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# Effects of Solid Waste Reutilization on Performance of Pervious Concrete: A Review

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**Abstract:** With rapid urban development, natural aggregate resources have become scarce and a large number of ageing buildings are being demolished, which has resulted in a significant reduction in natural resources and a large increase in construction waste. Therefore, the reuse of solid waste, including waste powder and recycled aggregate, has attracted more and more attention. Additionally, as a prominent way to alleviate the urban heat island effect and manage stormwater runoff, pervious concrete has been widely studied and applied. In this paper, the effects of waste powder (fly ash, volcanic powder and blast furnace slag) and recycled aggregate (recycled concrete aggregate and recycled brick aggregate) on the mechanical properties, water permeability, water filtration and durability of pervious concrete are summarized and introduced, and some prospects are put forward. From the literature review, it can be found that adding the appropriate amount of solid waste or applying proper treatment methods to solid waste will not bring negative effects; rather, it would even improve the performance attributes of pervious concrete. Therefore, the use of solid waste in pervious concrete has great potential for urban construction and environmental protection.

**Keywords:** eco-friendliness; pervious concrete; recycled aggregate; waste powder; waste reutilization



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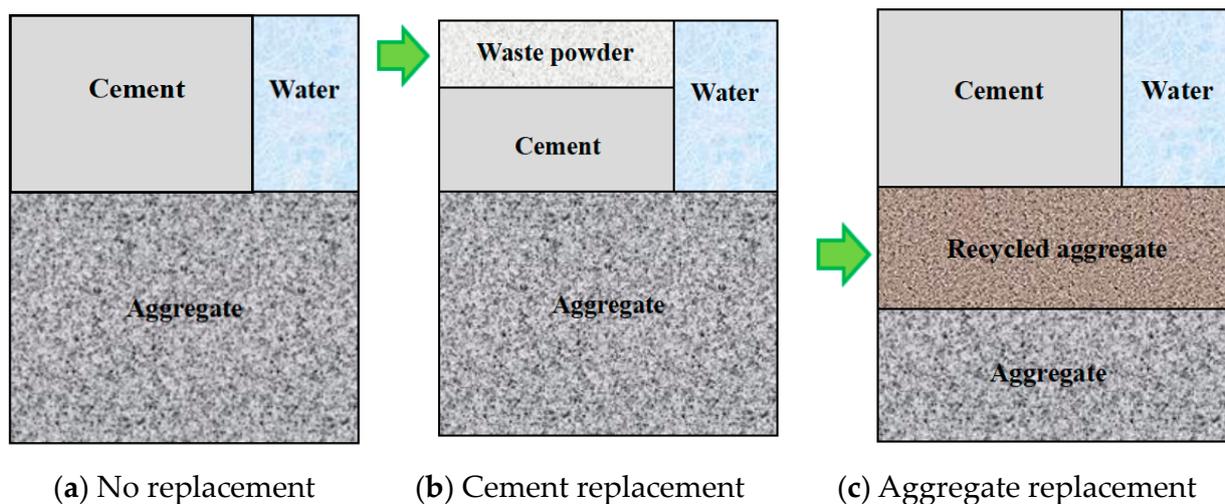
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## 1. Introduction

It has been reported that more than 4.2 billion tons of cement were produced all over the world in year 2016 [1]. The production of cement increases the emission of carbon dioxide, which causes a serious environmental burden. Some waste powder, such as fly ash produced in thermal power plants, volcanic powder generated in the process of volcanic activity and blast furnace slag generated during high-temperature iron smelting, are very suitable for use as supplementary cementitious materials (SCMs) [2–6]. The reuse of waste powder to replace a portion of cement in mortar or concrete would not only reduce the environmental burden brought by cement production but would also effectively reduce the pollution caused by these waste powders. This is a more environmentally friendly and sustainable method to reduce carbon dioxide emissions [1]. This method of replacing part of the cement with waste powder in a concrete mixture has been applied extensively in studies on waste powder [7–9], and it is called the cement replacement method. Schematic diagrams before and after the application of the cement replacement method are illustrated in Figure 1a,b, respectively. It can be seen that the method involves the partial substitution of the cement by waste powder.

Additionally, with the rapid development of urbanization, many ageing buildings have to be demolished, which results in a large amount of construction and demolition (C&D) waste. Landfilling is the most common method of disposal, but this also leads to environmental pollution and other problems [10]. In addition, it is increasingly difficult to find suitable sites for landfill, so the cost of landfill is becoming higher and higher. In many

countries around the world, huge quantities of old concrete and brick are produced every year [11]. Due to the increase in landfill costs, the scarcity of natural aggregate resources and the increase in construction demand, it has become more and more common to replace parts of natural aggregate with recycled aggregate [12]. As long as the quality of recycled aggregate can be guaranteed, reusing recycled aggregate is a desirable way to solve the environmental problems [13,14]. This method of replacing or partially replacing natural aggregates with recycled aggregates as a raw material for concrete, i.e., the aggregate replacement method, has been extensively researched [15]. A schematic diagram of the aggregate replacement method is shown in Figure 1c. It can be seen that in comparison with Figure 1a, the aggregate replacement method involved only substituting part of the aggregate.



**Figure 1.** Schematic diagram of cement and aggregate replacement methods.

On the other hand, the natural environment changes if buildings and roads are built on it. This turns permeable areas into impermeable areas, which results in a disruption in the natural water cycle [16]. By collecting rainwater and allowing it to seep through the pavement, pervious concrete helps to recharge groundwater and reduce the urban heat island effect. Hence, the application of pervious concrete is an effective means to meet the growing environmental requirements and is a prominent management method for stormwater runoff. Pervious concrete is made with water, cementitious material, coarse aggregate and little or no fine aggregate, which results in a large number of voids, typically with a porosity of 15–25% [17–20]. Because of its porosity and filtering effect, pervious concrete can also remove some pollutants from rainwater. It has been reported that the pervious concrete pavement in Alcoa City Center in the USA significantly reduced the concentrations of total suspended solids (TSS), nitrite, chemical oxygen demand (COD) and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) compared to asphalt pavement [21]. Additionally, the special surface texture of pervious concrete also contributes to the skid resistance of roads [22]. Furthermore, pervious concrete has the functional advantages of sound absorption and noise reduction [23]. However, compared with traditional concrete pavement, its elastic modulus, compressive strength and flexural strength are generally lower [24–27]. Therefore, pervious concrete is mainly used in light-duty pavements such as sidewalks, parking lots and tennis courts [28].

In tandem with the guidance of sustainable development, more and more solid wastes including waste powder and recycled aggregate are being used as raw materials in pervious concrete to produce environmentally friendly and high-performance pervious concrete [29]. In this paper, the authors introduce and summarize the influence of three types of solid waste powder (fly ash, volcanic ash and blast furnace slag) and two types of recycled aggregate (recycled concrete aggregate and recycled brick aggregate) on the performance

attributes of pervious concrete, with the aim to point out subsequent research directions as well as to describe and analyze solutions to the problems and deficiencies in the reuse of waste solid particles, as reported herein.

## 2. Waste Powder

According to the literature, the annual global consumption of concrete had reached 25 billion tons in 2009 [30]. Cement is an important component of concrete, and the global cement production is approximately 4.1 billion tons per year. However, the production of 1 ton of Portland cement can emit between 730–850 kg of CO<sub>2</sub> [31]. Waste powder is mainly derived from the waste of industrial production or volcanic activities. If not reutilized, such waste powder will cause serious environmental problems [32]. At this juncture, fly ash, volcanic ash and blast furnace slag have been proven suitable for use as SCMs for the production of pervious concrete. As cement replacement materials, fly ash, slag and natural volcanic ash are produced at an annual rate of approximately 500 million tons, 300 million tons and 200 million tons, respectively [33]. In summary, the annual production of waste powder is able to cater for a reasonable proportion of cement substitution in the overall volume of concrete production. Therefore, it is very important to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by replacing cement with these waste powders to meet construction needs [34].

### 2.1. Fly Ash

Fly ash (FA) is a byproduct of coal power generation and is mainly composed of SiO<sub>2</sub>, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, CaO and some impurities. Since FA can pollute air, water and soil, if not properly handled, it can lead to human health problems and serious environmental problems [35]. According to ASTM C618, if the content of SiO<sub>2</sub> + Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> + Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> is greater than 70%, the FA belongs to class F; if the content of SiO<sub>2</sub> + Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> + Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> is greater than 50%, the FA belongs to class C. Generally, Class F FA has lower CaO content and exhibits the properties that resemble volcanic ash, whereas Class C FA has up to 20% CaO content and exhibits the properties that resemble cementitious material. Generally, class F FA is produced by burning anthracite and raw coal, while class C FA is generated by burning lignite or subbituminous coal. In previous studies on concrete mixed with FA, the strength increased first and then decreased with the increase in the FA content. This is because FA can convert the hydration product Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub> of cement into C-S-H, but excess FA will lead to too much reduction in cement content, so that the extra FA cannot participate in the chemical reaction [36].

Due to the good characteristics of FA, more and more studies on its application to pervious concrete have been conducted. Arifi et al. [37] applied FA replacement rates of 0%, 15% and 25% to produce pervious concrete containing natural aggregate or recycled aggregate. The test results showed that FA could improve the compressive strength, splitting strength and flexural strength of pervious concrete. For pervious concrete containing natural aggregates, compared to the control group (0% FA), the 15% FA replacement rate greatly improved the compressive strength (about 60.04%) and splitting tensile strength (about 57.53%), and the 25% FA replacement rate greatly improved the compressive strength (about 120.03%) and splitting tensile strength (about 94.52%). The flexural strength of the pervious concrete with FA decreased and then increased with the increase in FA, but all of them were lower than the control group. For the pervious concrete containing recycled aggregate, the 15% FA replacement rate significantly enhanced the compressive strength and splitting strength, but in terms of the flexural strength, the flexural strength of the pervious concrete with 50% recycled aggregate increased significantly, and the flexural strength of the pervious concrete with 100% recycled aggregate decreased slightly. Saboo et al. [32] suggested that the optimal range of the FA replacement rate was 5% to 15%. With the increase in the FA replacement rate, the demand for water reducer could be reduced, and for both the wet curing method and plastic membrane curing method, the overall 28-day compressive strength showed a significant upward trend. Additionally, due to the volcanic characteristics and filling effect of FA, the wear resistance of pervious concrete could be im-

proved. Haji et al. [38] showed that in terms of water permeability, when the FA content was 0% to 5%, the pervious concrete had better water permeability; when the FA content was 5% to 25%, the permeability of pervious concrete showed a downward trend. Peng et al. [1] reported that compared with traditional pervious concrete, the concrete incorporating FA had a lower 28-day compressive strength (decreased by 10.18% to 16.17%) but a higher 60-day compressive strength (increased by 1.98% to 2.56%). The reason is that the reaction rate of FA was lower than cement, the formation of the C-S-H gel was still in progress and the strength was still developing at 28 days for the concrete-incorporating FA. Aoki et al. [39] added FA at the replacement rate of 20% and 50% and found that the 28-day strength of the pervious concrete was reduced by 12.72% and 43.74%, respectively, and the permeability in the 150 mm and 200 mm water head also decreased. But the drying shrinkage resistance of the pervious concrete was enhanced, and the reason is that most of the water loss from pervious concrete is free nonbonded water from the large air void structure, and its effect is small in the development of shrinkage. Hwang et al. [40] tried to use seawater and FA as raw materials to produce pervious concrete and explored the sustainability of water resources and the recycling of solid waste. More interestingly, the seawater + FA concrete also reduced the concentration of phosphorus in the runoff, and the aqueous phosphorus concentrations were dramatically decreased by 90% after 72 h of contact time with the pervious concrete. Opiso et al. [41] used FA as a partial substitute for cement to prepare pervious concrete with fine sawdust as the internal curing agent. A laboratory evaluation showed that the FA + fine sawdust pervious concrete was more permeable compared to traditional pervious concrete, and the strength of the FA + fine sawdust pervious concrete obtained in the later period was significantly increased; specifically, the 28-day flexural strength increased by 6.95%. The reason for the greater reduction in strength in the early stages was the slow reaction of FA in the formation of the calcium aluminate precipitation. Tho-in et al. [42] produced geopolymer pervious concrete with high-calcium FA and tested its compressive strength, splitting tensile strength, porosity and water permeability. The rationale is that there was a strong interfacial transition zone between the aggregate and geopolymer matrix. The test results showed that the compressive strength was between 5.4 and 11.4 MPa and the splitting tensile strength was between 0.7 and 1.4 MPa, whereas the porosity ranged from 28.7 to 30.4% and the water permeability coefficient ranged from 1.92 to 5.96 cm/s. In addition, some studies have shown that after the special treatment of FA, the content of FA can be increased from 15–25% to 50–60% without affecting the performance of the cement [43]. The variation in the compressive strength and permeability of pervious concrete mixed with class F FA is shown in Figure 2 [1,32,38,39], and the variation in the compressive strength, splitting strength and flexural strength of pervious concrete mixed with class C FA is shown in Figure 3 [37]. It can be seen that both class F FA and class C FA have a positive effect on the mechanical properties of pervious concrete, especially on the later strength. However, there is a negative effect on the permeability of the pervious concrete.

Table 1 summarizes the influence of FA on the performance attributes of pervious concrete in cited studies, as well as the main findings of these studies. To sum up, the reuse of fly ash has great environmental and economic value, but using a large amount of FA may reduce the strength of pervious concrete [44]. In order to solve this problem, FA can be specially treated or combined with other materials to increase the beneficial effect on the strength. Moreover, FA can reduce the drying shrinkage and slightly improve the water permeability of pervious concrete and can also play a positive role in water filtration. However, due to its variability in chemical composition and form, the quality of FA varies greatly, and it may cause secondary environmental pollution due to the presence of leachable substances contained in FA if used in pervious concrete [45,46]. Therefore, when considering the application of FA in pervious concrete, the composition as well as the physical and chemical properties of FA should be evaluated first.

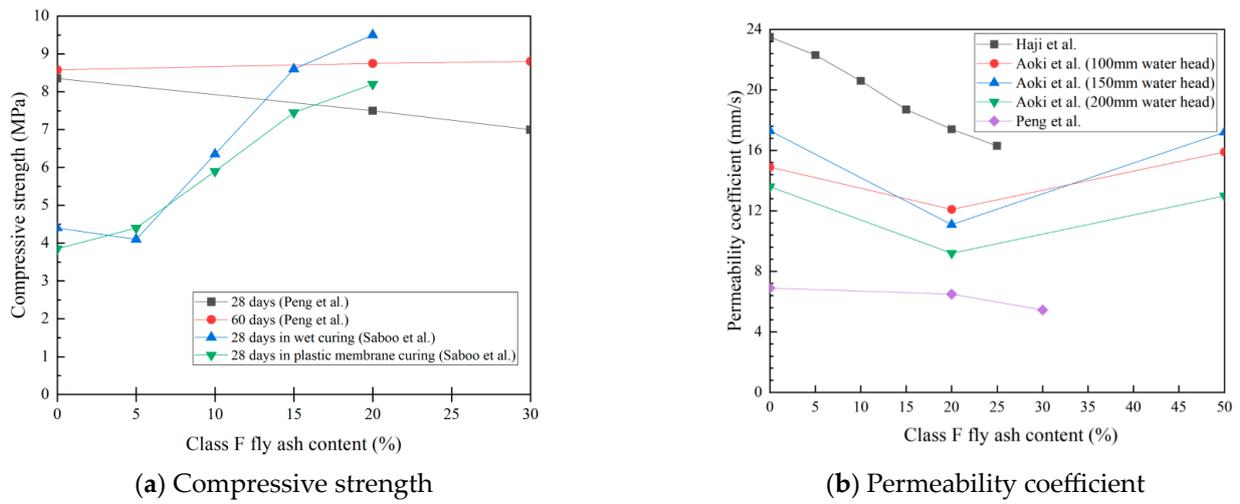


Figure 2. Compressive strength and permeability versus class F fly ash content [1,32,38,39].

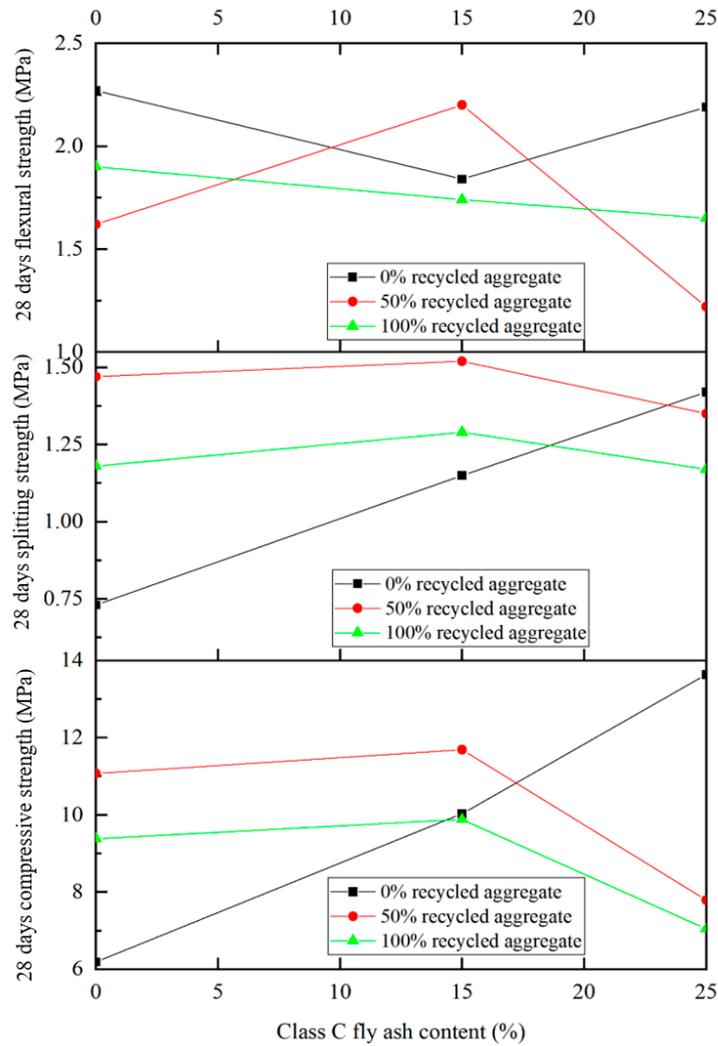


Figure 3. Compressive, splitting and flexural strengths versus class C fly ash content.

**Table 1.** Influences and main findings of fly ash (FA) on performance attributes of pervious concrete.

Waste Powder	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
FA (Class F)	20%	0.35	The 28-day compressive strength decreased by about 10.18% and the 60-day compressive strength increased by about 1.98%. The effective porosity and permeability coefficient all decreased with the addition of FA.	The hydration speed of the FA was slower than the cement, C-S-H was the reaction product of SiO <sub>2</sub> and Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub> , and it contributed to the mechanical properties; the formation of C-S-H was still in progress and the strength was still developing at 28 days for the concrete-incorporating FA.	[1]
	30%	0.35	The 28-day compressive strength decreased by 16.17% and the 60-day compressive strength increased by 2.56%. The effective porosity and permeability coefficient all decreased with the addition of FA.		
FA (Class F)	5%	0.33	The 28-day compressive strength decreased by about 6.82% during wet curing and the 28-day compressive strength increased by about 14.29% during plastic membrane curing. The porosities were all increased during both the wet curing and plastic membrane curing.	As the content of the fly ash increased from 0 to 20%, an increasing trend was observed in density; beyond the 20% addition of fly ash, no further changes in density were observed, and this was mainly due to the domination of aggregate interlocking, which provided maximum resistance for compaction and allowed the concrete to overcome the effect of the fly ash.	[32]
	10%	0.33	The 28-day compressive strength increased by about 44.32% during wet curing and the 28-day compressive strength increased by about 53.25% during plastic membrane curing. When the replacement ratio was greater than or equal to 10%, the porosity decreased with the addition of FA during both the wet curing and plastic membrane curing.		
	15%	0.33	The 28-day compressive strength increased by about 95.45% during wet curing and the 28-day compressive strength increased by about 93.51% during plastic membrane curing.		
	20%	0.33	The 28-day compressive strength increased by about 115.91% during wet curing and the 28-day compressive strength increased by about 112.99% during plastic membrane curing.		

Table 1. Cont.

Waste Powder	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
FA (Class C)	0–25%	0.30	The 28-day compressive strength of pervious concrete with an FA addition of 15% and 25% increased by 62.04% and 120.03%, respectively. The 28-day splitting tensile strength of pervious concrete with an FA addition of 15% and 25% increased by 57.53% and 94.52%, respectively.	The compressive strength of the pervious concrete increased with an increase in density, and the utilization of the fly ash in pervious concrete had a less significant effect on the flexural strength of the pervious concrete.	[37]
FA (Class unknown)	0–25%	0.44	The 28-day average permeability and 7- and 28-day compressive strength of pervious concrete all decreased gradually with the increase in the replacement rate of FA; when the replacement rate was 5%, their changes were not obvious.	When FA and SF were used together to replace cement (5% total replacement rate), the compressive strength increased by 5–15% and the permeability was reduced by 19–26% compared to the control group (only cement).	[38]
FA (Class F)	20%	0.35	Compared with the control group (cement only), the porosity decreased by 8.33%; the 7-day compressive strength decreased by about 8.85%; the 28-day compressive strength decreased by about 12.72%; and the permeability of the 100 mm, 150 mm and 200 mm water head decreased by 18.79%, 35.84% and 32.35%, respectively.	Most of the water loss from the pervious concrete was free non-bonded water from the large air void structure and hence its effect was small in the development of shrinkage. Higher amounts of fly ash content tended to increase weight loss. This was due to the increased water–cement (W/C) ratio in the binder paste with significant fly ash content.	[39]
	50%	0.35	Compared with the control group (cement only), the porosity decreased by 11.11%; the 7-day compressive strength decreased by about 64.60%; the 28-day compressive strength decreased by about 43.74%; the permeability of the 100 mm water head increased by 6.71%; and the permeability of the 150 mm and 200 mm water head decreased by 0.58% and 4.41%, respectively.		

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Waste Powder	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
FA (Off-spec)	10–40%	0.32–0.36	The permeability ranged from 1.98 to 8.87 mm/s and the maximum compressive strength was about 16 MPa. Aqueous phosphorus concentrations were dramatically decreased by 90% after 72 h of contact time with the pervious concrete.	Off-spec FA used with nano SiO <sub>2</sub> can improve the 28-day compressive strength and provides a filler effect and reduces the porosity within the pervious concrete. Moreover, the accelerated nano SiO <sub>2</sub> –cement hydration could be another factor that led to the high early strength gain via the formation of the microstructural C-S-H gel.	[40]
FA (Class C) + Fine sawdust	8.38% FA + 7.42% fine sawdust	0.35	The 7-day and 28-day compressive strength of the pervious concrete with FA and fine sawdust decreased by 35.85% and 5.20%, respectively. The 7-day and 28-day flexural strength of the pervious concrete with FA and fine sawdust decreased by 8.73% and increased by 6.95%, respectively.	The slow strength development of pervious concrete with FA and fine sawdust could be attributed to the slow reaction of FA in the formation of calcium aluminate precipitates.	[41]
FA (Class C) + Sodium silicate and sodium hydroxide	87.0–89.7%	- (Not given)	The compressive strength increased with the ratio of alkaline liquid to FA from 0.35 to 0.45. The voids content decreased with the ratio of alkaline liquid to FA from 0.35 to 0.45. The ratio of the splitting tensile strength to compressive strength was higher than that in normal Portland cement pervious concrete.	There was a stronger interfacial transition zone between the aggregate and geopolymer matrix.	[42]

## 2.2. Volcanic Powder

Volcanic ash (VA) and volcanic pumice fines (VPF) are two common volcanic waste powders. These volcanic powders contain abundant natural aluminosilicate resources, which have certain environmental and economic benefits [47]. VA is generally formed during volcanic eruptions. During volcanic activity, violent eruptions of steam usually cause the magma and solid rock around the vents to be torn apart into clay-like particles [48]. Pumice stone refers to a mineral formed by magma cooling after a volcanic eruption, and it is mainly composed of silicon dioxide and contains a large number of pores [49]. Usually, VA (after being dried and sieved) and VPF generated by grinding pumice stones can react with calcium hydroxide to form C-S-H gels and thus are potential SCMs [50].

Researchers have explored some of the applications of VA and VPF to pervious concrete. Hossain et al. [51] found that VA can refine the internal pore structure of concrete, reduce the porosity and average pore diameter of concrete and reduce the content of  $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$  and thus improve the durability and chloride resistance of concrete. Dahiru et al. [52] substituted VA for a part of cement to prepare concrete and found that VA at a replacement rate of 10% could delay the setting time of concrete and improve the compressive strength and splitting tensile strength by about 7.99% and 6.14%, respectively. The variation in the compressive strength of pervious concrete mixed with VA is shown in Figure 4 [51,52]. It can be seen that when the replacement rate of VA is 5% to 10%, the mechanical properties of concrete can be slightly improved. Zayad et al. [53] noted that the addition of VPF reduced the amount of tricalite silicate and other reactant particles, which is not conducive to the early hydration process and thus reduces the early strength of the concrete. But after 14 days of age, the compressive strength of the concrete containing 10% VPF was higher than that of the control group, and the optimal content of the VPF was about 10%. The microstructures of 0% VPF and 10% VPF samples appeared to be more compact and denser compared to the microstructures of 20% VPF and 30% VPF samples, which were relatively uneven and undulating. Kabay et al. [54] showed that the concrete with VPF and FA exhibited low strength at an early age while the strength at the later stage was comparable to that of the control group. Additionally, replacing cement with VPF, FA and their binder would reduce the water absorption rate and voids content and improve the magnesium sulfate resistance. This could be explained by the filling up of pores and voids by VPF and FA, and the effect of the VPF and FA replacement on the porosity of the concrete was more significant at 180 days, which can be attributed to the more dense structure of the concrete due to the pozzolanic reactions. Azad et al. [55] used VPF as cementitious materials to produce pervious concrete for water purification. The test results showed that when 40% VPF was added, the COD, Zn, Cu, Cd and Pb in sewage were reduced by 25.4%, 98%, 96%, 99% and 99%, respectively. It is shown in Figure 5 that this could be attributed to the porous structure of VPF acting as an adsorption agent for pollutants while the porous structure and surface cavities of VPF cause pumice to react better with cement particles and aggregate surfaces, which results in good adhesion between concrete ingredients and better compressive strength (10% VPF). Mehrabi et al. [56] prepared pervious concrete by applying VPF together with nanoclay to replace a portion of cement and also used recycled aggregate to replace the natural aggregate. It was found that because the VPF could delay the early hydration process, the early compressive strength was reduced by 31% while the late compressive strength was improved. The use of 10% to 25% VPF increased the compressive and flexural strength of the pervious concrete with 100% recycled aggregate. The variation in the compressive strength of the pervious concrete mixed with VA is shown in Figure 6, which shows that when the replacement rate of VPF was 10%, the change in the 28-day compressive strength of the pervious concrete with recycled aggregate was not obvious, and the optimum amount of recycled aggregate should be less than 50%.

Table 2 summarizes the influence of VA and VPF on the performance attributes of the pervious concrete in the studies above, as well as the main findings of these studies. In conclusion, the addition of volcanic powder decreases the  $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$  content of the concrete and thus may reduce the early strength of pervious concrete; however, at an appropriate replacement rate, the later strength of pervious concrete can be the same as that of the control group. The volcanic powder can also refine the internal pore structure of the concrete and improve the durability of the pervious concrete. It is effective in water purification when added to pervious concrete due to its porous surface. When applying volcanic powder, the optimum replacement rate of the volcanic powder should be around 10% in order to avoid adversely affecting the mechanical properties of the pervious concrete. To improve the mechanical properties of pervious concrete, clay and steel fibers, etc., can be used to prepare pervious concrete together with volcanic powder.

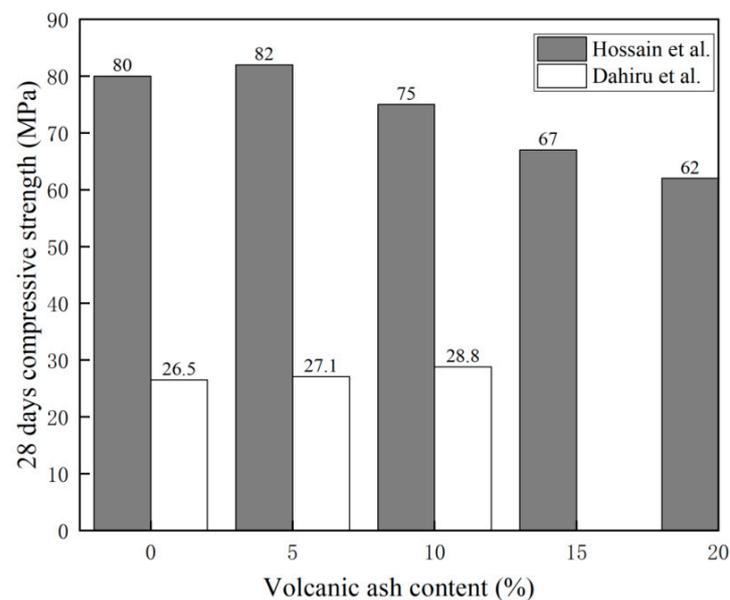


Figure 4. Compressive strength versus volcanic ash content [51,52].

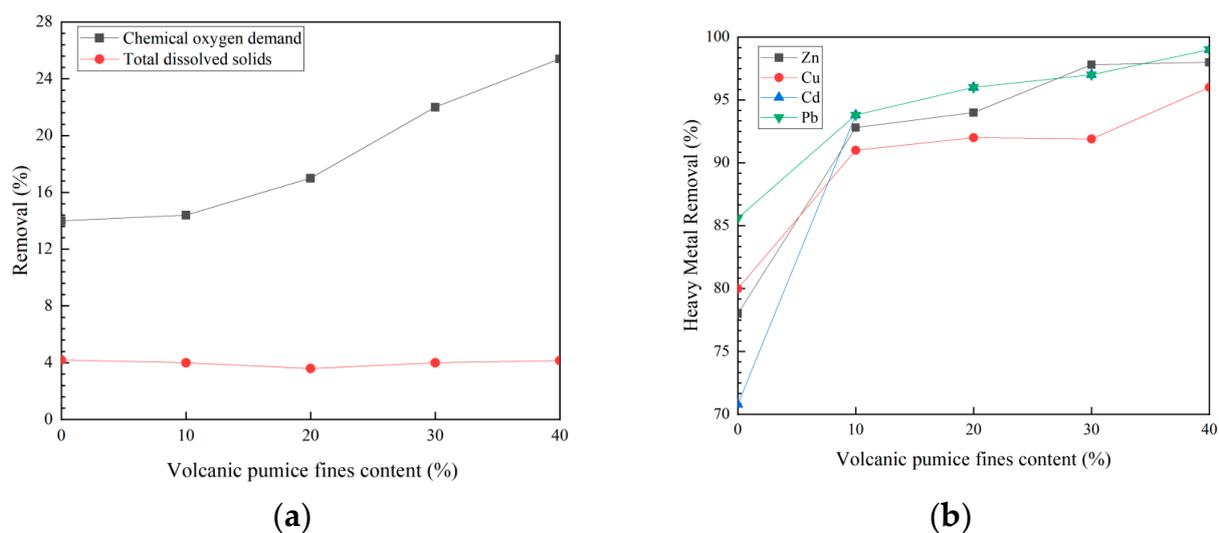
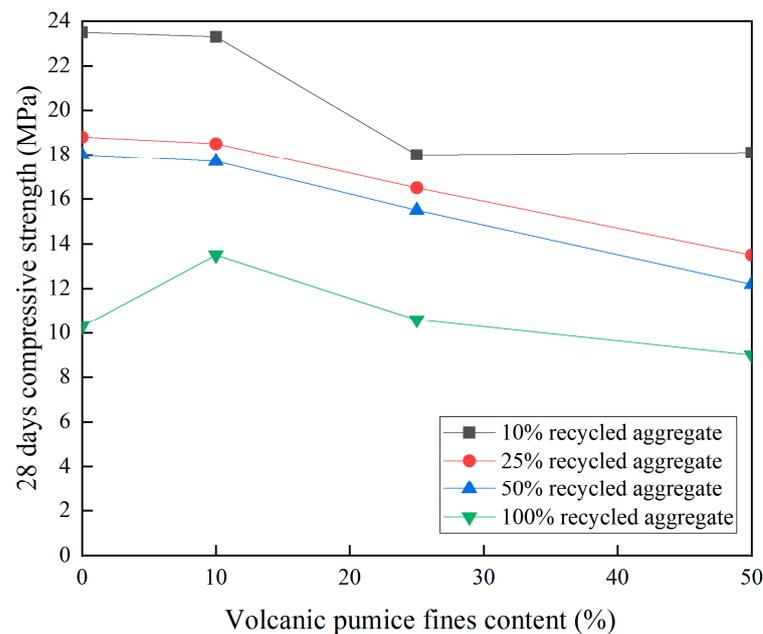


Figure 5. Effect of various content of volcanic pumice fines on the performance of pervious concrete to reduce pollutants: (a) COD and total dissolved solids, (b) heavy metal.



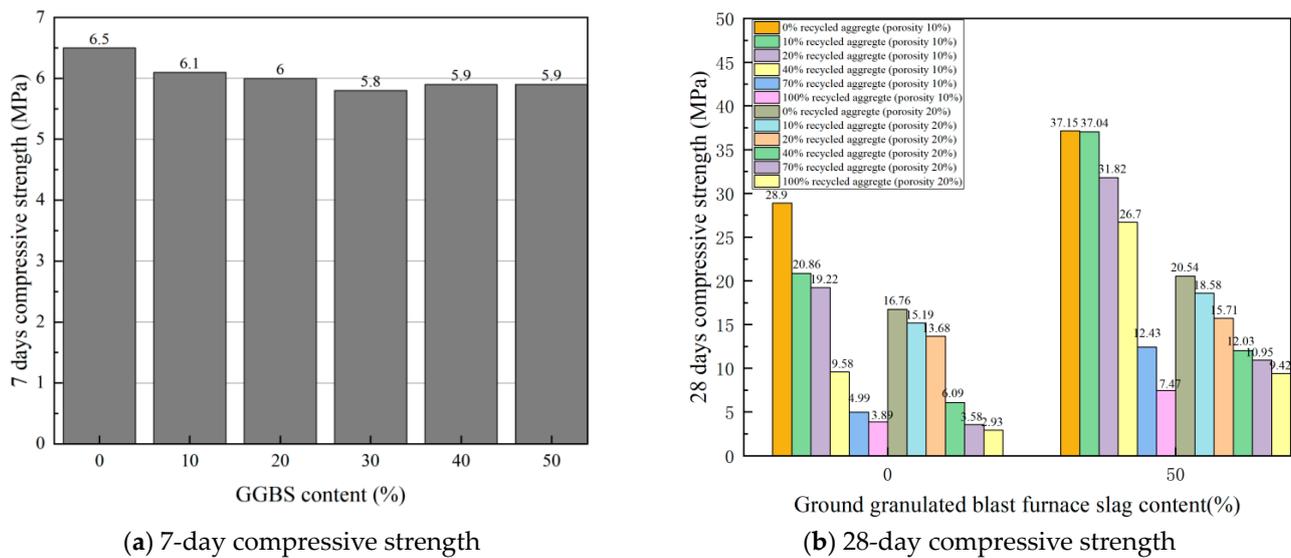
**Figure 6.** Compressive strength versus volcanic pumice fines content.

### 2.3. Blast Furnace Slag

Blast furnace slag (BFS) is the byproduct of iron production from blast furnaces. Generally, in the smelting process of blast furnaces, calcium oxide in the limestone and silica in the ore combine to form dicalcium silicate and tricalcium silicate, which form BFS. BFS has useful applications in the production of mortar and concrete due to its activity [4].

In recent years, research on the effects of BFS on pervious concrete has made good progress. Endawati et al. [57] studied the feasibility of air-cooled BFS in pervious concrete and noted that the maximum compressive strength of 15 MPa was achieved when the content of the air-cooled BFS was 26%, FA was 15% and silica fume was 3%. Compared to other types of blast furnace slag, the air-cooled BFS had better early activity (within 24 h), and therefore, the pervious concrete with air-cooled BFS had very similar compressive strengths at 28 and 60 days. Jian et al. [58] used granulated BFS and copper slag as mineral admixtures to replace cement in recycled aggregate pervious concrete. The test results showed that after adding the granulated BFS and copper slag, the pervious concrete manifested better wear resistance. Among various combinations, 10% granulated BFS + 10% copper slag was the optimal combination, which rendered the wear resistance 38.78% higher than the control group. The reason is that the granulated BFS could fill the micropores to compact the pore structure, and the added granulated BFS consumes the  $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$  of hydrated cement via pozzolanic reaction to generate C-S-H gel and thereby enhancing the density of the matrix and contributing to the improved wear resistance. El-Hassan et al. [59,60] studied the influence of ground granulated blast furnace slag (GGBS) on different performance attributes of recycled aggregate pervious concrete. The test results indicated that GGBS can improve the mechanical properties and workability of concrete and densify the microstructure of concrete. In the simulation test of the service life of the pervious concrete pavement, water-pressure jet washing was carried out on the blocked pervious concrete, and it was found that the removal of the blockages from the pervious concrete containing GGBS was easier. In addition, by replacing 50% of the cement with GGBS, the pervious concrete yielded a luminous reflectance value of 0.52. Such a high value was due to the color of GGBS being close to white. Using this light-colored pervious concrete as pavement and sidewalks can further reduce the heat island effect and decrease the electricity demand and lighting costs compared to traditional pervious concrete. Kim et al. [61] investigated the mechanical properties and durability of pervious concrete pavement. The test results showed that the 7-day compressive strength of the pervious concrete containing GGBS could reach

5 MPa. And, because GGBS possesses hydration potential, the long-term strength of GGBS pervious concrete could be better than that of normal pervious concrete. Moreover, in the freeze–thaw cycle test, the weight loss of the GGBS pervious concrete was no more than 1% at the replacement rate of 10%, 30% and 50%, which showed that it had good freezing–thawing resistance. However, it should be noted that excess GGBS may lead to increased consumption of  $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$  and may thus accelerate the rate of carbonation [62]. It is worth mentioning that BFS can effectively remove phosphates from water. This is mainly achieved through the precipitation mechanism and weak physical interaction between the BFS surface and acid metal salts [63]. The variation in the 7- and 28-day compressive strength of the pervious concrete mixed with GGBS is shown in Figure 7 [59,61]. It can be seen that GGBS had a slightly negative effect on the early strength of the pervious concrete but had a positive effect on the long-term strength of the pervious concrete.



**Figure 7.** 7- and 28-day compressive strength versus GGBS content.

Table 3 summarizes the influence of BFS on the performance attributes of the pervious concrete in the cited references as well as the main findings of these studies. In conclusion, there are many types of BFS that have complex effects on the performance of pervious concrete. For air-cooled BFS, it has a good early activity so it is conducive to the early strength of the concrete, but the subsequent development of strength will be slower; by contrast, granulated BFS and GGBS have less early strength than ordinary cement pervious concrete due to their lower early activity, but the later strengths keep increasing and thus are contributive to the wear resistance and durability of pervious concrete. In addition, BFS has great potential to reduce the heat island effect and energy consumption as well as to enhance water filtration.

**Table 2.** Influences and main findings of volcanic ash (VA) and volcanic pumice fines (VPF) on performance attributes of pervious concrete.

Waste Powder	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
VA	0–20%	0.30	The strength generally decreased with the increase in the VA content and increased with the concrete age. The drying shrinkage of concrete via the addition of VA was slightly higher compared to the control concrete (0% VA). The optimal VA replacement rate was 5%, and the compressive strength was slightly higher than that of the control concrete.	A significant decrease in the porosity and average pore diameter was observed in the concrete after adding pozzolanic VA as compared to the control OPC concretes, but there was no obvious increase in the width of the interfacial transition zone in the concrete after adding VA compared to the control concrete.	[51]
VA	0–20%	0.40–0.55	The 28-day compressive strength and splitting tensile strength of the concrete were improved with a VA replacement rate of 5% and 10%. The concrete with 5% and 10% VA replacement had a lower loss of weight and higher abrasion resistance than the concrete with 0% replacement.	Volcanic ash could retard the setting time of the concrete and enhance the properties of the concrete, and it could be used to produce a strong and dense concrete and serve as an admixture.	[52]
VPF	0–30%	0.32	The 7-day compressive strength of the control concrete (0% VPF) was 58.7 MPa, and the concrete with a VPF addition of 10%, 20% and 30% decreased by 2.56%, 17.38% and 31.35%, respectively, but the 28-day compressive strength of the concrete with a VPF addition of 10% was higher than the control concrete by 2.79%. The optimum replacement for cement by VPF is 10%. Similarly, when the replacement rate of VPF was 10%, the tensile strength and flexural strength of the concrete were increased.	With different replacement levels (0, 10, 20 and 30% of VPF), the micrographs of 0% and 10% VPF appeared to be more compact and denser compared with the relatively uneven and undulating micrographs of 20% and 30% VPF.	[53]

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Waste Powder	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
VPF	0–20%	0.42	The replacement of cement with VPF resulted in concrete with decreased water absorption, sorptivity and void content and higher magnesium sulfate resistance compared to the reference concrete. At all ages, the compressive strength of the mixtures containing VPF decreased when the pozzolanic material content was increased. However, the 180 days splitting tensile strength of the mixture containing 20% VPF was similar to that of the control group (0% VPF) and higher than that of the mixture containing 10% VPF.	At early ages, the pH of the Portland cement system was about 12.5 and the alkalinity was not enough for the dissolution of the VPF particles; therefore, these particles might be considered as relatively inert to the hydration mechanism and would only contribute to the physical properties such as the particle packing of the structure. The continued pozzolanic activity of VPF contributed to increased strength gains at later ages.	[54]
VPF	0–40%	0.35	For the mixture with 10% VPF, the compressive strength of the pervious concrete improved up to about 20%. With the addition of VPF, the heavy metal and chemical oxygen demand removal by the pervious concrete was greatly increased.	The porous structure and surface cavities of VPF caused the water released from the pumice to react better with the cement particles, which resulted in good adhesion within the concrete microstructure.	[55]
VPF	0–50%	0.34	When the replacement rates of the recycled coarse aggregate and VPF were both 10%, the compressive strength of the pervious concrete was similar to that of the control group. If the replacement rate of any one of them exceeded 10%, the compressive strength would decrease.	The pozzolanic activity of VPF at later ages resulted in the formation of calcium silicate hydrate (C-S-H) gel and thereby improved the strength. Due to the rough surface of the pumice stone, the adhesion between the aggregate and the binder will increase.	[56]

**Table 3.** Influences and main findings of blast furnace slag (BFS) on performance attributes of pervious concrete.

Waste Powder	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
Air-cooled BFS	17–35%	- (Not given)	The characteristic compressive strength of the slag concrete mixtures at 28 days and 60 days are mostly very similar. The maximum compressive strength of 15 MPa was achieved by adding 15% FA, 3% SF and 26% slag.	The air-cooled BFS was not entirely inert but had a certain degree of activity.	[57]
Granulated BFS	0–10%	0.27, 0.30	The compressive strengths of the recycled aggregate pervious concrete in the control group were 14.2 MPa, which decreased slightly after adding the slag. The abrasion mass loss of the concrete with 5% slag decreased from 17.15% to 15.16% compared with the control; hence, the slag could considerably improve the abrasion resistance of the recycled aggregate pervious concrete. With the addition of slag, the permeability of the pervious strength would decrease.	Compared with the control group, as the content of granulated BFS increased, the content of calcium hydroxide and pores in the paste gradually decreased, which showed that the granulated BFS could fill the pores in the paste; additionally, the actual porosity of the recycled aggregate pervious concrete was basically similar.	[58]
Ground Granulated BFS	50%	0.40	Upon the addition of 50% slag, the 28-day compressive strength of the 10%-porosity specimen reached 37 MPa, a 28% increase compared to its slag-free counterpart. Similar results can be seen in 20%-porosity concretes with a 23% increase in strength when 50% slag was incorporated into the mix. No matter how much recycled aggregate was added, the compressive strength of the pervious concrete with the addition of 50% slag was higher than that of the control group. It should be noted that 50% slag was added to pervious concrete with fiber, which had a beneficial effect on the compressive strength of the pervious concrete.	The increased compressive strength of the pervious concrete (50% ground granulated BFS) was mainly attributed to the pozzolanic reaction that reduced the void content, densified the cement matrix and strengthened the concrete structure.	[59,60]

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Waste Powder	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
Ground Granulated BFS	0–50%	0.35	The 7-day compressive strength from the control mix was slightly higher than the other mixes (with 10%, 20%, 30%, 40% and 50% slag), but their differences were not great; they ranged from 5.9 to 6.5 MPa, and the permeability results were similar, ranging from 29.0 to 32.5 s per 3.6 L of water.	The ground granulated BFS showed a latent hydration reaction. Ordinary Portland cement is hydraulic, whereas the ground granulated BFS is latent hydraulic. Because such latent hydraulicity was exhibited after 28 days, it was considered to have better contributions to long-term strength than the ordinary Portland cement.	[61]
Ground Granulated BFS	0–50%	0.4–0.6	The pervious concrete with the 10, 30 and 50% slag replacement experienced a slight increase in the 28-day compressive strength compared with the control group. Since the slag was finer than cement, the compressive strength exceeded that of the control group as early as at 3 days. Due to the consumption of calcium hydroxide, the rate of carbonation increased with the addition of slag.	The partial replacement of cement with ground granulated BFS improved the pore structure of the concrete.	[62]

### 3. Recycled Aggregate

Buildings age over time. The demolition of old buildings produces a lot of solid waste. After crushing and sieving these demolition wastes, recycled aggregate can be produced. According to the different sources, recycled aggregate can be divided into recycled concrete aggregate (RCA) and recycled brick aggregate (RBA). When recycled aggregate is used in pervious concrete, recycled aggregate pervious concrete can be produced. It can consume a large amount of demolition waste to conserve the environment and is also a good building material that integrates the functions of drainage, water storage, ventilation and temperature regulation.

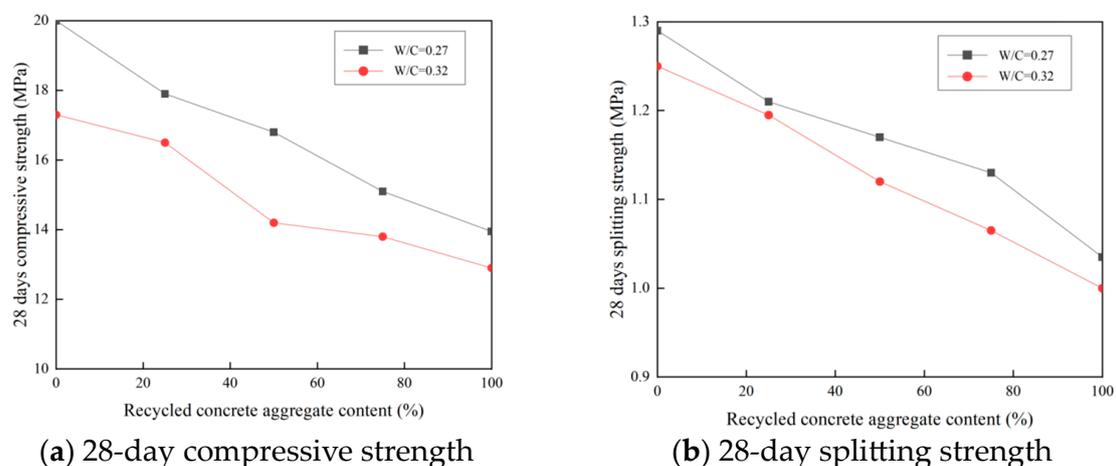
#### 3.1. Recycled Concrete Aggregate

The quality and characteristics of RCA mainly depend on the source and quality of the old concrete. RCA has hardened cement paste adhered to the original aggregate. Compared with the nature aggregate, the RCA has a lower specific gravity, higher porosity, higher water absorption, lower mechanical strength and wear resistance [64,65].

Due to these characteristics of RCA, the RCA pervious concrete generally has lower density, lower strength and a looser microstructure [66,67]. Guneyisi et al. [68] produced pervious concrete with four RCA replacement rates of 25%, 50%, 75% and 100% at two water–cement (W/C) ratios of 0.27 and 0.32 and two aggregate/cement ratios of 3.70 and 5.75. The test results showed that the dry density of concrete gradually decreased as the RCA replacement rate increased from 0 to 100%. This was because the dry density of concrete has a strong correlation with the porosity of aggregate. With the increase in the RCA replacement rate, the compressive strength and splitting tensile strength of the concrete decreased, as shown in Figure 8. Liu et al. [69] used low-grade RCA as raw material to produce RCA pervious concrete and investigated why RCA pervious concrete had low compressive strength from a microstructural point of view. Scanning electron microscope (SEM) images of the interface transition zone (ITZ) between the RCA and cement paste in the RCA pervious concrete showed that there were a lot of micropores in the ITZ between the aggregate and cement paste. When the RCA pervious concrete was under compressive load, the cement paste would be the first to fail, which caused most of the RCA to fall off and thus it could not provide support, so the RCA pervious concrete was easily broken; but, for the nature aggregate (NA) pervious concrete, when the paste failed, part of the pressure would be transferred to the neighbouring plane, and the rest of the pressure would be borne by the aggregate of the layer. Zaetang et al. [70] adopted recycled concrete block aggregate, which was made from an old block prepared with low-strength mortar. The experimental results indicated that the recycled concrete block aggregate could improve the compressive strength and wear resistance of the pervious concrete due to the good combination between the recycled concrete block aggregate and fresh cement paste as well as the increase in the powder paste volume benefit by crushing the recycled concrete block aggregate during mixing. The recommended replacement rate of the recycled concrete block aggregate was 20%. In summary, the rough and porous surface of the RCA can increase the bond between the cement paste and aggregate, which thus benefits the strength, but due to the weakness of the old mortar layer on the surface of the RCA and the existence of impurities in the aggregate itself, it does not have a strengthening effect on the concrete against compression; therefore, the source and quality of the RCA are important factors that affect the mechanical properties of the RCA pervious concrete.

In view of the problem that the addition of RCA would reduce the mechanical properties of pervious concrete, researchers have put forward some suggestions and solutions. Regarding the RCA quality, Zhang et al. [71] noted that the breakage index of RCA was the key that determined the mechanical properties of RCA pervious concrete. When the breakage index increased from 9% to 37%, the compressive strength, bending strength and elastic modulus decreased by 36%, 28% and 21%, respectively, while the strength loss rate increased from 6.6% to 18.7%, and the mass loss rate increased from 2.3% to 8.5%. Further, it was suggested that the breakage index of RCA should not exceed 24%. In order

to improve the mechanical properties of pervious concrete, on one hand, the properties of the aggregates themselves should be improved. Zou et al. [72] attempted to modify RCA with a silane emulsion (RCA was presoaked in a 10% diluted silane emulsion for 36 h and then dried) and found that the modified RCA could improve the strength and microstructure of the pervious concrete. The reason is that the hydrophobic silicone film formed by the silane emulsion on the RCA surface prevented the accumulation of water on the RCA surface, which resulted in the formation of dense structures and more C-S-H gels in ITZ. The surface of the unmodified RCA was porous and rough while the surface of the modified RCA was coated with a membrane. Compared with the control group, the 28-day compressive strength of the pervious concrete in surface modification group was enhanced by 14.6%. In addition, the modified RCA can improve the freezing resistance of the RCA pervious concrete. On the other hand, the internal structure of the concrete can be improved; Ibrahim et al. [73] found that adding a proper amount of recycled concrete fine aggregate can enhance the mechanical properties of RCA pervious concrete. In RCA pervious concrete mixed with recycled concrete fine aggregate, the bond between the paste and the aggregates was better and the pores were smaller.



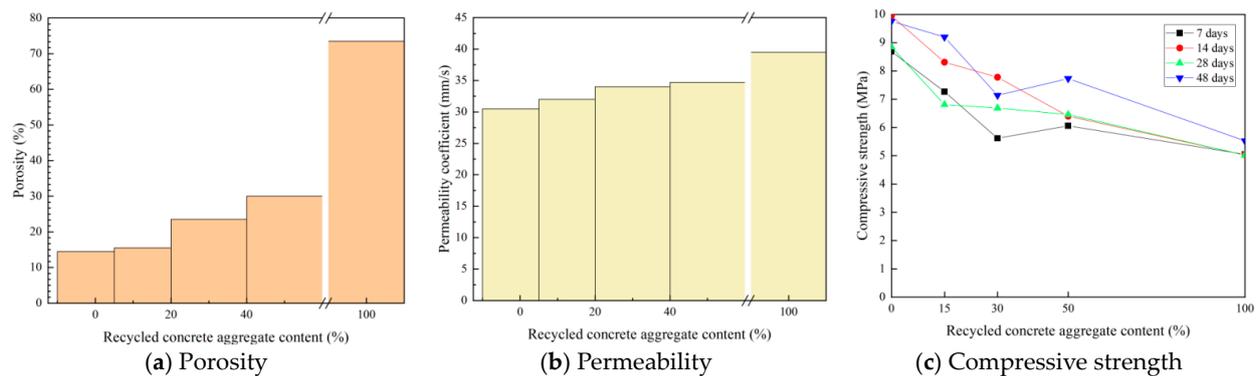
**Figure 8.** 28-day compressive and splitting strengths versus RCA content.

In consideration of the feasibility of using recycled aggregate pervious concrete as pavement in cold regions, Chen et al. [74] mixed silica fume into pervious concrete with a 30% replacement ratio of RCA and investigated the freeze–thaw resistance of pervious concrete in different media including water and a 3.5 wt% NaCl solution. The results showed that the effect of the NaCl solution on the deterioration of the RCA pervious concrete samples was more adverse than that of water. With the increase in the number of freeze–thaw cycles, the deterioration degree in terms of the mass loss rate, relative dynamic elastic modulus, average compressive strength and porosity of the RCA pervious concrete increased. However, the mass loss rate of the RCA pervious concrete did not increase significantly during the freeze–thaw process. At the end of 120 freeze–thaw cycles, the mass loss rate of the RCA pervious concrete samples in the NaCl solution was 0.245%. Liu et al. [75] used waste concrete bricks as materials to prepare recycled aggregate, and the replacement ratios of the recycled aggregate were 0%, 25%, 50%, 75% and 100%. The results showed that the freeze–thaw durability of the RCA pervious concrete was worse than that of the NA pervious concrete, and the amount of RCA added has an adverse effect on the freeze–thaw resistance. For all pervious concrete mixtures, the compressive strength of the pervious concrete decreased with increasing freeze–thaw cycles at a given level of RCA content. This means that the freeze–thaw resistance of pervious concrete gradually deteriorates as the freeze–thaw cycles cumulate. At a given number of freeze–thaw cycles, the compressive strength of the RCA pervious concrete decreased with increasing RCA content. For example, after 100 freeze–thaw cycles, the compressive strength of the pervious

concrete with 75% and 100% RCA was only 8.4 MPa and 7.1 MPa, respectively, compared to the compressive strength of the NA concrete of 14.2 MPa. When the freeze–thaw cycles were 25 times, the compressive strength loss was 4.5% to 15.1%, which satisfied the requirement of not exceeding 20% in accordance with the Chinese national standard CJJ/T 135-2009. The above indicated that the application of RCA pervious concrete in cold regions is feasible.

Some achievements have also been made in water permeability and water filtration. For RCA pervious concrete, the permeability coefficient generally increases with the RCA replacement rate. Rizvi et al. [76] evaluated the performance of four groups of pervious concrete (15% RCA group, 30% RCA group, 50% RCA group, 100% RCA group and control group). The research results indicated that the optimal replacement rate of RCA was 15%. When the replacement rate exceeded 15%, the strength would reduce and the porosity and permeability coefficient would increase, as shown in Figure 9. Aamer Rafique Bhutta et al. [65] found that the total porosity of RCA pervious concrete was greater than that of NA pervious concrete since the permeability of pervious concrete is greatly affected by the porosity and RCA pervious concrete has a larger water permeability coefficient than NA pervious concrete. Yao [77] produced pervious concrete by replacing natural aggregates with RCA at different replacement rates and found that the porosity and permeability both increased with the RCA replacement rate. When the replacement rate reached 100%, the porosity and water permeability coefficient reached the maximum values, but the strength was seriously reduced at the same time. The permeability is also related to the W/C ratio of RCA pervious concrete; Li et al. [78] showed that as the W/C ratio increased (from 0.33 to 0.43), the permeability coefficient first increased from 4.3 mm/s to 5.8 mm/s and then decreased to 4.6 mm/s. However, due to the high water absorption of RCA, when the W/C ratio was too low, the concrete mixture could not be completely mixed, which resulted in the paste being too dry; this blocked the pores between the aggregates and affected the water permeability. Regarding the water filtration/purification properties of RCA pervious concrete, Cahya et al. [79] tried to use RCA pervious concrete as the filtration medium to remove pollutants in wastewater. In the experiment, wastewater from a public sewage treatment plant was filtered through two layers of pervious concrete containing RCA or natural aggregate with different particle sizes. The results indicated that the particle size of the aggregate had significant effects on the reduction in the biological oxygen demand (BOD), COD and TSS. For pervious concrete with 100% RCA, the optimal particle size was 5 to 20 mm. Through a comparison, it is found that RCA pervious concrete had a better filtration performance for water pollutants than NA pervious concrete. Monroe et al. [80] reported that the pH of rainwater runoff through the RCA pervious concrete increased, but the indexes of dissolved oxygen (DO), TSS, COD, turbidity,  $\text{PO}_4^{3-}$  and  $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$  all became more favorable. Additionally, in terms of blockage, Sandoval et al. [81] simulated the blockage of NA pervious concrete and RCA pervious concrete under laboratory conditions and found that the water permeability coefficient of the RCA pervious concrete was higher than that of the NA pervious concrete after simulating the equivalent cycle of 20 years, which indicated that the RCA pervious concrete had a longer service life than the NA pervious concrete.

Table 4 summarizes the influence of RCA on the performance attributes of pervious concrete in the above studies as well as the main findings in these studies. In summary, due to the low strength and large porosity of RCA, RCA pervious concrete generally has much lower strength and freeze–thaw resistance, slightly higher permeability and a better water filtration/purification ability compared to ordinary pervious concrete. To overcome the shortcomings of RCA, some methods have been tried. Firstly, the structure of pervious concrete can be densified by adding a small amount of fine aggregate to enhance the bond between mortar and aggregate. Secondly, the quality of RCA and the amount of admixture should be stringently controlled. Thirdly, the performance of the aggregate can be improved by chemically treating the aggregates. Additionally, understanding how to balance the advantages and disadvantages of RCA is the key to its future application.



**Figure 9.** Porosity, permeability and compressive strength versus RCA content.

### 3.2. Recycled Brick Aggregate

Brickwork is a widely used structural material in the world, especially for smaller scale buildings. With the need for urban development and reconstruction, a large number of old buildings made with bricks have to be demolished, which results in a substantial increase in brick waste [82]. In the case where the binding material for brick masonry is lime mortar, the lime mortar can be easily removed and the whole brick can be reused. Conversely, when cement mortar is applied, it is difficult to remove the cement mortar adhered onto the brick surface in practice, and therefore the bricks containing cement mortar would be crushed into recycled brick aggregate (RBA) [83]. Compared with natural aggregate, RBA has higher porosity and water absorption and poorer mechanical properties [84]. These characteristics of RBA have significant impacts on the performance of RBA pervious concrete [85,86].

In terms of mechanical properties, RBA has a similar effect to RCA on pervious concrete, and the means of application are also similar. Cai et al. [87] evaluated the performance of RBA pervious concrete. The results showed that the compressive strength of RBA pervious concrete decreased with an increasing RBA replacement rate. However, when the RBA replacement rate was 15%, acceptable strength and satisfactory water permeability could be obtained simultaneously, which is suitable for roads with moderate strength requirements. The study by Liu [88] showed that RBA pervious concrete had a lower compressive strength and density than NA pervious concrete; in particular, the compressive strength of the RBA pervious concrete was only half of that of the NA pervious concrete. Debnarh et al. [89] conducted SEM imaging on RBA and natural aggregates. It was found that the surface texture of the RBA was porous with a large number of macro and micro voids, which was one of the reasons for the lower strength of the RBA pervious concrete than the NA counterpart. In order to improve the strength of the RBA pervious concrete, some researchers suggested adding a certain amount of fine aggregate into the RBA pervious concrete to exhibit filling effect, and this has been proven to improve the strength of RBA pervious concrete [90]. Liu et al. [91] and Zou et al. [72] used silane polymer emulsions to treat RBA. Due to the existence of hydrophobic silica gel film on the treated RBA surface, the film-forming tendency of the cement paste on the aggregate surface was reduced, and the cement paste was more uniformly redistributed in the pervious concrete; thus, the strength was improved while the water permeability was maintained.

**Table 4.** Influences and main findings of recycled concrete aggregate (RCA) on performance attributes of pervious concrete.

Recycled Aggregate	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
RCA	0–100%	0.27, 0.32	A decrease in the compressive strength and splitting strength was observed with the increasing recycled aggregate content. The compressive strength of the pervious concretes changed from 20.0 to 13.9 MPa and from 17.4 to 12.8 MPa at W/C ratios of 0.27 and 0.32, respectively.	The decrease in the strength of the RCA was caused by two properties of the recycled aggregates: one was the weak hardened cement paste on the surface of the aggregate particles and the other was the interfacial transition zone between the hardened cement paste and original aggregate. One more interfacial transition zone occurred that was between the recycled aggregate and cement paste of the pervious concrete. This transition zone may also be weaker than the one that existed between the cement paste of the pervious concrete and natural aggregate.	[68]
RCA	0–100%	0.25	The compressive strength of the pervious concrete decreased in varying degrees after mixing RCA. When the replacement rate of the RCA was less than 25%, the compressive strength hardly changed, and then the compressive strength gradually decreased with the increase in the replacement rate.	The RA contained waste concrete blocks and other impurities, and the strength and grain shape were uneven, which had a negative impact on the strength. The structural damage of the natural aggregate pervious concrete was mainly caused by the damage of the aggregate as the aggregate plays a full supporting role. On the other hand, the compressive fracture surface of the RCA pervious concrete was uneven, most of the aggregates were intact and the failure mainly occurred in the cement paste between the aggregates.	[69]

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Recycled Aggregate	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
Recycled concrete block aggregate	0–100%	0.24	The compressive strength of the control group (100% natural aggregate) was sufficiently high at 13.4 MPa. The incorporation of the recycled aggregates resulted in the improvement of pervious concrete strength, and an optimum strength of 17.0 MPa was obtained at a 50% recycled aggregate replacement level. For flexural and splitting tensile strengths, the influences of recycled aggregates were small. For good surface abrasion resistance and strength, the recycled concrete block aggregate replacement level should be 20%.	The increase in compressive strength was due to an increase in bonding between the rough and porous surfaces of the recycled aggregates and cement paste compared to the normal aggregate and the increase in the powder content due to the surface abrasion and crushing of the recycled concrete block aggregate particles during mixing that reduced the void content of the concrete. This made the concrete denser and contributed to the increase in the compressive strength of the pervious concrete.	[70]
RCA	100%	0.28	The value of the compressive strength, flexural strength and static modulus of elasticity reduced significantly with the increased crushing index of the recycled aggregates. When the crushing index increased from 9% to 37%, the 28-day strength decreased from 24.2 MPa to 15.5 MPa, or about 36%, while the decrease in the 7-day strength and 3-day strength was 40% and 44%, respectively. When the crushing index was greater than 24%, the downward trend was more obvious.	The performance of the aggregate was the major contributor that influenced the strength and elastic modulus of the concrete.	[71]
RCA + RBA	100%	0.30	Contrasted with the control group, the 28-day compressive strength of the pervious concrete in the surface modification group was enhanced by 14.6%.	The surface of the unmodified recycled aggregate was porous and rough while that of the modified recycled aggregate was coated with a membrane, which could reduce water absorption through the surface of the recycled aggregate.	[72]

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Recycled Aggregate	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
RCA	100%	0.30–0.40	The compressive strength and splitting tensile strength of the pervious concrete mixed with the recycled concrete fine aggregate increased slightly compared with the no-fines counterpart.	The omission of fine aggregate in the pervious concrete was one reason for its reduced mechanical properties compared to the conventional pervious concrete with fine aggregates. Thus, the no-fines concrete mixes produced the least strength among all the mixes. The concrete mix with no-fines had a thin layer of bond, whereas for the concrete with recycled concrete fine aggregate, the presence of fine aggregates increased the thickness of the paste bond.	[73]
RCA	30%	0.28, 0.31, 0.34	The effect of the NaCl solution on the deterioration of the RCA pervious concrete samples was more adverse than that of water. With the increase in the number of freeze–thaw cycles, the deterioration degree in terms of the mass loss rate, relative dynamic elastic modulus, average compressive strength and porosity of RCA pervious concrete increased.	The mass loss rate is not a suitable index for evaluating the anti-frost durability of RCA pervious concrete, and the frost damage to the RCA pervious concrete is more likely to occur in a chloride environment. The reason that the rate of the freeze–thaw deterioration of the pervious concrete in a salt solution was greater than in water was that the tensile stress inside the cement paste increased due to the difference in osmotic pressure and concentration. Moreover, the $\text{Cl}^-$ in the salt solution will react with the tricalcium aluminate ( $\text{C}_3\text{A}$ ) in the cement stone.	[74]

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Recycled Aggregate	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
RCA	0–100%	0.30	The compressive strength after being subjected to freeze–thaw cycles decreased with the increase in the replacement rate of RCA, as revealed by the test results of specimens with recycled aggregate replacement ratios of 0%, 25%, 50%, 75% and 100%. Upon undergoing 25 freeze–thaw cycles, the loss in compressive strength was 4.5%, 5.5%, 6.6%, 12.0% and 15.1%, respectively. Upon undergoing 50 freeze–thaw cycles, the loss in compressive strength was 18.5%, 20.3%, 22.8%, 28.7% and 31.4%, respectively. Upon undergoing 75 freeze–thaw cycles, the loss in compressive strength was 24.8%, 26.7%, 36.5%, 37.7% and 39.6%, respectively. Upon undergoing 100 freeze–thaw cycles, the loss in compressive strength was 36.0%, 40.6%, 43.1%, 49.7% and 55.3%, respectively.	Although the mechanical properties and freeze–thaw durability of the RA pervious concrete were not satisfied, for all the pervious concrete mixtures, when the freeze–thaw cycles were 25, the compressive strength loss was 4.5% to 15.1%, which satisfied the requirement of not exceeding 20% for pervious concrete in the Chinese national standard CJJ/T 135-2009 and indicated that the application of RCA pervious concrete in cold regions was feasible.	[75]
RCA	0–100%	- (Not given)	The 7-, 14-, 28- and 48-day compressive strengths decreased with the increase in the replacement rate of RCA, and the porosity and permeability increased with the replacement rate of RCA.	The optimum replacement percentage of RCA in the pervious concrete mix was found to be 15% of the virgin coarse aggregate, and the quality of the RCA affected the optimum replacement rate.	[76]
RCA	100%	0.30	Due to polymer modification, the total void ratio decreased and the compressive strengths of the pervious concrete were significantly improved by 79%.	The addition of polymer increased the workability of the cement paste and allowed the aggregate to flow better. This decreased the void ratio and increased the strength of the porous concrete.	[65]

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Recycled Aggregate	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
RCA	0–100%	0.30	With the increase in the replacement rate of RCA, the average porosity and average permeability coefficient decreased first and then increased to 20.43% and 4.7 mm/s, respectively. The compressive strengths of the concrete with 30%, 50% and 100% RCA replacement rate were all higher than that of the control group (0% RCA).	The reason for the increase in strength was due to the high water absorption of the RCA (about 13 times that of natural aggregate) that reduced the free water content of the concrete; additionally, the rough surface and porous internal structure of the RCA strengthened the cementation, and the water absorbed by the aggregate during mixing was released to promote the development of the compressive strength.	[77]
RCA	100%	0.33–0.43	As the W/C ratio increased (from 0.33 to 0.43), the permeability increased from 4.3 mm/s to 5.8 mm/s at first and then decreased to 4.6 mm/s; as the aggregate-to-cement ratio increased (from 3.5 to 5.0), the compressive strength decreased from 16.7 MPa to 5.6 MPa.	Increasing the amount of cement used could improve the strength of permeable concrete, but excessive cement mortar will block the gaps between the aggregates, which is not conducive for the concurrent improvement in the strength and water permeability coefficient.	[78]
RCA	0–100%	0.30	The pervious concrete made from recycled concrete aggregate showed better performance in filtrating the water pollutants compared to the natural aggregate counterpart. For the 100% recycled concrete aggregate, the highest efficiency values of the TSS (total suspended solids), BOD (biological oxygen demand), COD (chemical oxygen demand) and ammonia were in the mixture of 100%.	The smaller the aggregate size, the smaller the porosity, and the ability to store fluid was also smaller. The size of the coarse aggregate in the pervious concrete had a significant effect on reducing the water pollutants (BOD, COD, TSS), and the best aggregate sizes were 5–20 mm.	[79]
RCA	100%	0.54	The pH value of the rainwater runoff after passing through the sample of pervious concrete pavement with RCA was alkaline ( $12 \pm 0.1$ ). On average, the concrete with RCA removed the chemical oxygen demand by 5%, $\text{NO}_3\text{-N}$ by 20%, $\text{PO}_4^{3-}$ by 18%, $\text{SO}_4^{2-}$ by 33%, turbidity by 10% and TSS by 57%.	The high pH value of the pervious concrete pavement with RCA can be attributed to the dissolution of calcium hydroxide, $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$ , from the hardened cement paste as the stormwater percolated through the sub-base materials. The $\text{Ca}(\text{OH})_2$ was produced from cement hydration and the soluble metal alkalis present in cement.	[80]

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Recycled Aggregate	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
RCA	100%	0.42, 0.59	The porosity and permeability coefficient of the RCA pervious concrete was 19.6% and 10.0 mm/s, respectively, and both were higher than that of the natural aggregate pervious concrete. After clogging, the reductions in the permeability coefficient were 30% (sand + clay), 40% (sand) and 50% (large size sand), and the permeability coefficient was also higher than that of the natural aggregate pervious concrete.	In terms of permeability reduction, pervious concrete with natural aggregate was more affected than the pervious concrete with RCA. The reduction in the pervious concrete permeability is related not only to the porosity but also to the particle size distribution of sediments.	[81]

An investigation was conducted by Zhang et al. [71] using recycled aggregate prepared from waste concrete and clay brick for pervious concrete, and six groups of recycled aggregate pervious concrete were designed. Among the six concrete groups, the crushing indexes for the aggregates were 37%, 34%, 30%, 24%, 19% and 9%, respectively. The results showed that when the crushing index changed from 9% to 37%, the 28-day compressive strength, flexural strength and modulus of elasticity decreased by 36%, 28% and 21%, respectively, while the strength loss rate increased from 6.6% to 18.7% and the mass loss rate increased from 2.3% to 8.5%. Especially when the crushing index was higher than 24%, the properties of the recycled aggregate pervious concrete, except for the permeability coefficient and total pore ratio, were notably inferior due to the lower quality of the recycled aggregate. In the above experimental study, the freeze–thaw cycle caused a loss in the strength and mass of the pervious concrete. The reason for this was that during the freeze–thaw cycles, the recycled aggregates were subjected to cyclic expansion due to ice formation, which caused internal tensile stresses and led to cracking, splitting and fracturing of concrete [92,93]. Therefore, when using recycled aggregate pervious concrete pavements in cold regions, recycled aggregates with a crushing index of less than 24% should be employed.

In terms of water permeability, Cai et al. [87] revealed that with the increase in RBA content, the water permeability coefficient of the RBA pervious concrete increased. Hossain et al. [94] showed that the water permeability coefficient of the RBA pervious concrete increased with the RBA particle size, and the permeability of the RBA pervious concrete was higher than that of the NA pervious concrete given the same aggregate size.

Table 5 summarizes the effect of RBA on the performance attributes of pervious concrete in the above references as well as the main findings of these references. In conclusion, the high porosity and lower strength of the RBA caused the RBA pervious concrete to generally have low strength but high water permeability. In order to improve the strength of the RBA pervious concrete, the quality of the RBA and the amount of the admixture should both be stringently controlled, and the replacement rate should be less than 15%. The gradation could be optimized by adding a small amount of fine aggregates and/or by chemically modifying the aggregates.

**Table 5.** Influences and main findings of recycled brick aggregate (RBA) on performance attributes of pervious concrete.

Recycled Aggregate	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
RBA	0–50%	0.30–0.80	The higher the RBA content, the smaller the compressive strength of the concrete. The 7-day and 28-day compressive strengths of the pervious concrete with 50% RBA were 35.5% and 37.1% of those of the pervious concrete with 0% RBA, respectively. The permeability coefficient of the 15% RBA mix was the highest (6.9 mm/s) followed by that of the 0% RBA mix (6.6 mm/s), and the lowest was the 50% RBA mix (0.18 mm/s).	The high crushing value and water absorption rate of the RBA lowered the strength of the pervious concrete. When the substitution rate was too high, with the increase in the water absorption, the effective W/C ratio decreased. However, it is difficult for the aggregate to absorb all the water when mixed for a short amount of time, which leads to the leakage of the cement paste and a low water permeability.	[87]
RBA	100%	0.32	When the polypropylene steel fiber content was 3 to 4 kg/m <sup>3</sup> , the addition of an imitation steel fiber was equivalent to connecting a number of reinforcements between the RBA, and it significantly improved the mechanical strength of the recycled brick aggregate pervious concrete specimens.	The polypropylene steel fiber could increase the bridging role between the aggregate and binder surface and limit the deformation and stress of the concrete specimen.	[88]
RBA	100%	0.28–0.35	The densely graded mixes provided a much higher strength as compared to the mixes prepared with the single-sized aggregates, especially when the particle size was 2.36–19 mm, but the effective pore sizes of the various pervious concretes would be reduced.	Due to their inferior quality, there existed a tendency of the RBA to be broken during the compaction process, which would alter the desired aggregate gradation. Hence, the porosity of the pervious mixes made with over-burnt bricks were slightly lesser than the mixes made with natural aggregate.	[89]
RBA	100%	0.28–0.35	The compressive strength continued to increase with the percentage of fine aggregate, and with the increase in the W/C ratio, the compressive strength first increased and then decreased.	If some proportions of fine aggregates were added in the mix, it exhibited a better degree of packing, and the bonding between the aggregates was enhanced, which ultimately improved the strength of the porous concrete mix.	[90]

Table 5. Cont.

Recycled Aggregate	Replacement Rate	Water–Cement Ratio	Performance Attributes of Pervious Concrete	Main Finding	Reference
RBA + RCA	100%	0.34	Both the compressive strength and tensile strength were increased by the silane treatment. The increase in the magnitude of the compressive strength was significant for higher aggregate-to-cement ratios. For aggregate-to-cement ratios of 2.2, 2.6, 3.0 and 3.4, the increases were 22%, 41%, 65% and 85%, respectively. The connected porosity slightly decreased after the silane treatment.	The silane treatment method is an effective and environmentally friendly method to improve the strength of recycled aggregate pervious concrete by distributing the cement paste in the regions between adjacent recycled aggregate particles. Samples with high porosity or low cement content possessed more favorable characteristics.	[91]
RCA + RBA	100%	0.28	The 28-day compressive strength, flexural strength and elasticity modulus decreased by 36%, 28% and 21%, respectively, when the crushing index of the aggregate changed from 9% to 37%; simultaneously, the strength loss rate increased from 6.6% to 18.7% and the mass loss rate increased from 2.3% to 8.5%.	The increase in the crushing index had significant effects on the compressive strength, elasticity modulus, flexural strength and freeze–thaw durability of the recycled aggregate pervious concrete.	[71]
RBA	100%	0.30	The strength of the RBA pervious concrete was less than that of the natural aggregate concrete for the same aggregate size. However, the permeability of the brick aggregate pervious concrete was higher than that of the stone aggregate pervious concrete.	For the RBA pervious concrete, permeability could be increased without much compromising the strength. However, for the stone aggregate pervious concrete, this was not true. An increase in permeability was associated with a substantial decrease in strength.	[94]

#### 4. Prospect

At present, there are many studies on FA and BFS as well as their applications to pervious concrete. However, there are relatively few studies on VA and its utilization in pervious concrete. In the future, it is suggested to carry out more research on volcanic powder pervious concrete, especially on the water filtration/purification performance, in view of the high porosity of volcanic powder.

Compared with RCA pervious concrete, there are relatively few studies on RBA pervious concrete. In view of this, the authors recommend further studies on RBA pervious concrete from various aspects, especially on water permeability, water filtration/purification and durability.

For all types of solid waste materials, the fresh mix properties and rheological properties are important attributes for concrete production [95,96]. Therefore, quantitative research on the rheological properties of paste containing different waste powders is recommended.

In recent years, there have been a lot of studies on the mechanical properties and water permeability of solid waste pervious concrete. Nonetheless, little research has been conducted on water filtration/purification and durability. More exploration in these two areas is recommended.

Water pollution due to effluent discharges is becoming increasingly serious. It is estimated that more than 50% of countries will face a water crisis by 2025 [97,98]. Pervious concrete has a good purification and filtering effect for wastewater treatment. By applying pervious concrete containing solid waste to effluent purification, waste valorization and a circular economy can be achieved.

Recently, 3D printing technology and underwater 3D printing technology have become popular [99–101]. However, there is relatively little research into the re-use of solid waste as an ingredient material in 3D printing.

Last but not least, some solid wastes may induce great negative effects on the performance of pervious concrete due to their own characteristics and chemical compositions. Therefore, it is necessary to have an initial screening of suitable waste materials as well as to explore better performance-improvement methods for different solid wastes, such as grading optimization, chemical modification, etc., in order to achieve the better reutilization of solid wastes.

#### 5. Conclusions

In order to better understand the influence of solid waste reutilization on pervious concrete, the authors summarized and introduced the characteristics of powder wastes (including fly ash (FA), volcanic powder and blast furnace slag (BFS)) and recycled aggregates (including recycled concrete aggregate (RCA) and recycled brick aggregate (RBA)); additionally, the authors summarized and introduced the effects of powder wastes and recycled aggregates on the mechanical properties, water permeability, water filtration/purification and durability of pervious concrete and put forward relevant prospects. In general, both powder waste and recycled aggregates can be used in the production of pervious concrete. Firstly, FA, volcanic powder and BFS all have a filling effect on the internal structure of pervious concrete, and due to their chemical reaction being slower than that of cement, they are not conducive to the early strength but are beneficial for the later strength development as well as for the durability of pervious concrete. Due to their porous character, these powder wastes also have an enhancement effect on the water filtration/purification of pervious concrete. For RCA and RBA, due to their low strength as well as porous and rough surface, they have a positive impact on the permeability and water filtration/purification of pervious concrete and a negative impact on the mechanical properties, but such a negative effect could be compensated to a certain extent via grading optimization and/or chemical modifications. Therefore, the reutilization of solid wastes have great potential to promote the development of eco-friendly and high-performance pervious concrete for sustainable urbanization. More studies along this line are recommended.

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