

ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATION

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General Information

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Concrete admixtures, 01.08.2021
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Sika® ViscoCrete®-5123

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Declared product / declared unit

1 kg of Sika® ViscoCrete®-5123 with a density of 1.05 g/ml.

Scope:

This core-EPD relates to 1 kg of Sika® ViscoCrete®-5123 (admixture group of superplasticizer) applied into the building, manufactured at Sika's plant in Skytta, Hagan, Norway and is representative for the year 2024.

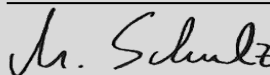
The results in this core-EPD were calculated using an LCA-tool verified by IBU in 2023

The owner of the declaration shall be liable for the underlying information and evidence; the IBU shall not be liable with respect to manufacturer information, life cycle assessment data and evidences.

The EPD was created according to the specifications of EN 15804+A2. In the following, the standard will be simplified as *EN 15804*.

Verification

The standard EN 15804 serves as the core PCR	
Independent verification of the declaration and data according to ISO 14025:2011	
☐	internally
☒	externally



Matthias Schulz,
(Independent verifier)

Product

Product description/Product definition

Sika® ViscoCrete®-5123 is a liquid superplasticizer for concrete and mortar. It reduces the water content of mixed concrete without detriment to its consistency or enhances its slump with or without change to the water content or causes both effects simultaneously.

For the purpose of this EPD, Sika Norway manufacturing unit Skytta is selected.

The product needs a declaration of performance taking into consideration *EN 934-2 2009+A1:2012*. Admixtures for concrete, mortar and grout – Part 2: Concrete admixtures – Definitions, requirements, conformity, marking and labelling and the CE-marking. For the application and use the respective national provisions apply.

Application

Sika® ViscoCrete®-5123 is used as a constituent material to produce concrete. It can be used in combination with other Sika admixtures and can be successfully used in mix designs utilizing supplementary cementitious materials.

Technical Data

Sika® ViscoCrete®-5123 meets the requirements of *EN 934-2:2009 + A1:2012*, Table 3.1/3.2.

Constructional data

Name	Value	Unit
Density (ISO 758)	1.05 ± 0.02	g/ml
Solids content (EN 480-8)	23.0 ± 1.0	M.-%
pH value (ISO 4316)	3.5 ± 1.0	-log ₁₀ (a _H ⁺)
Chloride content (EN 480-10)	≤ 0,01	M.-%
Alkali content (EN 480-12)	≤ 1,0	M.-%
Corrosion behavior (EN 934-1 / EN 480-14)	Contains only components from EN 934-1:2008 Annex A.1 Approved list	μ A/cm ²
Air content of fresh concrete (EN 12350-7)	Test mix ≤ 2 % by volume above control mix	Vol.-%
Compressive strength (EN 12390-3)	At +20 °C and 24 h: test mix ≥ 140 % of control mix; at +20 °C and 28 d: test mix ≥ 115 % of control mix; at +20 °C and 28 d: test mix ≥ 90 % of control mix (Table 3.2/reference concrete IV)	N/mm ²
Water reduction (EN 12350-2 / EN 12350-5) Plasticizer	In test mix ≥ 12 % compared with control mix	mm
Increasing / maintaining of consistence (EN 12350-2 / EN 12350-5) Superplasticizer	Increase in slump ≥ 120 mm from initial (30 ± 10) mm, 30 min after the addition the consistence of the test mix shall not fall below the value of the control mix	mm

Base materials/Ancillary materials

The raw materials and additives of Sika® ViscoCrete®-5123 can be given as follows:

Water: 60 - 85 %

Polycarboxylate ether: 20 - 30 %

Additives: 1 – 5 %

This product contains substances listed in the *candidate list* (date: 21.01.2025) exceeding 0.1 percentage by mass: No

This product contains other carcinogenic, mutagenic, reprotoxic (CMR) substances in categories 1A or 1B which are not on the candidate list, exceeding 0.1 percentage by mass: No

Biocide products were added to this contribution product or it has been treated with biocide products (this then concerns a treated product as defined by the (EU) ordinance on Biocide Products Number 528/2012): Yes
Contains 2,4,7,9-Tetramethyldec-5-yne-4,7-diol, ethoxylated and (ethylenedioxy)dimethanol.

Please refer to the most recent Safety Datasheet for further details.

Reference service life

The durability of concrete admixtures is normally at least as long as the lifetime of the building in which it is used. The documentation of the RSL is not required for the EPDs calculated using the EPD tool from Sika since the entire life cycle is not declared. Only modules A1-A3, A4, A5, C1, C2, C3, C4 and D are considered.

LCA: Calculation rules

Declared Unit

The EPD refers to the declared unit of 1 kg of concrete admixture (superplasticizer) applied to the building with a density of 1.05 g/ml in accordance with *IBU PCR 04-2023 part B* for concrete admixtures.

Declared unit and mass reference

Name	Value	Unit
Declared unit	1	kg
Gross density	1050	kg/m ³

System boundary

Declaration type with respect to life cycle stages covered according to clause 5.2 *EN 15804+A2* is cradle to gate with modules C1–C4 and module D (A1–A3, A4, A5, C and D).

Modules taken into account:

- A1 Production of preliminary products
- A2 Transport to the plant
- A3 Production including provision of energy, production of auxiliaries and consumables and waste treatment
- A4 Transport from the construction site to the installation site
- A5 Installation, admixtures applied into the building during A5 phase operations. At this stage, an impact of the production and treatment of installation residue equal to 1% of the product is considered.
- C1–C2–C3–C4, D: The building deconstruction (demolition

process) takes place in module C1 which considers energy production and consumption in terms of diesel and all the emissions connected with the fuel-burning process. After the demolition, the admixture is transported to the end-of-life processing (module C2) where all the impacts related to the transport processes are considered. C3: Waste processing. No waste processing is considered. One scenario is considered for the final treatment of the waste: 100% disposal (C4), modelled by landfill process where admixtures end their life cycle. Module D accounts for benefits that are beyond the defined system boundaries. Credits are generated during the incineration of the installation scrap in module A5.

Geographic Representativeness

Land or region, in which the declared product system is manufactured, used or handled at the end of the product's lifespan: Norway

Comparability

Basically, a comparison or an evaluation of EPD data is only possible if all the data sets to be compared were created according to *EN 15804* and the building context, respectively the product-specific characteristics of performance, are taken into account. *Sphera LCA for Expert* software (version 10) and *Managed LCA Content (2022.2)* have been used.

LCA: Scenarios and additional technical information

Characteristic product properties of biogenic carbon

No biogenic carbon is contained in the product. Since the product is delivered to the installation site in tank trucks, or in reusable containers no packaging is considered.

Information on describing the biogenic carbon content at factory gate

Name	Value	Unit
Biogenic carbon content in product		kg C
Biogenic carbon content in accompanying packaging		kg C

Note: 1 kg of biogenic carbon is equivalent to 44/12 kg of CO₂.

Transport from the gate to the side (A4)

Name	Value	Unit
Transport distance	600	km
Gross density of products transported	1050	kg/m ³

Assembly (A5)

Material loss regards the amount of product not used during the application phase into the building. This amount is 1 % of the product, impacts related to the production of this part are charged to the A5 module. This percentage is considered as waste to incineration since the product has a calorific value and impacts of its end of life have been considered in the LCA model and declared in A5.

Name	Value	Unit
Other resources	-	kg
Material loss	0.01	kg

End of life (C1–C4)

C1: This module considers the use of machinery (7.5E-5 kg of diesel for kg handled) to dismantle the product to enable its subsequent transport.

C2: The concrete demolition waste is transported from the building site to a treatment plant or disposal site by truck and an average distance of 50 km is considered.

C3: No waste processing is considered.

C4: The results for the end-of-life are declared for one scenario.

Name	Value	Unit
Landfill Percentage	100	%
Landfilling	-	kg

LCA: Results

DESCRIPTION OF THE SYSTEM BOUNDARY (X = INCLUDED IN LCA; MND = MODULE OR INDICATOR NOT DECLARED; MNR = MODULE NOT RELEVANT)

Product stage			Construction process stage		Use stage							End of life stage				Benefits and loads beyond the system boundaries
Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport from the gate to the site	Assembly	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De-construction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse-Recovery-Recycling-potential
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
X	X	X	X	X	MND	MND	MNR	MNR	MNR	MND	MND	X	X	X	X	X

RESULTS OF THE LCA - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT according to EN 15804+A2: 1 kg Sika® ViscoCrete®-5123

Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
GWP-total	kg CO ₂ eq	6.83E-01	3.01E-02	1.99E-02	2.83E-04	6.27E-03	0	1.45E-02	-3.15E-03
GWP-fossil	kg CO ₂ eq	6.74E-01	2.88E-02	1.47E-02	2.7E-04	6E-03	0	1.49E-02	-3.13E-03
GWP-biogenic	kg CO ₂ eq	9.49E-03	1.3E-03	5.21E-03	1.23E-05	2.71E-04	0	-4.42E-04	-1.47E-05
GWP-luluc	kg CO ₂ eq	6.6E-05	1.31E-06	1.6E-06	1.25E-08	2.72E-07	0	2.75E-05	-3.1E-07
ODP	kg CFC11 eq	2.42E-12	2.95E-15	2.13E-14	2.82E-17	6.15E-16	0	3.51E-14	-1.85E-14
AP	mol H ⁺ eq	1.36E-03	8.39E-05	1.16E-04	3.62E-06	1.91E-05	0	1.06E-04	-3.83E-06
EP-freshwater	kg P eq	3.36E-06	6.73E-09	1.03E-08	6.41E-11	1.4E-09	0	2.53E-08	-3.79E-09
EP-marine	kg N eq	3.92E-04	3.86E-05	1.54E-05	1.65E-06	8.89E-06	0	2.71E-05	-1.07E-06
EP-terrestrial	mol N eq	4.29E-03	4.25E-04	2E-04	1.81E-05	9.78E-05	0	2.97E-04	-1.15E-05
POCP	kg NMVOC eq	1.62E-03	7.8E-05	5.18E-05	4.95E-06	1.77E-05	0	8.22E-05	-3.02E-06
ADPE	kg Sb eq	2.33E-07	1.51E-09	1.48E-09	1.44E-11	3.14E-10	0	1.53E-09	-4.32E-10
ADPF	MJ	1.8E+01	4.03E-01	2.73E-01	3.84E-03	8.39E-02	0	1.95E-01	-5.29E-02
WDP	m ³ world eq deprived	1.89E-01	7.79E-05	3.88E-03	7.43E-07	1.62E-05	0	1.64E-03	-2.93E-04

GWP = Global warming potential; ODP = Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer; AP = Acidification potential of land and water; EP = Eutrophication potential; POCP = Formation potential of tropospheric ozone photochemical oxidants; ADPE = Abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil resources; ADPF = Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources; WDP = Water (user) deprivation potential)

RESULTS OF THE LCA - INDICATORS TO DESCRIBE RESOURCE USE according to EN 15804+A2: 1 kg Sika® ViscoCrete®-5123

Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
PERE	MJ	1.3E+00	2.44E-03	1.15E-02	2.33E-05	5.08E-04	0	2.93E-02	-1.28E-02
PERM	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PERT	MJ	1.3E+00	2.44E-03	1.15E-02	2.33E-05	5.08E-04	0	2.93E-02	-1.28E-02
PENRE	MJ	1.32E+01	4.05E-01	2.73E-01	3.86E-03	8.42E-02	0	1.96E-01	-5.29E-02
PENRM	MJ	4.82E+00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PENRT	MJ	1.8E+01	4.05E-01	2.73E-01	3.86E-03	8.42E-02	0	1.96E-01	-5.29E-02
SM	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RSF	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NRSF	MJ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FW	m ³	5.24E-03	3.32E-06	9.48E-05	3.16E-08	6.9E-07	0	4.97E-05	-1.23E-05

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 = Use of net fresh water

RESULTS OF THE LCA - WASTE CATEGORIES AND OUTPUT FLOWS according to EN 15804+A2: 1 kg Sika® ViscoCrete®-5123

Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
HWD	kg	1.05E-09	1.4E-12	8.35E-12	1.33E-14	2.91E-13	0	1.01E-11	-7.46E-12
NHWD	kg	3.52E-02	4.13E-05	1.22E-03	3.94E-07	8.6E-06	0	1E+00	-2.52E-05
RWD	kg	4.89E-04	6.67E-07	3.35E-06	6.36E-09	1.39E-07	0	2.18E-06	-3.67E-06
CRU	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MFR	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MER	kg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
EEE	MJ	0	0	1.23E-02	0	0	0	0	0
EET	MJ	0	0	2.81E-02	0	0	0	0	0

RESULTS OF THE LCA – additional impact categories according to EN 15804+A2-optional:

1 kg Sika® ViscoCrete®-5123

Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
PM	Disease incidence	1.2E-08	4.81E-10	9.03E-10	1.93E-10	1.06E-10	0	1.3E-09	-3.17E-11
IR	kBq U235 eq	7E-02	1E-04	3.96E-04	9.55E-07	2.08E-05	0	2.42E-04	-6.21E-04
ETP-fw	CTUe	9.46E+00	2.87E-01	2.22E-01	2.74E-03	5.97E-02	0	1.1E-01	-1.03E-02
HTP-c	CTUh	9.68E-10	5.34E-12	5.19E-12	5.09E-14	1.11E-12	0	1.67E-11	-5.18E-13
HTP-nc	CTUh	1E-07	2.62E-10	1.93E-10	3.52E-12	5.51E-11	0	1.85E-09	-2.01E-11
SQP	SQP	9.51E-01	2.39E-03	7.65E-03	2.28E-05	4.98E-04	0	4.07E-02	-8.32E-03

PM = Potential incidence of disease due to PM emissions; IR = Potential Human exposure efficiency relative to U235; ETP-fw = Potential comparative Toxic Unit for ecosystems; HTP-c = Potential comparative Toxic Unit for humans (cancerogenic); HTP-nc = Potential comparative Toxic Unit for humans (not cancerogenic); SQP = Potential soil quality index

Disclaimer 1 – for the indicator “Potential Human exposure efficiency relative to U235”. 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 or radioactive waste disposal in underground facilities. Potential ionizing radiation from the soil, radon and from some construction materials is also not measured by this indicator.

Disclaimer 2 – for the indicators “abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil resources”, “abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources”, “water (user) deprivation potential, deprivation-weighted water consumption”, “potential comparative toxic unit for ecosystems”, “potential comparative toxic unit for humans – cancerogenic”, “Potential comparative toxic unit for humans - not cancerogenic”, “potential soil quality index”. The results of this environmental impact indicator shall be used with care as the uncertainties on these results are high as there is limited experience with the indicator.

This EPD was created using a software tool.

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Candidate list

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