

BIOGRACE

Harmonised Calculations of
Biofuel Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Europe



BioGrace – the biofuel GHG emission calculation tool

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The Slovak Republic has transposed the EP and Council Directive 2009/28/EC of 23 April 2009 (on the promotion of renewable energy sources and amending the subsequent repealing Directives 2001/77/EC and 2003/30/EC) and the EP and Council Directive no. 2009/30/EC of 23 April 2009 (amending Council Directive 98/70/EC as regards the quality of gasoline, diesel and gas-oil and introducing a mechanism to monitor and reduce greenhouse gas emissions and amending Council Directive 1999/32 / EC, as regards the quality of fuel used by inland waterway vessels and repealing Directive 93/12/EEC) through Act no. 136/2011 of 5April 2011, which amends Act no. 309/2009 Z. z. the promotion of renewable energy sources and high efficiency cogeneration and amending certain laws and amending the Act. 276/2001 Z. z. on regulation in network industries and amending certain laws as amended. The Act came into force on 1 May 2011. Amendment to the Act addresses the basic roles and responsibilities of competent authorities and economic operators in relation to demonstrating compliance with the sustainability criteria for biofuels production and bioliquids. Details of related measures will be resolved by the implementing regulation issued by the Ministry of the Environment.

Minister of Environment on 26 November 2010 ruled that the certification authority for verification of certificates of origin or biofuel bioliquids the Slovak Hydrometeorological Institute. Ministry of Environment will be the effective date of regulations implementing the Act. 309/2009 Z. z. recognize other qualified persons who are responsible for verifying certificates.

On 1 entered into force in September 2011 Ministry of Environment of the Slovak Republic. 271/2011 Z. Laws establishing sustainability criteria and targets for reducing greenhouse gas emissions from fuels. The Decree deals with the details of proving compliance with the sustainability criteria for biofuels and bioliquids. To calculate greenhouse gas emissions throughout the life cycle of biofuels or bioliquids can use the calculation program available at www.biograce.net .

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Renewable Energy Directive (RED)

Art 17: Sustainability criteria for biofuels

- Minimum GHG emission savings (17.2)
 - 35%, 50% (2017), 60% (2018)

Art 19: Calculation of the greenhouse gas impact

- Economic operators may use
 - default values (19.1.a)
 - actual values calculated according to Annex V.C (19.1.b)
 - sum of actual value and disaggregated default value (19.1.c)

Art 18: Verification of compliance with the sustainability criteria

- Independent auditors must check information (18.3)
- Can be part of voluntary certification schemes (18.4)

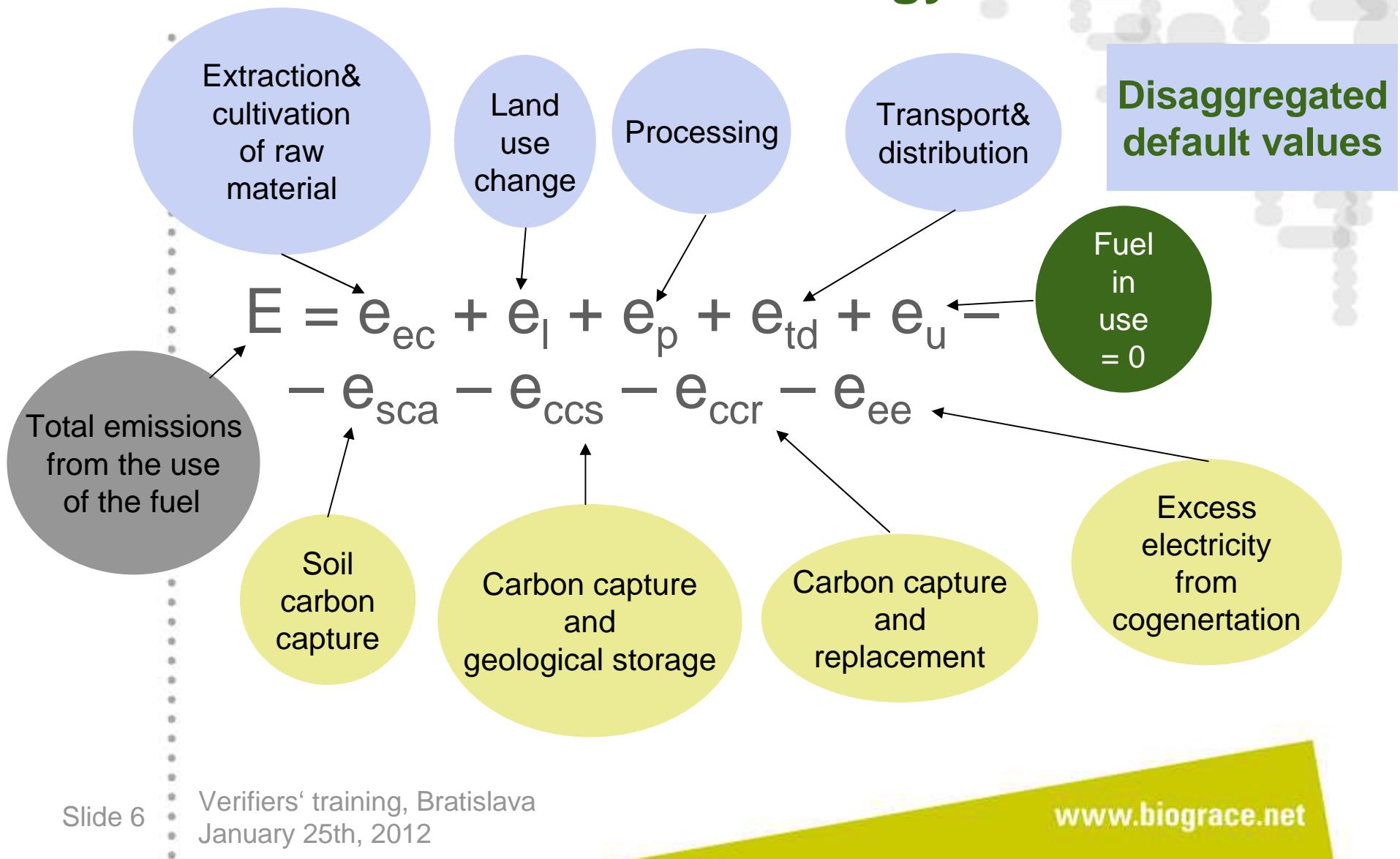
RED Annex V.a

Biofuel production pathway	Typical greenhouse gas emission saving	Default greenhouse gas emission saving
– Ethanol from wheat (lignite CHP)	32%	16%
– Ethanol from wheat (process fuel not specified)	32%	16%
– Ethanol from wheat (natural gas steam boiler)	45%	34%
– Ethanol from wheat (natural gas CHP)	53%	47%
– Ethanol from wheat (straw CHP)		69%
– Ethanol from corn		49%
– Ethanol from sugar beet		52%
– Ethanol from sugarcane	71%	71%
– FAME from rape seed	45%	38%
– FAME from palm oil	36%	19%
– FAME from palm oil (methane capture)	62%	56%
– FAME from soy	40%	31%
– FAME from sunflower	58%	51%
– FAME from used cooking oil	88%	83%
– PVO from rape seed	45%	57%
– HVO from rape seed	51%	47%
– HVO from palm oil	40%	26%
– HVO from palm oil (methane capture)	68%	65%
– HVO from sunflower	65%	62%
– Biogas from dry manure	86%	82%
– Biogas from wet manure	84%	81%
– Biogas from MSW	80%	73%

Rape seed biodiesel
Default value: 38%

Ethanol from corn
Default value: 49%

RED Annex V.c: Methodology



Why harmonisation of biofuel GHG calculations?

- o Input data
- o Standard values ("conversion factors")

Cultivation of rapeseed		Calculated emissions			
		Emissions per MJ FAME			
		g CO ₂	g CH ₄	g N ₂ O	g CO ₂ , eq
Yield					
Rapeseed	3.113 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹				
Moisture content	10,0%				
By-product Straw	n/a kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹				
Energy consumption					
Diesel	2.963 MJ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	6,07	0,00	0,00	6,07
Agro chemicals					
N-fertiliser	137,4 kg N ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	9,08	0,03	0,03	18,89
CaO-fertiliser	19,0 kg CaO ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	0,05	0,00	0,00	0,06
K ₂ O-fertiliser					
P ₂ O ₅ -fertiliser					
Pesticides					
STANDARD VALUES		parameter:	GHG emission coefficient		
		unit:	gCO ₂ /kg	gCH ₄ /kg	gN ₂ O/kg
N-fertiliser			2827,0	8,68	9,6418
Seeding material			5880,6		
Seeds- rapeseed		6 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	0,06	0,00	0,00
			0,10		

Why harmonisation of biofuel GHG calculations?

EXAMPLE: Different results from same biofuel
("cherry picking" of the most beneficial standard values)

Parameter	Unit	Source			
		<u>EC (RED Annex V)</u>	<u>Netherlands (Ecofys / CE)</u>	<u>UK RFA</u>	<u>Germany IFEU</u>
Nitrogen Fertilizer	g CO _{2eq} /kg	5917,2	6367,0	6800,0	6410
P fertilizer	g CO _{2eq} /kg	1013,5	700,0	354 for TSP, 95 for rock phosphate, 596 for MAP	1180
K fertilizer	g CO _{2eq} /kg	579,2	453,0	333,0	663
CaO fertilizer (85%CaCO ₃ +15%CaO,Ca(OH) ₂)	g CO _{2eq} /kg	130,0	179,0	124,0	297
Pesticides	g CO _{2eq} /kg	11025,7	17256,8	17300,0	1240
Diesel (direct plus indirect emissions)	g CO _{2eq} /MJ	87,6	76,7	86,4	89,1
Natural gas (direct plus indirect emissions)	g CO _{2eq} /MJ	68,0	53,9	62,0	62,8
Methanol (direct plus indirect emissions)	g CO _{2eq} /MJ	98,1	137,5	138,5	62,5

Why harmonisation of biofuel GHG calculations?

EXAMPLE: Different results from same biofuel
(same input values but different standard values)

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Fossil fuel reference (diesel)	83,8 g $\text{CO}_{2,\text{eq}}/\text{MJ}$																														
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Project BioGrace

- **BIOfuel GReenhouse gas emissions: Alignment of Calculations in Europe**
- Key objectives are
 1. Cause transparency
 2. Cause harmonisation
 3. Facilitate stakeholders
 4. Disseminate results
- Products
 1. One list of standard values
 2. Excel GHG calculation tool
 3. Harmonised national GHG calculators
 4. Voluntary certification scheme
 1. Detailed calculation rules
 2. Additional list of standard values

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Production of Ethanol from Sugarbeet

Overview Results

All results in g CO ₂ /MJ ethanol	Non-allocated results	Allocation factor	Allocated results	Total
Cultivation e...				11.5
Conversion of sugarbeet	16.08	71.5%	11.46	26.3
Processing e...				26.3
Ethanol plant	36.82	71.5%	26.26	63.0
Transport O ₂				2.3
Transport of sugarbeet	1.11	71.5%	0.79	2.3
Transport of ethanol	1.10	100%	1.10	2.2
Filler station	0.48	100%	0.48	0.48
Land use change d...	0.0	71.5%	0.0	0.0
d ₁ + d ₂ + d ₃	0.0	100%	0.0	0.0
Totals	55.6			40.1
				40

Default values RED Annex V.D

Ethanol plant	12	11.54
26	26.43	
2	2.3	

Allocation factors

Ethanol plant	71.5% to ethanol
	28.7% to Sugar beet pulp

Emission reduction

Fossil fuel reference (petrol)	83.8 g CO ₂ /MJ
GHG emission reduction	52%

Calculations in this Excel sheet...

strictly follow the methodology as given in Directives 2009/28/EC and 2009/28/EC

follow JRC calculations by using LCA99 values 25 for CEM and 298 for NSD

(as explained in "About" under "methodology use of LCA99")

Calculation per phase

Cultivation of sugarbeet

Yield:	Quantity of product	Calculated emissions	Info
Sugar beet	68.800 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	Emissions per MJ ethanol	per kg sugarbeet
Moisture content	75.6%	g CO ₂ / g CH ₄ / g N ₂ O / g CO ₂ eq	kg CO ₂ / kg
Energy consumption		1.64	8.09
Diesel	6.311 MJ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	0.00	0.00
Agro chemicals		0.00	0.00
N-fertiliser	119.7 kg N ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	2.22	10.22
CaO-fertiliser	400.0 kg CaO ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	0.31	0.75
K ₂ O-fertiliser	134.9 kg K ₂ O ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	0.42	0.90
P ₂ O ₅ -fertiliser	59.7 kg P ₂ O ₅ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	0.42	0.90
Pesticides	1.10 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	0.00	0.00
Seeding material	0 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	0.00	0.00
Field N ₂ O emissions	7.27 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	0.00	0.00
		7.19	34.07
		0.01	0.03
		10.09	2452.8
		Result	g CO ₂ /MJ

Transport of sugarbeet

Quantity of product	Calculated emissions	Info	
Sugar beet	280.000 MJ _{gross} ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	Emissions per MJ ethanol	per kg sugarbeet
	1.000 MJ / MJ _{gross} ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	g CO ₂ / g CH ₄ / g N ₂ O / g CO ₂ eq	kg CO ₂ / kg
Transport per		1.11	2.46
Truck for dry product (Diesel)	30 km	0.0074 ton km / MJ _{gross}	
Fuel	Diesel		
		Result	g CO ₂ /MJ

Ethanol plant

Quantity of product	Calculated emissions	Info	
Yield:	Emissions per MJ ethanol	per kg sugarbeet	
Ethanol	0.544 MJ _{gross} / MJ _{ethanol}	g CO ₂ / g CH ₄ / g N ₂ O / g CO ₂ eq	kg CO ₂ / kg
By-product Sugar lined pulp	0.219 MJ _{gross} ha ⁻¹ / MJ _{ethanol}	1.52	3.44
Energy consumption		5.73	12.12
Electricity EU mix MWh	0.049 MJ / MJ _{gross}	25.42	57.00
Steam (INO boiler)	0.335 MJ / MJ _{gross}	4.18	9.36
Energy consumption		0.41	0.44
Electricity EU mix LV	0.0034 MJ / MJ _{gross}	0.00	0.00
		Result	g CO ₂ /MJ

Land use change, including bonus for production on non-agriculture or degraded land

Quantity of product	Calculated emissions	Info
	Emissions per MJ ethanol	per kg sugarbeet
	0.00	0.00
	Result	g CO ₂ /MJ

Improved agricultural management

Quantity of product	Calculated emissions	Info
	Emissions per MJ ethanol	per kg sugarbeet
	0.00	0.00
	Result	g CO ₂ /MJ

CO₂ capture and replacement

Quantity of product	Calculated emissions	Info
	Emissions per MJ ethanol	per kg sugarbeet
	0.00	0.00
	Result	g CO ₂ /MJ

CO₂ capture and geological storage

Quantity of product	Calculated emissions	Info
	Emissions per MJ ethanol	per kg sugarbeet
	0.00	0.00
	Result	g CO ₂ /MJ

Total result

Quantity of product	Calculated emissions	Info
	Emissions per MJ ethanol	per kg sugarbeet
	40.05	40.05
Total:	152544.1 MJ _{gross} ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	g CO ₂ /MJ
Contribution main product (1 ton)	0.5436 MJ _{gross} / MJ _{ethanol}	kg CO ₂ / kg
	Total emission without allocation:	g CO ₂ /MJ
	Total emission with allocation:	g CO ₂ /MJ
	Emission Reduction:	g CO ₂ /MJ
	Standard values	g CO ₂ /MJ
	User defined standard values:	g CO ₂ /MJ

One list of standard values

Version 3 - Public

STANDARD VALUES	parameter: unit:	gCO ₂ /kg	gCH ₄
<i>Global Warming Potentials (GWP's)</i>			
CO ₂			
CH ₄		1,3	
N ₂ O		1,5	
<i>Agro inputs</i>			
N-fertiliser	2827,0	8,6	
P ₂ O ₅ -fertiliser	964,9		
K ₂ O-fertiliser	536,3		
CaO-fertiliser	119,1	0,2	
Pesticides	9886,5	25,5	
Seeds- corn	-		
Seeds- rapeseed	412,1	0,9	
Seeds- soy bean	-		
Seeds- sugarbeet	2187,7	4,5	
Seeds- sugarcane	1,6	0,0	
Seeds- sunflower	412,1	0,9	
Seeds- wheat	151,1	0,2	
FFB compost (palm oil)	0,0	0,0	
<i>Fuels- gases</i>			
Natural gas (4000 km, Russian NG quality)			
Natural gas (4000 km, EU Mix quality)			
<i>Fuels- liquids</i>			
Diesel			
Gasoline			
HFO			
Ethanol			
Methanol			
FAME			
Syn diesel (BTL)			
HVO			
<i>Fuels / feedstock / byproducts - solids</i>			
Hard coal			26,5
Wood			9,2
Corn			18,5
FFB			24,0
Rapeseed			26,4
Soybeans			23,5
Sugar beet			16,3
Sugar cane			19,6
Canolaseed			26,4
Castor			17,0
Tea			37,1
Animal fat			21,8
BioOil (byproduct FAME from waste oil)			36,0
Crude vegetable oil			16,0
DDGS			16,0
Glycerol			17,0
Palm kernel meal			

Condensed list of standard values, version 3 - Public

This file gives the standard values as published on www.biograce.net in Word format.

Two Word versions of this list exist:

1. A complete list of standard values, containing all the values as listed in the Excel version
2. A condensed list showing the most important standard values

This file contains the condensed list.

Abbreviations and definitions used can be found in the Excel file on the web page
<http://www.biograce.net/content/ghgcalculationtools/standardvalues>.

1 Global Warming potentials

CO ₂	1	g CO _{2,eq} / g CO ₂
CH ₄	23	g CO _{2,eq} / g CH ₄
N ₂ O	296	g CO _{2,eq} / g N ₂ O

2 GHG emission coefficients

N-fertiliser	5880,6	g CO _{2,eq} /kg N
P ₂ O ₅ -fertiliser	1010,7	g CO _{2,eq} /kg P ₂ O ₅
K ₂ O-fertiliser	576,1	g CO _{2,eq} /kg K ₂ O
CaO-fertiliser	129,5	g CO _{2,eq} /kg CaO

Both Excel and Word versions
available at
www.BioGrace.net

Achievements

- European Commission makes reference to list
- 5 Member States make reference:
 - Denmark, Netherlands, Slovakia, Spain, UK
- Another 4 MS committed to do so
- One voluntary scheme makes reference
- 4 national calculators harmonised
 - Germany, Netherlands, Spain, UK
- Follow up project BioGrace II (solid&gaseous biomass) already under final negotiation

- Voluntary scheme: approval expected in the coming months

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BioGrace as a voluntary certification scheme

- BioGrace voluntary scheme will consist of a zip file with
 1. BioGrace Excel GHG tool
 2. BioGrace calculation rules
 3. BioGrace user manual
- BioGrace scheme does not contain requirements on audits and mass balance
- GHG tool can be used as “add-on” to existing schemes
 - BioGrace has to be used together with another scheme

BioGrace has submitted GHG tool to EC for recognition as a voluntary scheme in May 2011; 21st in the queue

BioGrace as an add on to existing voluntary schemes

- Current voluntary cert. schemes
 - ISSC -> already refers to BioGrace
 - RTRS, 2BSvs -> allow for external calculator
 - Bonsucro, Greenergy -> only sugar cane, do not require GHG calculations
 - RSBA (Abengoa) -> company run; no calculator
 - RSB -> own database: ecoinvent

6 ISCC list of emission factors

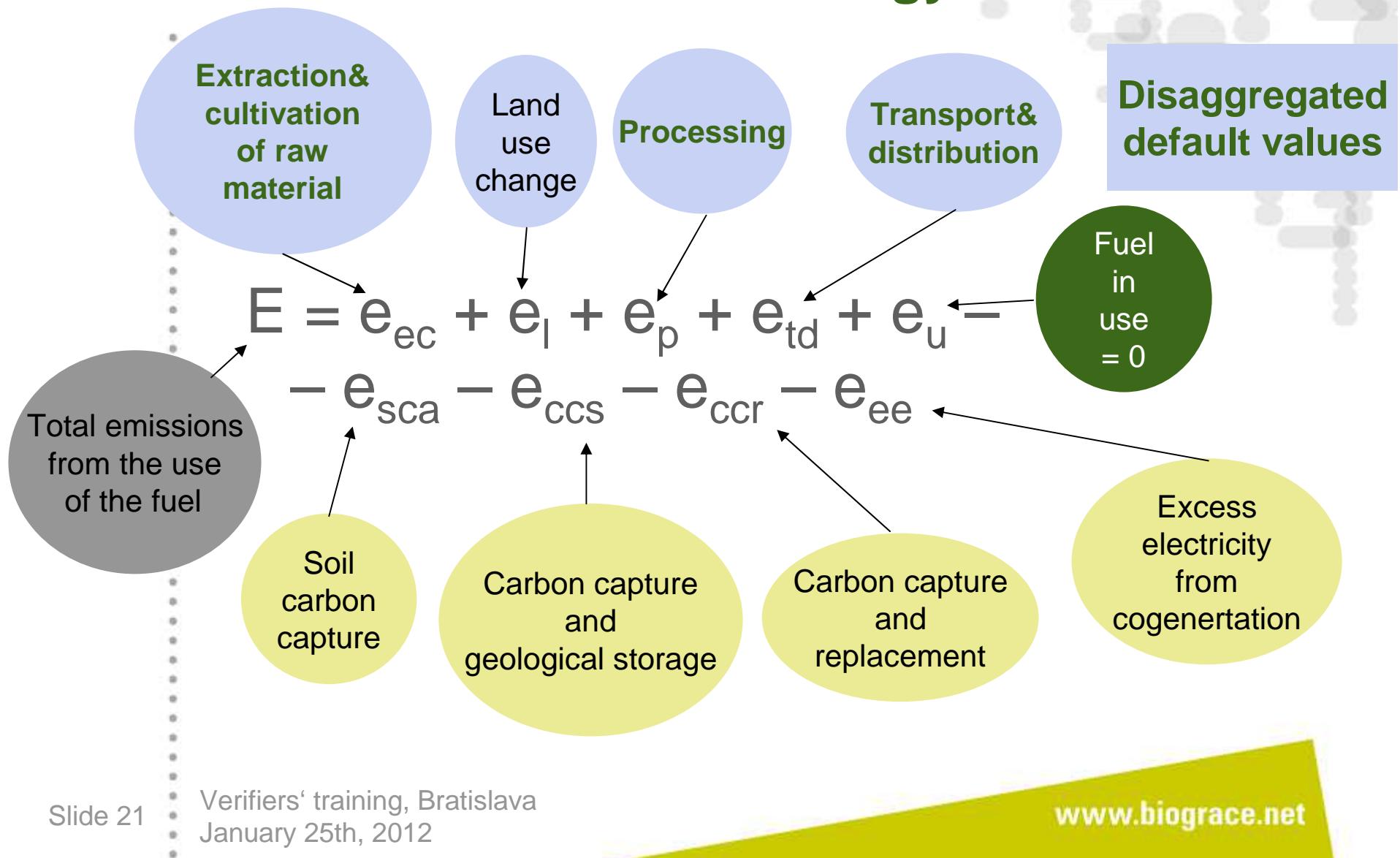
The choice of emission factors has an impact on the results of the GHG emissions calculation. In the framework of the Directive 2009/28/EC there is no official list of emission factors available which must be used. Consistent literature on emission factors is limited, the variance of individual factors may be large and for some inputs emission factors might not be available at all or just an approximation can be used. However, to avoid cherry picking and to assure that GHG emissions calculation and audit takes place on an objective, transparent and verifiable basis, ISCC has developed a list of emission factors. This list covers the most relevant emission factors. It should be used for all GHG emissions calculation and audits within the ISCC System. The list was developed based on experience from a two year ISCC pilot phase and from the operational phase in 2010. **The list draws wherever possible from the BioGrace project.** Where no values are available from BioGrace other commonly accepted databases have been used.

The ISCC list of emission factors can be supplemented and/or amended. Any ISCC Member, client or certification body can submit a new value or an update for an existing value. This proposal should be submitted to ISCC for verification and approval together with a rational of why the value should be used. Whenever a new list of emission factors is published it will be distributed via the usual channels (email, ISCC Homepage) to ISCC Members, clients and certification bodies.

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The Excel tool

Total results

Extraction & cultivation of raw material

Transport & distribution

Processing

Soil carbon capture

Land use change

carbon capture & replacement

Carbon capture & geological storage

Before starting...

Take a look at

- the BioGrace calculation rules
- the BioGrace user manual
- the BioGrace additional list of standard values

BioGrace Calculation rules...

- define e.g.:
 - Which input data and standard values are allowed
 - Cut-off criterion
 - Combination of actual and disaggregated values
- are more detailed than methodology in
RED Annex V.C

One important rule:

“Use “track changes” for verification purposes”

Production of	Ethanol	from	Sugarbeet	(steam from NG boiler)	Version 4 - Public
Overview Results					
All results in g CO _{2,eq} / MJ Ethanol	Non- allocated results	Allocation factor	Allocated results	Total	
Cultivation e_{ec}				11,3	
Cultivation of sugarbeet	15,89	71,3%	11,33		
Processing e_p				26,4	
Ethanol plant	37,03	71,3%	26,40		
Transport e_{td}				2,3	
Transport of sugarbeet	1,11	71,3%	0,79		
Transport of ethanol	1,10	100%	1,10		
Filling station	0,44	100%	0,44		
Land use change e_l	0,0	71,3%	0,0	0,0	
e _{sca} + e _{ccr} + e _{ccs}	0,0	100%	0,0	0,0	
Totals	55,6			40,1	
					400% 1,10 0,44 0,0
Calculation per phase	Track changes: ON			When using this GHG calculation tool, the BioGrace calculation rules must be respected. The rules are included in the zip file in which you downloaded this tool. The rules are also available at www.BioGrace.net	
Cultivation of sugarbeet					
Yield			Quantity of product	Calculated emissions	Info
Sugar beet	70.000	kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	Yield	Emissions per MJ ethanol	per kg sugarbeet
Moisture content	75,0%		285.250 MJ _{Sugar beet} ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	g CO ₂ g CH ₄ g N ₂ O g CO _{2,eq}	per ha, year kg CO _{2,eq}
			1,000 MJ / MJ _{Sugarbeet, input}		
			0,451 kg _{Sugarbeet} /MJ _{Ethanol}		
Cultivation of sugarbeet					
Yield			Quantity of product	Calculated emissions	Info
Sugar beet	68.860	kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	Yield	Emissions per MJ ethanol	per kg sugarbeet
Moisture content	75,0%		280.605 MJ _{Sugar beet} ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	g CO ₂ g CH ₄ g N ₂ O g CO _{2,eq}	per ha, year kg CO _{2,eq}
			1,000 MJ / MJ _{Sugarbeet, input}		
			0,451 kg _{Sugarbeet} /MJ _{Ethanol}		

The aggregation box on top

Production of FAME from Rapeseed (steam from natural gas boiler)

Overview Results

All results in g CO _{2,eq} / MJ FAME	Non- allocated results	Allocation factor	Allocated results	Total	Default values RED Annex V.D
Cultivation e_{ec}				28,9	29
Cultivation of rapeseed	48,63	58,6%	28,49		28,51
Rapeseed drying	0,72	58,6%	0,42		0,42
Processing e_p				21,7	22
Extraction of oil	6,53	58,6%	3,83		3,82
Refining of vegetable oil	1,06	95,7%	1,02		17,88
Esterification	17,61	95,7%	16,84		
Transport e_{td}				1,4	1
Transport of rapeseed	0,30	58,6%	0,17		0,17
Transport of FAME	0,82	100%	0,82		0,82
Filling station	0,44	100%	0,44		0,44
Land use change e_l	0,0	58,6%	0,0	0,0	0
e _{sca} + e _{ccr} + e _{ccs}	0,0	100%	0,0	0,0	0
Totals	76,1			52,0	52

The Cultivation box

Cultivation of rapeseed		Quantity of product	Calculated emissions				
			Yield	Emissions per MJ FAME			
				g CO ₂	g CH ₄	g N ₂ O	g CO ₂ , eq
Yield			73.975 MJ _{Rapeseed} ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹				
Rapeseed	3.113 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹		1.000 MJ / MJ _{Rapeseed} , input				
Moisture content	10,0%		0,073 kg _{Rapeseed} /MJ _{FAME}				
By-product Straw	n/a kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹						
Energy consumption							
Diesel	2.963 MJ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹			6,07	0,00	0,00	6,07
Agro chemicals							
N-fertiliser (kg N)	137,4 kg N ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹			9,08	0,03	0,03	19,00
CaO-fertiliser (kg CaO)	19,0 kg CaO ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹			0,05	0,00	0,00	0,06
K ₂ O-fertiliser (kg K ₂ O)	49,5 kg K ₂ O ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹			0,62	0,00	0,00	0,67
P ₂ O ₅ -fertiliser (kg P ₂ O ₅)	33,7 kg P ₂ O ₅ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹			0,76	0,00	0,00	0,80
Pesticides	1,2 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹			0,28	0,00	0,00	0,32
Seeding material							
Seeds- rapeseed	6 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹			0,06	0,00	0,00	0,10
Field N₂O emissions	3,10 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹			0,00	0,00	0,07	21,61
			Total	16,92	0,03	0,10	48,63
			Result	g CO_{2,eq} / MJ_{FAME}		48,63	



fill in actual data

fill in actual data**Yield**

Rapeseed
Moisture content
By-product Straw

3.113 kg ha⁻¹ year⁻¹

10,0%

n/a kg ha⁻¹ year⁻¹

Energy consumption

Diesel

2.963 MJ ha⁻¹ year⁻¹

Agro chemicals

N-fertiliser (kg N)
CaO-fertiliser (kg CaO)
K₂O-fertiliser (kg K₂O)
P₂O₅-fertiliser (kg P₂O₅)
Pesticides

137,4 kg N ha⁻¹ year⁻¹

19,0 kg CaO ha⁻¹ year⁻¹

49,5 kg K₂O ha⁻¹ year⁻¹

33,7 kg P₂O₅ ha⁻¹ year⁻¹

1,2 kg ha⁻¹ year⁻¹

Seeding material

Seeds- rapeseed

6 kg ha⁻¹ year⁻¹

Field N₂O emissions

3,10 kg ha⁻¹ year⁻¹

separate
calculation sheet

Cultivation e_{ec}

Cultivation of rapeseed		Quantity of product	Calculated emissions			
			Emissions per MJ FAME			
		Yield	g CO ₂	g CH ₄	g N ₂ O	g CO ₂ , eq
Yield		73.975 MJ _{Rapeseed} ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	6,07	0,00	0,00	6,07
Rapeseed		1,000 MJ / MJ _{Rapeseed} , input				
Moisture content	10,0%	0,073 kg _{Rapeseed} /MJ _{FAME}				
By-product Straw	n/a					
Energy consumption						
Diesel	2.963 MJ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹					
Agro chemicals						
N-fertiliser (kg N)	137,4 kg N ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹		9,08	0,03	0,03	19,00
CaO-fertiliser (kg CaO)	19,0 kg CaO ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹		0,05	0,00	0,00	0,06
K ₂ O-fertiliser (kg K ₂ O)	49,5 kg K ₂ O ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹		0,62	0,00	0,00	0,67
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Seeding material						
Seeds- rapeseed	6 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹		0,06	0,00	0,00	0,10
Field N ₂ O emissions	3,10 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹		0,00	0,00	0,07	21,61
		Total	16,92	0,03	0,10	48,63
		Result	g CO _{2,eq} / MJ _{FAME}			
			48,63			

conversion factors
yield related



fill in actual data

Quantity of product

Yield

73.975 MJ_{Rapeseed} ha⁻¹ year⁻¹

1,000 MJ / MJ_{Rapeseed}, input

0,073 kg_{Rapeseed}/MJ_{FAME}

**yield related conversion factors
raw material per final biofuel**

**values as a function of input values
and/or of the chain**

Cultivation e_{ec}

**multiplying input values
with “standard values“**

Cultivation of rapeseed		Quantity of product	Calculated emissions			
		Yield	Emissions per MJ FAME			
		73.975 MJ _{Rapeseed} ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	g CO ₂	g CH ₄	g N ₂ O	g CO ₂ , eq
Yield			6,07	0,00	0,00	6,07
Rapeseed	3.113 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹		9,08	0,03	0,03	19,00
Moisture content	10,0%		0,05	0,00	0,00	0,06
By-product Straw	n/a kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹		0,62	0,00	0,00	0,67
Energy consumption			0,76	0,00	0,00	0,80
Diesel	2.963 MJ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹		0,28	0,00	0,00	0,32
Agro chemicals						
N-fertiliser (kg N)	137,4 kg N ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹					
CaO-fertiliser (kg CaO)	19,0 kg CaO ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹					
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Pesticides	1,2 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹					
Seeding material						
Seeds- rapeseed	6 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹					
Field N₂O emissions	3,10 kg ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹					
fill in actual data						
Total		Result g CO _{2,eq} / MJ _{FAME}	16,92	0,03	0,10	48,63

conversion factors
yield related

Cultivation e_{ec}

Cultivation of rapeseed		Info	
		per kg rapeseed g CO ₂ , eq	per ha, year kg CO ₂ , eq
Yield			
Rapeseed	g CO ₂ , eq		
Moisture content			
By-product Straw			
Energy consumption			
Diesel	6,07	83,40	259,7
Agro chemicals			
N-fertiliser (kg N)	19,00	261,19	813,2
CaO-fertiliser (kg CaO)	0,06	0,79	2,5
K ₂ O-fertiliser (kg K ₂ O)	0,67	9,20	28,6
P ₂ O ₅ -fertiliser (kg P ₂ O ₅)	0,80	10,96	34,1
Pesticides	0,32	4,36	13,6
Seeding material			
Seeds- rapeseed	0,10	1,41	4,4
Field N₂O emissions			
	21,61	296,99	924,7
	48,63	668,31	2080,7
	48,63		

Calculation example “Old MacDonald’s farm”

1. Steps from cultivation to filling station
2. Use individual input numbers
3. Navigate through tool
4. Standard values
5. Define own standard values
6. Cut-off criterion

Demonstrated in the Excel tool

Calculation of N₂O field emissions

1. A major contributors to GHG emissions of most of the pathways
2. Default value : N₂O emissions calculated from a model (DNDC, average EU), except some pathways (IPCC Tier 1 for soybeans, palm trees, sugarcane)
3. For new pathways or when modifying the cultivation data from an existing pathways : BioGrace recommends to use IPCC Tier 1 estimation for this emission
 - Must be used for actual calculation

N₂O emissions : fill in few input data

A	B	C	D	E	F
Calculation of N₂O emissions using the IPCC methodology					
This sheet calculates the emissions of N ₂ O from the cultivation of the crop					
The calculations make use of IPCC methodology Tier 1 on the estimation of N ₂ O emissions from managed soils (1).					
For some crops (soybeans, sugarcane and palm trees) the additional hypothesis used in JEC calculations have been incorporated.					
In the case of soybeans, the nitrogen content of below ground biomass was considered to be 0.074 kg N/kg dry matter instead of 0.065 kg N/kg dry matter.					
In the case of sugar cane, N of above ground residues are not calculated using the IPCC methods. Alternatively additions of N are calculated using the JEC method.					
In the case of palm trees, N of above ground residues are calculated by the JEC considering that 0.22 t dry residues are retained.					
(1) IPCC 2006, 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, Prepared by the National Greenhouse Gas Inventory Working Group					
Crop data.					
Please enter the data for your crop in the blue cell					
Crop name	Sugar cane				
Crop yield (fresh matter)	1000	kg fm/ha			
Humidity(%)	45,0%				
Crop yield (dry matter)	550	kg dm/ha			
Straw yield (removed from the field)		kg dm/ha			
Amount of vignasse applied to the field (by default 0.94)		kg of vignasse dm / kg sugar cane fm			
Amount of filter cake applied to the field (by default 0.01)		kg of filter cake dm / kg sugar cane fm			
N content of vignasse applied to the field (by default 0.36)		kg N / t vignasse			
N content of filter cake applied to the field (by default 12.5)		kg N / t filter cake			
Carbon loss due to land use change	0	t/ha			
Is the crop irrigated OR is rainfall in rainy season minus potential evaporation higher than soil water holding capacity?	1	yes=1; no=0			

N₂O emissions

29							
30	Direct N₂O emissions from managed soils (Tier1).						
31	Please enter the N additions in the form of synthetic or organic fertilizer in the blue cells						
32	N₂O emissions from N inputs: N₂O_N ...						
33							
34	F _{EN}	kg N/ha	N in synthetic fertilizer				
35	F _{ON}	kg N/ha	N in organic fertilizer				
36	F _{CR}	0 kg N/ha	N in crop residues				
37	F _{SOM}	0,00 kg N/ha	N mineralized				
38							
39	EF ₁	0,01	0,003	0,03			
40							
41							
42							
43							
44							
45		kg N ₂ O_N/ha		kg N ₂ O/ha			
46	N ₂ O_N_N inputs	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	
47							

F _{CR}	N in crop residues	
AG _{DW(T)}	0	kg/ha
Frac _{Renew(T)}	1	
R _{AG(T)}	0,000	
N _{AG(T)}	0	
Frac _{Remove(T)}	#DIV/0!	
R _{ag(T)}	0,00	
N _{ag(T)}	0,000	
F _{CR}	0 kg N/ha	Eq 11.6
	0 kg N/ha	Eq 11.7A

N _{AG}	slope	intercept	AG _{DW(T)}	(AG _{DW(T)} * 100) R _{AG(T)}	R _{ag-BIO(T)}	N _{B3}
Sugar beet	0,016	1,07	1,54	2,13	4,87	3,87
Wheat	0,006	1,51	0,52	1,35	3,46	2,46
Corn	0,006	1,03	0,61	1,18	3,14	2,14
Sugar cane				0,00	1,00	0,00
Rapeseed	0,006	1,09	0,88	1,48	3,69	2,69
Sunflower	0,006	1,09	0,88	1,48	3,69	2,69
Soybeans	0,008	0,93	1,35	1,86	4,38	3,38
Palm	0,011			0,00	1,00	0,00

N₂O emissions : direct and indirect emissions calculation

Indirect N ₂ O emissions from managed soils (Tier1)			
	kg N ₂ O_N/ha	kg N ₂ O/ha	
6 N ₂ O from atmospheric deposition of N	0,00	0,00	0,00
7 N ₂ O _(L) -N	0,00	0,00	0,00

N ₂ O _(L) -N Leaching			
	0 kg N/ha	N in synthetic fertilizer	
F _{EN}	0 kg N/ha		
F _{ON}	0 kg N/ha		
F _{OR}	0 kg N/ha		
F _{BOM}	0 kg N/ha		
Frac _{LE}	0,2	0,05	0,5
EF ₃	0,1	0,03	0,3
EF ₄	0,01	0,002	0,05
N ₂ O _(ATD) -N Volatilization			
	kg N ₂ O_N/ha		
F _{EN}	0 kg N/ha		
F _{ON}	0 kg N/ha		
Frac _{GASM}	0,2	0,05	0,5
Frac _{GASF}	0,1	0,03	0,3
EF ₄	0,01	0,002	0,05
N ₂ O _(ATD) -N	0,00	0,000	0,000

Direct + Indirect N ₂ O emissions from managed soils (Tier1)						
	kg N ₂ O_N	kg N ₂ O				
3 Total N ₂ O emissions	0,01	0,00	0,00	0,01	0,00	0,00 per ha
	0,01	0,00	0,00	0,02	0,00	0,00 per kg
	0,0005	0,0000	0,0000	0,00	0,00	0,00 per MJ

Processing (oil extraction)

Extraction of oil		Quantity of product	Calculated emissions				
			Emissions per MJ FAME	g CO ₂	g CH ₄	g N ₂ O	g CO _{2, eq}
Yield							
Crude vegetable oil	0,6125 MJ_{Oil} / MJ_{Rapeseed}						
By-product Rapeseed cake	0,3875 MJ_{Rapeseed cake} / MJ_{Rapeseed}						
Energy consumption							
Electricity EU mix MV	0,0118 MJ / MJ_{Oil}						
Steam (from NG boiler)	0,0557 MJ / MJ_{Oil}						
NG Boiler			<u>Emissions from NG boiler</u>				
CH ₄ and N ₂ O emissions from NG boiler			0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,02
Natural gas input / MJ steam	1,111 MJ / MJ_{Steam}						
Natural gas (4000 km, EU mix	0,062 MJ / MJ _{Oil}						
Electricity input / MJ steam	0,020 MJ / MJ_{Steam}						
Electricity EU mix MV	0,001 MJ / MJ _{Oil}						
Chemicals							
n-Hexane	0,0043 MJ / MJ_{Oil}						
			Total	0,36	0,00	0,00	0,37
				6,06	0,02	0,00	6,53
			Result	g CO_{2,eq} / MJ_{FAME}		6,53	

fill in actual data

Transport

Transport of FAME to and from depot		Quantity of product	Calculated emissions				
			Emissions per MJ FAME	g CO ₂	g CH ₄	g N ₂ O	g CO _{2, eq}
FAME	1,000 MJ _{FAME} / MJ _{FAME}	42790,9 MJ _{FAME} ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹ 0,578 MJ / MJ _{Rapeseed, input}					
Transport per		0,0047 ton km / MJ _{Rapeseed, input}					
Truck for liquids (Diesel)	300 km		0,71	0,00	0,00	0,71	
Fuel	Diesel						
Energy cons. depot	0,00084 MJ / MJ _{FAME}		0,10	0,00	0,00	0,11	
Electricity EU mix LV							
		Result	g CO _{2,eq} / MJ _{FAME}	0,8225			

fill in actual data

Filling station		Quantity of product	Calculated emissions				
			Emissions per MJ FAME	g CO ₂	g CH ₄	g N ₂ O	g CO _{2, eq}
Yield	1,000 MJ _{FAME} / MJ _{FAME}	42790,9 MJ _{FAME} ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹ 0,578 MJ / MJ _{Rapeseed, input}					
Energy consumption	0,0034 MJ / MJ _{FAME}		0,41	0,00	0,00	0,44	
Electricity EU mix LV							
		Result	g CO _{2,eq} / MJ _{FAME}	0,44			

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GHG Excel tool – additional items

- 1. Land use change
- 2. Improved agricultural management
- 3. CO₂ storage or replacement

Step 1 : declare LUC in your pathway

The screenshot shows a software interface for calculating land use change (LUC) emissions. The main window title is "BIOGRACE Harmonised Calculations of Biofuel Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Europe". A dropdown menu at the top left shows "Yes" selected. The main panel is titled "Land use change, including bonus for production on non-agriculture or degraded land". A red box highlights the dropdown menu "Does land use change occur?". Below it, a green oval encloses the text "eI Land use change" and the question "Does land use change occur?". A blue arrow points from a text box labeled "Text appear" upwards towards this section. To the right, another green oval encloses the "From" and "To" land use descriptions. The "From" description is "Warm temperature moist ; Native forest (>30% tree cover) ; Europe ; High activity clay ; No till ; No input". The "To" description is "Warm temperature moist ; Cultivated/cropland ; Tillage ; High without manure". Below these ovals, the "Result" section shows "Emissions" of 470 g CO₂ eq / MJ Ethanol.

113 Land use change, including bonus for production on non-agriculture or degraded land

114 eI Land use change

115 Does land use change occur?

116 Go to sheet LUC to calculate the land use change

117 Resulting land use change 19,16 ton CO₂ ha⁻¹ year⁻¹

118 Bonus (eB) 0 g CO₂,eq / MJ Ethanol

119

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From : Warm temperature moist ; Native forest (>30% tree cover) ; Europe ; High activity clay ; No till ; No input

To : Warm temperature moist ; Cultivated/cropland ; Tillage ; High without manure

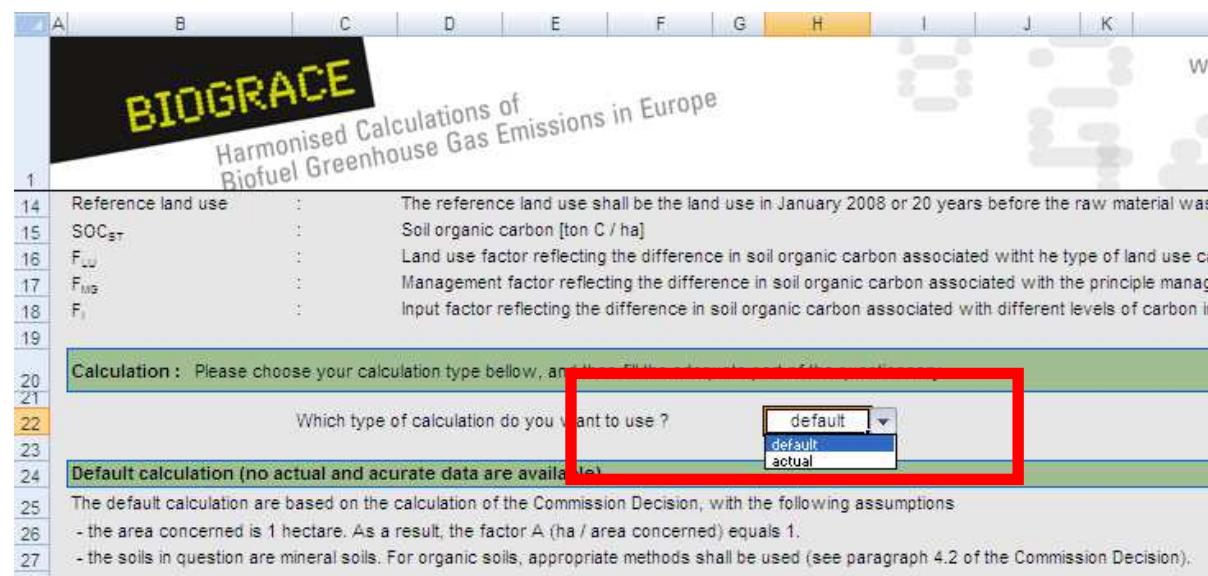
Emissions g CO₂,eq / MJ Ethanol 470

Result

Text appear

Step 2 : Go to the LUC excel sheet and read through this sheet. Get the Commission Decision 2010/335/EU.

Step 3 : Choose the type of calculation : default or actual and fill in the appropriate white cells.



Step 4 (default calculation) : use EC decision to fill out data

29 CS_A and CS_R are calculated with the following equation:

$$CS_A = C_{Veg} + SOC_{ST} * F_{LU} * F_{Fug} * F_i$$

	Actual land use	Reference land use
Climate region	Warm temperature moist	Warm temperature moist
Vegetation/crop (land use)	Cultivated/cropland	Native forest (>30% canopy cover)
<u>Above and below ground vegetation</u>		
Ecological zone (if relevant)	-	Oceanic forest
Continent (if relevant)	-	Europe
C _{Veg}	0 ton C / ha	84 ton C / ha
<u>Carbon stock in mineral soil</u>		
Climate region	Warm temperature moist	Warm temperature moist
Soil type	High activity clay	High activity clay
Soil management	Full-tillage	No till
Input	High without manure	No input
SOC _{ST}	88 ton C / ha	88 ton C / ha
F _{LU}	0,69	1
F _{Fug}	1	n/a
F _i	1,11	n/a

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7.1 Cropland

Table 2 Factors for cropland

Climate region	Land use (F _{LU})	Management (F _{Man})	Input (F _I)	F _{LU}	F _{Man}	F _I
Temperate/Boreal, dry	Cultivated	Full-tillage	Low	0,6	1	0,95
		Medium	0,8	1	1	
		High with manure	0,8	1	1,37	
		High without manure	0,8	1	1,04	
	Reduced tillage	Low	0,8	1,02	0,95	
		Medium	0,8	1,02	1	



Calculate value according to Chapter 5, or look up val

Determine using paragraph 6.1 of Commission Decision

Determine using paragraph 6.2 of Commission Decision

Determine using table 3 of Commission Decision

Determine using table 3 of Commission Decision

Loop up in Table 1 of Commission Decision, using clim

Look up in Tables 2 - 8 of Commission Decision

Look up in Tables 2 - 8 of Commission Decision

Look up in Tables 2 - 8 of Commission Decision

52 Resulting carbon stock
53 Resulting LUC
54

$$e_i = \boxed{19,16} \text{ ton eq. CO}_2 / \text{ha / an}$$

$$CS_A = 67,4 \text{ ton C / ha}$$

$$CS_R = 172,0 \text{ ton C / ha}$$

Step 4 (actual calculation) : mind filling detailed information on the sources of the SOC data used.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	
1	BIOGRACE Harmonised Calculations of Biofuel Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Europe										
60	Type of data use	measurements									
61	More detail information	Field measurement from a 3 year campaign, 100 plots, carried out by the National Institute...									
66	If using data from other methods than measurements :										
67	Please confirm that they take into account :										
68	climate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no							
69	soil type	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no							
70	land cover	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no							
71	land management and inputs.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> yes	<input type="checkbox"/> no							
73	Resulting carbon stock in soils	SOC _A =	70.2	ton C / ha	SOC _R =	102.0	ton C / ha				
74	Resulting carbon stock in vegetation	C _{veg,A} =	0.0	ton C / ha	C _{veg,R} =	80.0	ton C / ha				
75		CS _A =	70.2	ton C / ha	CS _R =	182.0	ton C / ha				
76	Resulting land Use Change	e _I =	20.5 ton CO ₂ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹								

- Step 5 : Check in the biofuel pathway that the LUC value is there. Please, also check that no Improved agricultural management is declared.

BIOGRACE		Harmonised Calculations of Biofuel Greenhouse Gas Emissions in Europe	
116 Does land use change occur? <input type="button" value="yes"/>		Europe ; High activity clay ; No till ; No input	
117 Go to sheet 'LUC'		To : Warm temperature moist ; Cultivated/cropland ; - ; High activity clay ; Full-tillage ; High without manure	
118 to calculate the land use change		Emissions per MJ ethanol	
119 Resulting land use change 19,16 ton CO ₂ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹		g CO ₂	g CH ₄
120		470,97	0,00
121 Bonus (eB) 0 g CO _{2,eq} / MJ Ethanol		g N ₂ O	g CO _{2,eq}
122		0,00	0,00
123		470,97	0,00
124		Result	g CO _{2,eq} / MJ Ethanol
125		470,97	470,97
126			
127			
128			
Improved agricultural management		Emissions per MJ ethanol	
129			
130			
131			
132 Does improved agricultural management occurs? <input type="button" value="no"/>			

e_b bonus for degraded and contaminated lands :

- A specific line exists within the LUC module of each pathway.

Land use change, including bonus for production on non-agriculture or degraded land		Emissions per MJ ethanol			
e _l	Land use change	g CO ₂	g CH ₄	g N ₂ O	g CO ₂ ,eq
Does land use change occur?	<input type="checkbox"/> no				
Resulting land use change	0,00 ton CO ₂ ha ⁻¹ year ⁻¹	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00
Bonus (eB)	<input type="text" value="0"/> g	The bonus of 29 gCO ₂ ,eq/MJ shall be attributed if evidence is provided that the land: (a) was not in use for agriculture or any other activity in January 2008; and (b) falls into one of the following categories: (i) severely degraded land, including such land that was formerly in agricultural use; (ii) heavily contaminated land.			
Improved agricultural management	e _{soil}	The bonus of 29 gCO ₂ ,eq/MJ shall apply for a period of up to 10 years from the date of conversion of the land to agricultural use, provided that a steady increase in carbon stocks as well as a sizable reduction in erosion phenomena for land falling under (i) are ensured and that soil contamination for land falling under (ii) is reduced.			

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The complete Excel tool

- One separate worksheet for each of the 22 biofuel pathways
- Standard values worksheet
- Separate worksheet for user defined standard values
- Extra worksheets for calculation of
 - direct land use change (based on Commission Decision)
 - carbon stock accumulation thanks to improved agricultural management (based on Commission Decision)
 - N₂O emissions (based on IPCC Tier 1)
- List of additional standard values
- User manual
- Calculations rules

Questions ?

Final remarks

- Version 5 will show new pathways according to the RED Annex V update; spring 2012
- BioGrace is not a certifier! We provide the calculation tool and will maintain it but we do not
 - help individual stakeholders make actual calculations
 - check actual calculations at the request of stakeholders
- BioGrace will offer further workshops for trainers of verifiers
- BioGrace II: Tool for use of solid and gaseous biomass in electricity, heating and cooling; start up spring 2012

Thank you for your attention



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