

# APPLICATIONS OF SOL-GEL TECHNOLOGY IN CONSERVATION

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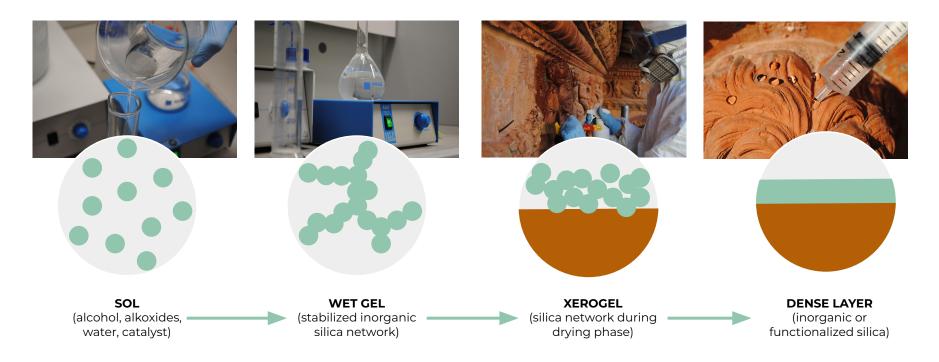


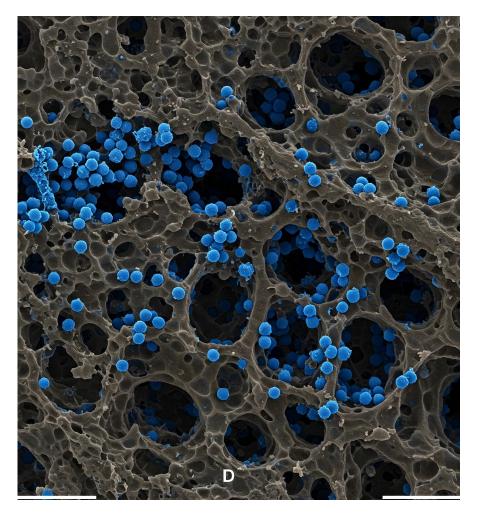


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Patent: Silica thin films synthesized with tin-catalyzed sol-gel process at room temperature and neutral pH.





#### **Advantages**

- Green process
- Versatility
- Mesoporosity
- Reversibility
- Compatibility
- UV-vis transparency
- Suitability for treating surfaces of historical and artistic interest (Cultural Heritage)

## Mineral consolidants

# Hydrophobic coatings

# Pictorial binders









Chiostro di S. Chiara, Napoli, Italy UNESCO

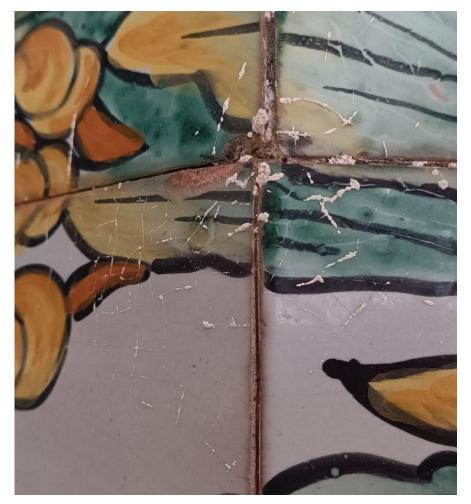
Consolidation of majolicas with amorphous sol-gel silica

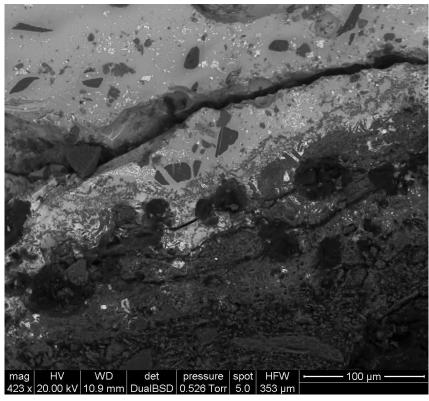






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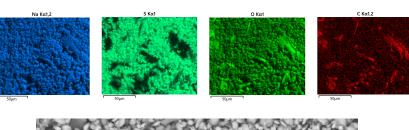


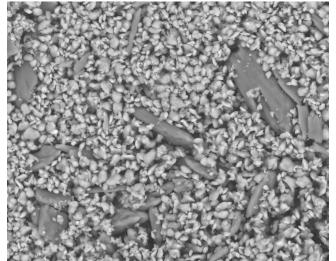


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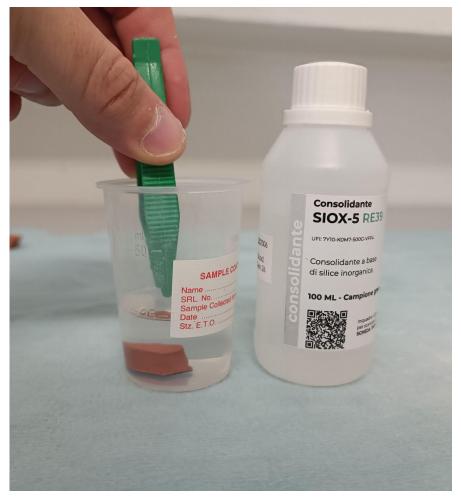


#### SEM-EDS Elemental mapping





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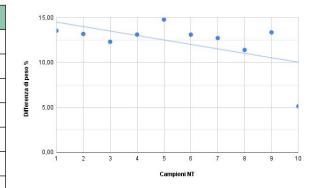


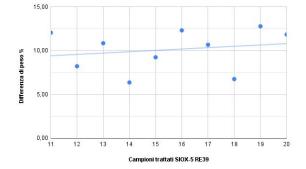
#### **UNI EN 12370:2020**

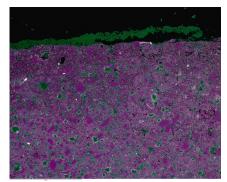
Test methods for natural stone Determination of resistance to salt crystallization.

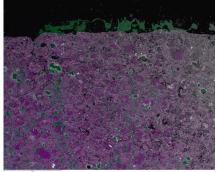
Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

NT				Treated with sol-gel consolidant			
N. Provino	Pi	Pf	D%	N. Provino	Pi	Pf	D%
1	1,62	1,88	+ 13,53	11	1,68	1,91	+ 12,04
2	2,07	2,38	+ 13,17	12	2,57	2,80	+ 8,21
3	3,26	3,72	+ 12,30	13	2,76	3,10	+ 10,84
4	1,57	1,80	+ 13,10	14	3,68	3,93	+ 6,36
5	2,33	2,73	+ 14,78	15	2,36	2,60	+ 9,23
6	1,96	2,26	+ 13,10	16	2,21	2,52	+ 12,30
7	2,77	3,18	+ 12,71	17	3,52	3,94	+ 10,66
8	2,10	2,37	+ 11,40	18	1,52	1,63	+ 6,75
9	2,32	2,67	+ 13,35	19	2,46	2,82	+ 12,77
10	2,66	2,81	+ 5,13	20	2,46	2,79	+ 11,83





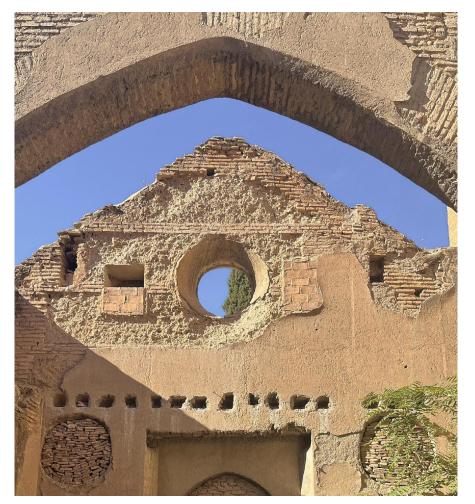




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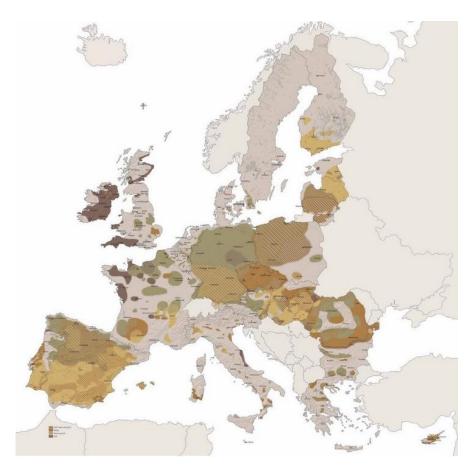


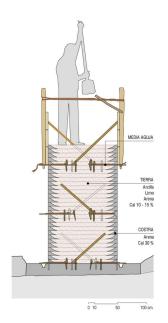




### Chiesa di S. Luis Granada, Spain

Protection of raw earth plasters with functionalized sol-gel silica







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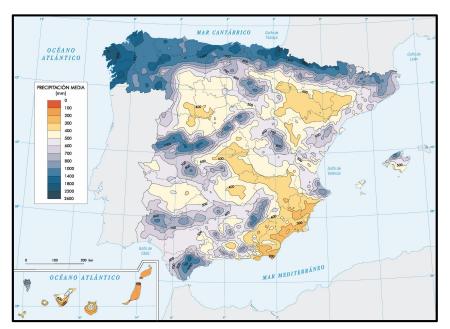
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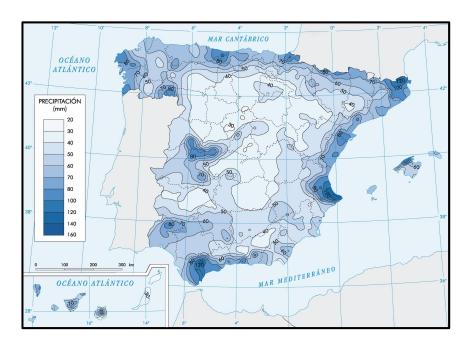
terra ed intelaiature in legno

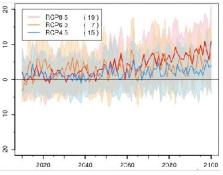
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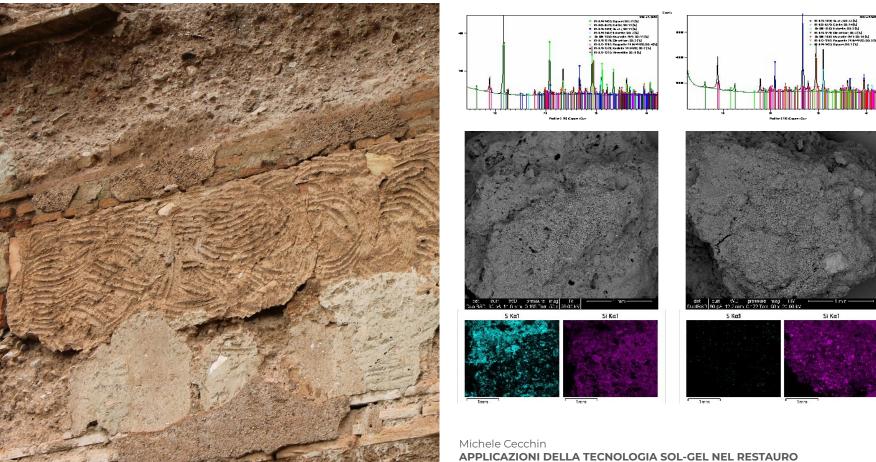
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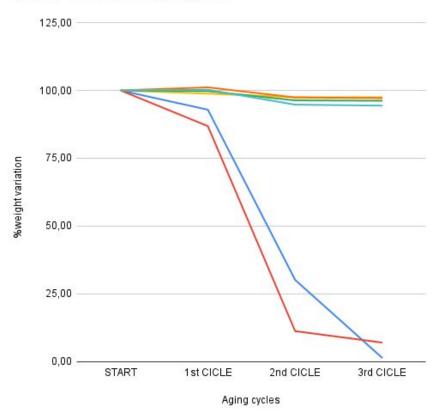




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#### SAMPLES (Group A)

Weight % variation following aging cycles



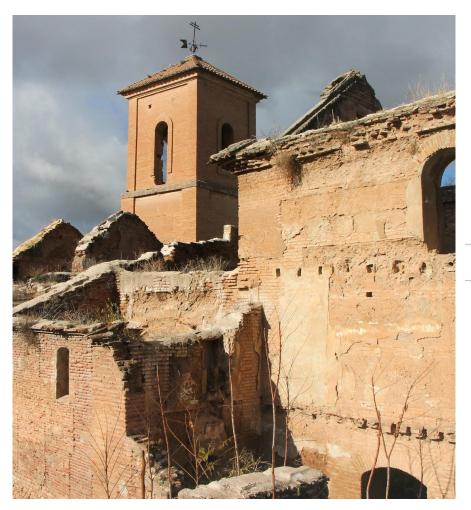


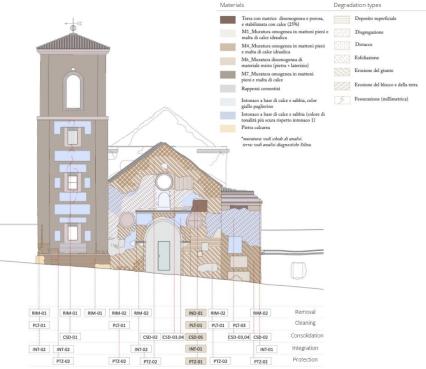


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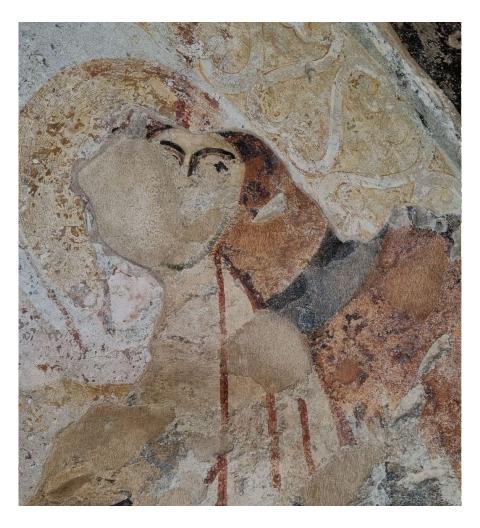
A Not treated
A Not treated
A Sol-gel SD2
A Sol-gel SD2

A Sol-gel 116NO
 A Sol-gel 116NO



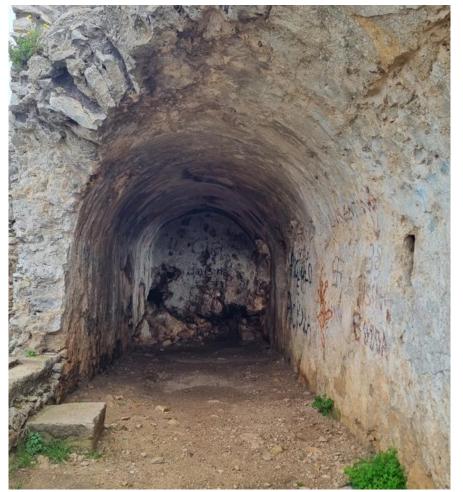


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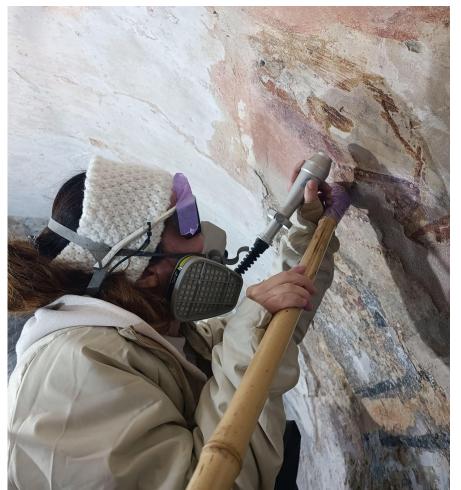
### Piccolo tempio di Giove Anxur, Terracina (LT), Italy

Pictorial retouching with silica sol-gel binders





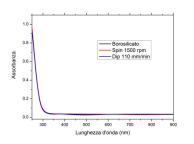
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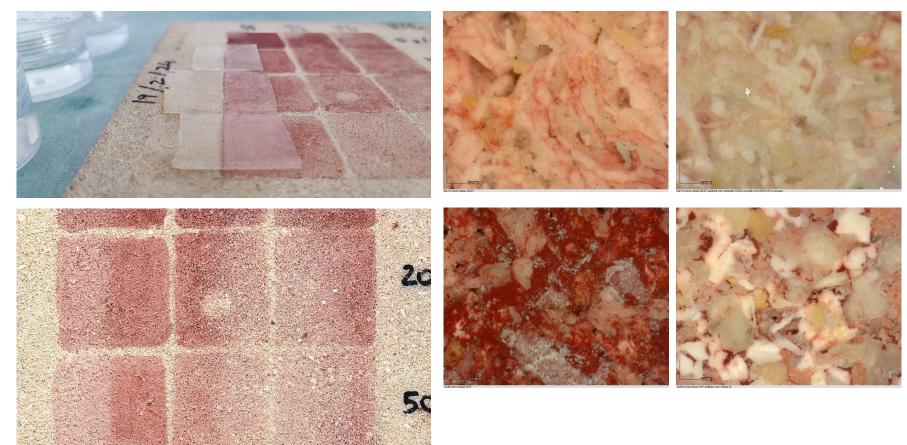


#### **Compatible pigments:**

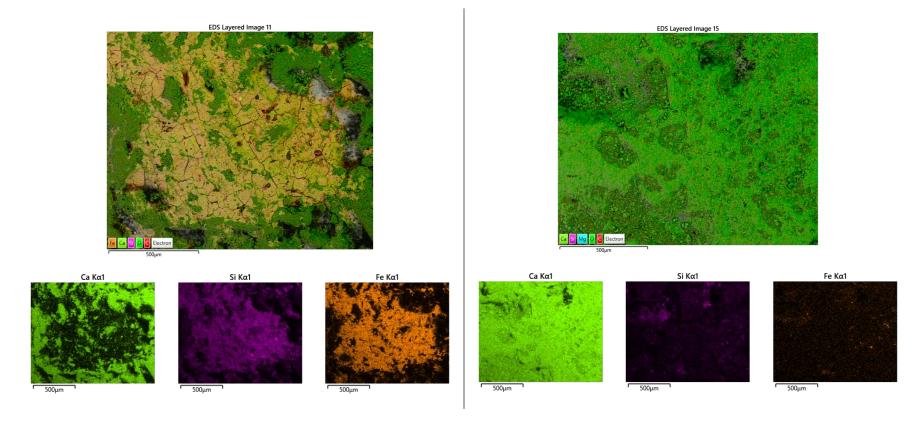
ochres (iron oxides and hydroxides), earths (silico-aluminates), metallic oxides (Ti and Co)...

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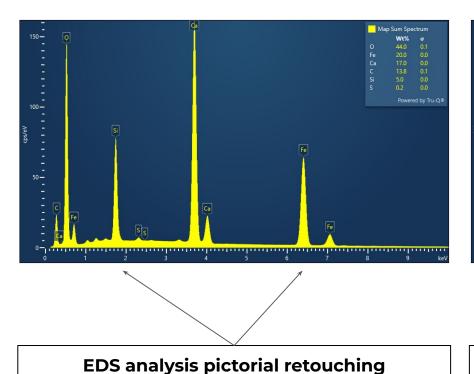
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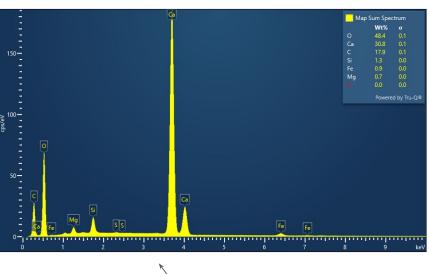


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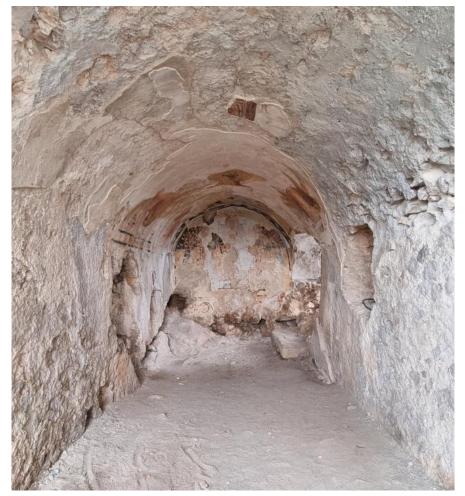
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**EDS analysis after removal** 









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