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HVAC EQUIPMENT INSULATION

MICROMAT[®] • MICROMAT[®] RX



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Micromat[®] fiber glass insulation is used to improve thermal and acoustical control in HVAC equipment. Above: Micromat roll, manufactured in Cleburne, Texas



At Johns Manville, product performance and corporate accountability are top priorities. We ensure that each of our HVAC equipment insulation products not only performs but also contributes to the health, safety, and sustainability of the environments where they are used.

We strive to ensure that our products meet the rigorous demands of their applications while focusing on finding new ways to reduce our environmental footprint. We want to provide you with reliable materials that will allow you to do the same.

As a company, we are committed to evolving to help create a sustainable world for our future. When it comes to making decisions about your environmental impact, don't think just insulation, think JM.

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EPD PROGRAM AND PROGRAM OPERATOR NAME, ADDRESS, LOGO, AND WEBSITE	UL Environment 333 Pfingsten Road Northbrook, IL 60611	WWW.UL.COM www.spot.ul.com
GENERAL PROGRAM INSTRUCTIONS AND VERSION NUMBER	Program Operator Rules v2.7 2022	
MANUFACTURER NAME AND ADDRESS	Johns Manville 717 17 th Street, Denver, CO 80202	
DECLARATION NUMBER	4790545973.108.1	
DECLARED PRODUCT & FUNCTIONAL UNIT OR DECLARED UNIT	HVAC Equipment Insulation - Micromat®, Micromat® RX, 1 m ²	
REFERENCE PCR AND VERSION NUMBER	Part A: Product Category Rules for Building-Related Products and Services, UL 10010, v3.2 Part B: Mechanical, Specialty, Thermal, and Acoustic Insulation Product EPD Requirements	
DESCRIPTION OF PRODUCT APPLICATION/USE	Building envelope thermal insulation; ceiling tile production	
PRODUCT RSL DESCRIPTION (IF APPL.)	N/A	
MARKETS OF APPLICABILITY	North America	
DATE OF ISSUE	September 28, 2022	
PERIOD OF VALIDITY	5 Years	
EPD TYPE	Company-specific	
RANGE OF DATASET VARIABILITY	n/a	
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LIMITATIONS

Exclusions: EPDs do not indicate that any environmental or social performance benchmarks are met, and there may be impacts that they do not encompass. LCAs do not typically address the site-specific environmental impacts of raw material extraction, nor are they meant to assess human health toxicity. EPDs can complement but cannot replace tools and certifications that are designed to address these impacts and/or set performance thresholds – e.g. Type 1 certifications, health assessments and declarations, environmental impact assessments, etc.

Accuracy of Results: EPDs regularly rely on estimations of impacts; the level of accuracy in estimation of effect differs for any particular product line and reported impact.

Comparability: EPDs from different programs may not be comparable. Full conformance with a PCR allows EPD comparability only when all stages of a life cycle have been considered. However, variations and deviations are possible. Example of variations: Different LCA software and background LCI datasets may lead to differences results for upstream or downstream of the life cycle stages declared.

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Product Definition and Information

Description of Organization

For more than 160 years, Johns Manville (JM) has been dedicated to providing products that improve energy efficiency, and contribute to the health and comfort of building occupants.

Johns Manville manufactures premium-quality building and mechanical insulation, commercial roofing, glass fibers and nonwoven materials for commercial, industrial and residential applications. JM products are used in a wide variety of industries including building products, aerospace, automotive and transportation, filtration, commercial interiors, waterproofing and wind energy.

JM employs 7,000 people globally and provides products to more than 85 countries. We operate 44 manufacturing facilities in North America, Europe, and China. Since 1988, JM's global headquarters has been located in downtown Denver, Colorado.

Product Description

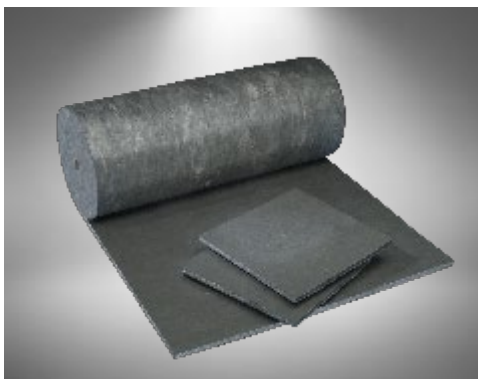
Product Identification



Micromat®

Micromat is a flexible, resilient, blanket-type fiber glass insulation, faced on the airstream side with a smooth, resilient, nonwoven glass mat. The airstream glass mat surface includes an EPA registered, immobilized antimicrobial agent to protect the product against damage from microbial growth. Micromat provides superior thermal and acoustical performance for HVAC equipment applications. Inherent resiliency and flexibility make Micromat liners resist settling, breakdown, and sagging from vibration and damage from impact.

- Resistant to fungi
- Unaffected by oil, grease, and most acids
- Smooth surface provides low air friction
- Rated for 5,000 fpm air velocity



Micromat® RX

Micromat RX is a flexible fiber glass insulation with a resilient mat facing that is coated with an acrylic coating with an EPA-registered immobilized antimicrobial agent. The acrylic coating provides excellent moisture resistance, and the anti-microbial agent provides added product protection against damage from microbial growth.

Micromat RX offers the same advantages as Micromat, with these additional benefits:

- Added moisture resistance
- Durable acrylic coating resists damage
- Rated for 5,000 fpm air velocity



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Flow Diagram

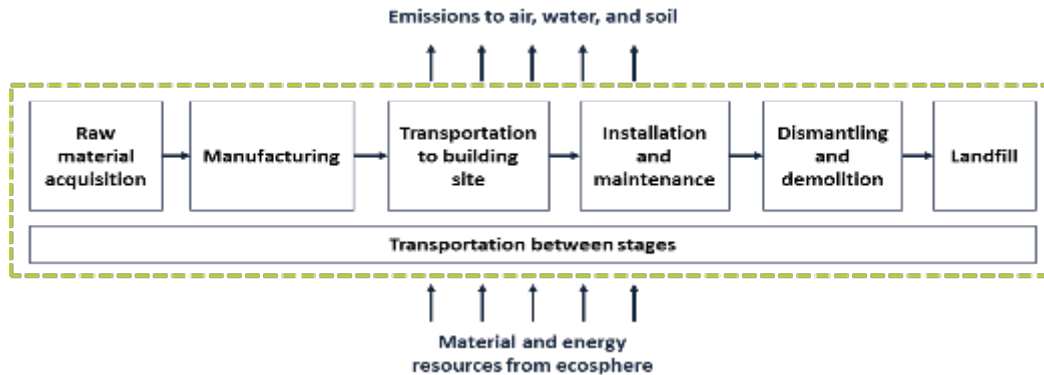


Figure 1: Flow diagram for HVAC equipment insulation manufacturing

Product Average

This EPD is intended to represent company-specific HVAC equipment insulation products. The results for the final product are calculated for the Johns Manville production site located in Cleburne, Texas, US. Use of this EPD is limited to Johns Manville.

Application

Micromat® and Micromat® RX are HVAC equipment liners specifically designed to improve thermal and acoustical performance. This reduces energy consumption and improves indoor environmental quality for building occupants. They can be used in applications that operate at temperatures ranging from below ambient to 250°F (121°C).

The insulation can be used in the following HVAC equipment applications:

- Furnaces (commercial/residential)
- Air conditioners
- Mixing boxes
- Fan coils
- VAV boxes Roof Curbs
- Other HVAC equipment

Declaration of Methodological Framework

This EPD is declared under a “cradle-to-installation with end-of-life” system boundary. As such, it includes life cycle stages A1-A5 and C1-C4. It should be noted here that, C1 and C3 are to be reported as zero as they are assumed to fall below the cut-off criteria defined by ISO 21930. C2 is assumed as 20 km by truck.

Per the PCR (UL Environment, 2018), the assessment was conducted using a building service life of 75 years.

Technical Requirements

The technical specifications apply to products considered in this EPD:

- ASTM C1071 – Standard Specification for Fibrous Glass Duct Lining Insulation (Thermal and Sound Absorbing Material)



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Additionally, the the following fire-related standards and test methods apply:

- ASTM E84 – Standard Test Method for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials
- UL 723 - Standard for Test for Surface Burning Characteristic of Building Materials test
- CAN / ULC S102 - Standard Test Method for Potential Heat of Building Materials
- NFPA 90A and 90B - NFPA 90A Standard for the Installation of Air-Conditioning and Ventilating Systems, and NFPA 90B is the Standard for the Installation of Warm Air Heating and Air Conditioning Systems

Properties of Declared Product as Delivered

HVAC equipment insulation is delivered to the fabrication site as packaged.

Material Composition

Table 1: HVAC Equipment Insulation Material Composition

COMPONENTS	VALUE (% WEIGHT)
Sand	55.6%
Nepheline syenite	6%
Soda Ash	18.6%
5 mol Borax	12.6%
BD lime	6.8%
Fluorspar	0.2%
Barytes, Glassmakers	0.2%

Manufacturing

This Environmental Product Declaration (EPD) represents the production of Johns Manville HVAC equipment at Cleburne, Texas (United States).

The life cycle of the product under study begins with the extraction and processing of the raw materials that constitute the batch. Together, these materials (sand, borax, soda ash, recycled glass, and minerals) are melted. The molten glass is formed into fibers and a thermosetting binder is applied. The bonded product is then formed into insulation of the required configuration and specifications. After curing with hot air through convection and cooling, the product is cut into the desired width, faced with an acrylic latex coating (if applicable), and sent to the packaging line.

Packaging

Packaging of the finished product for shipment comprises shrink film and polyester bags.

Transportation

Reported transportation distances via truck and rail are included for the inbound transport of raw materials to the production facility. Distribution of the finished product to the construction site is estimated at 250 miles via heavy-duty truck and assumed to be volume-limited rather than mass-limited, with a utilization rate of 28% of mass capacity.



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Product Installation

Johns Manville HVAC equipment insulation can be firmly bonded to metals, plastics, and other materials with commercial adhesives or mechanical fasteners. Micromat and Micromat RX are highly durable HVAC equipment liners. This facilitates efficient fabrication and installation.

- **Minimizes Pre-installation Damage.** The durable, glass-mat facing is resistant to damage that can occur during in-shop handling, fabrication, jobsite shipping and installation.
- **Easy to Fabricate.** Micromat and Micromat RX are lightweight and easy to handle. The fiber glass is consistent throughout the core, making it easier to cut to any size or shape with a knife, steel rule die, shears, or automated cutting technology.

Use

HVAC equipment insulation is assumed to have a reference service life equal to that of the useful life of the equipment. Once installed, insulation does not directly consume energy, but instead, contributes to a reduction in the amount of energy required to heat and cool the building. The insulation requires no maintenance, and there are no parts to repair or refurbish. Any reduction in building operational energy consumption associated with insulation use needs to be considered on the level of the individual building and is considered outside the scope of this LCA.

Reference Service Life and Estimated Building Service Life

The use phase is considered to be burden-free for insulation products as they require no maintenance and have a 75-year reference service life equal to that of the entire building.

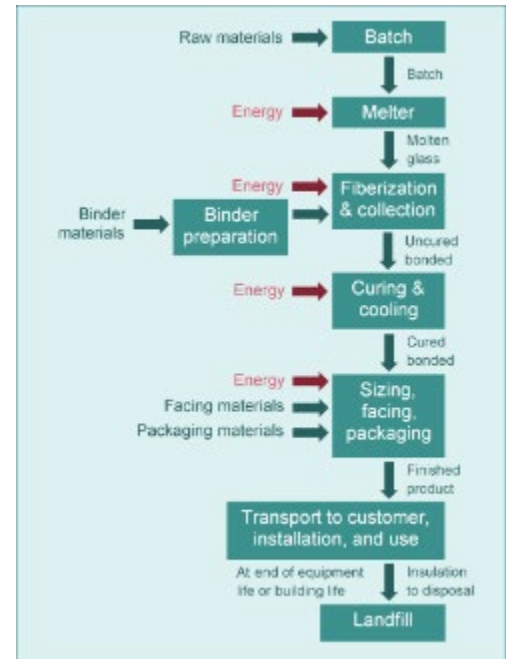
Reuse, Recycling, and Energy Recovery

When the building is demolished, the insulation is assumed to be sent to landfill. While insulation can theoretically be reused or recycled, doing so is not common practice in the industry.

Disposal

At end-of-life, insulation is removed from the deconstructed building. Wastes are then disposed in a landfill. Therefore, the analysis assumes that after removal, the insulation is transported to the disposal site and landfilled.

Figure 2: Production and life cycle stages



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Life Cycle Assessment Background Information

Declared Unit

Per the PCR, the declared unit for this analysis is *1 m² of insulation material, as delivered to the job site, with a building service life (RSL) of 75 years*. Table 2 shows the functional unit along with its specific thickness and mass reference flow.

Table 2: Declared unit and subsequent product attributes

	AREA [M ²]	R _{SI} [M ² K/W]	R _{US} [BTU/(H °F FT ²)]	RSL [YEARS]	THICKNESS [IN]	MASS [KG]
Functional Unit	1	1	5.68	75	1.35	0.942

HVAC insulation is produced with a Permacote acrylic coated glass mat facing area that is added during manufacturing. The declared unit of the HVAC insulation facing is 1 m² as seen in table 3 below.

Table 3: Declared unit of glass mat facing for HVAC insulation

	AREA (M ²)	RSL [YEARS]	DENSITY [KG/M ²]	MASS [KG]
Declared Unit	1	75	0.056	0.056

System Boundary

Table 4 represents the system boundary and scope.

Table 4: Description of the system boundary modules

	PRODUCT STAGE			CONSTRUCT- ION PROCESS STAGE		USE STAGE							END OF LIFE STAGE				BENEFITS AND LOADS BEYOND THE SYSTEM BOUNDARY
	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D
	Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport from gate to site	Assembly/install	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Building Operational Energy Use During Product Use	Building Operational Water Use During Product Use	Deconstruction	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse, Recovery, Recycling Potential
EPD Type	X	X	X	X	X	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	X	X	X	X	MND

This study covers the life cycle of the products from cradle to gate (installation) with end of life options. Within these boundaries, the following stages were included as per Figure 3 below:

- **Raw materials acquisition:** Raw material supply (including virgin and recycled materials), inbound transport
- **Manufacturing:** Production of insulation, product packaging, manufacturing waste, releases to environment
- **Transportation:** Distribution of the insulation product from the manufacturer to a distributor (if applicable) and



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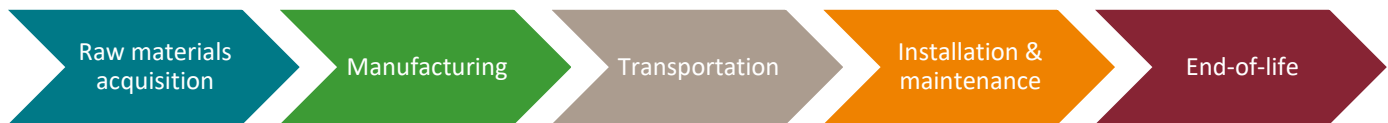
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- from there, to the building site
- **Installation and Maintenance:** Installation process, installation wastes and releases to the environment, maintenance under normal conditions
- **End-of-Life:** Dismantling/demolition, transport to final disposal site, final disposition

Building operational energy and water use are considered outside of this study’s scope: any beneficial impact that the use of insulation may have on a building’s energy consumption is not calculated or incorporated into the analysis.

Figure 3: Life cycle stages included in the system boundary



Estimates and Assumptions

The analysis uses the following assumptions:

- Insulation is assumed to have a 75-year reference service life, equal to that of the building.
- Installation is done by hand and assumed to have a negligible scrap rate.

Since primary data were not available to describe end-of-life treatment, the default values specified by the PCR Part A (UL Environment, 2018) were applied (Table 4).

Table 5. Default end-of-life assumptions from the PCR

COMPONENT	RECYCLED	LANDFILLED	INCINERATED
Product	0%	100%	0%
Paper packaging	75%	20%	5%
Plastic packaging	15%	68%	17%

Cut-off Criteria

Cut-off criteria were applied to capital equipment production and maintenance under the assumption that the impacts associated with these aspects were sufficiently small enough to fall below cut-off when scaled down to the functional unit. All energy and material flow data available were included in the model. In addition, biogenic carbon has also been excluded as the overall difference in GWP result is less than 2%.

Data Sources

The LCA model was created using the GaBi 10.5. Software system for life cycle engineering, developed by Sphera Inc. (Sphera, 2021). Background life cycle inventory data for raw materials and processes were obtained from the GaBi CUP 2021.2 database. Primary manufacturing data were provided by Johns Manville.

Data Quality

A variety of tests and checks were performed throughout the project to ensure high quality of the completed LCA. Checks included a review of project specific LCA models as well as the background data used.



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Geographical Coverage

In order to satisfy cut-off criteria, proxy datasets were used as needed for raw material inputs to address lack of data for a specific material or for a specific geographical region. These proxy datasets were chosen for their representativeness of the actual product. Additionally, European data or global data were used when North American data (for raw materials sourced in the US) were not available.

Temporal Coverage

Foreground data for each manufacturer represent a continuous 12-months over the 2019 calendar year. The majority of background datasets are based on data from the last 10 years (since 2017).

Technological Coverage

The primary data represent production of the products under evaluation. Secondary data were chosen to be specific to the technologies in question (or appropriate proxy data used where necessary).

Completeness

Foreground processes were checked for mass balance and completeness of the emissions inventory. No data were knowingly omitted.

Period under Review

Primary data were collected on insulation production in July 2020 – June 2021.

Allocation

No multi-output (i.e., co-product) allocation was performed in the foreground system of this study. No known flows are deliberately excluded from this EPD.

Allocation of background data (energy and materials) taken from the GaBi 2021 databases is documented online at <https://sphaera.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Modeling-Principles-GaBi-Databases-2021.pdf>.

Allocation of manufacturing material and energy inputs was done on a mass basis. Allocation of transportation was based on mass while considering the utilization rate.

For recycled content and disposal at end-of-life, system boundaries were drawn consistent with the cut-off allocation approach. Likewise, the system boundary was drawn to include landfilling of fiberglass at end-of-life (following the polluter-pays principle) but exclude any avoided burdens from material or energy recovery.

Data collection was performed by Johns Manville reaching out directly to plant facility managers. Specific data were collected for raw material use; however, energy use posed a considerable challenge to attribute to the products. The only exception was natural gas, where process-level boiler and furnace energy use was available. For electricity and other facility fuel use, only site-level and multi-process data were available. These data were normalized by the mass of product manufactured at the facility over the temporal scope. Air emissions were also unavailable at the process-level; therefore, a facility air emission report was leveraged to attribute the emissions to per declared unit of product.

Comparability

No comparisons or benchmarking is included in this EPD.



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Life Cycle Assessment Scenarios

HVAC equipment insulation requires no maintenance, and there are no parts to repair or refurbish. The reference service life for the insulation product is 75 years. Installation is done by hand with only packaging waste generated during that step.

Table 6. Transport to the building site (A4) (based on material properties described in Table 2)

NAME	VALUE	UNIT
Fuel type	Diesel	
Liters of fuel	0.0011	L/100 km
Vehicle type	Heavy Duty Truck	
Transport distance	402	km
Capacity utilization (including empty runs, mass based)	67	%
Gross density of products transported	27.5	kg/m ³

Table 7. Installation (A5) and RSL information

INSTALLATION INTO THE BUILDING (A5)	HVAC INSULATION	FACING	UNIT
Ancillary materials (plastic packaging)	0.0033	-	kg
REFERENCE SERVICE LIFE	HVAC INSULATION	FACING	UNIT
RSL	75	75	years

Table 8. End of life (C1-C4)

NAME		HVAC INSULATION	FACING	UNIT
Assumptions for scenario development (description of deconstruction, collection, recovery, disposal method and transportation)		landfill	landfill	100%
Collection process (specified by type)	Collected separately	-	-	kg
	Collected with mixed construction waste	0.942	0.056	kg
Recovery (specified by type)	Reuse	-	-	kg
	Recycling	-	-	kg
	Landfill	0.942	0.056	kg
	Incineration	-	-	kg
	Incineration with energy recovery	-	-	kg
	Energy conversion efficiency rate	-	-	
Disposal (specified by type)	Product or material for final deposition	0.942	0.056	kg
Removals of biogenic carbon (excluding packaging)		-		kg CO ₂



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Life Cycle Assessment Results

The following results are based on a declared unit of 1 m² of HVAC equipment insulation and 1 m² of glass mat facing. Results exclude biogenic carbon as there are no relevant biogenic carbon removals or emissions in the life cycle. There is no calcination, carbonation and combustion of waste from non-renewable sources.

Impact assessment and other results are shown for a cradle-to-installation with end-of-life options (C1-C4). Modules C1 and C3 are not associated with any impact and are therefore declared as zero.

Life Cycle Impact Assessment Results

Table 9. North American Impact Assessment (TRACI) Results for HVAC equipment insulation (1 m², unfaced)

TRACI v2.1	UNITS	A1- A3 PRODUCT STAGE	A4 PRODUCT DELIVERY	A5 CONSTRUCTION STAGE	C2 TRANSPORT TO END OF LIFE	C4 DISPOSAL AT END OF LIFE
Global warming potential	kg CO ₂ eq.	2.85E+00	6.66E-02	1.58E-03	2.46E-03	4.15E-02
Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone	kg CFC11 eq.	6.58E-15	1.30E-17	4.45E-19	4.83E-19	1.38E-16
Acidification potential	kg SO ₂ eq.	9.95E-03	3.52E-04	8.93E-07	6.90E-06	1.77E-04
Eutrophication potential	kg N eq.	9.08E-04	3.21E-05	6.48E-07	7.95E-07	9.83E-06
Smog formation potential	kg O ₃ eq.	1.03E-01	8.15E-03	1.12E-05	1.57E-04	3.14E-03
Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources	MJ, Surplus	1.03E+01	1.22E-01	2.82E-04	4.54E-03	8.07E-02

Table 10. North American Impact Assessment (TRACI) Results for HVAC equipment insulation (1 m², Facing)

TRACI v2.1	UNITS	A1- A3 PRODUCT STAGE	A4 PRODUCT DELIVERY	A5 CONSTRUCTION STAGE	C2 TRANSPORT TO END OF LIFE	C4 DISPOSAL AT END OF LIFE
Global warming potential	kg CO ₂ eq.	1.17E-01	-	-	1.61E-07	2.72E-06
Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone	kg CFC11 eq.	2.10E-15	-	-	3.17E-23	9.07E-21
Acidification potential	kg SO ₂ eq.	6.24E-04	-	-	4.52E-10	1.16E-08
Eutrophication potential	kg N eq.	3.15E-05	-	-	5.21E-11	6.44E-10
Smog formation potential	kg O ₃ eq.	5.00E-03	-	-	1.03E-08	2.06E-07
Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources	MJ, Surplus	2.30E-01	-	-	2.97E-07	5.29E-06

Table 11. EU Impact Assessment (CML) Results for HVAC equipment insulation (1 m², Unfaced)

CML v4.2	UNITS	A1- A3 PRODUCT STAGE	A4 PRODUCT DELIVERY	A5 CONSTRUCTION STAGE	C2 TRANSPORT TO END OF LIFE	C4 DISPOSAL AT END OF LIFE
Global warming potential	kg CO ₂ eq.	2.75E+00	6.58E-02	1.58E-03	2.44E-03	4.07E-02
Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone	kg R 11 eq.	6.58E-15	1.30E-17	4.45E-19	4.83E-19	1.38E-16
Acidification potential	kg SO ₂ eq.	7.93E-03	2.55E-04	7.84E-07	5.08E-06	1.63E-04
Eutrophication potential	kg P eq.	1.60E-03	7.37E-05	6.81E-07	1.58E-06	2.18E-05
Photochemical oxidant creation potential	kg C ₂ H ₂ eq.	7.53E-04	-9.54E-05	1.64E-08	-1.71E-06	1.55E-06
Abiotic depletion potential, fossil resources	MJ	7.42E+01	9.16E-01	2.30E-03	3.40E-02	6.21E-01
Abiotic depletion potential, non-fossil resources	kg Sb eq.	8.69E-05	2.05E-08	6.46E-11	7.61E-10	1.79E-08



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Table 12. EU Impact Assessment (CML) Results for HVAC equipment insulation (1 m², Facing)

CML v4.2	UNITS	A1- A3 PRODUCT STAGE	A4 PRODUCT DELIVERY	A5 CONSTRUCTION STAGE	C2 TRANSPORT TO END OF LIFE	C4 DISPOSAL AT END OF LIFE
Global warming potential	kg CO ₂ eq.	1.15E-01	-	-	1.60E-07	2.67E-06
Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone	kg R 11 eq.	2.10E-15	-	-	3.17E-23	9.07E-21
Acidification potential	kg SO ₂ eq.	6.34E-04	-	-	3.33E-10	1.06E-08
Eutrophication potential	kg N eq.	4.61E-05	-	-	1.04E-10	1.43E-09
Photochemical oxidant creation potential	kg C ₂ H ₂ eq.	4.49E-05	-	-	-1.12E-10	1.01E-10
Abiotic depletion potential, fossil resources	MJ	1.87E+00	-	-	2.23E-06	4.07E-05
Abiotic depletion potential, non-fossil resources	kg Sb eq.	4.44E-06	-	-	4.99E-14	1.17E-12

Life Cycle Inventory Results

Table 13. Resource Use for HVAC equipment insulation (1 m², Unfaced)

PARAMETER	UNITS	A1- A3 PRODUCT STAGE	A4 PRODUCT DELIVERY	A5 CONSTRUCTION STAGE	C2 TRANSPORT TO END OF LIFE	C4 DISPOSAL AT END OF LIFE
Renewable primary energy as energy carrier	MJ, LHV	3.06E+00	3.80E-02	1.69E-04	1.41E-03	5.27E-02
Renewable primary energy as material utilization	MJ, LHV	-	-	-	-	-
Total use of renewable primary energy resources	MJ, LHV	3.06E+00	3.80E-02	1.69E-04	1.41E-03	5.27E-02
Non-renewable primary energy as energy carrier	MJ, LHV	7.48E+01	9.22E-01	2.36E-03	3.43E-02	6.34E-01
Non-renewable primary energy as material utilization	MJ, LHV	1.07E+00	-	-	-	-
Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources	MJ, LHV	7.59E+01	9.22E-01	2.36E-03	3.43E-02	6.34E-01
Use of secondary material	kg	-	-	-	-	-
Use of renewable secondary fuels	MJ, LHV	-	-	-	-	-
Use of non-renewable secondary fuels	MJ, LHV	-	-	-	-	-
Use of recovered energy	MJ, LHV	-	-	-	-	-
Use of net fresh water	m ³	4.99E-03	1.62E-04	2.89E-06	6.03E-06	8.71E-05

Table 14. Resource Use for HVAC equipment insulation (1 m², Facing)

PARAMETER	UNITS	A1- A3 PRODUCT STAGE	A4 PRODUCT DELIVERY	A5 CONSTRUCTION STAGE	C2 TRANSPORT TO END OF LIFE	C4 DISPOSAL AT END OF LIFE
Renewable primary energy as energy carrier	MJ, LHV	3.86E-01	-	-	9.25E-08	3.45E-06
Renewable primary energy as material utilization	MJ, LHV	-	-	-	-	-
Total use of renewable primary energy resources	MJ, LHV	3.86E-01	-	-	9.25E-08	3.45E-06
Non-renewable primary energy as energy carrier	MJ, LHV	1.99E+00	-	-	2.24E-06	4.15E-05
Non-renewable primary energy as material utilization	MJ, LHV	-	-	-	-	-
Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources	MJ, LHV	1.99E+00	-	-	2.24E-06	4.15E-05
Use of secondary material	kg	-	-	-	-	-
Use of renewable secondary fuels	MJ, LHV	-	-	-	-	-
Use of non-renewable secondary fuels	MJ, LHV	-	-	-	-	-
Use of recovered energy	MJ, LHV	-	-	-	-	-



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Use of net fresh water	m ³	4.24E-04	-	-	3.95E-10	5.71E-09
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Table 15. Output Flows and Waste Categories for HVAC equipment insulation (1 m², Unfaced)

PARAMETER	UNITS	A1- A3 PRODUCT STAGE	A4 PRODUCT DELIVERY	A5 CONSTRUCTION STAGE	C2 TRANSPORT TO END OF LIFE	C4 DISPOSAL AT END OF LIFE
Hazardous waste disposed	kg	8.47E-09	7.71E-11	2.08E-13	2.86E-12	5.99E-11
Non-hazardous waste disposed	kg	1.83E-01	8.48E-05	2.53E-03	3.15E-06	9.44E-01
High-level radioactive waste	kg	7.59E-07	3.11E-09	3.06E-11	1.15E-10	6.11E-09
Intermediate and Low-Level Radioactive Waste	kg	2.09E-05	8.55E-08	8.29E-10	3.17E-09	1.63E-07
Components for re-use	kg	-	-	-	-	-
Materials for recycling	kg	-	-	5.28E-04	-	-
Materials for energy recovery	kg	-	-	-	-	-
Recovered energy exported from the product system	MJ	-	-	-	-	-

Table 16. Output Flows and Waste Categories for HVAC equipment insulation (1 m², Facing)

PARAMETER	UNITS	A1- A3 PRODUCT STAGE	A4 PRODUCT DELIVERY	A5 CONSTRUCTION STAGE	C2 TRANSPORT TO END-OF-LIFE	C4 DISPOSAL AT END OF LIFE
Hazardous waste disposed	kg	5.37E-10	-	-	1.88E-16	3.93E-15
Non-hazardous waste disposed	kg	1.52E-02	-	-	2.06E-10	6.19E-05
High-level radioactive waste	kg	5.34E-08	-	-	7.56E-15	4.01E-13
Intermediate and Low-Level Radioactive Waste	kg	1.41E-06	-	-	2.08E-13	1.07E-11
Components for re-use	kg	-	-	-	-	-
Materials for recycling	kg	-	-	-	-	-
Materials for energy recovery	kg	-	-	-	-	-
Recovered energy exported from the product system	MJ	-	-	-	-	-

Table 17. Carbon emissions and removals

	HVAC INSULATION	UNIT
CCE (calcination carbon emissions)	7.06E-02	kg CO ₂

Scaling to Other R-values

Environmental performance results are presented per functional unit, defined as 1 m of R_{SI} = 1 m K/W insulation. In the US, insulation is typically purchased based on R-value stated in units of ft²·°F·hr/Btu.

Environmental impacts per meter of these alternative R-values can be calculated by multiplying the results by scaling factors presented in Table 18.

Table 18. Scaling Factors to Other R-values



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CUSTOMARY US R-VALUE	THICKNESS [IN]	SCALING FACTOR PER 1 M OF R _{SI} = 1
R-11	3.2	2.20
R-13	3.8	2.64
R-19	5.6	3.52
R-22	6.5	4.40
R-30	8.8	5.72
R-38	11.2	7.48
R-49	14.4	9.68

$$\text{HVAC equipment impact per m (R-xx)} = \text{Impact scaling factor (R-xx)} \times \text{HVAC equipment impact per m (R}_{SI} = 1)$$

LCA Interpretation

Manufacturing drives all TRACI impact categories. For acidification, eutrophication and smog formation potentials, the reported facility NO_x air emissions is the dominant contributor. There is significant contribution to all impact categories from upstream production of raw materials, largely attributed to acrylic latex coating, soda ash, phenol formaldehyde, burnt dolomite, and borax; however, the relative contributions vary depending on the impact categories. There are exceptions, such as tailpipe emissions from transportation contributing to smog formation potential. Transportation to the installation site still represents a minor driver of impacts overall.

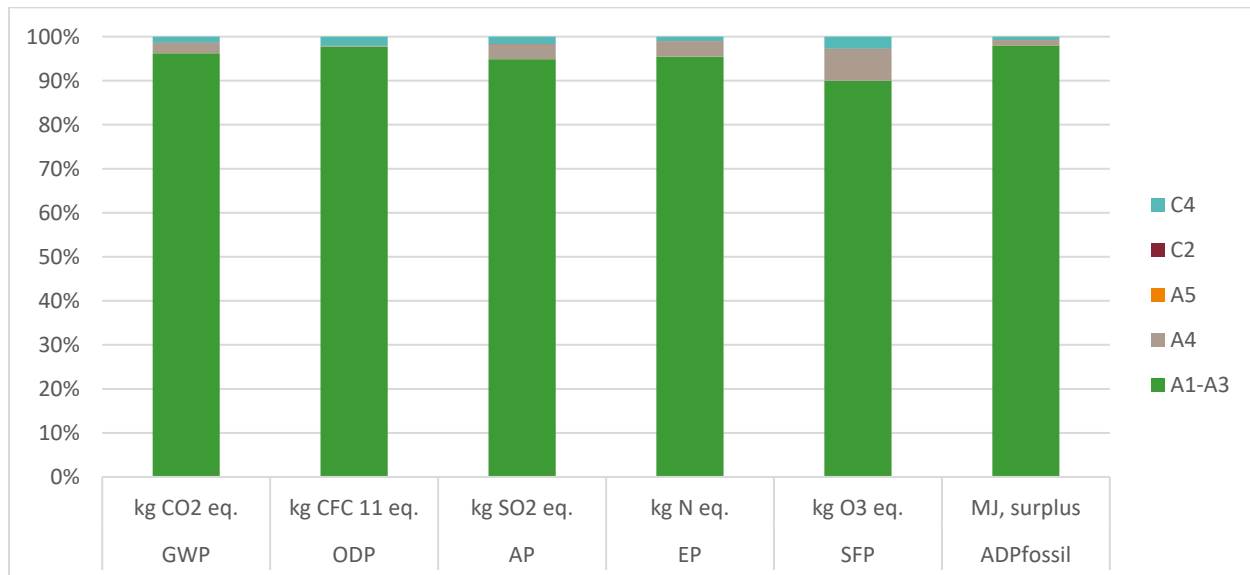


Figure 4: Results per life cycle stages

Installation accounts for a negligible impact fraction given that minimal resources are required to install the HVAC equipment insulation. There is no impact associated with the use stage. While insulation can influence building energy performance, this aspect is outside the scope of this study. Additionally, it is assumed that insulation does not require any maintenance to achieve its reference service life, which is modeled as being equal to that of the building (i.e., 75 years). No replacements are necessary. At end-of-life (EoL), insulation is removed from the building and landfilled.



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Non-hazardous waste was dominated by the EoL disposal of the entire functional unit of product. Non-hazardous waste also accounts for waste generated during manufacturing and installation. Hazardous waste is driven by waste from raw material production and manufacturing; however, the amount of hazardous waste generated is a small fraction of the total waste produced.

Additional Environmental Information

Environment and Health During Manufacturing

Johns Manville mechanical insulation products are designed, manufactured and tested in our own facilities, which are certified and registered to the stringent ISO 9001 (ANSI/ASQC 90) and ISO 14001 quality and environmental standards. These certifications, along with regular, independent third-party auditing for compliance, is your assurance that Johns Manville products deliver consistent high quality.

Environment and Health During Installation

The Micromat and Micromat RX are fiber glass HVAC equipment liner products that are labeled as non-hazardous according to 29 CFR 1910.1200 when used as intended. The glass fibers are non-biopersistent (biosoluble) and are not designated as carcinogenic by the International Agency for the Research on Cancer, a branch of the World Health Organization, or the National Toxicology Program, a component of the US Department of Health and Human Services.

As with most fiber glass products, direct exposure to fibers or dust during handling may lead to temporary, mild, superficial irritation (itching) of the skin, eyes, or respiratory tract. This irritation can be avoided by using the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE). As such, Johns Manville recommends the following PPE precautions when handling Micromat HVAC equipment insulation:

- **Respiratory:** Under typical handling and installation conditions, respiratory protection is unnecessary.
 - The North American Insulation Manufacturers Association (NAIMA) recommends use of a NIOSH N95 respirator/dust mask when occupational exposures to glass fibers exceed 1 fiber per cubic centimeter (1 f/cc) for an 8-hour time weighted average. Although data from the NAIMA exposure database confirm that manufacturing, fabrication, and installation activities related to this product will not result in fiber concentrations over 1 f/cc, workers may choose to use such a respirator/dust mask for comfort.
- **Hand protection:** For prolonged or repeated contact when handling Micromat products, discomfort or irritation can be avoided by using protective gloves.
- **Eye protection:** Safety glasses are recommended during fabrication and installation.
- **Hygiene measures:** In any industrial setting, good hygiene practices can facilitate safer and healthier working environments. We recommend practicing appropriate hygiene under any manufacturing, fabrication, or installation setting.
- **Ingestion:** Avoid ingesting or swallowing Micromat HVAC equipment insulation; however, should ingestion occur, rinse your mouth thoroughly with water to remove dust or fibers, and drink plenty of water to help reduce irritation. Should symptoms persist call a physician.

The NAIMA safety recommendations may be found at: <https://insulationinstitute.org/about-naima/health-and-safety/>

Johns Manville's Micromat Safety Data Sheets may be located at:
https://www.jm.com/content/dam/jm/global/en/MSDS/200000002061_US_EN.pdf



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Environmental Activities and Certifications

GREENGUARD and GREENGUARD Gold certification.

Products that have achieved GREENGUARD and GREENGUARD Gold Certifications are scientifically proven to meet some of the world's most rigorous third-party chemical emissions standards, helping to reduce indoor air pollution and the risk of chemical exposure.

Micromat RX – GREENGUARD Gold Certified Document

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