

# The Performance and Added Value of Culture-based Green Wall

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*Widya Chandra Residence,  
Jakarta, Indonesia*

Source: Tropica Greeneries



# Introduction

- History:
  - Ancients: Hanging garden of Babylonia
  - Medieval: medicinal herbs and food crops in Europe
  - Modern: Patrick Blanc, the rise of hydroponic
  - Architectural integration
  - Technological advancement: irrigation systems, lightweight materials, plant selection
  - Global adoption

*Quai Branly Museum by Patrick Blanc*

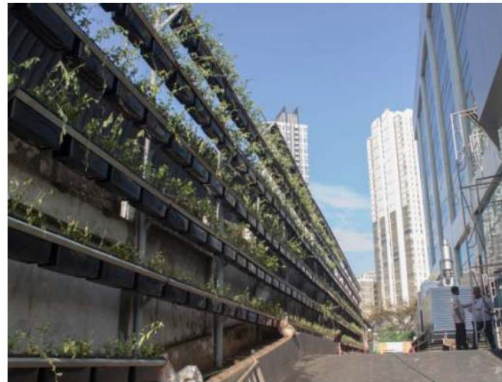
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- Terminology :
  - Green wall
  - Living wall
  - Vertical garden
  - Vertical farming
  - Urban farming
- Types of green wall
  - Modular panel systems: pre-vegetated panels and modular tray system
  - Hydroponic
  - Living wall systems
  - Bio-integrated systems
- Indoor or Outdoor
- Design: artistic and customized
- Media
  - Media-free
  - Freestanding media
  - Mat media
  - Sheet media
  - Structural media

*Mayapada Hospital, South Jakarta, Indonesia*

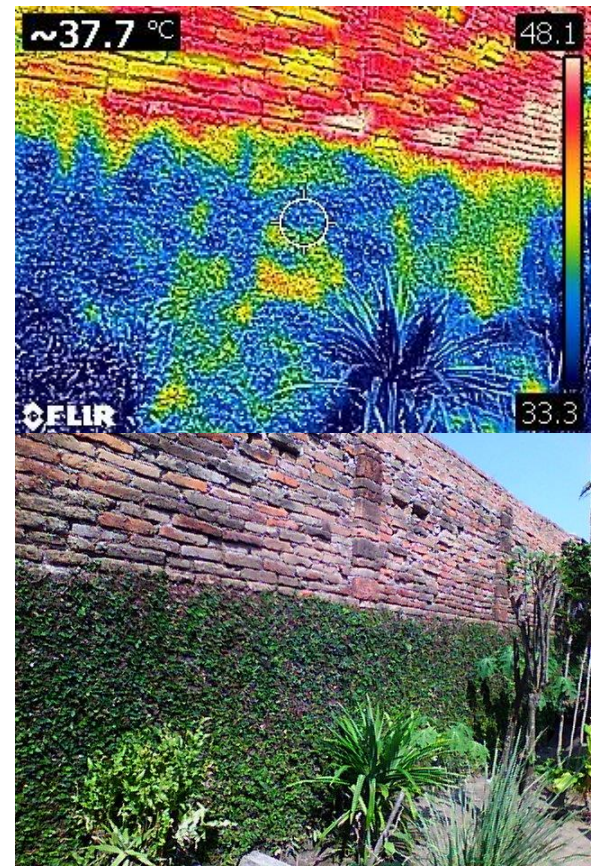
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# Environmental performance

- Building condition: thermal
- Water reuse and management
- Phytoremediation
- Improved health and well-being
- Acoustic performance
- Biodiversity enhancement
- Microclimate improvement

*Preliminary study, Nanik's House,  
Yogyakarta, Indonesia*





# Added (?) value

- User preference
- Aesthetics
- Relaxation
- Economic
- Food production
- Medicinal
- Increasing property value



*Beach cabin, Yamaguchi Japan*

# Challenges

- Maintenance
- Cost
- Structural considerations
- Water usage
- Limited plant selection
- Installation challenges
- Potential damage
- Aesthetics issues
- Long-term viability
- Pest
- Keys: proper planning, design, and maintenance

# Meet the team

- **Alexander Suryandono** (Architecture/UGM)
- **Weimin Wang** (Mechanical Engineering/UNC Charlotte)
- **Wisnu Hardiansyah** (Architecture/UGM)
- **Cantya Marhendra** (Planning/UGM)
- **Pinjung Nawang Sari** (Agriculture/UGM)
- **Anggia Murni** (PT Tropica Greeneries)





# Contextual: local and cultural

- Yogyakarta, Indonesia
- Preservation of cultural heritage
- Community engagement
- Tourism

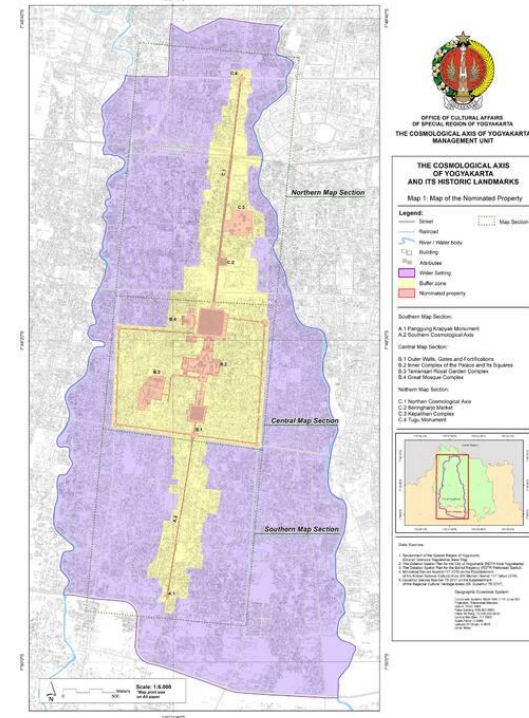


Yogyakarta, Indonesia (top)

Source: maps.google.com

The Cosmological Axis of Yogyakarta and Its historic Landmarks (bottom)

Source: unesco.org



- **Economic** development
- **Environmental** benefits
- **Educational** opportunities
- **Climate** resilience



# Experimental setting

- Wall orientation : east
- Location : 1<sup>st</sup> floor east wing Department of Architecture and Planning UGM
- Sunlight exposure from around 8:00 – 11:30 am
- Segment : division by 60/60 structural columns, structural grid 7200 mm



*3d model of proposed vertical greeneries*

- Plant types: 3 herbs + 3 climbers. Herb X should be a plant which emits more humidity
- All plants should :
  - be locally grown and available
  - have traditional medicine as added value
  - low maintenance

*Available seeds in common agriculture product store*







### *Chosen plants:*

*Rosemary/ Salvia rosmarinus. Source: ilmubudidaya.com*

*Mint/ Mentha spicata. Source: Kompas.com*

*Kemangi/ Ocimum africanum. Source: hellosehat.com*

*Cabe Jawa/ Piper retrofractum*

*Cincau hijau/ Cyclea barbata. Source: berita99.co*

*Bunga telang/ Clitoria tematea*

- Planting container:
  - plastic pot, pottery pot,
  - hdpe wallplanter bag, geotextile bag



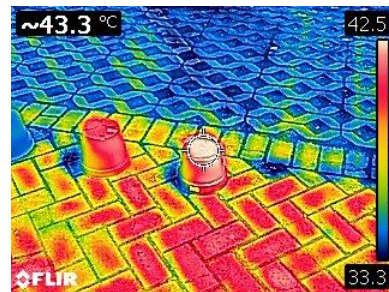
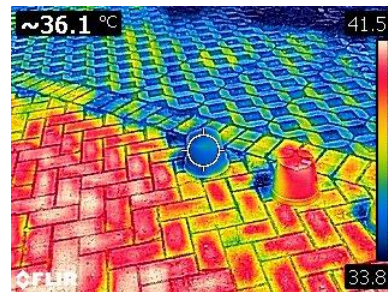
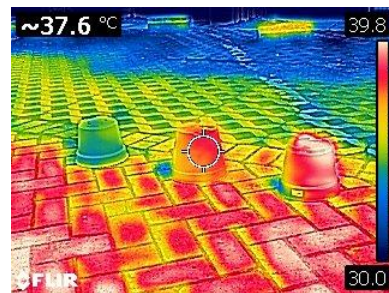
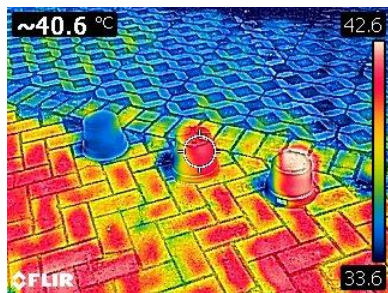
Geotextile wallplanter

Source: Tropica Greeneries



HDPE wallplanter

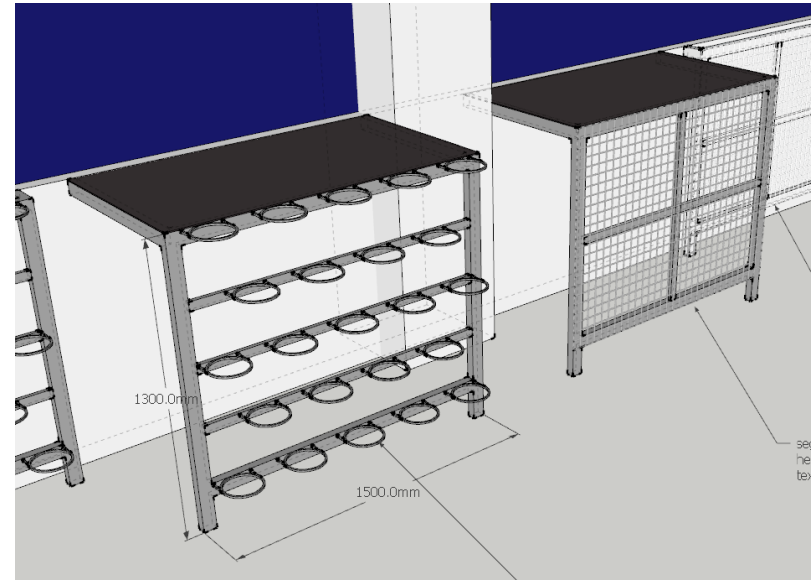




Preliminary study:  
pot temperature

- Planting platform:
  - type A : 1500 mm (w) and 1150 mm wire mesh + 150 mm stand = 1300 mm (h). 40 mm x 40 mm galvanized hollow steel main frame. Circular rebar diameter 10 mm with planting hole diameter of 180 mm
  - type B : 1500 mm (w) and 1150 mm wire mesh + 150 mm stand = 1300 mm (h). 40 mm x 40 mm galvanized hollow steel main frame. Wire mesh diameter 4 mm with rectangular arrangement at 50 mm x 50 mm

*Detail of 3d model: type A (left) and type B (right)*

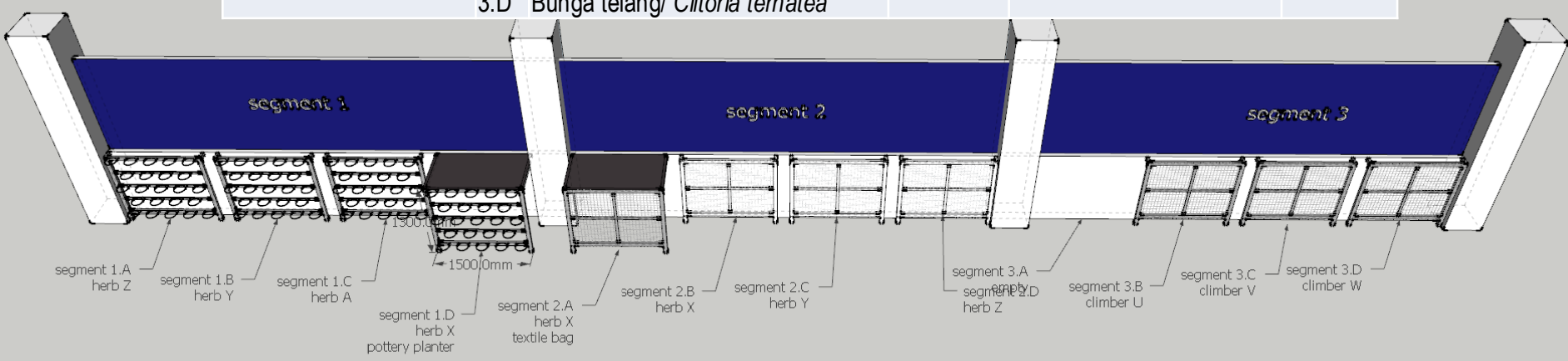


- All planting platform are placed 100 mm outside the wall and backed with 40 mm polycarbonate for humidity barrier except segment 1.D and 2.A. Planting platform at these segment are without polycarbonate back and placed 800 mm gap from outside wall with galvalum roof on top of the gap. The planting platform is adjustable, meaning that it can be moved closer to the wall.
- Data logger will be placed on the gap to measure the humidity and temperature. Wind data logger will also be placed at the middle of the gap

*Planting platform type B with plastic planter on the bottom*



HERBS + CLIMBERS						
segment 1	1.A	Rosemary/ <i>Salvia rosmarinus</i>	type A	plastic + pottery pot (?)	100 mm	
	1.B	Mint/ <i>Mentha spicata</i>				
	1.C	Kemangi/ <i>Ocimum africanum</i>		pottery pot (?)	Adjustable (max 800 mm)	
	1.D	Kemangi/ <i>Ocimum africanum</i>				
segment 2	2.A	Kemangi/ <i>Ocimum africanum</i>	type B	textile bag	100 mm	
	2.B	Kemangi/ <i>Ocimum africanum</i>				
	2.C	Mint/ <i>Mentha spicata</i>		textile + hdpe bag	100 mm	
	2.D	Rosemary/ <i>Salvia rosmarinus</i>				
segment 3	3.A	empty/bare wall/benchmark		type B	rectangular plastic pot	100 mm
	3.B	Cabe Jawa/ <i>Piper retrofractum</i>				
	3.C	Cincau hijau/ <i>Cyclea barbata</i>				
	3.D	Bunga telang/ <i>Clitoria tematea</i>				



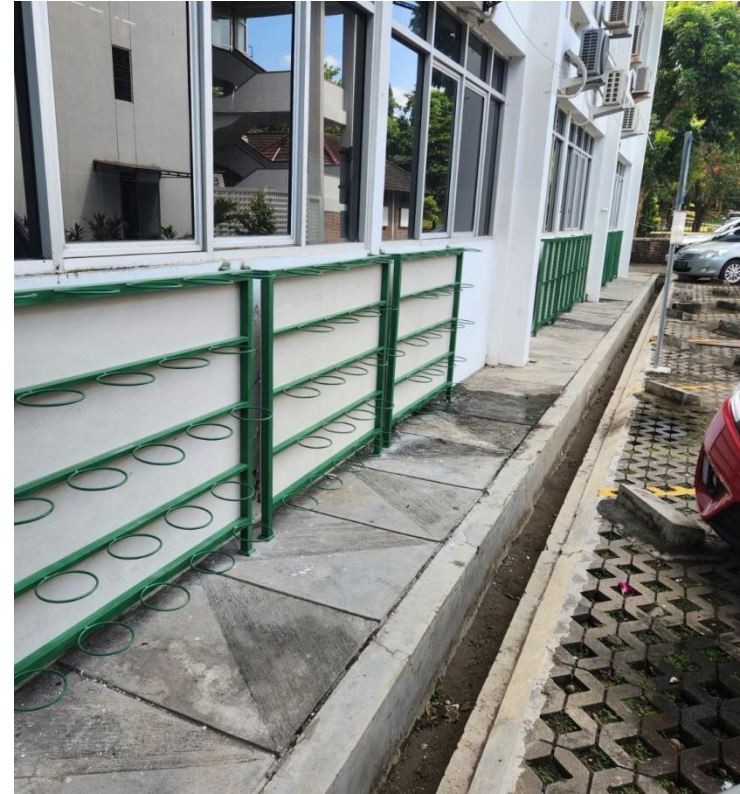
Detailed 3d model of proposed vertical greeneries for the 1<sup>st</sup> floor





# The next steps

- Further research
  - Agriculture
  - Structural
  - Integration with building systems
  - Circular economy
  - Sustainability and Life-cycle assessment
  - Community engagement and social acceptance



# Feedback and Discussion

## Thank you



Let's turn over a leaf



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