

# Environmental Product Declaration

## Anchor™ Storage



Anchor is a preconfigured collection of user-friendly storage that addresses an individual's organizational needs in the changing workplace. The broad scope including credenzas, pedestals, work surface stackers, towers and lockers features a neutral aesthetic and key dimensional alignments, which ensure easy coordination with Dividends Horizon® and Antenna® Workspaces.

### Recycled Content

6% Post-consumer recycled content

77% Post-industrial recycled content

### Functional Unit

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<b>Period of Validity</b>	5 Years (Expiration: December 13, 2022)
<b>Contents of the Declaration</b>	Product definition and information about building physics Information about basic material and the material's origin Description of the products' manufacture Indication of product processing Information about the in-use conditions Life cycle assessment results Testing results and verifications

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This EPD conforms with ISO 21930-2007

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• Reference Product Description

Storage

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Product Category

Occupants Supported  
by Product

.446 m<sup>3</sup>  
(6.28 ft<sup>2</sup>)

29.6 kg/FU  
(65.26 lb)

Volume

Reference Flow

88.1 kg  
(1,942.3 lbs)

6%

77%

Storage Mass

Post-Consumer  
Recycled Content

Post-Industrial  
Recycled Content

• Functional Unit

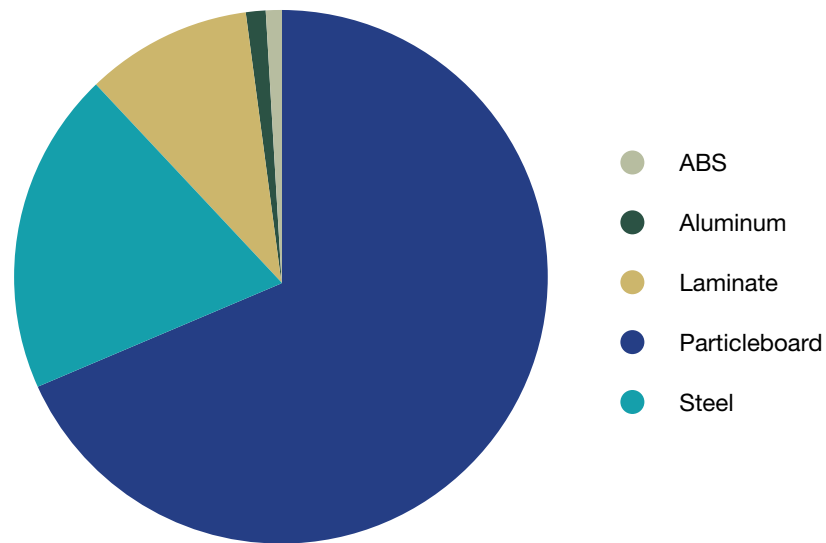
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storage for  
10 years

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• **Materials Composition**

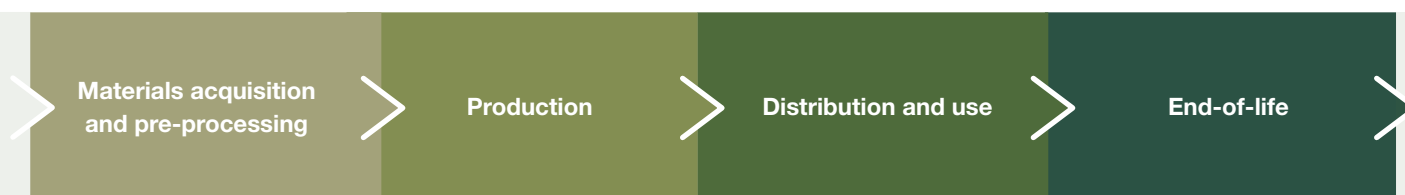


Material	% by mass	kg. per functional unit (FU)	kg. per storage unit
ABS	1.03	0.304	0.903
Aluminum	1.16	0.343	1.02
Laminate	9.89	2.93	8.7
Particleboard	68.6	20.3	60.4
Steel	19.4	5.73	17.1
<b>Total</b>	100%	29.6	88.1

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- **Life Cycle Stages**



**A cradle-to-grave analysis was conducted for this EPD.** Materials acquisition and pre-processing starts when the material is extracted from nature and ends when the material in component form reaches the gate of the production facility or service delivery operation. As such, it includes transportation between upstream suppliers and Knoll's production facility.

The production stage is a gate-to-gate stage that starts with the product components entering the production facility and ends with the final product, packaged for shipment, leaving the facility. This stage includes manufacturing processes that take place at Knoll, along with the production of packaging materials.

Product distribution and storage are included in the next stage, along with product use and maintenance. This stage can include multiple legs of distribution and storage. The use stage begins when the consumer takes possession of the product, and includes assembly, installation, repair, and maintenance as appropriate. For products with electrical components, use stage electricity consumption is also considered.

The end-of-life stage starts when the product is ready for disposal and ends when the product is landfilled, returned to nature, or transformed to be recycled or reused. This stage includes transportation of the used product to treatment or recycling facilities and emissions associated with disposal.

### Life Cycle Assessment Results per functional unit (0.15m<sup>3</sup> of storage capacity)

Inventory Metric	Units	Total
Net fresh water usage*	kg	782
<b>Primary energy demand, total</b>	<b>MJ</b>	<b>2,394</b>
Primary energy demand, renewable	MJ	1,019
Primary energy demand, non-renewable	MJ	1,375

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• **Life Cycle Assessment Results**

**Impact Assessment Categories**

Impact assessment results are calculated using the TRACI 2.1 methodology (Bare, 2012).

Global Warming Potential (100 yr)



Global Warming Potential (20 yr)



Acidification Potential



Eutrophication Potential



Ozone Depletion



Photochemical Ozone Creation Potential



● Materials Acquisition    ● Production    ● Distribution & Use    ● End of Life

**Life Cycle Assessment Results per functional unit (0.15m<sup>3</sup> of storage capacity)**

Impact Category	Units	Materials Acquisition	Production	Distribution & Use	End-of-Life	Total
Global warming potential (100 yr)	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.	55.1	24.9	16.47	40.4	<b>137</b>
Global warming potential (20 yr)	kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.	63.3	27.6	40.75	117	<b>248</b>
Acidification potential	kg SO <sub>2</sub> eq.	0.274	0.0753	0.0248	0.00481	<b>0.42</b>
Eutrophication potential	kg N eq.	0.0381	0.00365	0.002495	0.000885	<b>0.0595</b>
Ozone depletion	kg CFC-11 eq.	1.98E-007	1.98E-008	3.572E-011	1.92E-12	<b>2.18E-007</b>
Photochemical ozone creation potential	kg O <sub>3</sub> eq.	2.55	0.92	0.556	0.103	<b>4.36</b>

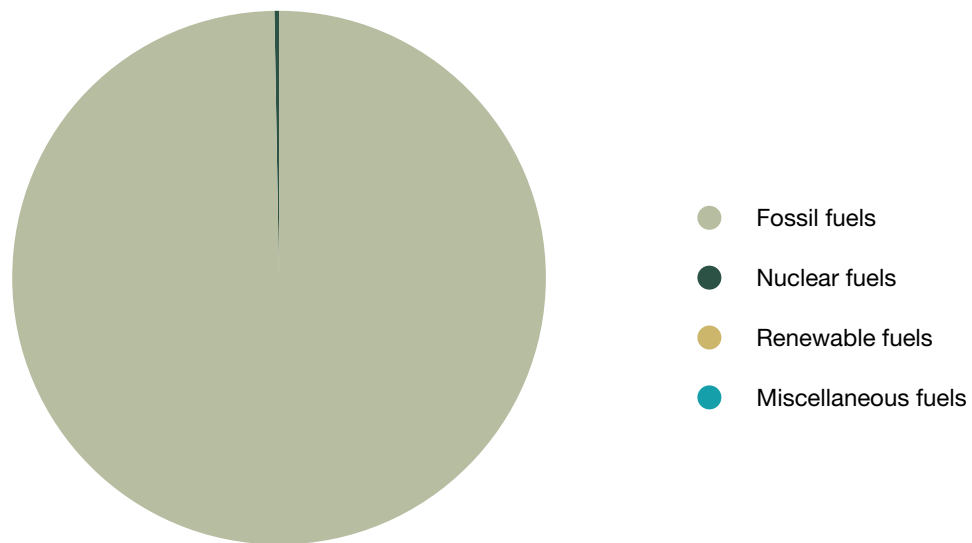
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• **Other Life Cycle Inventory Data**

**Life Cycle Inventory Data Per Functional Unit, Fuels**

The guiding PCR requires reporting of the inventories, per functional unit (0.15m<sup>3</sup> of storage capacity).



Fuels	Units	Total
Fossil fuels	MJ	16.3
Nuclear fuels	MJ	9.66E-005
Renewable fuels	MJ	0
Miscellaneous fuels	MJ	-

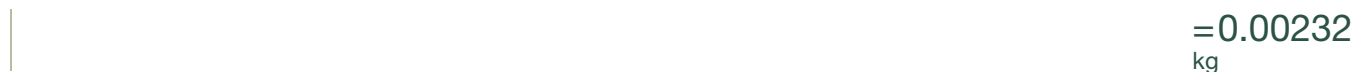
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• Life Cycle Impact Assessment Categories, Emissions and Wastes

Emissions to Air

Sulphur oxides



Nitrogen oxides



Carbon dioxide



Methane



Nitrous Oxide (laughing gas)



Carbon monoxide



● Materials Acquisition ● Production ● Distribution & Use ● End of Life

Inventory Metric	Units	Materials Acquisition	Production	Distribution & Use	End-of-Life	Total
Sulphur oxides	kg	0.00232	0	0	0	0.00232
Nitrogen oxides	kg	0.0863	0.0367	0.00512	0.00366	0.14
Carbon dioxide	kg	49.9	23.3	4.27	0.607	79.7
Methane	kg	0.148	0.0492	0.00665	0.0034	0.216
Nitrous oxide (laughing gas)	kg	0.00248	0.000353	8.70E-05	4.11E-05	0.00305
Carbon monoxide	kg	0.226	0.00939	0.0246	0.0213	0.327



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### Emissions to Fresh Water

Heavy metals



=0.103  
kg

Nitrate



=0.00342  
kg

Phosphate



0.000381  
kg

● Materials Acquisition    ● Production    ● Distribution & Use    ● End of Life

Inventory Metric	Units	Materials Acquisition	Production	Distribution & Use	End-of-Life	Total
Heavy metals	kg	0.00575	0.0972	0.0001758	0.000229	0.103
Nitrate	kg	0.00206	0.000808	0.0003227	0.000233	0.00342
Phosphate	kg	0.00029	3.49E-05	4.93E-05	6.15E-06	0.000381

### Waste Management

At End-of-Life, 7.8% (by mass) of the product are assumed to be recycled, based on metal recycling statistics (US EPA, 2015).

Inventory Metric	Units	Materials Acquisition	Production	Distribution & Use	End-of-Life	Total
Waste (deposited) to landfill	kg	0.751	0.117	6.072	25.6	32.6
Hazardous waste	kg	8.31E-06	1.58E-07	4.842E-07	1.53E-07	9.10E-06

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