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## Sustainable Wood Construction fostering Rural Development and Urban Transformation

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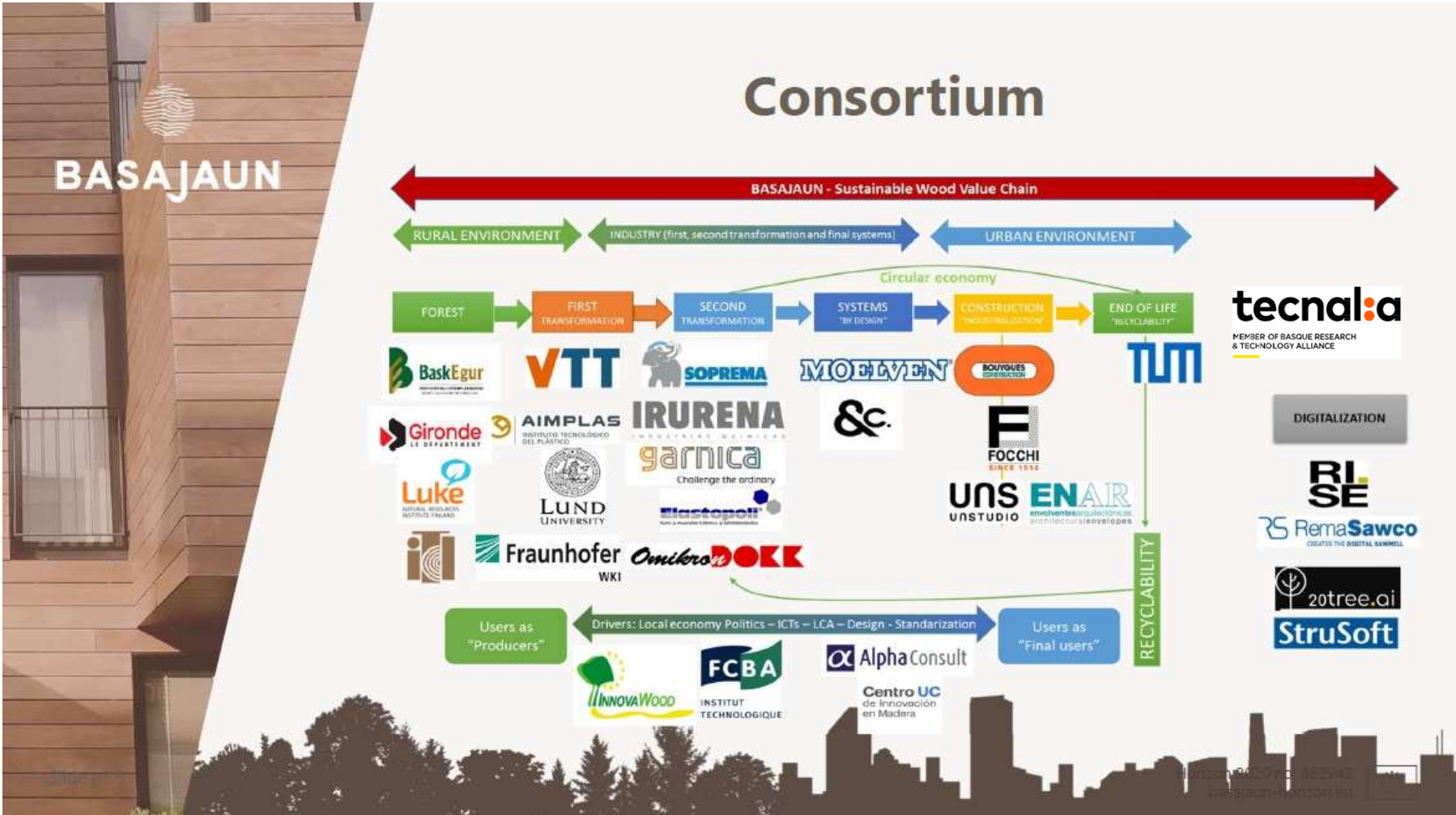
## Buildings can be transformed from a carbon source into carbon sinks by using more wood products and smart construction



The goal is to demonstrate how wood construction chains can be optimized to foster both rural development and urban transformation whilst being connected with sustainable forest management in Europe.



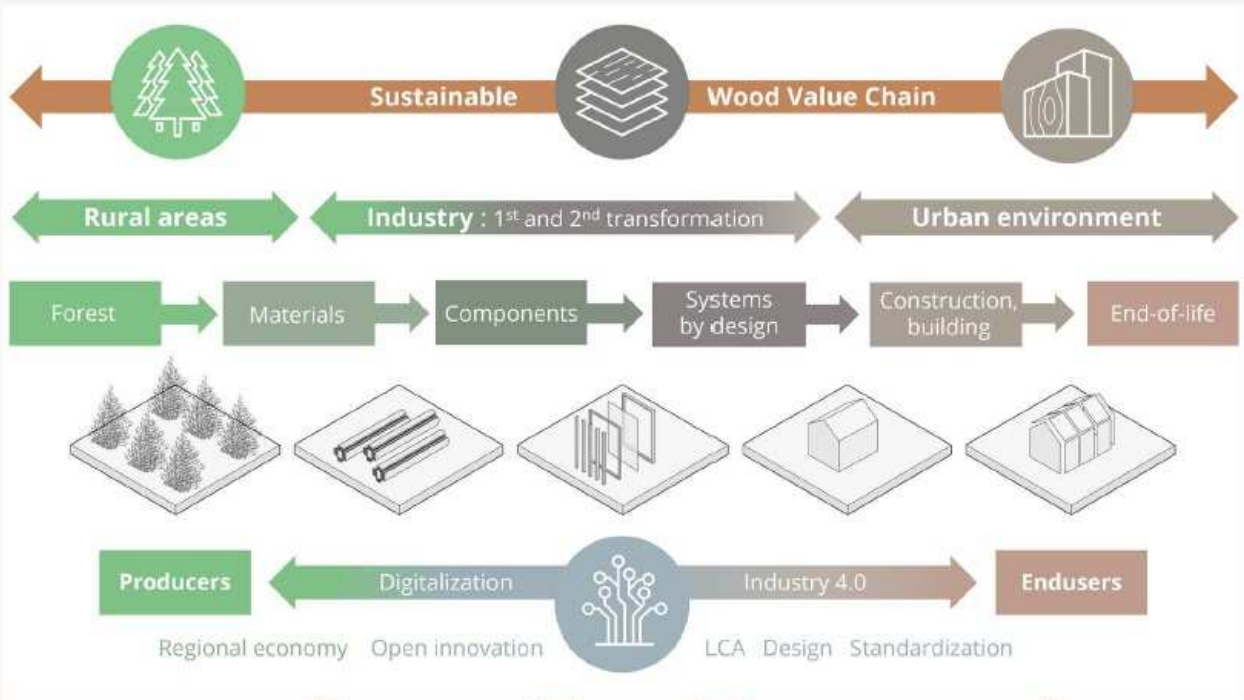
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# Wood construction supply chain





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### Work programme / innovations

-  **WP1 Sustainable wood construction value chain**
-  **WP2 Recyclability, environmental issues**
-  **WP3 Forest 2 building digital framework**

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## Work programme / innovations

**WP4 Innovative materials**

**WP5 Building systems and products**

- Products design, structural components, connectors
- **Facades, curtain wall system with biocomposites**
- Roofs, internal partitions
- Industrial construction system
- Industrial building concept in wood
- Bio-composite profiles
- Enhanced engineered wood products

**WP6 Demo building**



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In this project we want to make better use of wood or wood derivatives and try to apply it in more places than is usually done in a real building:

- Structure
- All the components of the facade, including the profiles, with a wooden base.
- Roof: a new development of sandwich panels has been carried out, with insulation derived from wood chips, internally reinforced (for mechanical properties)





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Different construction elements have been developed, especially façades and roofs.

- Performance has been analyzed.
- Tests have been carried out.
- Assembly and execution modes have been studied.
- All industrialized.
- Implemented in a demo building.



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# Basajaun Façade System Design



## Basajaun Façade components prototypes

- Façade requirements
- Façade Performance Targets
- Façade system design

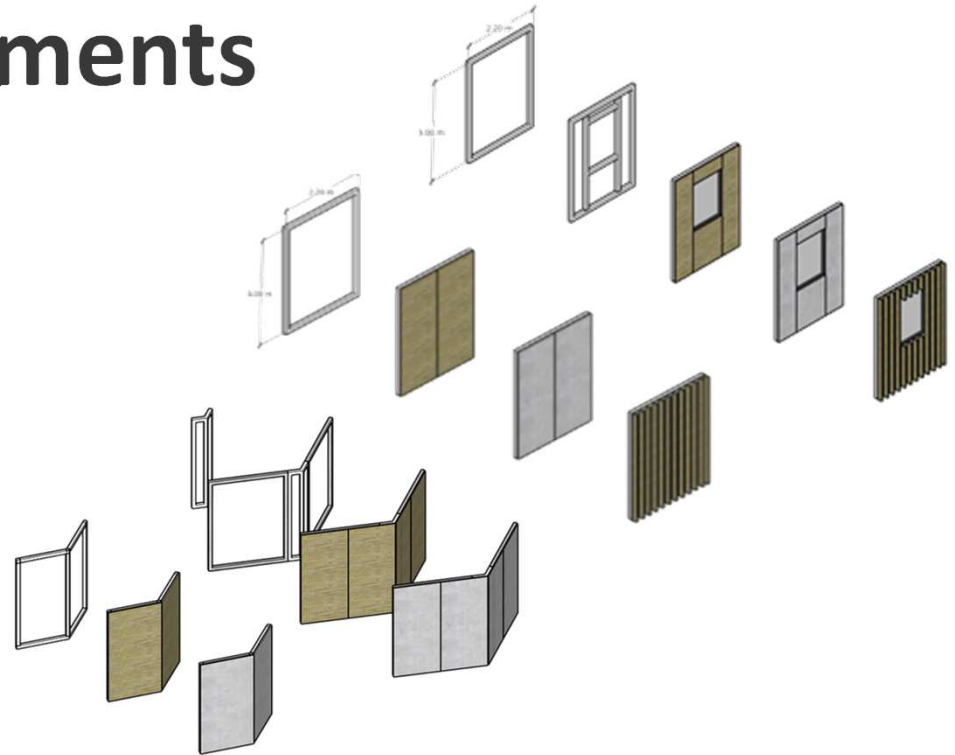
## Façade tests

- Performance analysis
- Acoustic
- Fire
- Mechanical simulations
- Thermal and hygrothermal

# Basajaun façade requirements

## Market Requirements:

- Industrialization
- Architectural Customization:
  - external cladding customization
  - set of typologies



To meet these market requirements the most effective technological solution is the **Unitized Curtain Wall system** for both facade systems (vision and opaque facade systems).





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# Basajaun façade performance targets

BASIC REQUIREMENT		FINLAND BUILDING CODE	FRANCE BUILDING CODE	BASAJAUN FACADE SYSTEM DESIGN
Safety in case of fire	Reaction to fire	D-s2, d2 - B-s1, d0 Cladding system: D-s2, d2 - A2-s1, d0	IT249 - NF EN 1995-1-2+ national annexe	B1-s1,d0
	Fire resistance	EI30 - EI120	R 15 to 90 depending on the category of family. limitations are depending on building types	EI30 internal layer Fire resistance test to be conducted
Protection against noise	Airborne sound insulation	Sound insulation R'w ≥ 30 dB. SFS-EN ISO 717-1.	Acoustic reduction index RA=31	RA=31 Acoustic test to be conducted
Energy economy and heat retention	Thermal transmittance	U Value of wall/facade ≤ 0,17 W/m²K U value of window ≤ 1,0 W/m²K	U Value of opaque = 0,20 W/m²K U Value window ≤ 1,3 W/m²K U Value door ≤ 0,80 W/m²K	Simulation with EN ISO 10077-2:2019
		Air permeability rate (q50) of a building envelope may be a maximum of 4.0 m3/(h m2).	Air permeability < 0.4 m3(h/.m2)	Air permeability < 0.4 m3(h/.m2) Test under 13830 to be conducted





# Basajaun façade system design

## First Solution

The first Basajaun facade system design is a preliminary solution which includes the main characteristics and requirements expected by the facade system design.

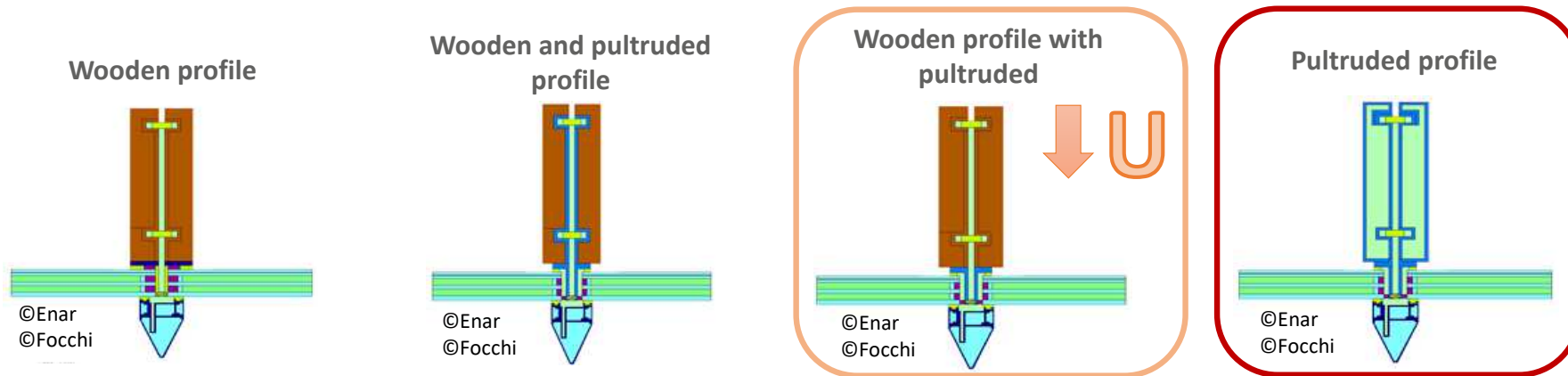
Considerations and needs faced:

- **biocomposite profiles for unitized curtain wall facade systems** - A set of profiles are designed with the new mechanical characteristics defined by biocomposite material development.
- **wood based products** - Internal layer for fire resistance and insulation material for thermal performance.
- **external cladding** - A fixing mechanism for the external cladding is designed to allow a finishing interchangeable and customizable.

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## Optimization phase: from 1st to 2nd solution

Different configurations have been considered and the scenarios with different profile materials have been simulated to investigate the thermal behaviour of the façade system:



The lowest value of transmittance is the solution of the **wooden profile with the pultruded**. To reduce the number of components and optimizing the façade system it has been chosen the solution with only a **pultruded profile** whose transmittance value is slightly higher

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## Second solution

The second solution implements the first solution. The second solution is the result of the following considerations and needs:

**General characteristic** - The second solution identifies different materials which follow the demo regulations. In particular, the facade system kept in consideration the profile connections, the breathability of the facade and the wood-based material products.

**Profile** - Two activities have been conducted:

- *profile/mould reduction*
- *thicker profile*

**Components fixing system** - it was decided to use a structural sealant rather than a mechanical restraint system as a fixing system for the external layer (aesthetic).





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## Second solution

**External cladding** -the cladding system remains interchangeable.

**Membranes** - External and internal membranes allow fire reaction, resistances and breathability performances requested.

**Plywood** - application of plywood in the facade is evaluated for internal and external layers.

- *Internal layer* – protection of the wood fiber insulation panel (fire resistance).
- *External layer* - it has been evaluated, but not resistant to weather conditions.

**External Fin** - aesthetic element.



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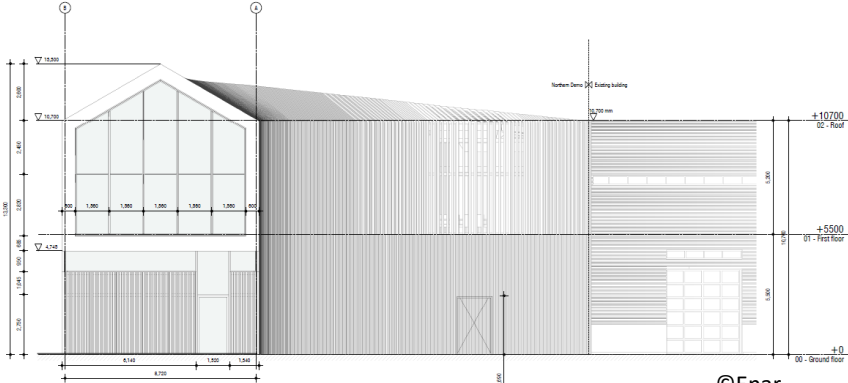


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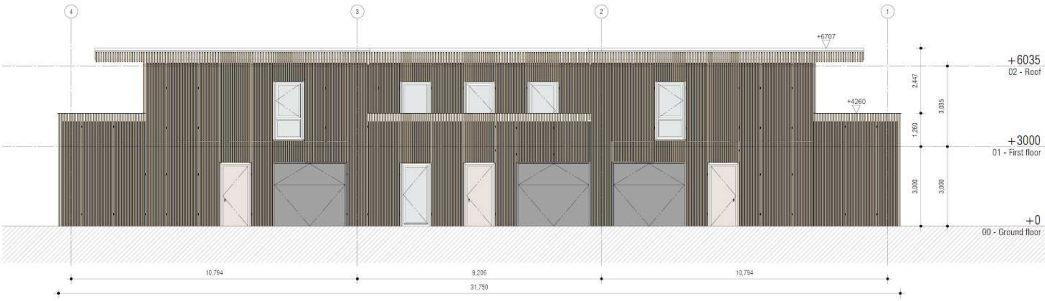
## Optimization phase: from 2nd solution to final system design

The façade system development had to keep in consideration not only the technical and engineering characteristics but also the Demo building requirements and the Basajaun objective.

The aim of the project was to **improve the manufacturing process** of the unit façade by developing a reduced number of unit typologies.



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## Final design

Result of the previous evolutions, requirements, and considerations.

The main developments in this final design are:

- **General characteristic** - In the final design has been reduced the facade thickness: the wood fiber insulated panel has been **reduced by 52 mm** since it was not required by the French Demo regulations.
- **Biocomposite profile** - four different profiles
  - Mullions - Female transom - Male transom
  - Male profile
  - Internal key
  - External frame (for windows and doors)
- **External cladding** - is maintained interchangeable
- **Plywood** - used to withstand up to 30 minutes for the fire resistance.
- **Shading** - French demo design requires it in the window facade system (external roller shutter).

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## Unit typologies for French Demo building

Opaques Modules



Windows Modules



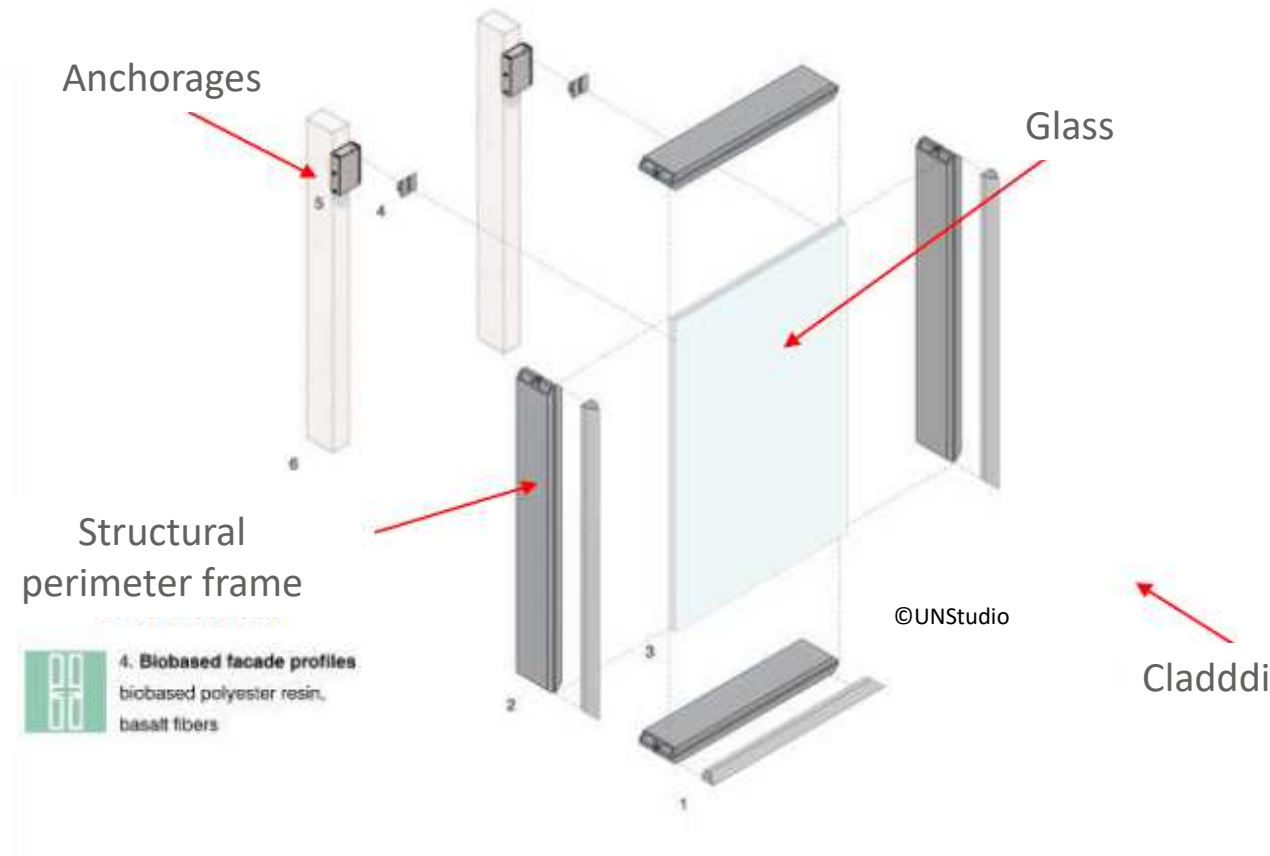
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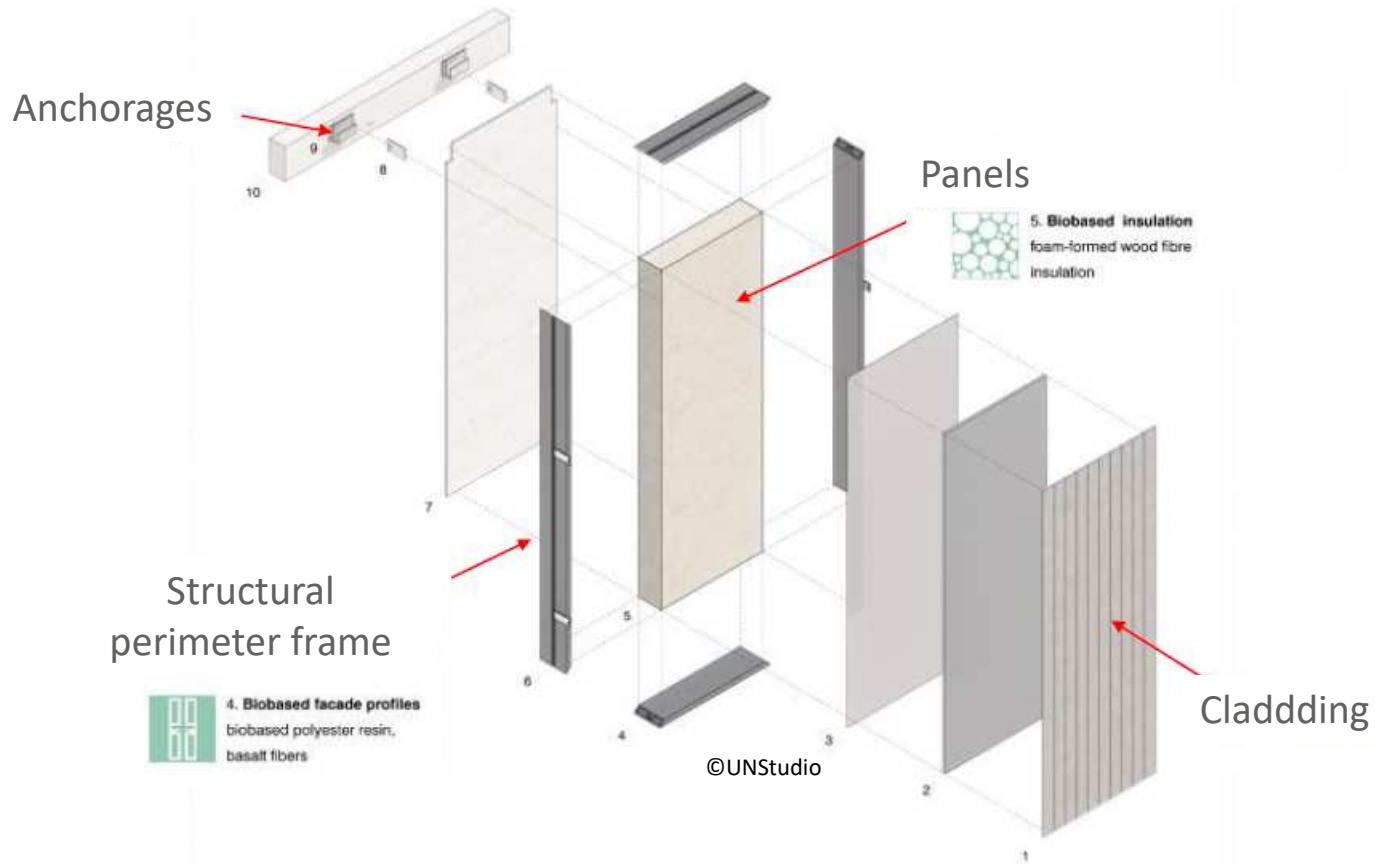


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# Laboratory tests results of the prototypes




- Environmental test sequence:
  - Air permeability.
  - Water tightness.
  - Resistance to wind load.
  - Air permeability.
  - Water tightness.
  - Resistance to wind load.
- Safe impact/break resistance.
- Reaction to fire
- Fire resistance
- Resistance to own weight
- Acoustic attenuation
- Mechanical simulations
- Hydrothermal behaviour
- Biocomposite material characterization



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## Environmental and mechanical tests

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**Item\***  
 curtain walling named "Basajaun"

**Activity**  
 environmental and mechanical tests  
 with reference to the harmonized standard UNI EN 13830:2005

Activity	Test reference	Classification reference	Class*
air permeability through fixed parts	related to overall area relating to fixed joint length	UNI EN 12153 UNI EN 12152	A4 A4
watertightness		UNI EN 12155	R7
resistance to windload under design load +1350 Pa and -1350 Pa		UNI EN 12179 UNI EN 13116	pass
internal impact resistance		UNI EN 14019	I2
external impact resistance		UNI EN 14019	E5

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Opaque module

**Rating according to EN ISO 717-1:2020:**  
 $R_w(C;C_{tr})$ : 44 (-2; -7) dB;  $C_{100-5000}$ : -1 dB;  $C_{tr,100-5000}$ : -7 dB  
 $R_A = R_w + C_{100-5000}$ : 43 dB  
 $R_{A,tr} = R_w + C_{tr,100-5000}$ : 37 dB  
 Evaluation based on laboratory measurement results obtained by an engineering method.

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Vision module

**Rating according to EN ISO 717-1:2020:**  
 $R_w(C;C_{tr})$ : 42 (-2; -6) dB;  $C_{100-5000}$ : -1 dB;  $C_{tr,100-5000}$ : -6 dB  
 $R_A = R_w + C_{100-5000}$ : 41 dB  
 $R_{A,tr} = R_w + C_{tr,100-5000}$ : 36 dB  
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## Fire resistance tests



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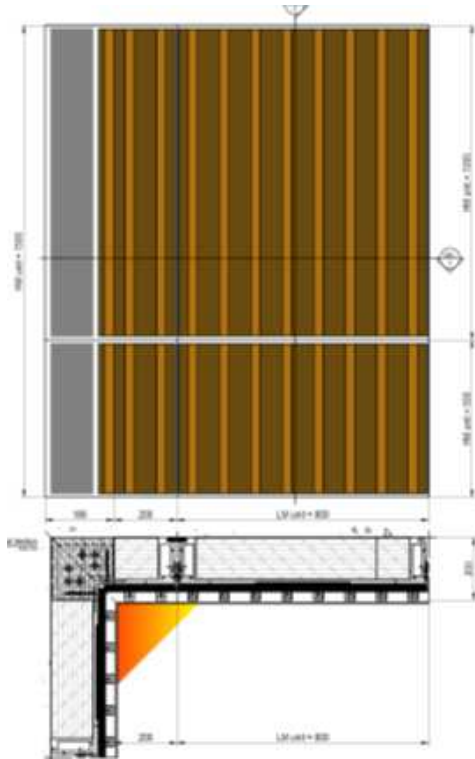
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Spandrell module

Fire resistance classification: EI 60 (i→o)



## Reaction to fire



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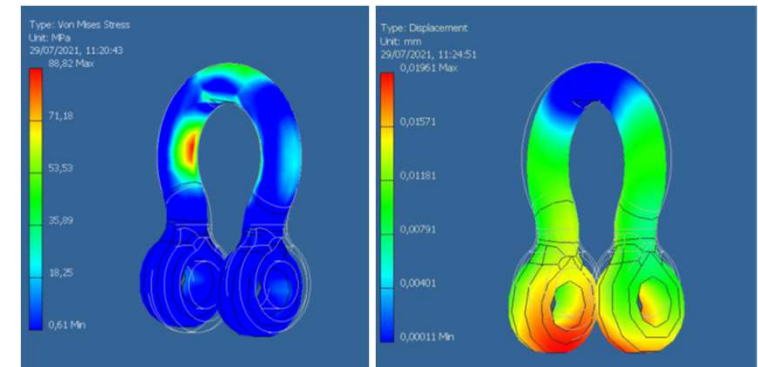
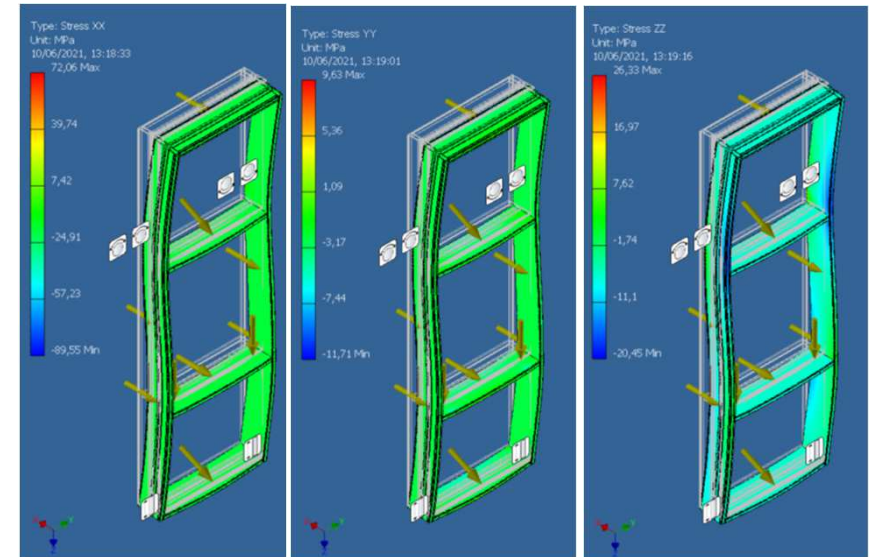
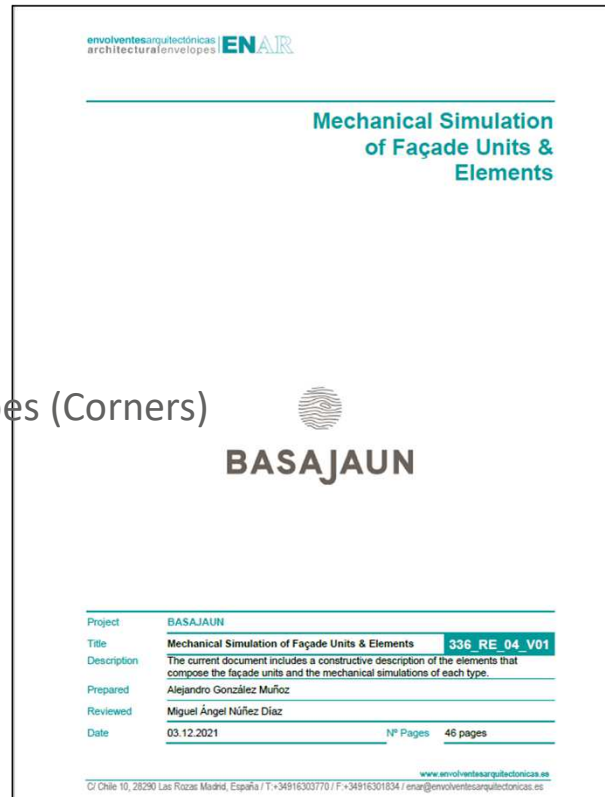


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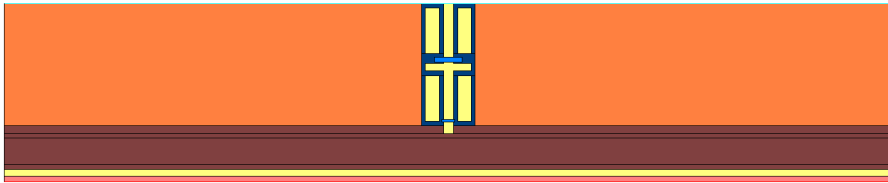
## Mechanical simulations

- Mullion and transom of different panels
- Opaque Unit
- Glass Unit
- Window Unit
- Balaustrade Unit
- Corner Unit
- Special reinforcement tubes (Corners)
- Anchorages
- Connection elements
- Screws and fixings



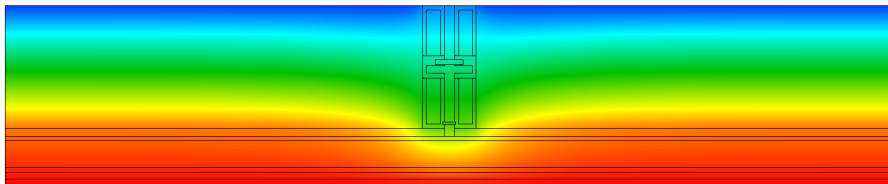
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*Thermal model for wall*

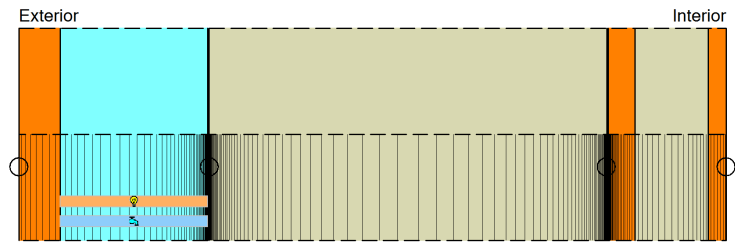


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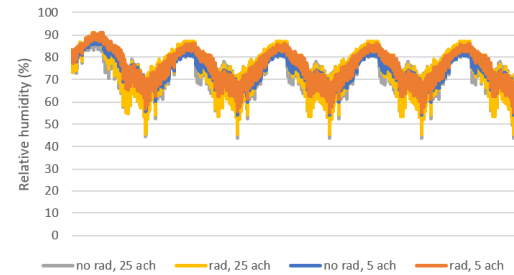
Equivalent thermal transmittance of wall junctions with profiles:  
**U = 0.144 W/mK**

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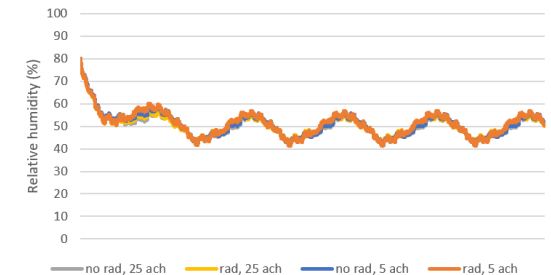


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*Hygrothermal model of wall*



*Evolution of relative humidity at outer face of core woodfibre insulation*



*Evolution of relative humidity at inner face of core woodfibre insulation*



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## Demo building in South Europe



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