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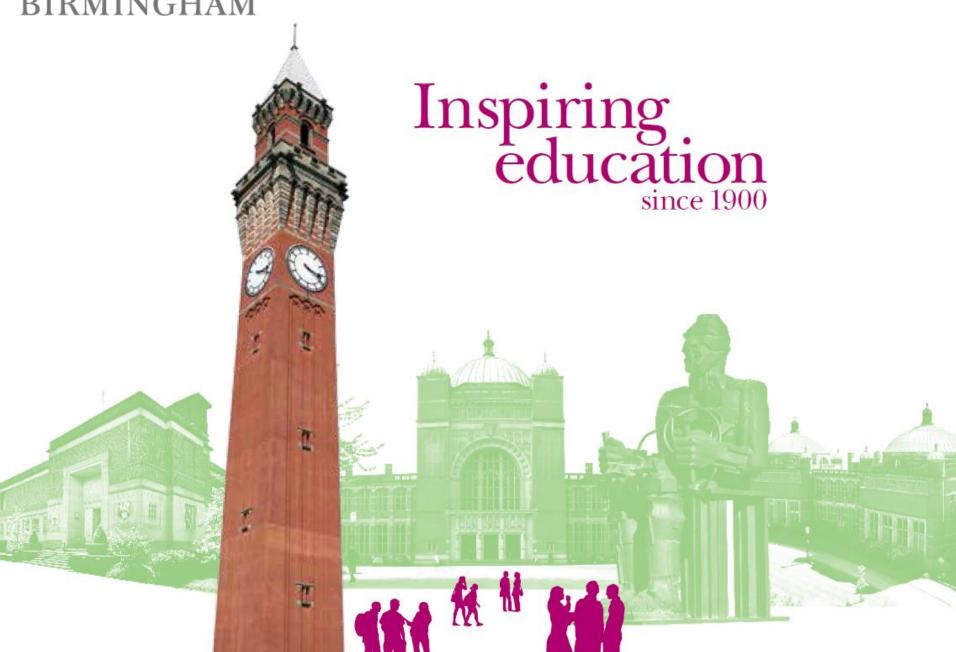
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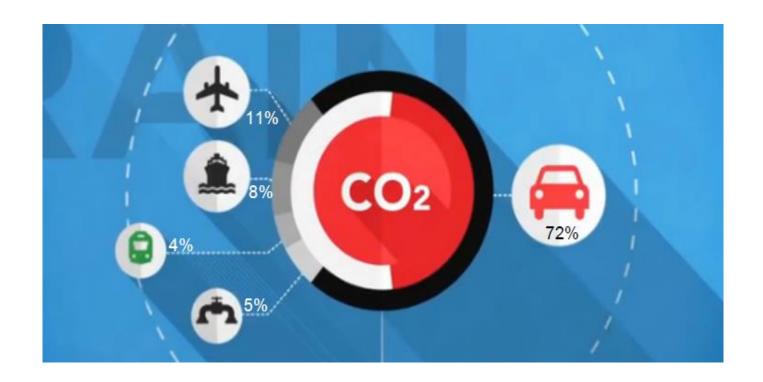
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Technology Readiness Level (TRL)

TECHNOLOGY READINESS LEVEL (TRL)

ENT	9	ACTUAL SYSTEM PROVEN IN OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENT
DEPLOYMENT	8	SYSTEM COMPLETE AND QUALIFIED
DEPL	7	SYSTEM PROTOTYPE DEMONSTRATION IN OPERATIONAL ENVIRONMENT
EN	6	TECHNOLOGY DEMONSTRATED IN RELEVANT ENVIRONMENT
DEVELOPMENT	5	TECHNOLOGY VALIDATED IN RELEVANT ENVIRONMENT
DEVE	4	TECHNOLOGY VALIDATED IN LAB
Į	3	EXPERIMENTAL PROOF OF CONCEPT
RESEARCH	2	TECHNOLOGY CONCEPT FORMULATED
RE	1	BASIC PRINCIPLES OBSERVED

Note: Technology readiness levels (TRLs) are a method for estimating the maturity of technologies during the acquisition phase of a program. TRLs enable consistent and uniform discussions of technical maturity across different types of technology (ISO 16290:2013)

Technology Readiness Level (TRL)

Research universities, Science foundations

Technical universities, Research Institutes, R&D Labs, Engineering Standards
Development, Spin-out companies

SMEs, Industry, Consulting services, Government. Society

TRL1 Basic principles observed TRL2
Technology
concept
formulated

TRL3
Experimental proof of concept

TRL4
Technology
validated in lab

TRL5

Technology validated in relevant environment

TRL6

Technology demonstrated in relevant environment TRL7

System prototype demonstration in operational environment

TRL9

TRL8

System Actual system complete and qualified proven in operational environment

I Disruptive Research

II Applied Research

III Pilot Production or Demonstration

Manufacturing

PRODUCT IDEA

PROTOTYPE

FIRST TEST PRODUCT

PRODUCT

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SMEs, Industry, **Consulting** services, Government. Society

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Technology validated in relevant environment TRL6

Technology demonstrated in relevant environment

TRL7

System prototype demonstration in operational

TRL8

System complete and qualified

TRL9

Actual system proven in operational environment





World Top 200 (Top 1%)

World Top 200+

High-impact publications

- Highly-cited journal articles
- Prestige conferences
- •Research-led education

Intellectual Properties

- Patents
- Copyrights
- Technical trainings



Railway as a 'System of Systems'

Railway research needs to be collaborative, transferable, and systemics.



Sydney, Australia

Operational Systems

- Light rail
- Metro
- Suburban
- Highspeed
- Freights

Track Systems

- Ballasted tracks
- Ballastless tracks
- Guideway

Bridge Systems Electrification Systems

Train Systems

- Locomotive + Wagons
- EMU- Electric Multiple Unit trains
- DMU Diesel Multiple
 Unit trains

Signalling Systems

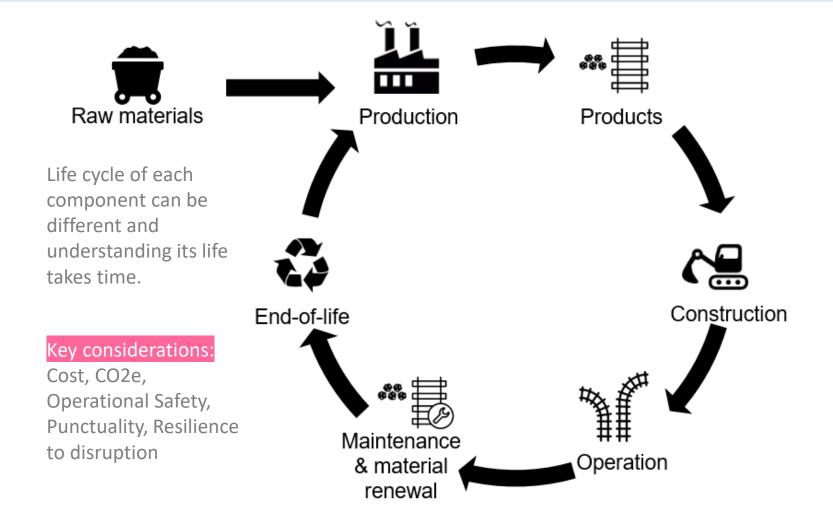
- Block signals
- ATO
- ETCS
- Virtual Coupling



Merchan et al. (2020) Life cycle assessment of rail freight transport in Belgium

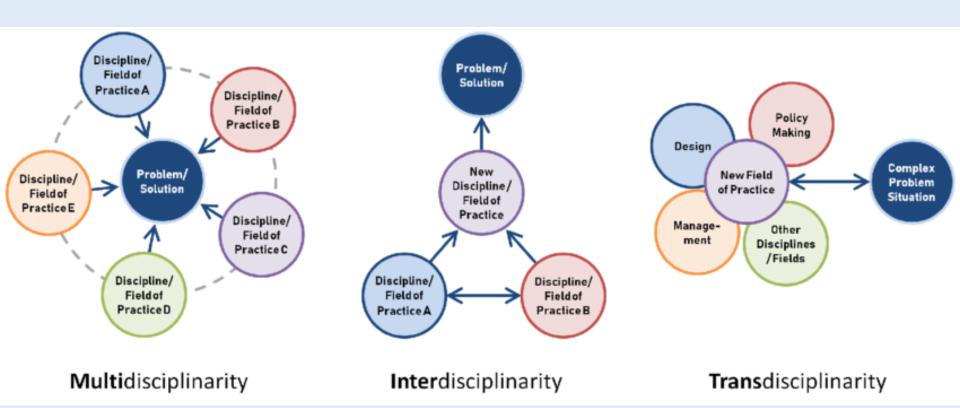
Railway Research through Life

Railway research can be at any stage of life cycle. Understanding fundamental limit states can take time.



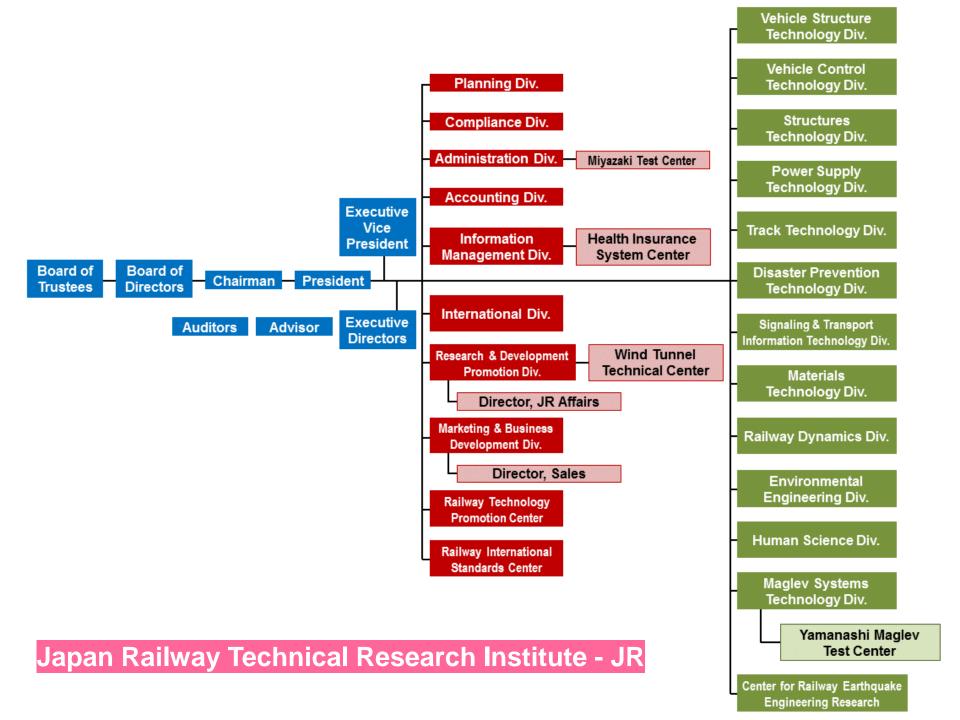
Building Railway Research Capabilities

Railway research can often be either interdisciplinary or transdisciplinary.



Key considerations:

Collaboration for shared facilities, open data, funding scheme for networking, joint projects.



KRRI: Korea Railroad Research Institute

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Global Technology	Budget Department		Railway Designated		
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Department					
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Department		Facilities Operation & Safety Department			

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Research Department

Railway Research – Comprehensive Review

CARS: China Academy of Railway Sciences

- Rail Transportation & Logistics
- Railway Civil Engineering
- Railway Mechanical Engineering
- Railway Signalling and Operations
- Railway Electrification
- Environmental Group
- Passenger Experiences
- Economics
- Risks and safety
- Standards & Trainings
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Centres of Excellence



Digital System >



Rolling Stock >



Infrastructure >



Testing >







Future Railway Operations and Control

- Simulator development
- Traffic management
- System optimisation
- Simulation and testing for integration
- Hardware and humans in-the-loop
- Next generation(s) of control systems and railway digitisation



Data integration and cyber security

- Controlled access to national and international data
- Data modelling and architecture
- Integration of operations and customer-facing systems
- Data-driven railway
- Security and analysis of cyber threats



Smart Monitoring and Autonomous Systems

- Next generations of smart condition monitoring
- Interconnected sensing systems
- Innovations in sensors and sensing
- Intelligent, robotic and autonomous systems
- Innovative self-learning systems
- Real-time scheduling systems
- Machine learning



Introducing Innovation

- Road-mapping of benefit realisation
- Alignment of stakeholders for rapid technology adoption
- Identification of benefits and structuring stakeholder incentives
- System integration testing to speed up approval







High value rolling stock systems

- Lightweighting
- Propulsion systems



Whole life asset optimisation and through life management

- Remote condition monitoring
- Asset management systems
- Simulation and synthetics



Energy management

- Energy storage
- Energy systems management





- Geotechnical engineering
- Track systems
- Metallurgy, tribology and rail/wheel interface
- Noise and vibration
- Structural engineering and materials
- Asset management
- Risk and reliability
- Resilience engineering
- Human factors
- Economic and railway system modelling
- Hardware-in-the-loop
- Fluid dynamics
- High voltage







Where they are?

RIDC Melton

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RIDC Tuxford

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Estate
Lodge Lane
Tuxford
Nottinghamshire
NG22 ONL

Transport for London – Hearne House (Acton, London)

118-120 Gunnersbury Lane, London, W3 9BQ

Transport for London (Stratford, London)

5 Endeavour Square, International Quarter, Stratford, E15 2DU

Long Marston Rail Innovation Centre

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Impacts

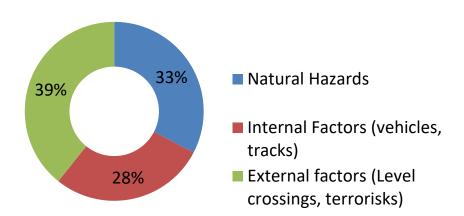
http://www.risen2rail.eu



More than 100 peer-reviewed journal papers and 96 peer-reviewed conference papers have already been published in permanent open access platforms. The output has already exceeded the targets proposed for over the duration of the project (WP6). All papers are archived on permanent open-access institutional servers in compliance with Art 29.2 of GA.

2020 Target: 25 journal papers and 16 seminars/conferences

Rail disruptions (JREast, 2010)





Ideas to Impact



Our research is a part of



- Action TU1404 TOWARDS THE NEXT GENERATION OF STANDARDS FOR SERVICE LIFE OF CEMENT-BASED MATERIALS AND STRUCTURES
- Action CA15125 Designs for Noise Reducing Materials and Structures (DENORMS)
- Action CA15202 Self-healing As preventative Repair of Concrete Structures (SACOS)

Ideas to Impact



Our research contributes to



- British Standard Committee (BSI) and Rail Safety and Standard Board Committee (RSSB) for Railway Sleepers and Bearers
- ISO Standard Working Group (269/1) for Plastic and Composite Sleepers
- ISO Standard Working Group (269/4) for Recycling of Rolling Stocks

Conclusions



Summary

- This presentation will highlight collaborative research for improving safety, resilience, efficacy, sustainability and carbon footprint in railway systems.
- The collaborative research are aligned with **United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals.**
- Collaboration is the key to improve scientific, industrial and societal impacts.











Thank you very much for your kind attention

