

Life Cycle Assessment

FlexStep

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LCA (LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT) FLEXSTEP



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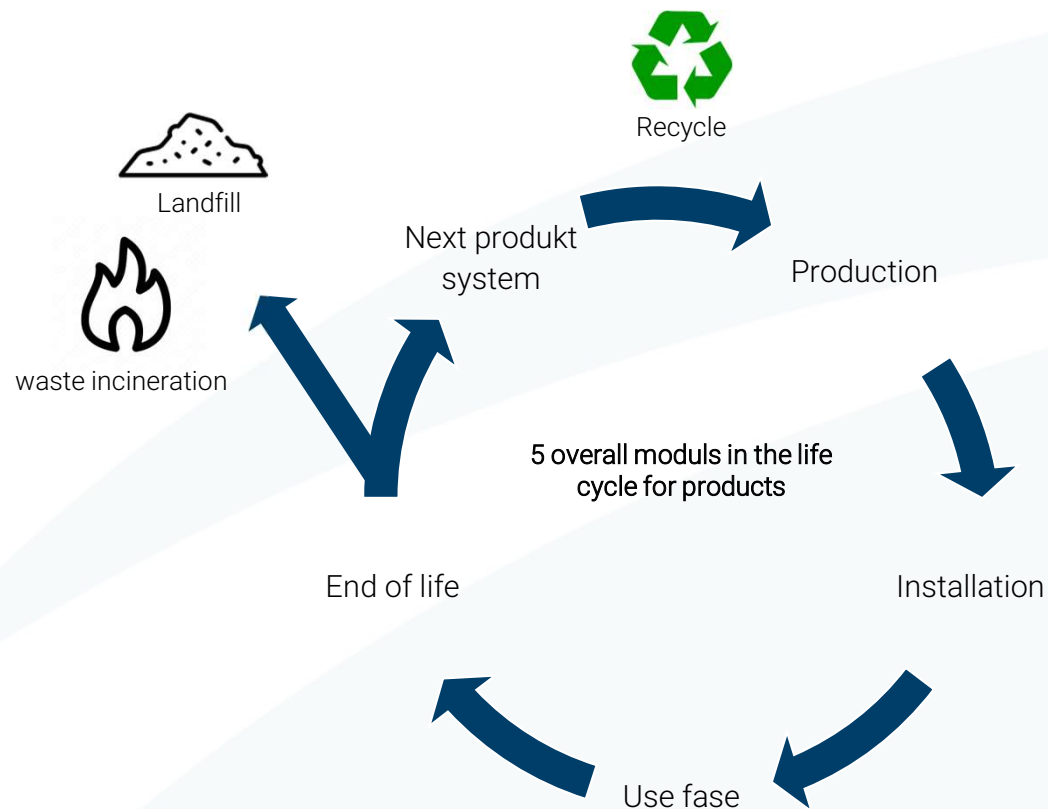




LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT

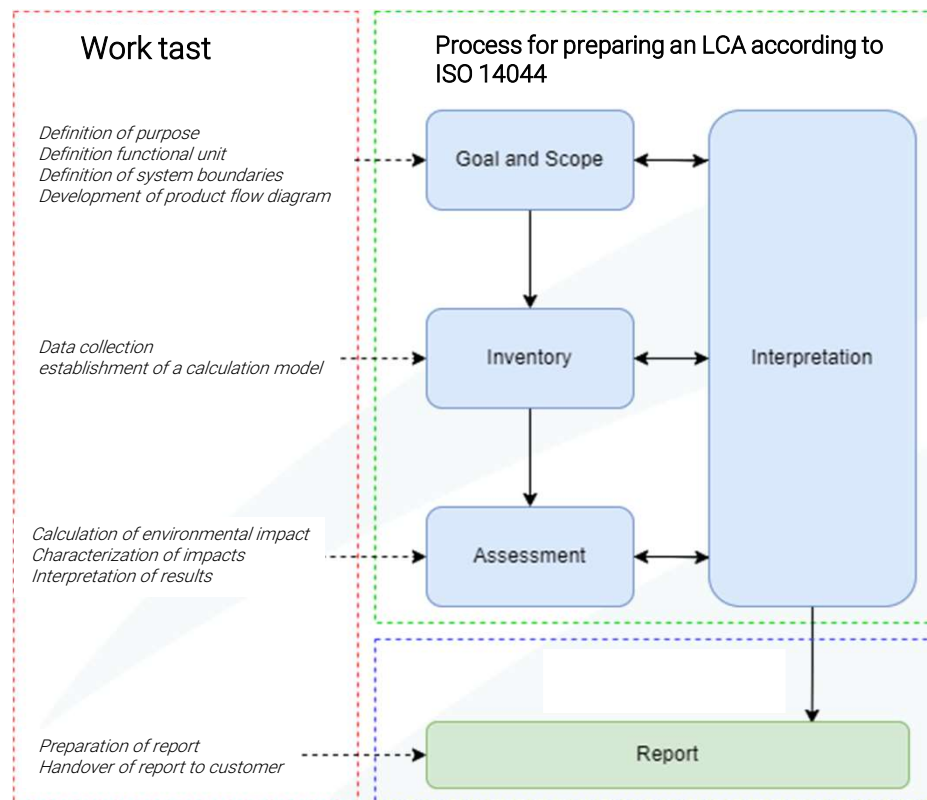
Life cycle assessment, abbreviated LCA, is widely used to document the environmental impacts of products and services.

An LCA assesses environmental impacts for the entire life cycle of a product, from raw material extraction to waste treatment or recycling.





THE PROCESS FOR PREPARING AN LCA





DESCRIPTION OF THE PROCESS TOWARDS THE GOAL

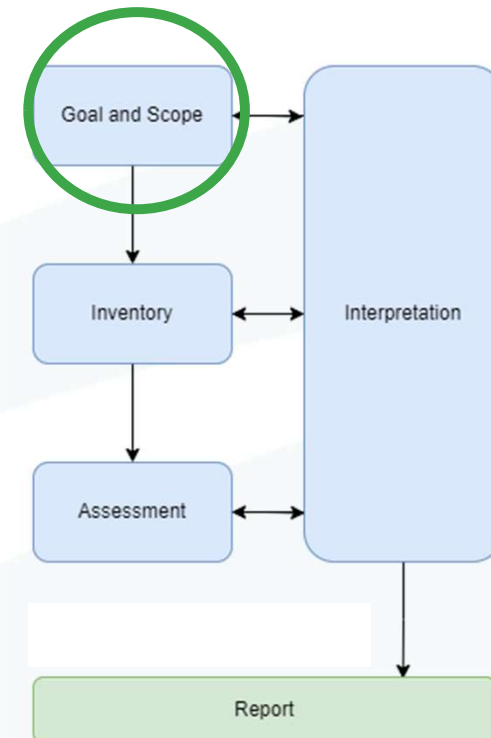


GOAL AND SCOPE

Purpose

1. To gain insight into the environmental impact of FlexStep

Process for preparing an LCA according to ISO 14044





GOAL AND SCOPE

Functional unit – according to c-PCR-008

Index	Values	In case of range
Type of installation	FlexStep, indoor with 4 steps and a width of 900 mm	
Commercial name	FlexStep V2	
Mail purpose	Transport of passengers	
Type of lift	Electric	
Type of driven system	Screw and nut drive	
Rated load [fixed or range]	400 kg / 200 kg (temp.<-20)	400 kg
Rated speed [fixed or range]	Lifting speed at temperature +40°C - +5°C <60 mm/sek. +5°C - -10°C 20 mm/sek. -10°C - -20°C 10 mm/sek. -20°C - -25°C 10 mm/sek.	55mm/sek.
Number of stops [fixed or range]	1	
Travelled height [fixed or range]	240-1250mm.	600mm.
Number of operating days/year [fixed or range]	12-365	365
Applied usage category (UC) according to ISO 25745-2	UC1	
Designed Reference Service Life (RSL)	25 years according to toc-PCR-008	
Geographic region of intended installation	Europe	
Additional information		
Recommended application (main marked)	Low-rise residential/commercial	
- Building rise		
- Building type		
Optional equipment	N/A	
Additional requirements	N/A	

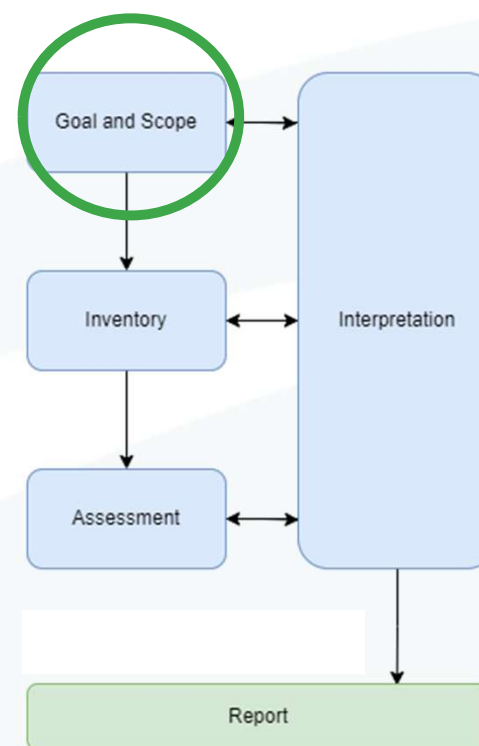


GOAL AND SCOPE

Functional unit

Parameter	How to calculate	Calculation
Average car load	Rated load [t] multiplied by the corresponding percentage from Table 3 of ISO 25745-2.	$0.4 \text{ tonnes} * 0.075 = 0.03 \text{ tonnes}$
Distance travelled by the lift during the service life	One-way average travel distance * number of trips per day * number of operating days per year * Reference Service Life	$0.0006 \text{ km} * 20 \text{ trips} * 365 \text{ days} * 25 \text{ years} = 109.5 \text{ km}$
Transportation performance (TP)	Average car load multiplied by the distance travelled by the lift during the service life	$0.03 \text{ tonnes} * 109.5 \text{ km} = 3.3 \text{ tkm}$

Process for preparing an LCA according to ISO 14044





GOAL AND SCOPE

System boundaries, c-PCR-008

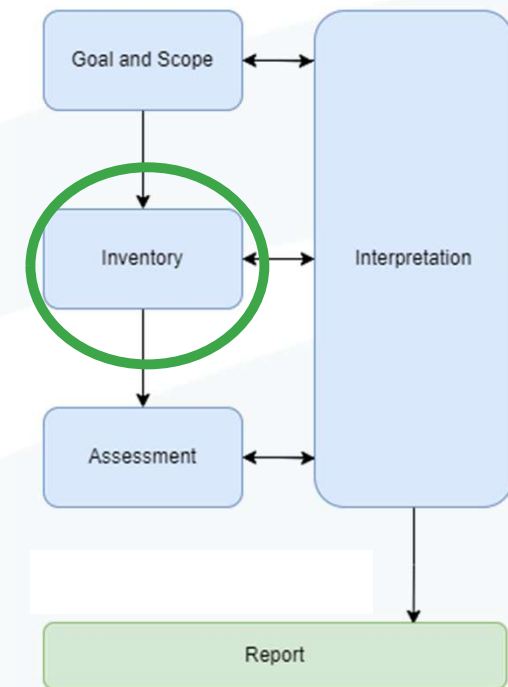
Raw materials	Transport	Production	Transport of product	Installation	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacements	Renovation	Energy consumption	Water consumption	Dismantle	Transport	Waste handling	Disposal	Recycle potential
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D

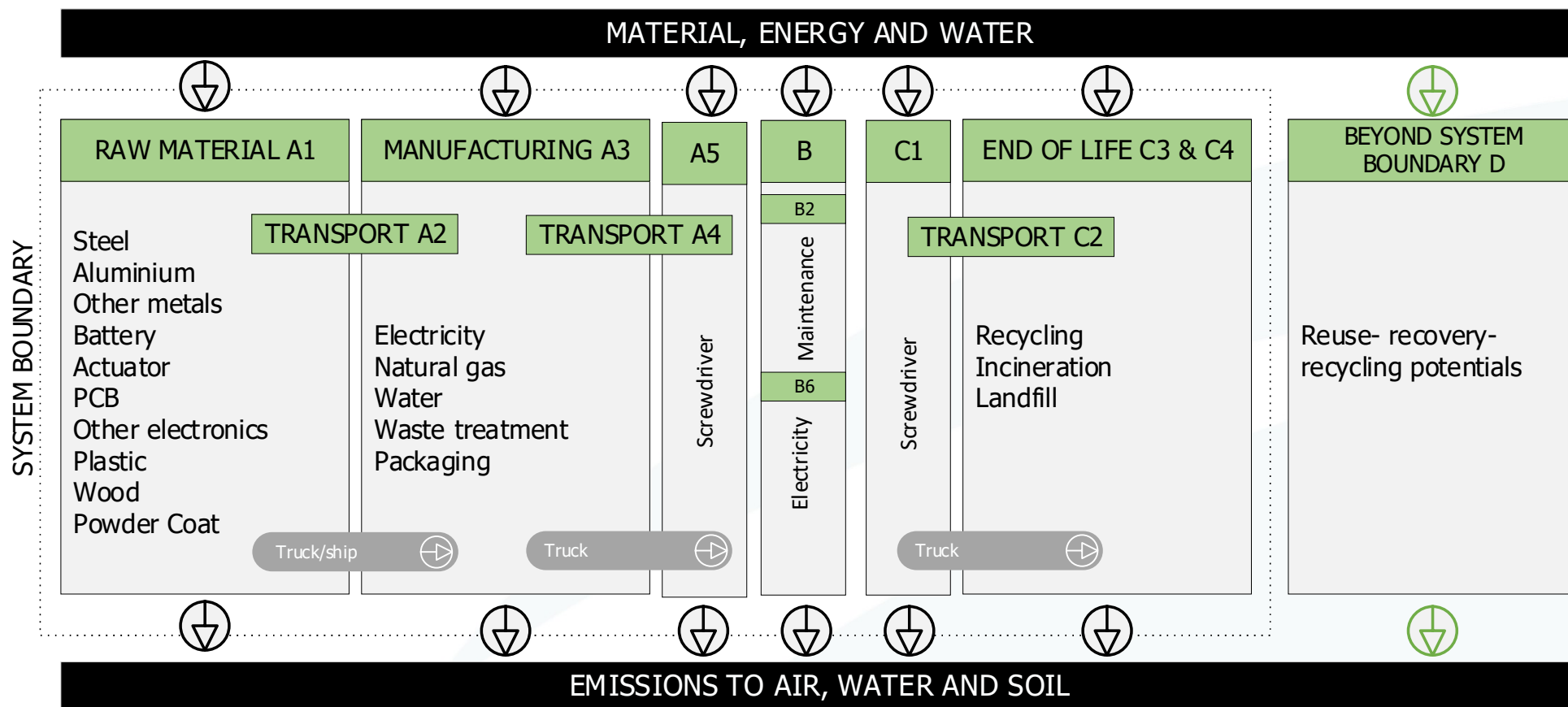


LIFE CYCLE INVENTORY (LCI)

Process for preparing an LCA according to ISO 14044

1. Data collection
2. establishment of a calculation model







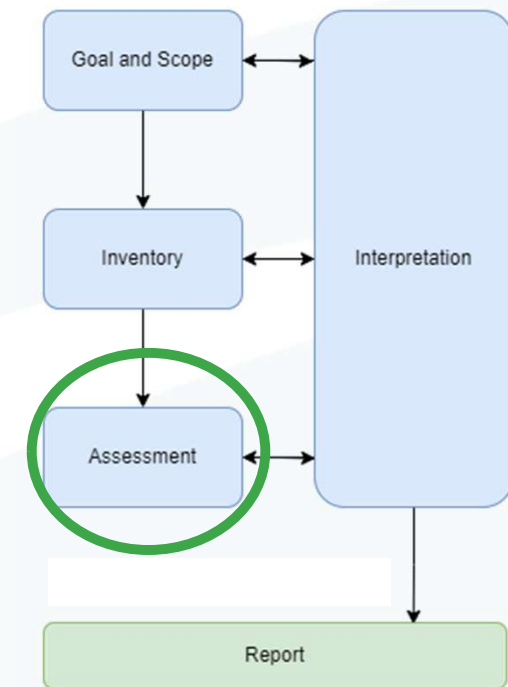
RESULTATS OF THE LCA



LIFE CYCLE INVENTORY ASSESSMENT (LCIA)

Process for preparing an LCA according to ISO 14044

1. Valg af metode
 - Fastsat på baggrund af EN 15804+A2
2. Characterization of impacts
 - Calculation of environmental impact
3. Interpretation of results





ALL IMPACT CATEGORIES

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS PER tkm														
Indicator	Unit	A1	A2	A3	A1-A3	A4	A5	B2	B6	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
GWP-total	kg CO ₂ eq.	7.92E+02	4.22E+00	-1.11E+01	7.85E+02	2.88E+01	3.94E+01	1.50E+02	4.53E+02	0.00E+00	5.74E-01	1.45E+01	0.00E+00	-2.33E+01
GWP-fossil	kg CO ₂ eq.	7.96E+02	4.21E+00	2.64E+01	8.26E+02	2.88E+01	1.80E+00	1.50E+02	4.36E+02	0.00E+00	5.74E-01	8.56E+00	0.00E+00	-6.32E+01
GWP-biogenic	kg CO ₂ eq.	-5.90E+00	3.72E-03	-3.76E+01	-4.35E+01	2.64E-02	3.76E+01	4.16E-02	1.52E+01	0.00E+00	5.26E-04	4.35E+01	0.00E+00	4.00E+01
GWP-luluc	kg CO ₂ eq.	1.69E+00	2.11E-03	5.29E-02	1.75E+00	1.42E-02	4.10E-04	7.23E-02	1.09E+00	0.00E+00	2.83E-04	4.49E-03	0.00E+00	-5.75E-02
ODP	kg CFC 11 eq.	2.35E-05	9.09E-08	1.32E-06	2.49E-05	6.27E-07	3.00E-08	3.79E-06	8.32E-06	0.00E+00	1.25E-08	2.10E-07	0.00E+00	-2.55E-06
AP	mol H ⁺ eq.	5.62E+00	1.27E-02	7.10E-02	5.71E+00	6.29E-02	1.03E-02	6.37E-01	2.50E+00	0.00E+00	1.25E-03	2.29E-02	0.00E+00	-4.94E-01
EP-freshwater	kg P eq.	5.79E-01	2.95E-04	6.96E-03	5.86E-01	2.05E-03	8.39E-05	2.11E-02	4.13E-01	0.00E+00	4.08E-05	1.02E-03	0.00E+00	-3.57E-02
EP-marine	kg N eq.	1.22E+00	3.24E-03	2.63E-02	1.25E+00	1.59E-02	1.33E-02	1.96E-01	4.05E-01	0.00E+00	3.16E-04	1.45E-02	0.00E+00	-7.40E-02
EP-terrestrial	mol N eq.	1.01E+01	3.38E-02	1.89E-01	1.03E+01	1.61E-01	4.67E-02	2.09E+00	3.66E+00	0.00E+00	3.21E-03	5.96E-02	0.00E+00	-1.16E+00
POCP	kg NMVOC eq.	3.25E+00	1.68E-02	7.10E-02	3.34E+00	9.77E-02	1.88E-02	7.86E-01	1.18E+00	0.00E+00	1.95E-03	1.99E-02	0.00E+00	-3.30E-01
ADPm ¹	kg Sb eq.	9.74E-02	1.35E-05	4.78E-05	9.74E-02	9.41E-05	1.57E-06	1.63E-03	5.29E-03	0.00E+00	1.88E-06	2.08E-05	0.00E+00	-2.91E-03
ADPf ¹	MJ	9.29E+03	5.96E+01	3.88E+02	9.74E+03	4.09E+02	2.55E+01	2.04E+03	9.93E+03	0.00E+00	8.15E+00	4.24E+01	0.00E+00	-7.11E+02
WDP ¹	m ³ world eq. deprived	1.04E+02	2.43E-01	9.24E+00	1.14E+02	1.69E+00	2.77E-01	1.33E+01	1.12E+02	0.00E+00	3.36E-02	2.51E+00	0.00E+00	-8.63E+00
Caption	GWP-total = Global Warming Potential - total; GWP-fossil = Global Warming Potential - fossil fuels; GWP-biogenic = Global Warming Potential - biogenic; GWP-luluc = Global Warming Potential - land use and land use change; ODP = Ozone Depletion; AP = Acidification; EP-freshwater = Eutrophication – aquatic freshwater; EP-marine = Eutrophication – aquatic marine; EP-terrestrial = Eutrophication – terrestrial; POCP = Photochemical zone formation; ADPm = Abiotic Depletion Potential – minerals and metals; ADPf = Abiotic Depletion Potential – fossil fuels; WDP = water use													
Disclaimer	¹ The results of this environmental indicator shall be used with care as the uncertainties on these results are high or as there is limited experienced with the indicator.													

Additional environmental impacts, resource use and waste categories are available as well



HEATMAP A1-A3

Environmental Impact				
Impact Category	Unit	Contribution	Process	% of category
GWP-total	kg CO ₂ eq.	1.95E+02	Aluminium	13.2%
GWP-fossil	kg CO ₂ eq.	1.95E+02	Aluminium	13.4%
GWP-biogenic	kg CO ₂ eq.	3.76E+01	Waste wood, sanitary landfill	71.1%
GWP-luluc	kg CO ₂ eq.	5.62E-01	Aluminium	19.2%
ODP	kg CFC 11 eq.	1.13E-05	Printed wiring board	29.9%
AP	mol H ⁺ eq.	1.36E+00	Printed wiring board	15.2%
EP-freshwater	kg P eq.	2.83E-01	Printed wiring board	27.6%
EP-marine	kg N eq.	2.86E-01	Electric motor	15.1%
EP-terrestrial	mol N eq.	2.93E+00	Printed wiring board	18.0%
POCP	kg NMVOC eq.	8.08E-01	Printed wiring board	14.9%
ADPm	kg Sb eq.	8.03E-02	Printed wiring board	76.9%
ADPf	MJ	2.36E+03	Printed wiring board	10.6%
WDP	m ³ world eq. deprived	3.30E+01	Printed wiring board	13.5%



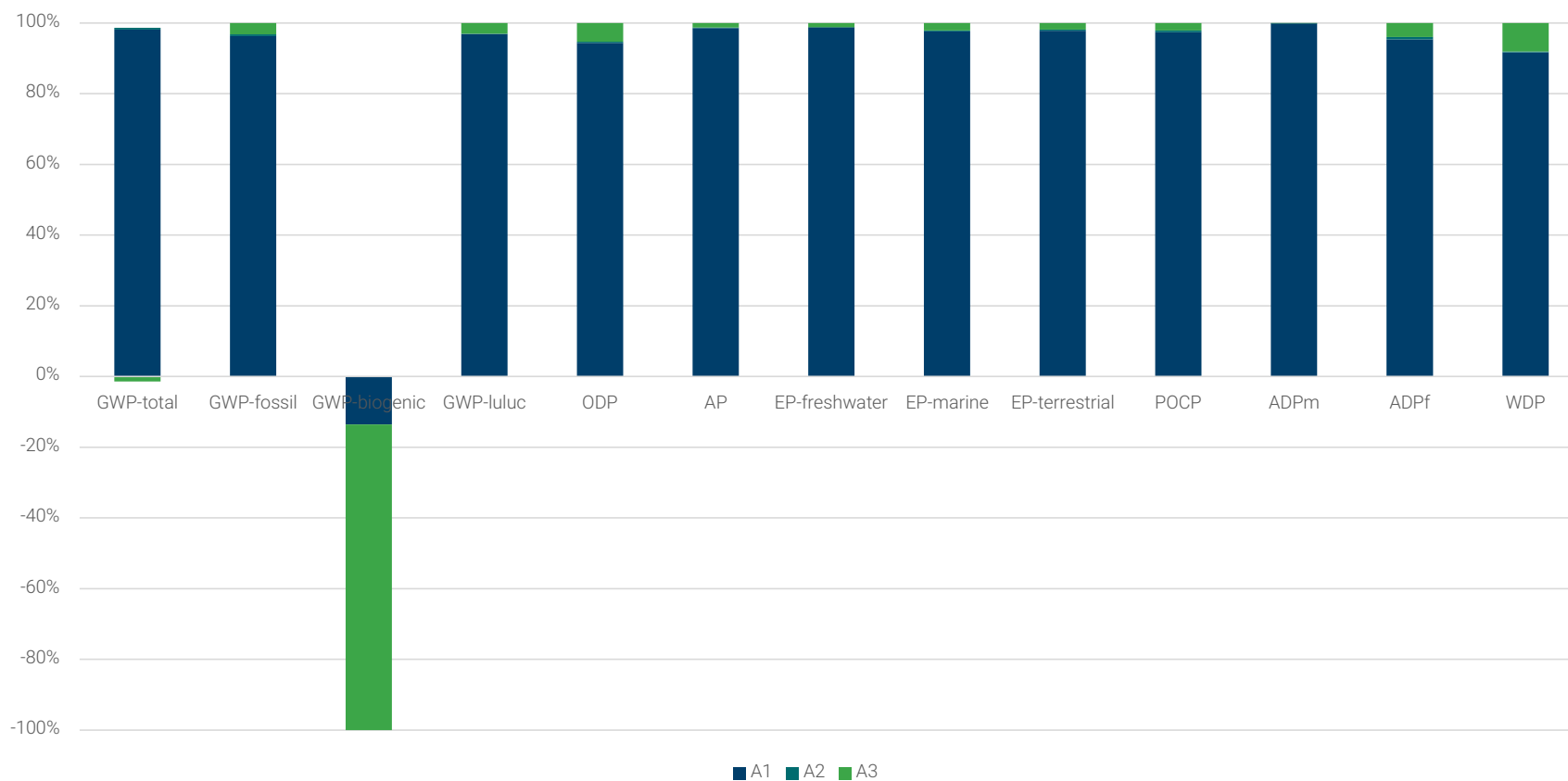
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AP	mol H ⁺ eq.	2.50E+00	Electricity, B6	17%
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EP-marine	kg N eq.	4.05E-01	Electricity, B6	13%
EP-terrestrial	mol N eq.	3.66E+00	Electricity, B6	14%
POCP	kg NMVOC eq.	1.18E+00	Electricity, B6	13%
ADPm	kg Sb eq.	8.03E-02	Printed wiring board	40%
ADPf	MJ	9.93E+03	Electricity, B6	31%
WDP	m ³ world eq. deprived	1.12E+02	Electricity, B6	31%



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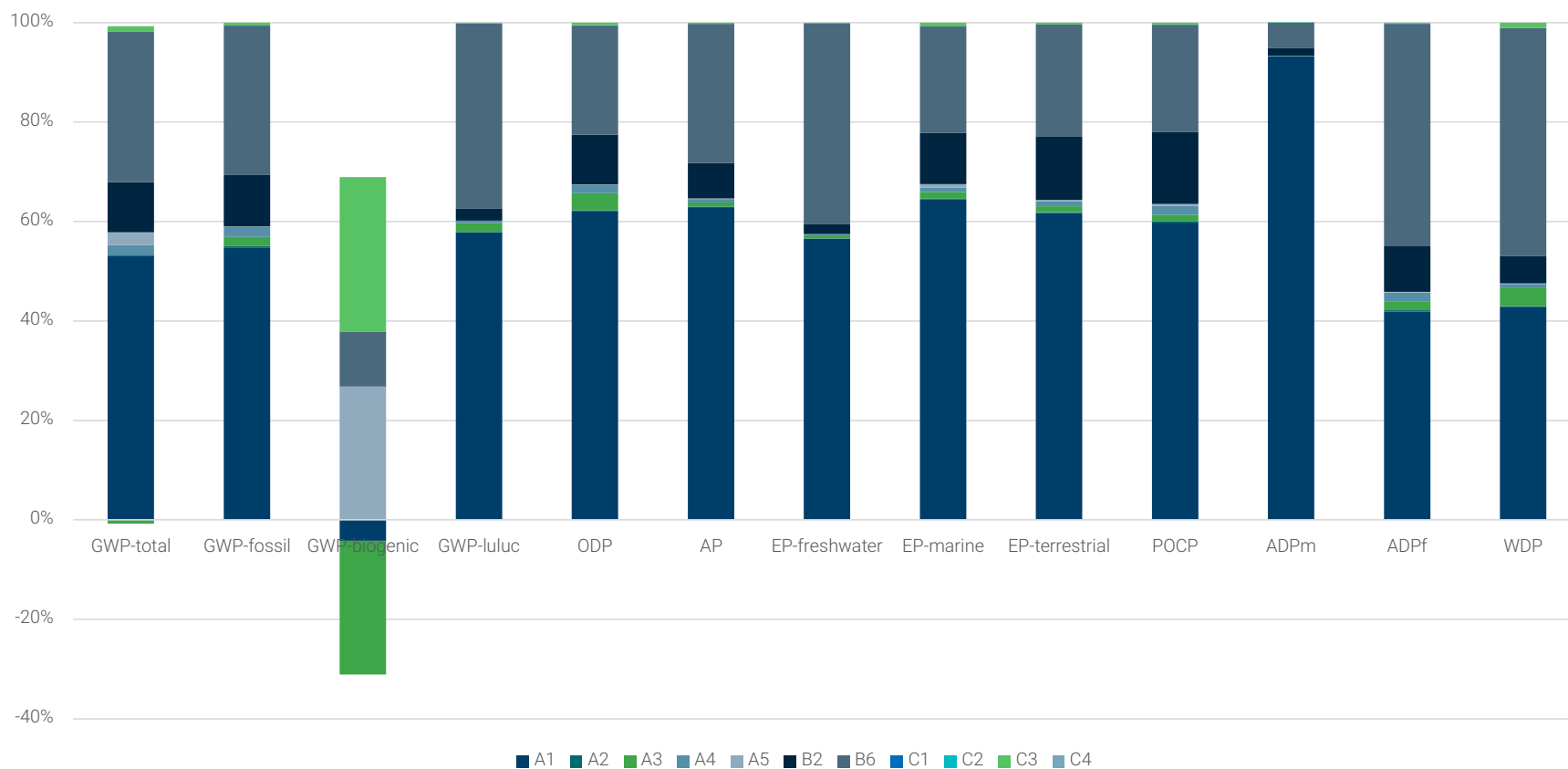
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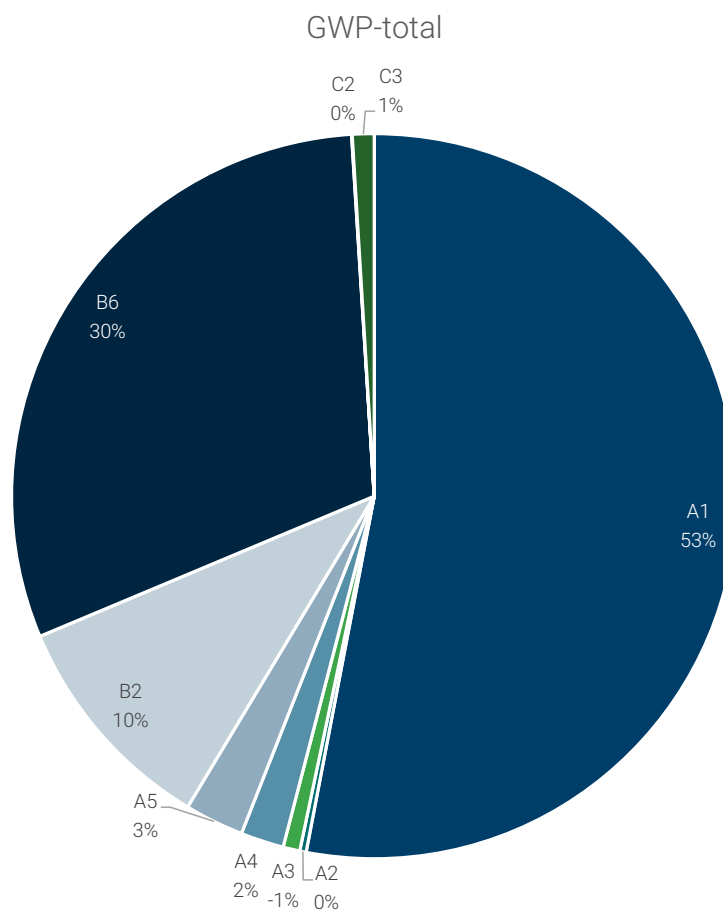
INTERPRETATION

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INTERPRETATION, GWP-TOTAL





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DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TYPE II AND TYPE III ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATIONS

	Type II (LCA)	Type III (EPD)
Background report prepared	YES	YES
EPD report prepared	NO	YES
III party verifikation	NO	YES
Published by program operator	NO	YES
Can be used in communication	YES	YES



COMMUNICATION

Type II (LCA)

Our LCA shows that FlexStep has a CO₂ impact of 4,832 kg CO₂-eq. over its life cycle of 25 years

Our LCA has been prepared based on ISO 14040 and 14044

How much is 4,832 kg CO₂-EQ?

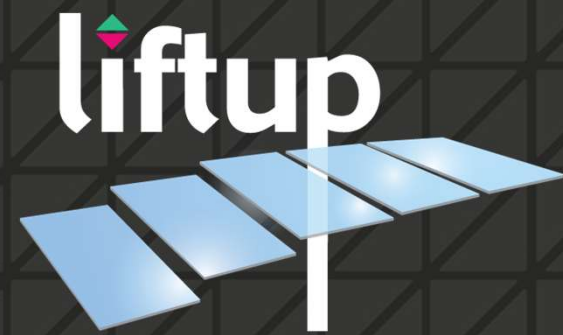
FlexStep = 4,832 kg CO₂-eq (over 25 years)

Here are a few examples of activities or items that have a comparable carbon footprint of around 4,832 kg CO₂-eq:

- **Car Travel:** Driving a gasoline-powered car for approximately 12,000 miles (about 19,300 kilometers) can produce a similar amount of CO₂ emissions, depending on the vehicle's fuel efficiency.
- **Air Travel:** A round-trip flight from New York to Los Angeles generates about 2,000 kg CO₂-eq per passenger, so two round trips would be roughly equivalent.
- **Home Energy Use:** The annual energy consumption of an average U.S. household, which can range from 6,000 to 12,000 kWh, can produce around 4,000 to 6,000 kg CO₂-eq, depending on the energy source.
- **Meat Consumption:** Producing about 200 kg of beef can result in approximately 4,000 to 5,000 kg CO₂-eq, depending on farming practices.

These examples illustrate activities or products that emit a similar amount of CO₂ over a year or during their life cycle.

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