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1. General Information

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Sliding door gears

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Declared product / Declared unit

1 unit of sliding door gear.

Scope:

This ARGE EPD covers hardware systems for sliding doors, sliding corner doors, sliding folding doors, sliding gates used for buildings, mechanisms used to support doors of varying materials and allow their opening and closing via a sliding action. It does not include sliding folding windows or door height windows. The reference product used to calculate the impact this product group has on the environment is an item of sliding door gear composed primarily of aluminium and has been selected for the LCA (Life Cycle Assessment) because it is the product with the highest impact for 1 kg of product. A validity scope analysis has also been carried out to determine the limiting factors for sliding door gear covered by this EPD. In a preliminary study (simplified LCA), it has been confirmed that this EPD represents the worst case condition and it can therefore be used to cover all sliding door gear manufactured in Europe by ARGE member companies.

The owner of the declaration shall be liable for the underlying information and evidence, but the ARGE programme holder (IBU) cannot be held responsible for manufacturer's information, life cycle assessment data or evidence.

Verification

The CEN Norm /EN 15804/ serves as the core PCR

Independent verification of the declaration according to /ISO 14025/

internally externally

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2. Product

2.1 Product description

This EPD refers to sliding door gear intended to be used in buildings. The sample group used to calculate the LCA data for this Association EPD includes all functional gear necessary to move safely a sliding door

2.2 Application

These products are designed to be integrated into door assemblies of varying materials and applications. Their purpose is to ensure the fastening of the door, window or shutter, and to open and close it safely. They may be used for either interior or exterior doors.

2.3 Technical Data

Ideally, products should comply with a suitable technical specification. /EN 1527 is an example of such a specification and some products will comply with this. The relevant grading structure is shown in the following table

Sliding door gear according to the classification in EN 1527 and EN 13126-15

Name	Value	Unit
Category of use	-	Grade
Durability	1 - 6	Grade
Door mass	1 - 4	Grade
Fire resistance	-	Grade
Safety	1	Grade

Corrosion resistance	0 - 5	Grade
Security – burglar resistance	-	Grade
Category of door	1, 2, 3	Grade

2.4 Application rules

Since /EN 1527/ is not a harmonized standard, it is not subject to the terms of the CPR and compliance with the standard is purely voluntary. National provisions however (e.g. Building Regulations) may still apply.

2.5 Delivery status

The products are sold by unit. Deliveries of a single unit might be possible but will be an exception. Regular deliveries will cover a larger amount of sliding door gear as they are put on the market as "B2B" product and not for a single customer.

2.6 Base materials / Ancillary materials

Composition of product analysed for this EPD:

The values given are for the product analysed for this EPD. Ranges of the values for other products covered by the validity scope analysis are given in brackets.

Name	Value	Unit
Aluminium (0.00% – 97.20%)	97.2	%
Nylon (0.00% – 8.28%)	2.5	%
Steel (0.31% – 100.00%)	0.31	%

The product does not contain substances cited on the REACH list of hazardous substances.

Aluminium is a non-ferrous metal produced from bauxite by the Bayer process. Aluminium components are made by extrusion.

Nylon is a polyamide produced by ring-opening polymerization of hexamethylenediamine and adipic acid in equal parts. This can then be combined with glass fibres to improve its mechanical properties. Subcomponents made of nylon are formed by injection moulding.

Steel is produced by combining iron with carbon as well as other elements depending on the desired characteristics. Steel components are made by pressing and/or forming.

2.7 Manufacture

The production of a sliding door gear normally follows a 3 step procedure:

1. Preparation of semi-finished components, this step might include a surface treatment on factory site or by external manufacturers.
2. Preassembly of assembly modules (onsite factory)
3. Final assembly (onsite factory)

2.8 Environment and health during manufacturing

Regular measurements of air quality and noise levels are performed by ARGE member manufacturers. Resulting levels shall be within compulsory safety limits. In areas where employees are exposed to chemical products, prescribed safety clothes and technical safety devices shall be provided. Regular health checks are mandatory for employees of production sites.

2.9 Product processing/Installation

The installation of the product could vary depending on the type of door and the specific situation but products shall not require energy consumption for installation.

2.10 Packaging

Normally each single product is packaged in paper. The products are then packed by product batch in a paperboard box and then stacked on wooden pallets for transport to the customer (Door or window fabricant).

Waste from product packaging is collected separately for waste disposal including recycling.

2.11 Condition of use

Once installed, the products shall require no servicing during their expected service lives. There shall be no consumption of water or energy linked to their use, and they shall not cause any emissions.

2.12 Environment and health during use

No environmental damage or health risks are to be expected during normal conditions of use.

2.13 Reference service life

The Reference Service Life is 30 years under normal working conditions. This corresponds to passing a mechanical endurance test of 100.000 cycles as specified in the /EN 1527/. The Reference Service Life is dependent on the actual frequency of use and environmental conditions. It is required that installation, as well as maintenance of the product, must be done in line with instructions provided by the manufacturer.

2.14 Extraordinary effects

Fire

There are no specific fire resistance requirements

Water

The declared product is intended to be used in a building under normal conditions (indoor or outdoor use) It shall not emit hazardous substances in the event of flooding.

Mechanical destruction

Mechanical destruction of the declared product shall not materially alter its composition or have any adverse effect on the environment

2.15 Re-use phase

Removal of sliding door gear (for re-use or re-cycling) shall have no adverse effect on the environment

2.16 Disposal

Sliding door gear should be re-cycled wherever possible, providing that there is no adverse effect on the environment . The waste code in accordance with the /European Waste Code/ is 17 04 07.

2.17 Further information

Details of all types and variants to be shown on the manufacturers' websites listed on <http://arge.org/members/members-directory.htm>

3. LCA: Calculation rules

3.1 Declared Unit

The declared unit for all products covered by ARGE EPD is 1 kg (of product). Since individual products will rarely weigh exactly 1 kg it is necessary to establish the exact weight of the product then use this as a correction factor to determine the true values for 1 kg of product in the tables (Section 5).

A total of six typical products (based on sales figures) have been evaluated, and the worst case results are used in the tables.

Correction factor

Name	Value	Unit
Declared unit mass	1	kg
Mass of declared product	3.92	Kg
Correction factor	Divide by 3.92	

3.2 System boundary

The type of the EPD covers “cradle to grave” requirements.

The analysis of the product life cycle includes the production and transport of the raw materials, manufacture of the product and the packaging materials, which are declared in modules A1-A3. Losses during production are considered as waste and are sent for recycling. No recycling processes are taken into account except transport and electricity consumption for grinding the metals. When recycled metals are used as raw material, only their transformation process is taken into account and not the extraction of the raw material.

A4 module represents the transport of the finished product to the installation site.

There is no waste associated with the installation of the product. The A5 module therefore represents only the disposal of the product packaging.

For the RSL considered for this study, there are no inputs or outputs for the stages B1-B7.

The End-of-Life (EoL) stages are also considered. The transportation to the EoL disposal site is taken into account in module C2. Module C4 covers the disposal of the sliding door gear. Module C3 covers the recycling of the individual elements according to European averages, with the remaining waste divided between incineration and landfill. The same assumption as for waste to recycling in A3 is used here.

For end of life modules (C1 to C4) the system boundaries from the XP P01-064/CN standard have been followed, see annex H.2 and H.6 of this document for figures and further details.

In practice, the end of life has been modelled as follows:

- When a material is sent for recycling generic transport and electric consumption of a shredder is taken into account (corresponding to the process “Grinding, metals”). Only then, is the material considered to have attained the “end of waste” state.
- Each type of waste is modelled as a transport to the treatment site with a distance of 30 km (source: FD P01-015). Parts sent for recycling include an electricity consumption (grinding) and a flow (“Materials for recycling, unspecified”).

Four scenarios for the end of life of the products have been declared for this EPD:

1. 100% of the product going in landfill
2. 100% of the product going in incineration

3. 100% of the product going in recycling
 4. Mixed scenario consisting of the previous three scenarios, values depending of the amount of waste going to recycling.
- Module D has not been declared.

3.3 Estimates and assumptions

The LCA data of the declared product had been calculated using the production data of an ARGE member company that manufactures 6 different products. The company had been chosen by ARGE as being representative by virtue of their production processes and market share. The sliding door gear chosen as representative for this calculation follows the “worst case” principle as explained under 6 LCA interpretation.

3.4 Cut-off criteria

The cut -off criteria considered are 1% of renewable and non-renewable primary energy usage and 1% of the total mass of that unit process. The total neglected input flows per module shall be a maximum of 5% of energy usage and mass.

For this study, all input and output flows have been considered at 100%, including raw materials as per the product composition provided by the manufacturer and packaging of raw materials as well as the final product. Energy and water consumptions have also been considered at 100% according to the data provided. With the approach chosen, no significant environmental impacts are known to have been cut-off.

3.5 Background data

For life cycle modeling of the considered product, all relevant background datasets are taken from the ecoinvent 3.1 – Alloc Rec database. The life cycle analysis software used is SimaPro (V8.0.5), developed by PRé Consulting.

3.6 Data quality

The time factor and life cycle inventory data used comes from:

Data collected specifically for this study on the ARGE manufacturer’s site. Data sets are based on 1-year averaged data (time period: January 2013 to December 2013).

In the absence of collected data, generic data from the ecoinvent V3 database. This is updated regularly and is representative of current processes (the entire database having been updated in 2014).

3.7 Period under review

The data of the LCA is based on the annual production data of an ARGE member company from 2013. Other values, e.g. for the processing of the base materials, are taken from the ecoinvent v3.1 Alloc Rec where dataset age varies for each dataset, see ecoinvent documentation for more information.

3.8 Allocation

The products are produced in one production site. All data was provided by the manufacturer of the products per unit and then divided by the mass of the product to give a value per kg of product produced.

The assumptions relating to the EoL of the product are described in the section System Boundaries.

3.9 Comparability

Basically, a comparison or an evaluation of EPD data is only possible if all the data sets to be compared are

4. LCA: Scenarios and additional technical information

The following technical information is a basis for the declared modules or can be used for developing specific scenarios in the context of a building assessment if modules are not declared (MND).

Transport to the building site (A4)

Name	Value	Unit
Litres of fuel	0.0045	l/100km
Transport distance	3500	km

Installation into the building (A5)

Name	Value	Unit
Material loss	0.144	kg

Reference service life

Name	Value	Unit
Reference service life (condition of use: see §2.13)	30	a

End of life (C1-C4)

Name	Value	Unit
Collected separately (All scenarii)	1	kg
Recycling (Mixed scenario)	0.472	kg
Energy recovery (Mixed scenario)	0.243	kg
Landfilling (Mixed scenario)	0.285	kg
Incineration (100% incineration scenario) Scenario 1	1	kg
Landfilling (Landfill scenario) Scenario 2	1	kg
Recycling (100% recycling scenario) Scenario 3	1	kg

it is assumed that a 16-32 ton truck is used to transport the product over the (up to?) 30 km distance between the dismantling site and the next treatment site (source: FD P01-015).

Reuse, recovery and/or recycling potentials (D), relevant scenario information

As Module D has not been declared, materials destined for recycling have been accounted for in the indicator "Materials for recycling" however no benefit has been allocated.

5. LCA: Results

In Table 1 "Description of the system boundary", the declared modules are indicated with an "X"; all modules that are not declared within the EPD but where additional data are available are indicated with "MND". Those data can also be used for building assessment scenarios. The values are declared with three valid digits in exponential form.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SYSTEM BOUNDARY (X = INCLUDED IN LCA; MND = MODULE NOT DECLARED)

PRODUCT STAGE			CONSTRUCTION PROCESS STAGE		USE STAGE								END OF LIFE STAGE				BENEFITS AND LOADS BEYOND THE SYSTEM BOUNDARIES
Raw material supply	Transport	Manufacturing	Transport from the gate to the site	Assembly	Use	Maintenance	Repair	Replacement	Refurbishment	Operational energy use	Operational water use	De-construction demolition	Transport	Waste processing	Disposal	Reuse-Recovery-Recycling-potential	
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	B7	C1	C2	C3	C4	D	
X	X	X	X	X	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	MND	X	X	X	X	MND	

RESULTS OF THE LCA - ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT/ sliding door gear unit

Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C2/1	C2/2	C2/3	C3	C3/1	C3/2	C3/3	C4	C4/1	C4/2	C4/3
GWP	[kg CO ₂ -Eq.]	9.01E+0	5.89E-1	1.36E-2	0.00E+0	5.05E-3	5.05E-3	5.05E-3	5.05E-3	4.85E-3	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	8.66E-3	1.27E-2	5.23E-1	4.97E-1	0.00E+0
ODP	[kg CFC11-Eq.]	7.27E-7	1.08E-7	3.60E-10	0.00E+0	9.26E-10	9.26E-10	9.26E-10	9.26E-10	5.20E-10	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	9.30E-10	9.25E-11	4.02E-9	3.43E-9	0.00E+0
AP	[kg SO ₂ -Eq.]	7.50E-2	2.39E-3	1.41E-5	0.00E+0	2.05E-5	2.05E-5	2.05E-5	2.05E-5	2.01E-5	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	3.60E-5	4.65E-6	2.58E-4	1.24E-4	0.00E+0
EP	[kg (PO ₄) ³ -Eq.]	5.01E-3	4.06E-4	6.29E-6	0.00E+0	3.48E-6	3.48E-6	3.48E-6	3.48E-6	2.26E-6	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	4.04E-6	8.87E-6	7.52E-5	5.94E-4	0.00E+0
POCP	[kg ethene-Eq.]	6.30E-3	2.68E-4	3.22E-6	0.00E+0	2.30E-6	2.30E-6	2.30E-6	2.30E-6	1.11E-6	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.98E-6	2.08E-6	1.60E-5	1.41E-4	0.00E+0
ADPE	[kg Sb-Eq.]	2.24E-5	1.95E-6	4.10E-9	0.00E+0	1.67E-8	1.67E-8	1.67E-8	1.67E-8	1.97E-9	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	3.53E-9	8.73E-10	4.69E-8	2.47E-8	0.00E+0
ADPF	[MJ]	1.02E+2	8.97E+0	3.31E-2	0.00E+0	7.69E-2	7.69E-2	7.69E-2	7.69E-2	7.44E-2	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.33E-1	8.06E-3	3.73E-1	2.80E-1	0.00E+0

Caption: GWP = Global warming potential; ODP = Depletion potential of the stratospheric ozone layer; AP = Acidification potential of land and water; EP = Eutrophication potential; POCP = Formation potential of tropospheric ozone photochemical oxidants; ADPE = Abiotic depletion potential for non-fossil resources; ADPF = Abiotic depletion potential for fossil resources

RESULTS OF THE LCA - RESOURCE USE/ sliding door gear unit

Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C2/1	C2/2	C2/3	C3	C3/1	C3/2	C3/3	C4	C4/1	C4/2	C4/3
PERE	[MJ]	4.58E+1	1.12E-1	2.06E-3	0.00E+0	9.61E-4	9.61E-4	9.61E-4	9.61E-4	9.61E-3	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.72E-2	4.15E-4	1.14E-2	2.11E-2	0.00E+0
PERM	[MJ]	2.21E+0	0.00E+0	1.40E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
PERT	[MJ]	4.80E+1	1.12E-1	1.40E+0	0.00E+0	9.61E-4	9.61E-4	9.61E-4	9.61E-4	9.61E-3	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.72E-2	4.15E-4	1.14E-2	2.11E-2	0.00E+0
PENRE	[MJ]	1.20E+2	9.13E+0	3.95E-2	0.00E+0	7.82E-2	7.82E-2	7.82E-2	7.82E-2	1.09E-1	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.95E-1	9.20E-3	3.86E-1	3.53E-1	0.00E+0
PENRM	[MJ]	9.94E-1	0.00E+0	6.97E-2	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
PENRT	[MJ]	1.21E+2	9.13E+0	3.02E-2	0.00E+0	7.82E-2	7.82E-2	7.82E-2	7.82E-2	1.09E-1	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.95E-1	9.20E-3	3.86E-1	3.53E-1	0.00E+0
SM	[kg]	4.55E-1	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
RSF	[MJ]	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
NRSF	[MJ]	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
FW	[m ³]	1.81E-1	1.72E-3	2.77E-5	0.00E+0	1.48E-5	1.48E-5	1.48E-5	1.48E-5	3.66E-5	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	6.54E-5	1.80E-5	1.17E-3	3.42E-4	0.00E+0

Caption: PERE = Use of renewable primary energy excluding renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PERM = Use of renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PERT = Total use of renewable primary energy resources; PENRE = Use of non-renewable primary energy excluding non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PENRM = Use of non-renewable primary energy resources used as raw materials; PENRT = Total use of non-renewable primary energy resources; SM = Use of secondary material; RSF = Use of renewable secondary fuels; NRSF = Use of non-renewable secondary fuels; FW = Use of net fresh water

RESULTS OF THE LCA – OUTPUT FLOWS AND WASTE CATEGORIES:

/ sliding door gear unit

Parameter	Unit	A1-A3	A4	A5	C1	C2	C2/1	C2/2	C2/3	C3	C3/1	C3/2	C3/3	C4	C4/1	C4/2	C4/3
HWD	[kg]	2.53E+0	5.64E-3	3.13E-4	0.00E+0	4.83E-5	4.83E-5	4.83E-5	4.83E-5	3.43E-4	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	6.14E-4	3.07E-3	2.66E-1	1.24E-3	0.00E+0
NHWD	[kg]	3.14E+0	4.68E-1	2.54E-2	0.00E+0	4.01E-3	4.01E-3	4.01E-3	4.01E-3	1.55E-3	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	2.77E-3	1.37E-2	1.45E-2	1.00E+0	0.00E+0
RWD	[kg]	4.98E-4	6.13E-5	2.23E-7	0.00E+0	5.25E-7	5.25E-7	5.25E-7	5.25E-7	5.89E-7	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.05E-6	5.12E-8	1.35E-6	2.65E-6	0.00E+0
CRU	[kg]	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
MFR	[kg]	3.21E-1	0.00E+0	9.94E-2	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	5.59E-1	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
MER	[kg]	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
EEE	[MJ]	6.57E-3	0.00E+0	3.28E-2	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	1.60E-2	1.39E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0
EET	[MJ]	1.33E-2	0.00E+0	6.82E-2	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0	3.27E-2	2.85E+0	0.00E+0	0.00E+0

Caption: HWD = Hazardous waste disposed; NHWD = Non-hazardous waste disposed; RWD = Radioactive waste disposed; CRU = Components for re-use; MFR = Materials for recycling; MER = Materials for energy recovery; EEE = Exported electrical energy; EEE = Exported thermal energy

Other end of life scenarios have been calculated in order to build specific end of life scenario at the building level:

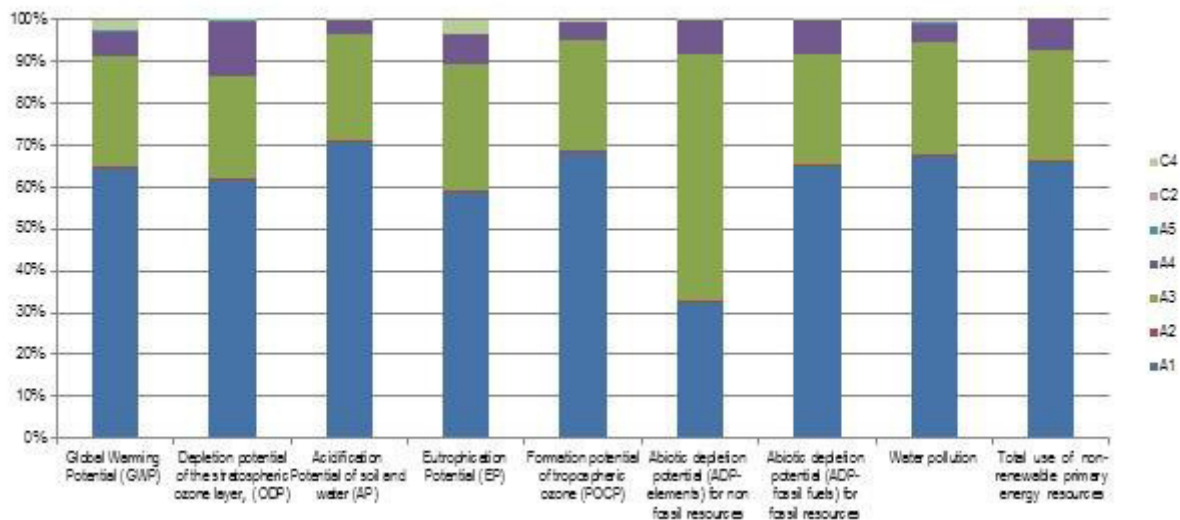
- scenario 1: the product is considered to be 100% incinerated
- scenario 2: the product is considered to be 100% landfilled
- scenario 3: the product is considered to be 100% recycled

6. LCA: Interpretation

This chapter contains an interpretation of the Life Cycle Impact Assessment categories. When expressed as a percentage, the impact refers to its magnitude expressed as a percentage of total product impact across all modules, with the exception of module D.

The majority of the product's impacts are due to the extraction and supply of raw materials (A1). The

manufacturing stage (A3) represents a significant percentage of the impacts –notably for the depletion of non-fossil abiotic resources due to the zinc coating process and the wasted aluminium - as does the transportation of the finished product (A4), especially for the indicator concerning ozone depletion. The results are conservative as complying with the composition given in section 2.6.



7. Requisite evidence

No testing results are required by the PCR part B.

8. References

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