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A new driveway oil stain remover that actually works.

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We have used a lot of concrete cleaners on this show, even recently compared water based to solvent based cleaners and found them rather equivalent. Here is a new one that is rather amazing. It is called Oil Lift. The difference with this one is that it is totally ecologically friendly, no harsh chemicals. It does not dissolve the oil, it actually has living enzymes in it that flow deep down to the oil, and with their biological activity, they encapsulate the oil and actually bring it up to the surface. Now that the little globs of oil are encapsulated by the enzymes, they won't stick to anything as you rinse them away. Different from all other cleaners, you have to be more patient as it does its work slowly, but once ready, you can just rinse the oil away. As with all concrete cleaners, it works best with a power washer but a hard garden hose spray is amazingly effective with this enzyme action.

In Canada it is available at Canadian Tire, but the store managers hide it with all the solvents. We need to beat up on the shelf stockers to give this ecological solution that actually works a bit more prominence in the stores.

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