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VERIFIED ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION | ISO 14025 & EN 15804



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Declared product(s)

Ultra Board

Number of declared datasets/product variations: 1

The Knauf Ultra Board is a glass fiber reinforced gypsum plasterboard with organic content for enhanced core strength. The EPD is valid for all variations carrying the Knauf Ultra Board name.

The range includes products with different edge profiles.

The calculations cover similar products (variation <5%) and are based on the product with the highest environmental impact within the product group (article number 427605).

Production site

Knauf's production site in Hobro; Kløvermarksvej 6, DK-9500 Hobro, Denmark

Product(s) use

The product is used for general indoor building construction of walls and ceilings.

Declared/ functional unit

1 m²

Year of data

2019

Basis of calculation

This EPD is developed in accordance with the European standard EN 15804+A2.

Comparability

EPDs of construction products may not be comparable if they do not comply with the requirements in EN 15804. EPD data may not be comparable if the datasets used are not developed in accordance with EN 15804 and if the background systems are not based on the same database.

Validity

This EPD has been verified in accordance with ISO 14025 and is valid for 5 years from the date of issue.

Use

The intended use of an EPD is to communicate scientifically based environmental information for construction products, for the purpose of assessing the environmental performance of buildings.

EPD type

- Cradle-to-gate with modules C1-C4 and D
- Cradle-to-gate with options, modules C1-C4 and D
- Cradle-to-grave and module D
- Cradle-to-gate
- Cradle-to-gate with options

CEN standard EN 15804 serves as the core PCR

Independent verification of the declaration and data, according to EN ISO 14025

- internal
- external

Third party verifier:

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Life cycle stages and modules (MND = module not declared)

Product			Construction process		Use								End of life				Beyond the system boundary
Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport	Installation process	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De-construction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Re-use, recovery and recycling potential	
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
X	X	X	X	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	X	X	X	X	X	

Product information

Product description

The main product components and packaging are shown in the tables below.

Material	Weight-% of declared product
Paper	3%
Stucco	84%
Fibre glass	<1%
Additives	4%
Glue	<1%
Water	8%

Packaging	Weight-%
Ceiling board	99.1%
PE film	0.9%

Representativity

This declaration, including data collection and the modeled foreground system including results, represents the production of gypsum board on the production site located in Hobro. Product specific data are based on average values collected in the period 2019. Background data are based on the GaBi 2021.2 database and are less than 10 years old except for two detergents <0.05% (w/w). Generally, the used background datasets are of high quality, and the majority of the datasets are only a couple of years old.

Picture of product(s)



Hazardous substances

Knauf Ultra Boards do not contain substances listed in the "Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern for authorisation"

(<http://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>)

Essential characteristics

According to EN 520:2009 the Ultra Board is classified as type DFIR (gypsum plasterboard with controlled density, improved core cohesion at high temperature, enhanced surface hardness and strength).

Further technical information can be obtained by contacting Knauf or on the website:

www.knauf.dk

Reference Service Life (RSL)

The RSL is defined as 60 years according to NPCR 010 version 3.0.

LCA background

Declared unit

The LCI and LCIA results in this EPD relates to 1 m²

Name	Value	Unit
Declared unit	1	m ²
Area density	15	kg/m ²
Conversion factor to 1 kg.	0.067	-

Functional unit

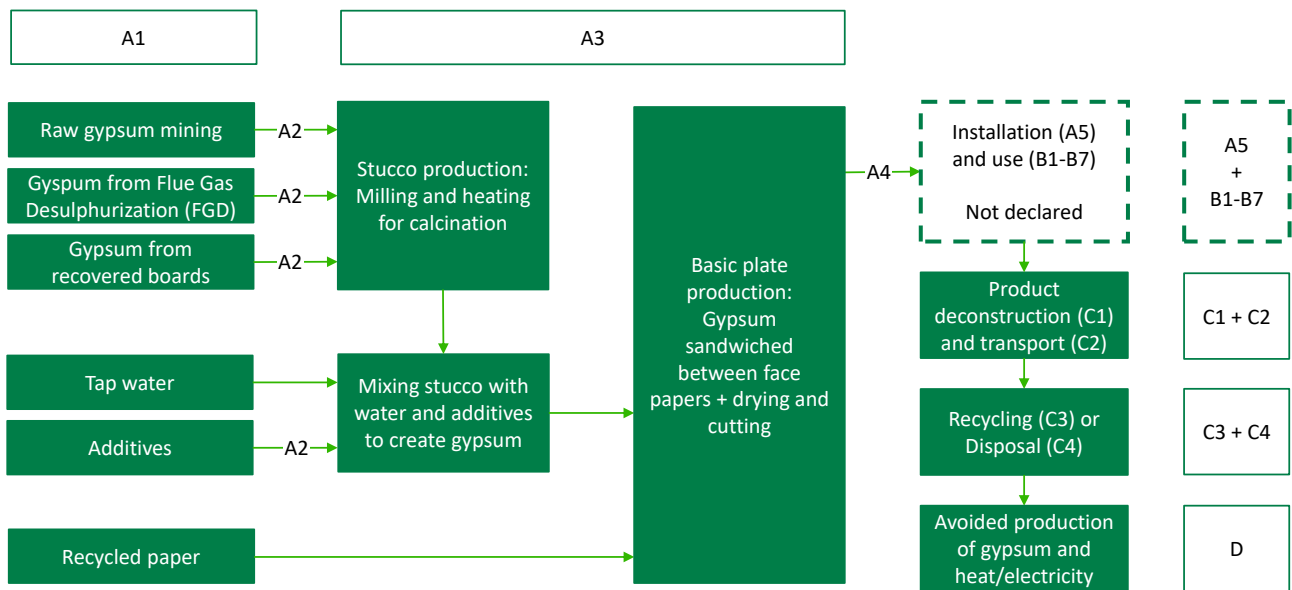
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PCR

This EPD is developed according to the core rules for the product category of construction products in EN 15804, and NPCR 010 version 3.0.

Flowdiagram

The diagram below shows the system boundaries of the EPD. A detailed illustration of A3 is shown later.



System boundary

This EPD is based on an LCA including cradle-to-gate with options, modules C1-C4, and module D. 100 % (w/w) of the product has been accounted for.

The general rules for the exclusion of inputs and outputs follows the requirements in EN 15804, 6.3.5, where the total of neglected input flows per module shall be a maximum of 5 % of energy usage and mass and 1 % of energy usage and mass for unit processes.

Product stage (A1-A3) includes:

The product stage comprises the acquisition of all raw materials, products and energy, transport to the production site, packaging and waste processing up to the "end-of-waste" state or final disposal. The LCA results are declared in aggregated form for the product stage, which means, that the sub-modules A1, A2 and A3 are declared as one module A1-A3.

A1 – Extraction and processing of raw materials

The raw gypsum is mined in Spain. All other raw materials are produced mainly in Northern Europe.

A2 – Transport to the production site

The inbound transport includes all incoming material from suppliers. This includes the transport of Flue-Gas Desulfurization (FGD) from coal-based power plants, as well as transport of raw natural gypsum from Spain.

A3 – Manufacturing processes

The natural, recycled or FGD based gypsum is heated/calcinated to bring the gypsum to the

hemihydrate state known as stucco. The stucco is mixed with water and other additives and sandwiched between the front and back liner. After initial hardening, the plates are cut into shape and heated in the curing oven.

Construction process stage (A4-A5) includes:

A weighted average for the transport distance of 237 km is included for the average Danish market situation.

The installation phase (A5) is not included.

Use stage (B1-B7) includes:

Not included

End of Life (C1-C4) includes:

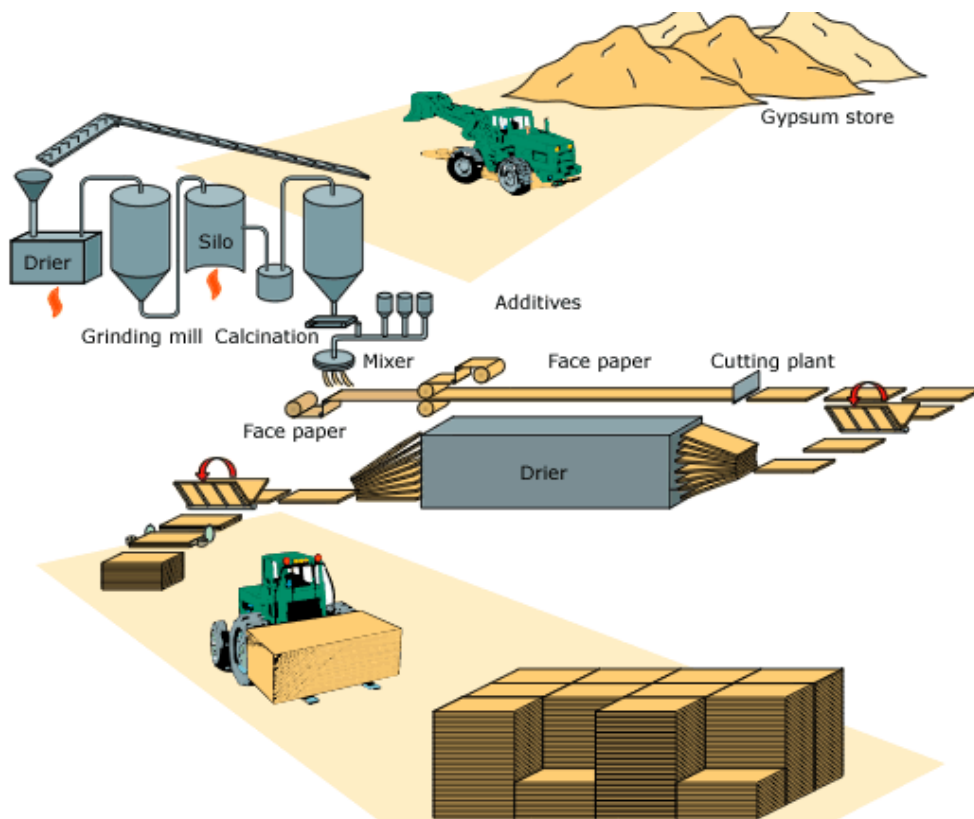
The board is dismantled by hand (C1) and transported to municipal collection facilities, and from here to a recycling company (C2).

The gypsum part of the plate (gypsum and additives) is split from the paper liners using electricity based machinery (C3). The paper part is assumed incinerated with energy recovery (C4)

Re-use, recovery and recycling potential (D) includes:

The gypsum part of the product is recycled as gypsum and avoids mining and production of natural gypsum. This can be done at Knauf and recycled in new Knauf boards.

The recovered energy from incineration of paper avoids the production of primary heat or electricity at power plants.



LCA results

The LCIA results are calculate using GaBi 10.6 with database version 2021.2, and using the characterization model defined in GaBi as EN15804+A2 for classifying and characterizing input and output flows.

ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS PER PRODUKT PER M ²								
Parameter	Enhed	A1-A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
GWP-total	[kg CO ₂ eq.]	2.49E+00	2.78E-01	0.00E+00	2.31E-01	6.69E-02	5.74E-01	-2.13E-01
GWP-fossil	[kg CO ₂ eq.]	3.25E+00	2.72E-01	0.00E+00	2.26E-01	6.63E-02	1.43E-02	-2.12E-01
GWP-bio	[kg CO ₂ eq.]	-7.64E-01	2.94E-03	0.00E+00	2.44E-03	5.63E-04	5.60E-01	-1.06E-03
GWP-luluc	[kg CO ₂ eq.]	3.18E-03	2.26E-03	0.00E+00	1.88E-03	9.38E-05	9.82E-06	-1.82E-04
ODP	[kg CFC 11 eq.]	1.02E-08	5.45E-17	0.00E+00	4.53E-17	1.59E-15	1.11E-16	-2.44E-15
AP	[mol H ⁺ eq.]	8.22E-03	2.99E-04	0.00E+00	2.48E-04	1.38E-04	1.59E-04	-3.34E-04
EP-fw	[kg P eq.]	8.53E-05	8.20E-07	0.00E+00	6.82E-07	1.78E-07	2.00E-08	-2.91E-07
EP-mar	[kg N eq.]	3.32E-03	9.67E-05	0.00E+00	8.04E-05	3.28E-05	5.80E-05	-1.08E-04
EP-ter	[mol N eq.]	3.58E-02	1.14E-03	0.00E+00	9.52E-04	3.44E-04	7.23E-04	-1.18E-03
POCP	[kg NMVOC eq.]	1.07E-02	2.61E-04	0.00E+00	2.17E-04	8.89E-05	1.54E-04	-3.03E-04
ADP-mm ¹	[kg Sb eq.]	3.44E-06	2.45E-08	0.00E+00	2.03E-08	1.95E-08	1.69E-09	-3.56E-08
ADP-fos ¹	[MJ]	6.18E+01	3.68E+00	0.00E+00	3.06E+00	1.18E+00	1.83E-01	-3.64E+00
WDP ¹	[m ³]	7.57E-01	2.56E-03	0.00E+00	2.13E-03	1.06E-02	7.10E-02	-1.57E-02
Caption	GWP-total = Globale Warming Potential - total; GWP-fossil = Global Warming Potential - fossil fuels; GWP-bio = 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 EFFECTS PER PRODUKT PER M ²								
Parameter	Enhed	A1-A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
PM	[Disease incidence]	1.54E-07	2.02E-09	0.00E+00	1.68E-09	1.16E-09	8.79E-10	-6.27E-08
IRP2	[kBq U235 eq.]	8.57E-02	9.78E-04	0.00E+00	8.14E-04	2.88E-02	1.44E-03	-4.22E-02
ETP-fw1	[CTUe]	2.19E+01	2.73E+00	0.00E+00	2.27E+00	4.96E-01	8.58E-02	-8.12E-01
HTP-c1	[CTUh]	1.41E-09	5.52E-11	0.00E+00	4.59E-11	1.40E-11	4.62E-12	-3.53E-11
HTP-nc1	[CTUh]	2.52E-08	2.87E-09	0.00E+00	2.38E-09	5.30E-10	2.05E-10	-1.44E-09
SQP1	-	1.23E+01	1.26E+00	0.00E+00	1.05E+00	3.72E-01	4.76E-02	-6.32E-01
Caption	PM = Particulate Matter emissions; IRP = Ionizing radiation – human health; ETP-fw = Eco toxicity – freshwater; HTP-c = Human toxicity – cancer effects; HTP-nc = Human toxicity – non cancer effects; SQP = Soil Quality (dimensionless)							
Disclaimers	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.							
	² This impact category deals mainly with the eventual impact of low dose ionizing radiation on human health of the nuclear fuel cycle. It does not consider effects due to possible nuclear accidents, occupational exposure nor due to radioactive waste disposal in underground facilities. Potential ionizing radiation from the soil, from radon and from some construction materials is also not measured by this indicator.							

RESSOURCE CONSUMPTION PER PRODUKT PER M ²								
Parameter	Enhed	A1-A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
PERE	[MJ]	6.37E+00	2.11E-01	0.00E+00	1.76E-01	5.43E-01	3.47E-02	-8.29E-01
PERM	[MJ]	8.85E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
PERT	[MJ]	1.52E+01	2.11E-01	0.00E+00	1.76E-01	5.43E-01	3.47E-02	-8.29E-01
PENRE	[MJ]	4.77E+01	3.69E+00	0.00E+00	3.07E+00	1.18E+00	1.83E-01	-3.64E+00
PENRM	[MJ]	1.41E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
PENRT	[MJ]	6.18E+01	3.69E+00	0.00E+00	3.07E+00	1.18E+00	1.83E-01	-3.64E+00
SM	[kg]	8.33E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
RSF	[MJ]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
NRSF	[MJ]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
FW	[m ³]	3.11E-02	2.42E-04	0.00E+00	2.01E-04	5.29E-04	1.67E-03	-7.95E-04
Caption	PERE = Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PERM = Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PERT = Total use of renewable primary energy resources; PENRE = Use of non renewable primary energy excluding non renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PENRM = Use of non renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PENRT = Total use of non renewable primary energy resources; SM = Use of secondary material; RSF = Use of renewable secondary fuels; NRSF = Use of non renewable secondary fuels; FW = Net use of fresh water							

WASTE CATEGORIES AND OUTPUT FLOWS PER PRODUKT PER M ²								
Parameter	Enhed	A1-A3	A4	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
HWD	[kg]	2.27E-06	1.94E-10	0.00E+00	1.62E-10	3.12E-10	3.39E-11	-8.11E-10
NHWD	[kg]	3.64E-02	5.79E-04	0.00E+00	4.81E-04	8.36E-04	1.80E-02	-1.70E-03
RWD	[kg]	6.22E-04	6.69E-06	0.00E+00	5.56E-06	1.76E-04	9.28E-06	-2.59E-04
CRU	[kg]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
MFR	[kg]	6.68E-03	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.46E+01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
MER	[kg]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	4.05E-01	0.00E+00	0.00E+00
EEE	[MJ]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	8.69E-01
EET	[MJ]	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	0.00E+00	1.58E+00
Caption	HWD = Hazardous waste disposed; NHWD = Non hazardous waste disposed; RWD = Radioactive waste disposed; CRU = Components for re-use; MFR = Materials for recycling; MER = Materials for energy recovery; EEE = Exported electrical energy; EET = Exported thermal energy							

BIOGENIC CARBON CONTENT PER PER PRODUKT PER M ²		
Parameter	Unit	At the factory gate
Biogenic carbon content in product	kg C	2.04E-01
Biogenic carbon content in accompanying packaging	kg C	5.00E-02

Additional information

Technical information on scenarios

Transport to the building site (A4)

Scenario information	Value	Unit
Fuel type	Diesel	-
Vehicle type	Truck, Euro 6, 28 - 32t gross weight / 22t payload capacity	-
Transport distance	237	km
Capacity utilisation (including empty runs)	61	%
Gross density of products transported	1200	kg/m ³
Capacity utilisation volume factor	1	-

Reference service life

RSL information	Unit
Reference service Life	60 years
Declared product properties	Information on the technical characteristics, design and construction guidelines, as well as conditions during use can be found on the website of Knauf at www.knauf.dk
Design application parameters	
Assumed quality of work	
Outdoor environment	
Indoor environment	
Usage conditions	
Maintenance	

End of life (C1-C4)

Scenario information	Value	Unit
Collected separately	15	kg
Collected with mixed waste	0	kg
For reuse	0	kg
For recycling	14.6	kg
For energy recovery	0.4	kg
For final disposal	0	kg
Assumptions for scenario development	The gypsum part is assumed recycled and paper part incinerated	

Re-use, recovery and recycling potential (D)

Scenario information/Materiel	Value	Unit
Gypsum	14.6	kg
Electric energy	0.9	MJ
Thermal energy	1.6	MJ

Indoor air

The EPD does not give information on release of dangerous substances to indoor air because the horizontal standards on measurement of release of regulated dangerous substances from construction products using harmonised test methods according to the provisions of the respective technical committees for European product standards are not available.

Ultra Board is covered by the Danish Indoor Climate Labelling, Certificate no. 009.

Soil and water

The EPD does not give information on release of dangerous substances to soil and water because the horizontal standards on measurement of release of regulated dangerous substances from construction products using harmonised test methods according to the provisions of the respective technical committees for European product standards are not available.

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