Miami, FL. (Oral)
29. Oct 2016: R.J. Thomas & S. Peethamparan, “Modified test methods for evaluating the chloride penetrability of alkali-activated concrete,” Fall 2016 ACI Concrete Convention, Philadelphia, PA. (Oral)
30. Oct 2016: Z. Li, R.J. Thomas & S. Peethamparan, “Alkali-silica reaction susceptibility of alkali-activated cement-free binders,” Fall 2016 ACI Concrete Convention, Philadelphia, PA. (Oral)
31. Sep 2016: S. Peethamparan, R.J. Thomas & Z. Li, “Long-term durability of alkali-activated concrete,” 3rd Biennial Workshop on Alkali-Aggregate Reaction and Alternative Cementitious Materials, McLean, VA. (Oral)
32. Nov 2015: R.J. Thomas & S. Peethamparan, “Mechanical properties of alkali-activated slag binders: From microscale to macroscale,” Fall 2015 ACI Concrete Convention, Denver, CO. (Oral)
33. Jul 2015: R.J. Thomas & S. Peethamparan, “Reinforcement of hollow concrete beams with FRP bars made from recycled materials,” 13th International Conference on Advances in Concrete Technology and Sustainability Issues, Ottawa, ON. (Oral)
34. Sep 2014: R.J. Thomas & S. Peethamparan, “Engineering properties of alkali-activated cement-free concrete,” Inaugural Clarkson University Graduate Research Symposium, Potsdam, NY. (Oral)

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35. Aug 2013: A. Howe**, R.J. Thomas & S. Peethamparan, “Compressive strength and workability of alkali-activated cement-free concrete,” 16th Annual Clarkson University Symposium for Undergraduate Research (SURE), Potsdam, NY. (Oral)

Conference Presentations (Posters)

The presenter’s name is underlined.

1. W. Ahmad*, M. Al-Sharah*, S. Ashraf*, A. Kanyere*, R.B. Mohan* & R.J. Thomas, “Concrete solutions for the next generation of civil infrastructure,” New York State Green Building Conference, Syracuse, NY, March 5-6, 2026.
2. R.B. Mohan*, S. Peethamparan & R.J. Thomas, “Chloride penetrability of high-volume binary and ternary blended ground-glass pozzolan concrete,” Center for Advanced Materials Processing (CAMP) Annual Research Symposium, Geneva, NY, May 14-15, 2025.
3. R.B. Mohan*, S. Peethamparan & R.J. Thomas, “Mechanical properties and durability of ternary cementitious blends with ground-glass pozzolans,” Center for Advanced Materials Processing (CAMP) Annual Research Symposium, Clayton, NY, 2024-05-22.
4. R.B. Mohan*, S. Peethamparan & R.J. Thomas, “Optimizing pozzolanic reactivity of binary and ternary cementitious blends with high-volume glass powder pozzolans,” Fall 2023 ACI Concrete Convention, Boston, MA, 2023-10-30.
5. S. Dawood* & R.J. Thomas, “Micromechanical properties of lunar concrete,” Center for Advanced Materials Processing (CAMP) Annual Research Symposium, Corning, NY, 2023-05-31.
6. T. Adnan* and R.J. Thomas, “Engineering properties and durability of belitic calcium sulfoaluminate cement and concrete,” CAMP Annual Research Symposium, Corning, NY, 2023-05-31.
7. R.B. Mohan*, S. Peethamparan, and R.J. Thomas, “Low-carbon concrete with high-volume glass powder pozzolan,” CAMP Annual Research Symposium, Corning, NY, 2023-05-31.
8. C. McAfee**, C. Scala**, and R.J. Thomas, “Analysis of carbon sequestration in belitic calcium sulfoaluminate cement,” Clarkson University Research and Projects Showcase, Potsdam, NY, 2022-04-22.
9. L. Penet** and R.J. Thomas, “Image analysis of concrete air voids,” Clarkson University Research and Projects Showcase, Potsdam, NY, 2022-04-22. **Best in session.**
10. A. Kienzle** and R.J. Thomas, “Influence of citric acid and water/cement ratio on setting time of BCSA cement,” Clarkson University Research and Projects Showcase, Potsdam, NY, 2021-04-19. **Best in session.**
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