## 5154 Evolution carbon footprint

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EY carbon footprint analysis follows a life-cycle approach based on ISO Standard 14040 and is based on Amorim Cork Composites data and business assumptions. The results presented are not third-party verified.



### Agenda

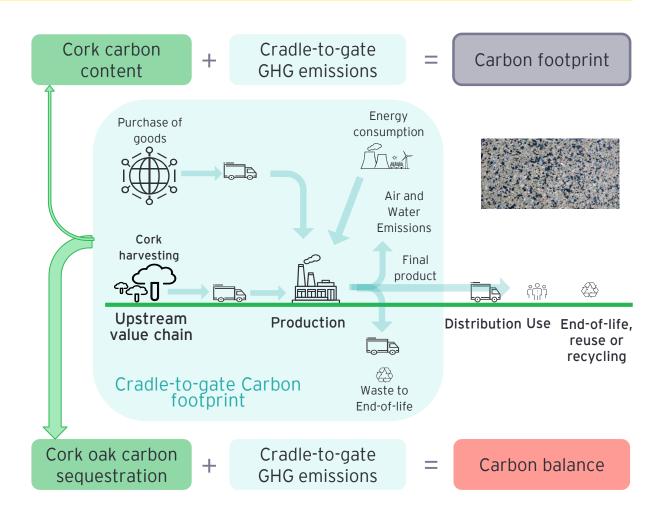
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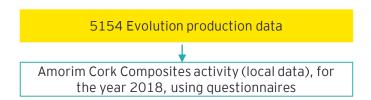


# About the study



### About the study

- The **main purpose** is to quantify the potential environmental impacts of 5154 Evolution, produced by Amorim Cork Composites, through a life cycle approach.
- ▶ Guidelines: The study was based on ISO 14040/44 series of standards, complemented with the guidelines from the International Reference Life Cycle Data System (ILCD) Handbook General guide for Life Cycle Assessment Detailed guidance
- **Approach**: *cradle-to-gate* (from raw material extraction to the finished product at the factory gate)
- ► Functional unit: 1 m² of product
- Modelling software and database : SimaPro 9 with ecoinvent 3.5 database
- Method : Midpoint characterization factors recommended by the International Reference Life Cycle Data System (ILCD).
- Data collection procedure



General data (raw materials production, energy, transport and waste management

Ecoinvent 3.5. database, compiled in 2018

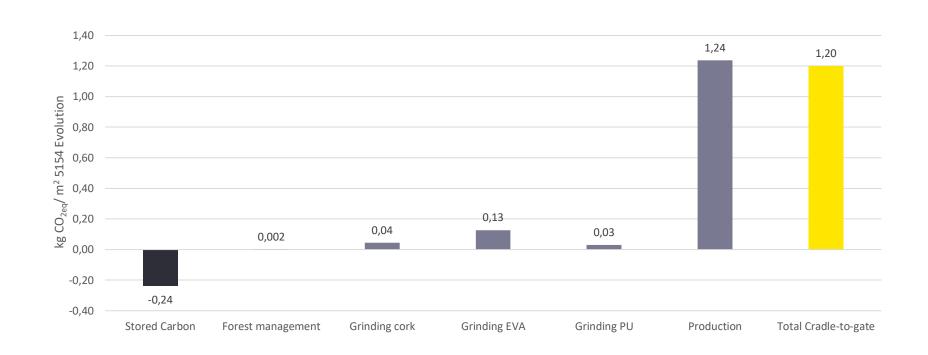
- Carbon stored in the final product is included
- Additional scenario analysis of the potential carbon sequestration at the forest stage



# Carbon footprint



### Carbon footprint: results



#### 5154 Evolution carbon footprint:

- ightharpoonup Cradle to gate: +1,20 kg  $CO_{2eq}/m^2$
- Carbon stored in cork : -0,24 kg CO<sub>2</sub> /m<sup>2</sup>
- ► GHG emissions: + 1,44 kg CO<sub>2eq</sub> /m²



# Carbon balance



#### Carbon balance: results

Scenario analysis with carbon sequestration in the cork oak montado

For 5154 Evolution when considering carbon sequestration in the cork oak\* montado:

There is a forest storage up to:

 $-9,6 \text{ kg CO}_2/\text{m}^2$ 

Therefore, the carbon balance reaches up to

**-8,2** kg CO<sub>2</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>



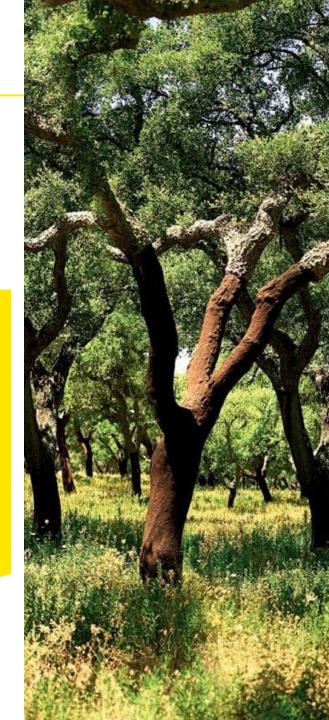
scenario analysis based on well-managed cork oak montado

#### - 73 t CO<sub>2</sub>/t cork

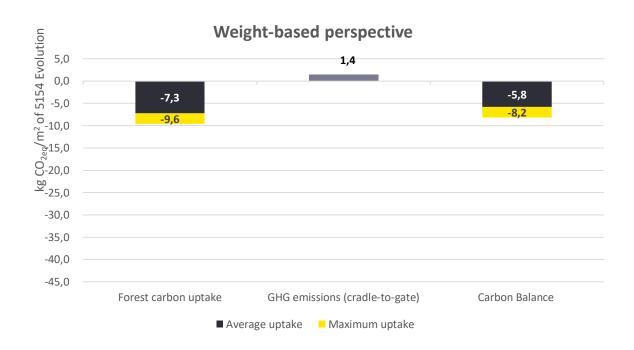
Maximum ecosystem  $CO_2$  uptake registered (14,7  $tCO_2$ /ha) (Costa-e-Silva et al., 2015).

with the average ecosystem  $CO_2$  uptake being - 55 t  $CO_2$ /t cork, considering wet and dry years in well managed forests (11 t  $CO_2$ /ha).<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> figures used in "The value of cork oak montado ecosystem services, EY 2019"



#### Carbon balance: results



Carbon balance reaches up to:

$$-8,2 \text{ kg CO}_{2eq}/\text{m}^2$$

considering maximum ecosystem  $CO_2$  uptake registered in a well managed cork oak montado -73 t  $CO_2$ /t cork



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