

## Self-declared environmental claims

## Environmental impacts of expanded polypropylene

## ARPRO, ARPRO Recycled, ARPRO 35 Ocean and ARPRO REvolution

## Manufacturer: JSP International

JSP International is a global supplier of engineered plastic foams, sheet, and plank products. One of the products marketed by JSP International is ARPRO, an expanded polypropylene (EPP) foam bead used in automotive systems, packaging applications, and various consumer products.

This self-declared environmental claim is based on the life cycle assessment of the environmental impacts of expanded polypropylene ARPRO, ARPRO Recycled, ARPRO 35 Ocean and ARPRO REvolution. All the grades are produced by JSP International.

The assessment was performed using the LCA method conducted in accordance with ISO 14040. Environmental impacts were characterised using PEF 3.0 methodology of the European Union.

As a functional unit, the production of 1000 kg of expanded polypropylene was chosen.

Based on the LCA study conducted, the following environmental claims are declared:

1) The carbon footprint of ARPRO products expressed in different characterisation methods are as follows:

	ARPRO LCA report	ARPRO EPD report
Product type	CML2001 - Aug. 2016,	PCR 2010:16, version 3.01.
	Global Warming Potential	Plastics in primary forms
	(GWP 100 years) [kg CO <sub>2</sub> eq.]	
ARPRO	2.12	2.16
ARPRO Recycled	1.89	1.93
ARPRO 35 Ocean	1.97	2.01
ARPRO REvolution	1.20	1.23

The different test methods give marginally different results

2) The following processes account for the largest part of the carbon footprint and the overall environmental impact of ARPRO and ARPRO Recycled Production: production of PP granulate, CO<sub>2</sub> used for expansion process, and thermal energy generated from natural gas. Other individual processes are significantly less important. Packaging, transport, and waste management play a marginal role in the results of most of the impact categories.

The evaluation of ARPRO expanded polypropylene was based on LCA methodology using the recommended values from the database of European Platform for Life Cycle Assessment of European Commission.

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