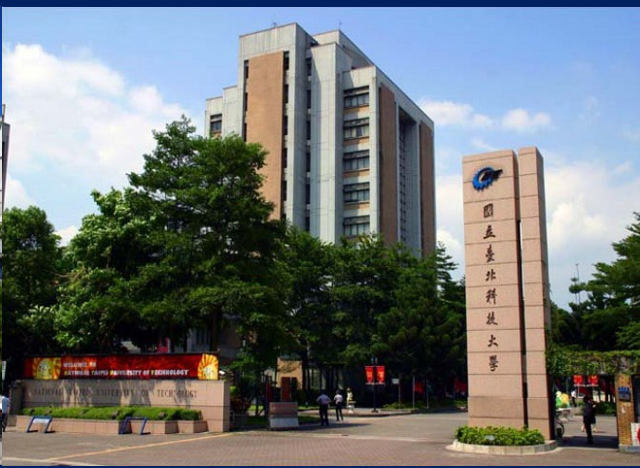
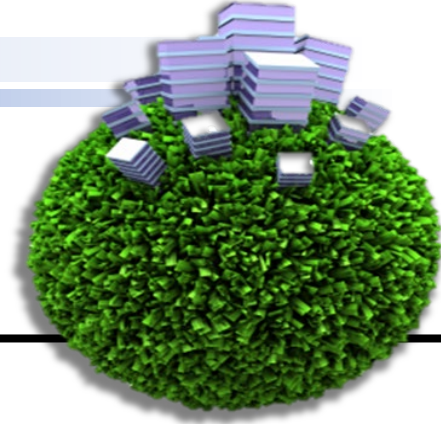


# Life Cycle Assessment for Car Wiper Controller Product



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# Project Description

- **Project Objectives**

USI Green Product Lifecycle Assessment and Counseling – Car Wiper Controller Study

- **Project Implementation Framework**

The Green Product Lifecycle Assessment and Counseling Project is planned for one year, with the goal of promoting the establishment of product LCA, and at the same time, through counseling and training, strengthening the ability to implement product LCA, to fulfill the corporate social responsibility, to give full play to the influence of the semiconductor industry, and to improve the performance of international sustainability questionnaires (e.g., DJSI, CDP, etc.).

- **Anticipated Benefits**

- 1) Perform life cycle assessment on the target product to assist the investment control subsidiary to more comprehensively identify the environmental impacts associated with the product production process, as well as to identify improvement hotspots in the production process, and to fulfill its corporate social responsibility.
- 2) Through this year's project work program, not only can we achieve further exchanges between the industry and the academia, but we can also combine academic theories to meet the needs of the commissioning unit.

## Research Target

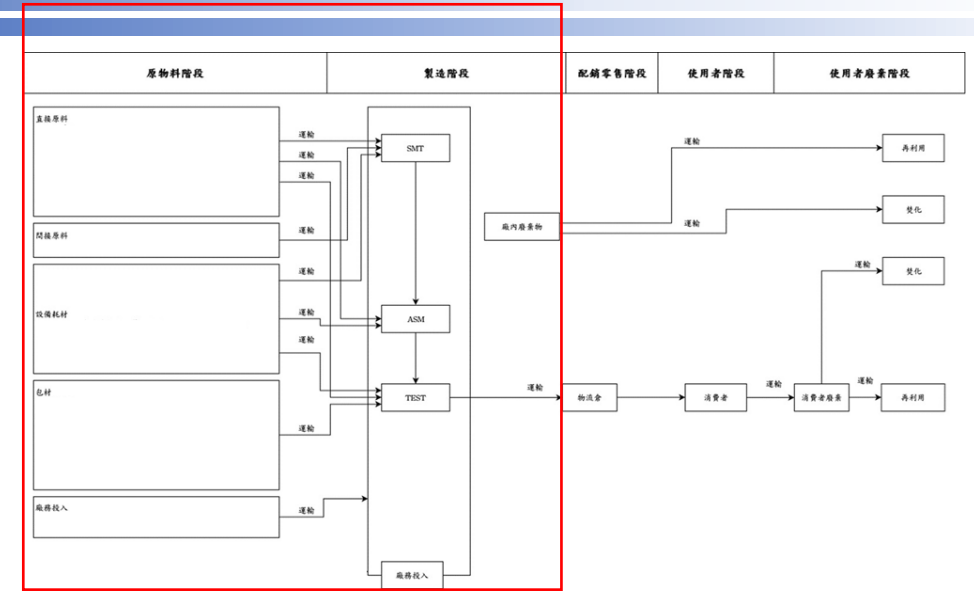
<b>Target Product</b>	Car Wiper Controller
<b>Functional unit</b>	The production of one Car Wiper Controller product
<b>System Boundary</b>	B2B(Raw materials, manufacturing, waste)
<b>Software</b>	SimaPro 9.5.0.2
<b>Database Use</b>	Ecoinvent 3.9
<b>Inventory Data</b>	USI provides data on energy inputs, and the data collection period is one year.
<b>Carbon Footprint</b>	IPCC 2021 GWP100a
<b>Environmental impact</b>	ReCiPe Midpoint & Endpoint

## System Boundary

- Includes wastes from the raw material stage, the manufacturing stage, and the production stage.

## Inventory Data

- 2023/01/01~2023/12/31



Stages	Use of Information	Source	Allocation
Raw material stage	Raw Material Activity Data	SAP、OA、Replacement of Records	1. Unallocated
	Transportation Distance, Vehicle Type	Supplier Information、Google Map、ELCD、ICAO	2. Allocation by production volume 3. Allocation by workshop production volume 4. Allocation by factory production volume
Manufacturing stage	Resources	Electricity Bills, Greenhouse Gas Inventory Data, Meter Reading Records	Product output/Total output of factory
Waste Stage	Waste	Statistical Tables, Weigh Bills, Coupons	Product quantity allocation
	Transportation Distance, Vehicle Type	Supplier Information、Google Map	

## Carbon Footprint & Environmental Impact

### Carbon Footprint

- ✓ Inventory data collection and compilation
- ✓ Database Coefficient Update

Importing data into SimaPro software

Selected Assessment Methodologies  
IPCC 2021 GWP100a

Calculate Carbon Emissions (kgCO<sub>2</sub>e)

Identify key hotspots and suggest improvements

Selected Assessment Methodologies  
ReCiPe(H)

Results of 18 Environmental Impact Indicators (Midpoint)

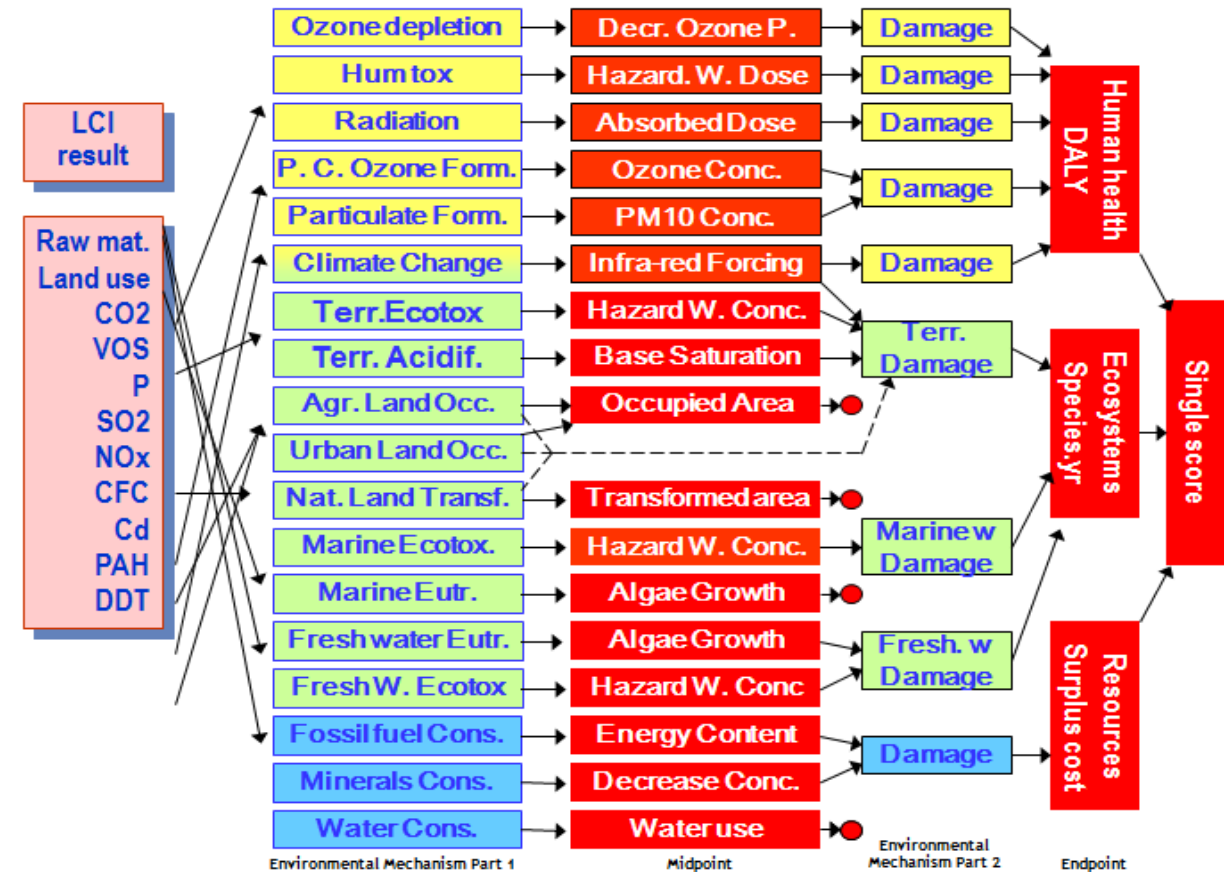
Calculate the final environmental damage (Pt) (Endpoint)

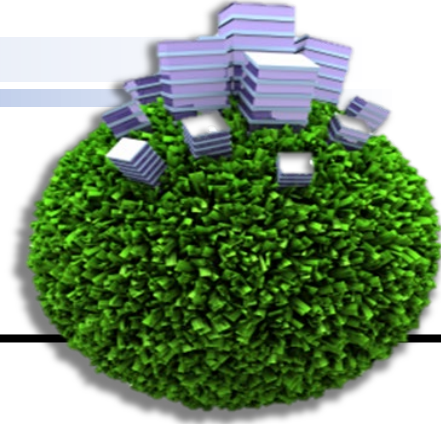
Identify the main types of impacts and give recommendations for improvement

### Environmental Impact

## ReCiPe methodologies

- ReCiPe is a methodology developed based on two existing methods, CML 2001 and Eco-indicator 99, making it one of the relatively newer environmental impact assessment methods (Goedkoop et al., 2013). ReCiPe encompasses the most extensive range of environmental impact categories among current existing methods (Heinonen et al., 2016) and can be used for comparative analyses of various environmental impact and damage categories (Korol et al., 2016).
- A significant feature of the ReCiPe methodology is that the normalization factors between midpoint and endpoint methods are consistent. Therefore, when evaluating damage results, the ReCiPe life cycle impact assessment method is recommended for use (Dong and Ng, 2014).

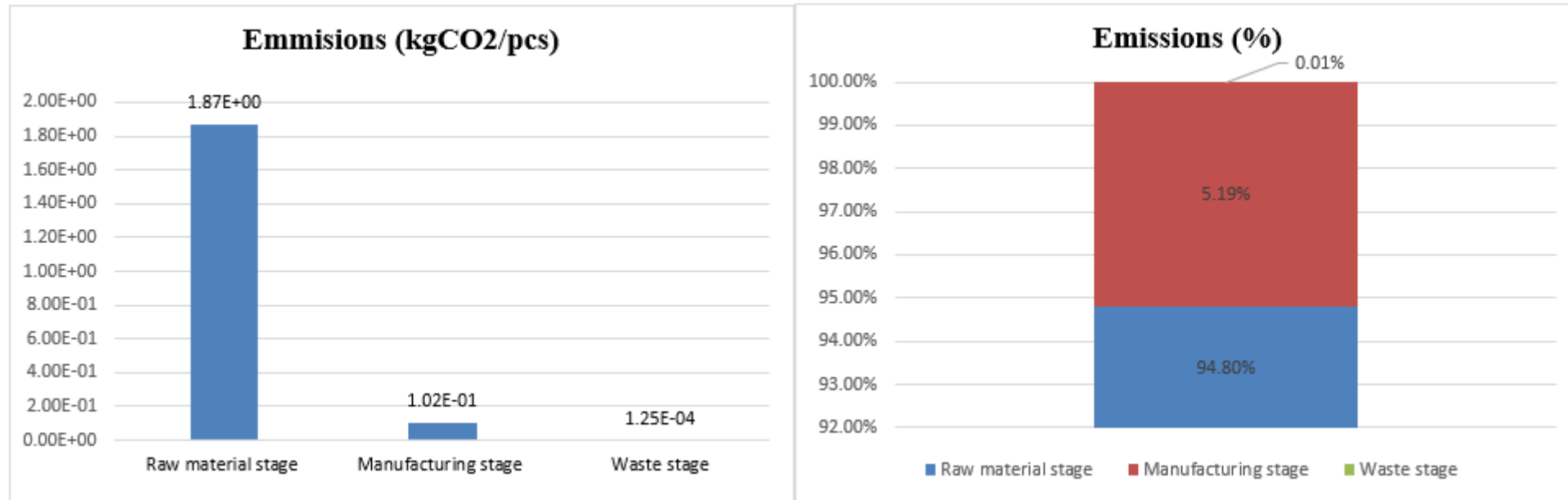




# Car Wiper Controller Carbon Footprint Assessment Results

## Carbon Footprint Assessment Results

- ✓ Using the life cycle assessment software SimaPro and the IPCC 2021 100a methodology, we examined the carbon emissions of Car Wiper Controller products and found that the total carbon emissions were 1.97 kgCO<sub>2</sub>e/pcs.
- ✓ The raw material stage (1.87 kgCO<sub>2</sub>e/pcs) has a higher carbon footprint than the manufacturing stage (0.102 kgCO<sub>2</sub>e/pcs).



# Car Wiper Controller Carbon Footprint Assessment Results

## Critical Material

- ✓ PCB used in Raw materials processes is a major hotspot for carbon emissions.

### ➤ Top five hot spots for products

Categorization	Name	Carbon footprint (kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/pcs)
Manufacturing	Electricity	8.07E-02
Manufacturing	Nitrogen	2.16E-01
Raw materials	PCB	5.42E-01
Raw materials	Gear Cover	2.86E-01
Raw materials	IC MCU	2.51E-01

### ➤ Raw materials

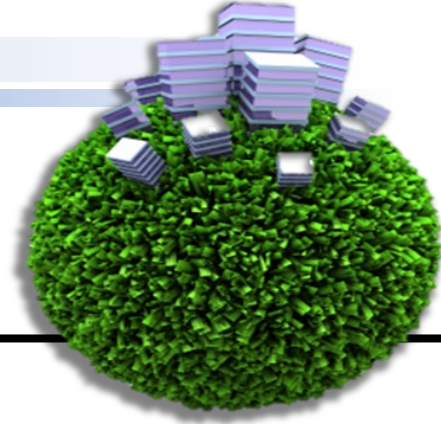
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### ➤ Manufacturing

Categorization	Name	Carbon footprint (kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/pcs)
Manufacturing	Electricity	8.07E-02
Manufacturing	Nitrogen	2.16E-02
Manufacturing	Gas [natural gas]	1.78E-04

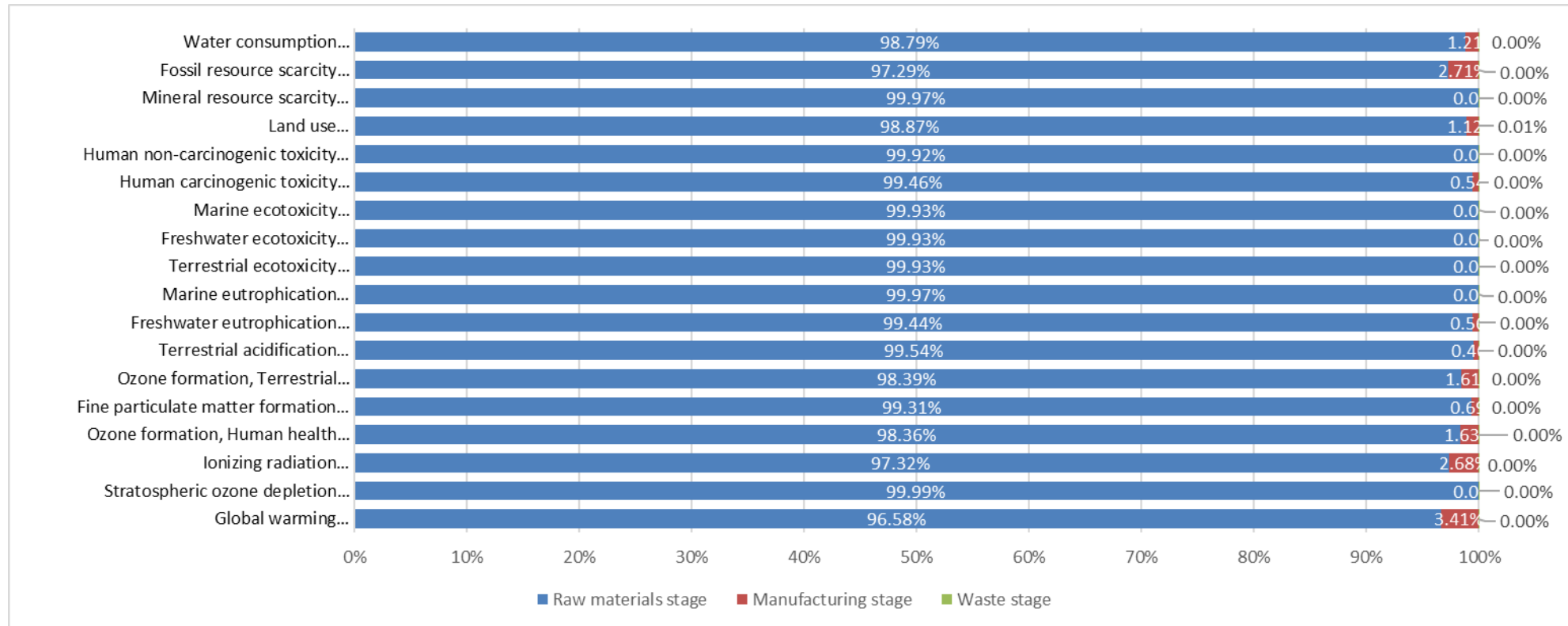
### ➤ Waste

Categorization	Name	Carbon footprint (kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/pcs)
Waste	MEGATECH 7988	5.30E-08
Waste	Waste solvent barrel	5.22E-06
Waste	Waste packaging, containers, and filter adsorption media containing	2.10E-06



# Car Wiper Controller Environmental damage assessment results

## Car Wiper Controller Life cycle assessment results (Midpoint)



# Car Wiper Controller-Endpoint

Midpoint			Normalization			Weighting				Endpoint	
Impact category	Unit	Characterization	Unit	Weight	standardization	Unit	Weight	Damage	Proportion		
Global warming, Human health	DALY	3.01E-06	Pt	41.7	1.25E-04	Pt	300	3.76E-02	8.34%	Human health	4.39E-01
Stratospheric ozone depletion	DALY	1.22E-09	Pt	41.7	5.09E-08	Pt	300	1.53E-05	0.00%		
Ionizing radiation	DALY	3.11E-09	Pt	41.7	1.30E-07	Pt	300	3.89E-05	0.01%		
Ozone formation, Human health	DALY	1.58E-08	Pt	41.7	6.58E-07	Pt	300	1.98E-04	0.04%		
Fine particulate matter formation	DALY	1.56E-05	Pt	41.7	6.49E-04	Pt	300	1.95E-01	43.19%		
Human carcinogenic toxicity	DALY	2.08E-06	Pt	41.7	8.69E-05	Pt	300	2.61E-02	5.78%		
Human non-carcinogenic toxicity	DALY	1.43E-05	Pt	41.7	5.96E-04	Pt	300	1.79E-01	39.63%		
Water consumption, Human health	DALY	9.45E-08	Pt	41.7	3.94E-06	Pt	300	1.18E-03	0.26%		
Global warming, Terrestrial ecosystems	species.yr	9.08E-09	Pt	676	6.14E-06	Pt	400	2.45E-03	0.54%	Ecosystems	9.61E-03
Global warming, Freshwater ecosystems	species.yr	2.48E-13	Pt	676	1.68E-10	Pt	400	6.70E-08	0.00%		
Ozone formation, Terrestrial ecosystems	species.yr	2.29E-09	Pt	676	1.55E-06	Pt	400	6.18E-04	0.14%		
Terrestrial acidification	species.yr	1.64E-08	Pt	676	1.11E-05	Pt	400	4.43E-03	0.98%		
Freshwater eutrophication	species.yr	2.78E-09	Pt	676	1.88E-06	Pt	400	7.52E-04	0.17%		
Marine eutrophication	species.yr	3.13E-13	Pt	676	2.11E-10	Pt	400	8.46E-08	0.00%		
Terrestrial ecotoxicity	species.yr	1.44E-09	Pt	676	9.75E-07	Pt	400	3.90E-04	0.09%		
Freshwater ecotoxicity	species.yr	1.61E-09	Pt	676	1.09E-06	Pt	400	4.34E-04	0.10%		
Marine ecotoxicity	species.yr	3.29E-10	Pt	676	2.22E-07	Pt	400	8.89E-05	0.02%		
Land use	species.yr	1.04E-09	Pt	676	7.04E-07	Pt	400	2.81E-04	0.06%		
Water consumption, Terrestrial ecosystem	species.yr	6.12E-10	Pt	676	4.14E-07	Pt	400	1.65E-04	0.04%		
Water consumption, Aquatic ecosystems	species.yr	4.65E-14	Pt	676	3.14E-11	Pt	400	1.26E-08	0.00%		
Mineral resource scarcity	\$	5.79E-02	Pt	3.57E-05	2.07E-06	Pt	300	6.20E-04	0.14%	Resources	2.76E-03
Fossil resource scarcity	\$	2.00E-01	Pt	3.57E-05	7.13E-06	Pt	300	2.14E-03	0.47%		

**Single score**  
4.51E-01

# Car Wiper Controller Environmental impact sequence & key raw material sequence at each stage

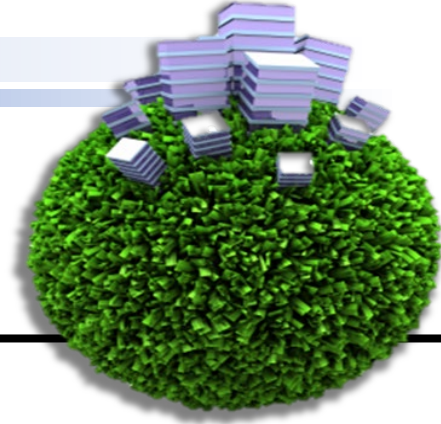
## ➤ Environmental impact sequence

ReCiPe(H)-Full life cycle stage	
Environmental impact (Percentage of damage)	Priority
	<b>Car Wiper Controller</b>
Fine particulate matter formation	<b>1</b> 1.95E-01 Pt (43.19%)
Global warming, Human health	<b>3</b> 3.76E-02 Pt (8.34%)
Human non-carcinogenic toxicity	<b>2</b> 1.79E-01 Pt (39.63%)
Human carcinogenic toxicity	<b>4</b> 2.61E-02 Pt (5.78%)

## ➤ Sequencing of key raw materials at each stage

Car Wiper Controller		Raw material name	Final damage value	Proportion
number	classification			
Process	Process investment	Electricity	4.53E+00	76.14%
Process	Process investment	Nitrogen	1.41E+00	23.69%
M28	Direct raw materials	R THERM SMD	1.89E-01	42.27%
M22	Direct raw materials	D LIN ESD PESD1LIN	3.55E-02	7.94%

✓ The key raw materials of Car Wiper Controller are mainly R THERM SMD and the electricity used in the process.



# Conclusion and Recommendation

## ➤ Carbon Footprint

- ✓ From the results of Car Wiper Controller Carbon Footprint Critical Raw Materials, power input in the manufacturing process is one of the hotspots.
- ✓ →It is recommended to reduce the proportion of traditional electricity input and increase the use of electricity (purchased green energy) in the manufacturing process to improve the damaging effects.
- ✓ In the ranking of critical raw materials (except for the process stage), PCB, IC MCU, and Gear Cover used in the raw material stage are the hotspots that affect carbon emissions.
- ✓ →It is recommended to optimize the ratio of inputs of these critical raw materials to strengthen raw material management and avoid unnecessary consumption, thus improving the environmental impact.

## ➤ Environmental damage assessment

- ✓ The results show that R THERM SMD is the reason for the high environmental hazard value, so we can consider whether there are alternative materials to effectively reduce the environmental impact.
- ✓ Secondly, during the manufacturing stage of the production of packaged products, it is observed that the power supply has a soft multi-faceted environmental impact, and power supply optimization should be carried out step by step. Energy-saving technologies or equipment can be adopted, as well as green power policies.

*Thank you  
for your attention*

