

Concept for a BIM-based Material Passport for buildings

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BIMaterial

- Research project „BIMaterial: Process-Design for a BIM-based Material Passport“
- Project duration: 01/2016 – 05/2018
- Funded by the Austrian Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology
- Project partners from TU Vienna and industry

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Point of departure

- Buildings in the EU are responsible for 50% of all extracted materials and for 35% of greenhouse gas emissions ¹
- The construction sector is the largest consumer of raw materials ²
- Aim of the EU: reducing waste, using less virgin materials and increasing recycling rates³



Consumption of raw materials needs to be reduced in the building industry
- **Information about the material composition of buildings is required!**

¹ European Commission, Roadmap to a Resource Efficient Europe, Brussels, 2011

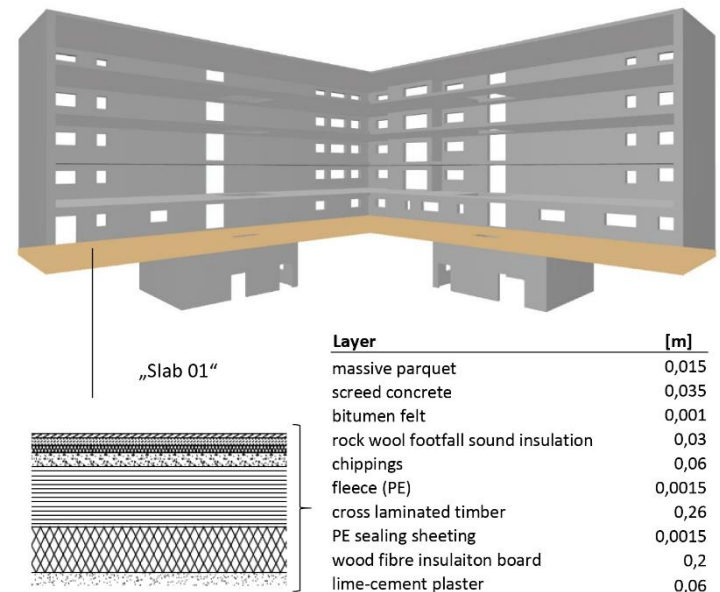
² WEF, World Economic Forum, Shaping the Future of Construction: A Breakthrough in Mindset and Technology, 2016

³ European Commission, Commission Decision, 2011

What is a Material Passport (MP)?

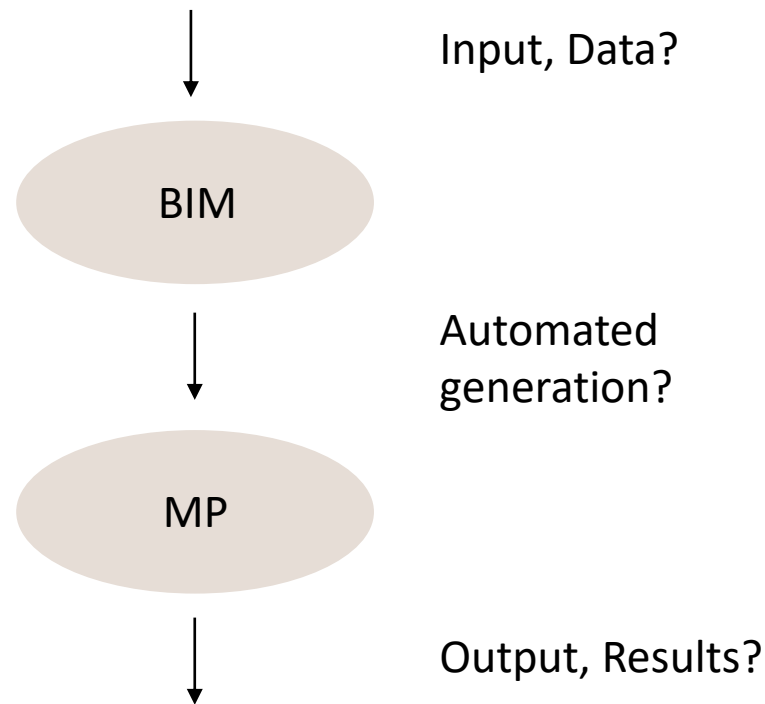
A qualitative and quantitative documentation of the material composition of a building showing the material distribution within a building

- Allocation of materials
- Amount of materials (masses)
- Share of recyclable and waste materials
- Environmental impact of materials
- Separability of materials



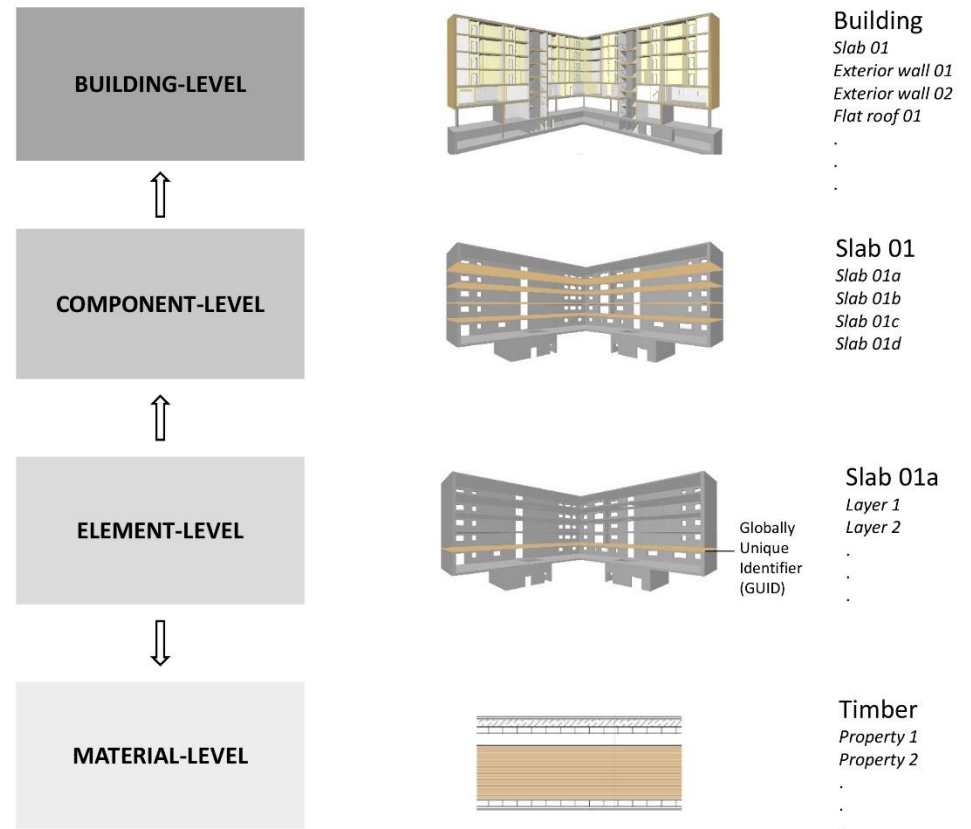
Aim of this research

- Process-Design for a BIM-based Material Passport
- Is a BIM-based and automated generation of a Material Passport possible?



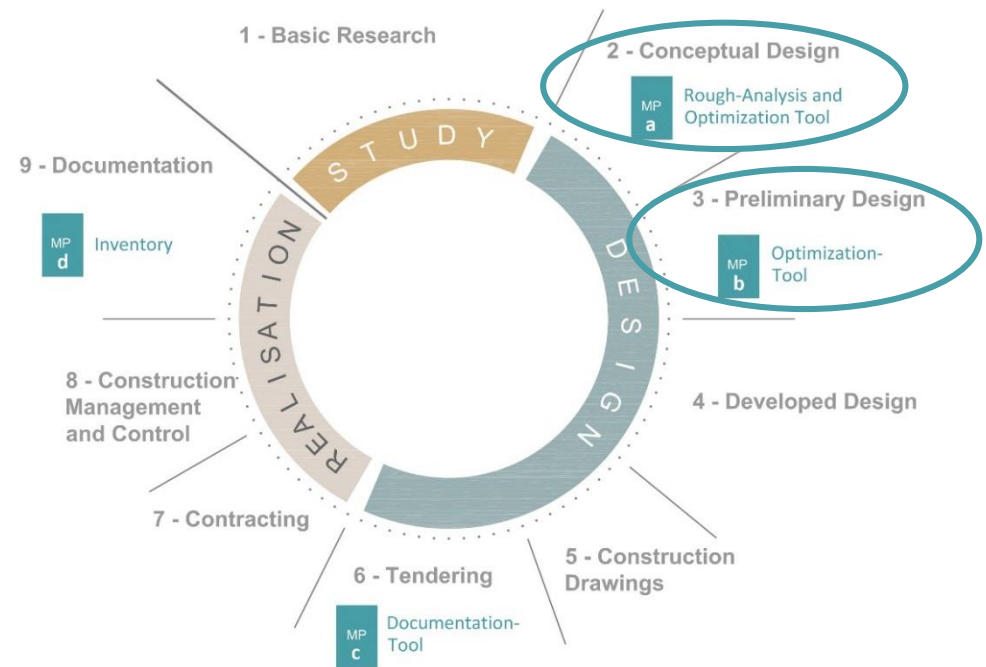
Framework for the BIM-based MP

- Mix of bottom-up and top-down approach, starting at element-level
- Based on Markova and Rechberger (2011)

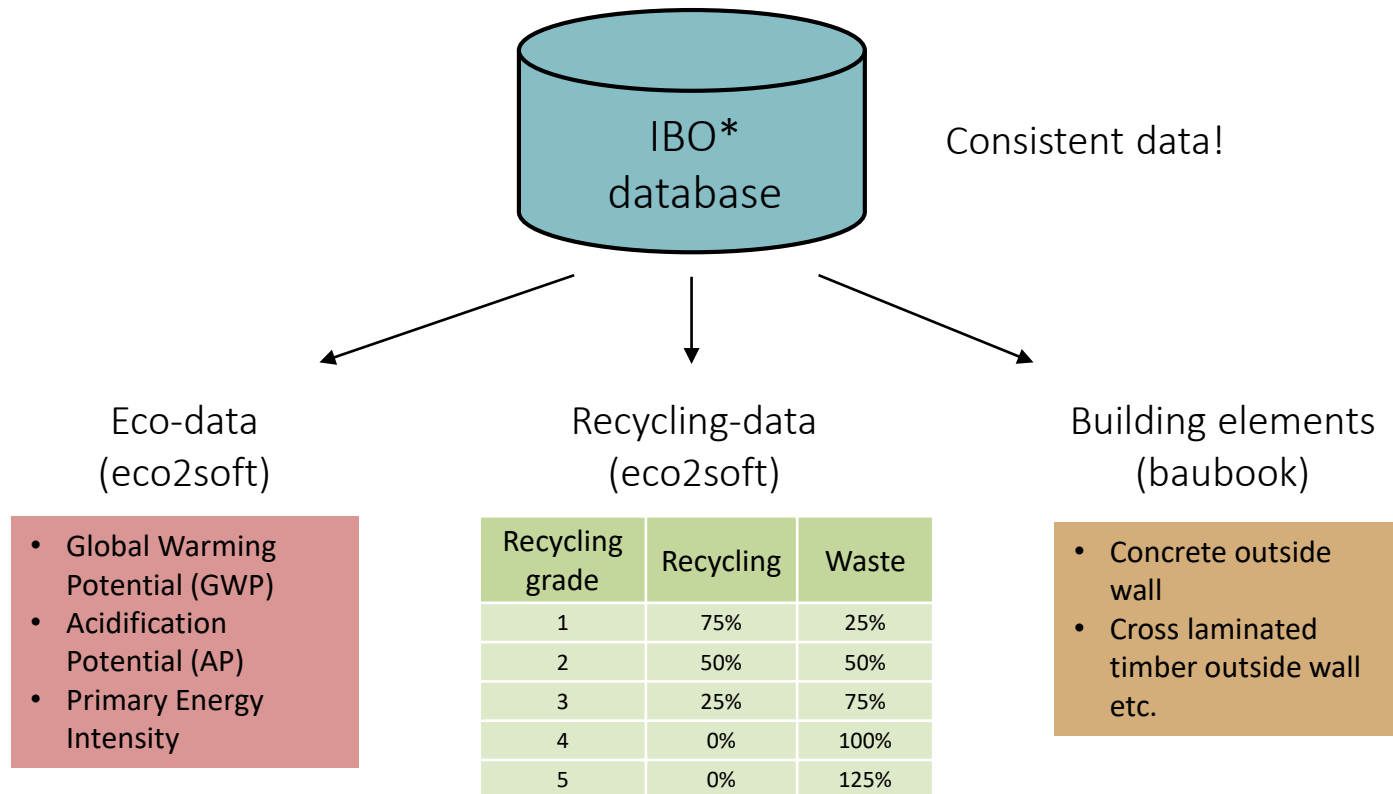


Scope of the BIM-based MP throughout the life-cycle

- **MPa**: Rough analysis and optimization tool, variant studies (timber vs. concrete)
- **MPb**: optimization of the selected variant (thickness of layers, material)
- **MPc**: documentation of the exact material composition
- **MPd**: basis for a secondary raw materials cadastre



Method and data



IBO, Austrian Institute for Building and Ecology
<http://www.ibo.at/de/oekokennzahlen.htm>

Eco2soft: <https://www.baubook.info/eco2soft/>
 Baubook: <http://www.baubook.info/index.php>

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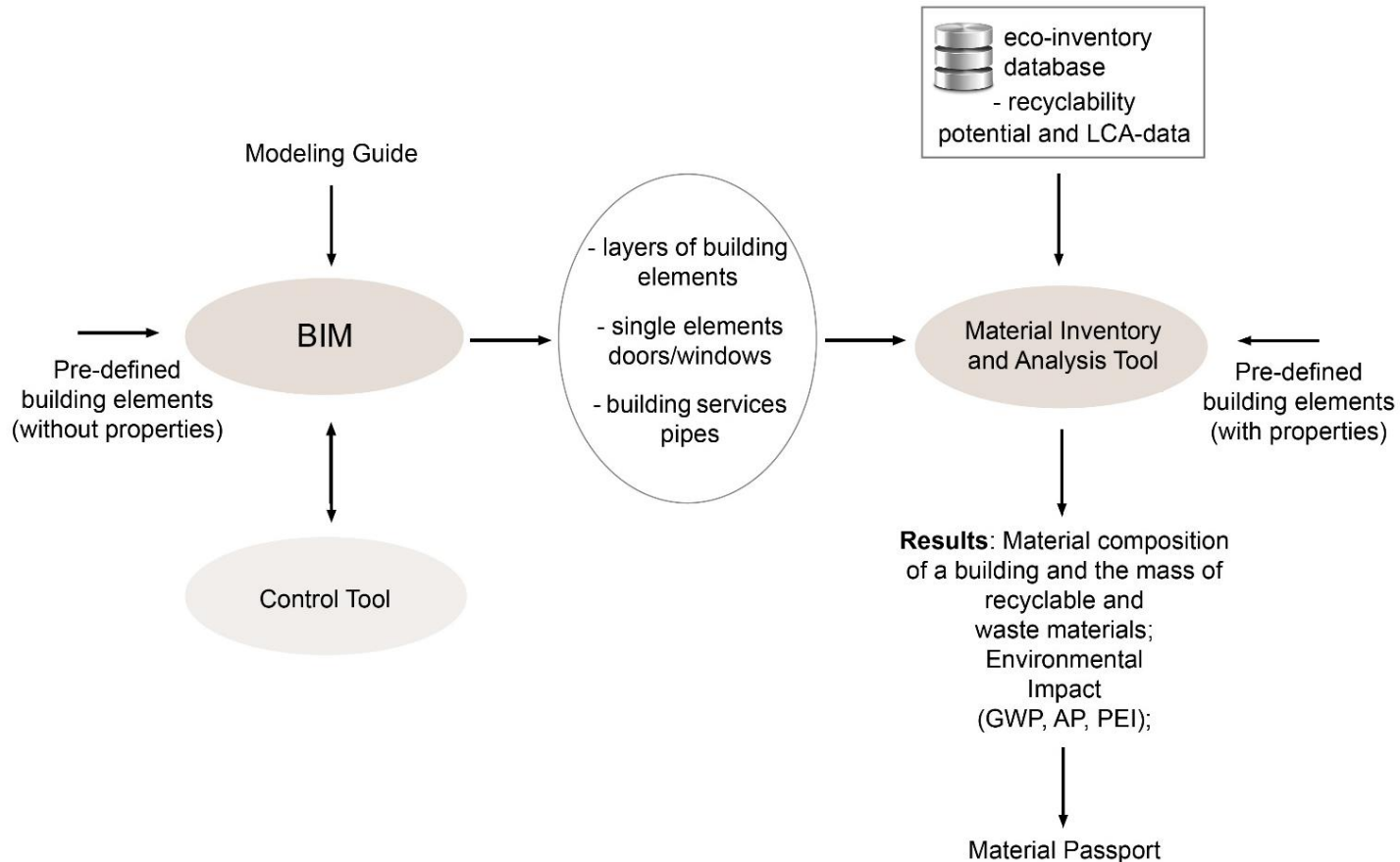
- Assessing the **share of recycling** for a specific material (concrete) in a wall of 1m²(based on the IBO method):

*density (eco2soft) * thickness (baubook/BIM)* **area** (BIM) * recycling grade (eco2soft)*

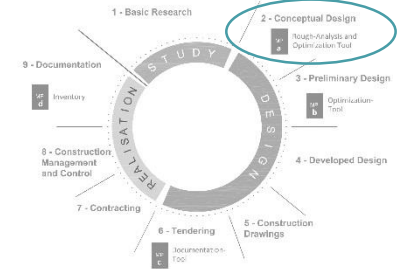
$$2300 \text{ [kg/m}^3 \text{]} * 0,18 \text{ [m]} * 1 \text{ [m}^2 \text{]} * 50\% \text{ [grade 2]} = 207 \text{ kg}$$

Separability is not considered in the IBO method –
partly manual process necessary (pre-defined elements)

Workflow for generating the MP



Modelling methodology for MPa

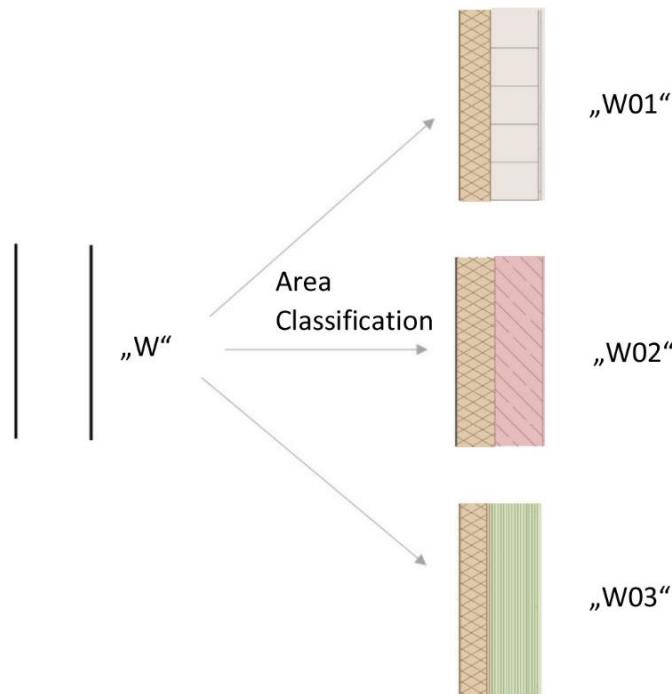


BIM

Mono-layered elements without properties

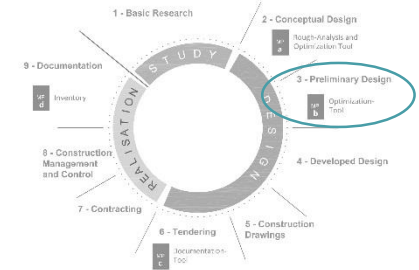
Material inventory and analysis tool

Multi-layered elements with properties (MP- and LCA- data)



Possibility to carry out variant studies

Modelling methodology for MPb

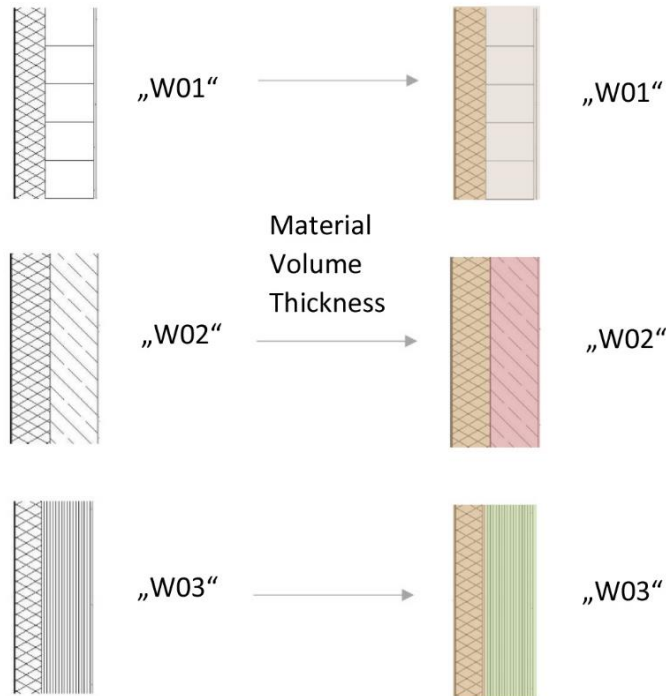


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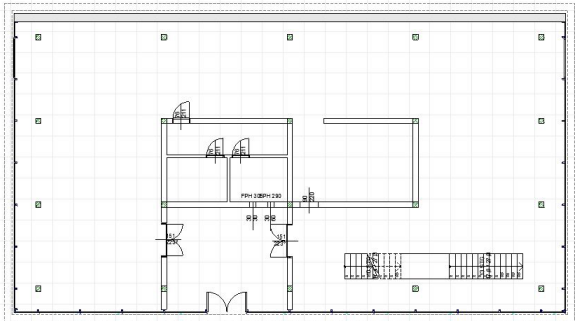
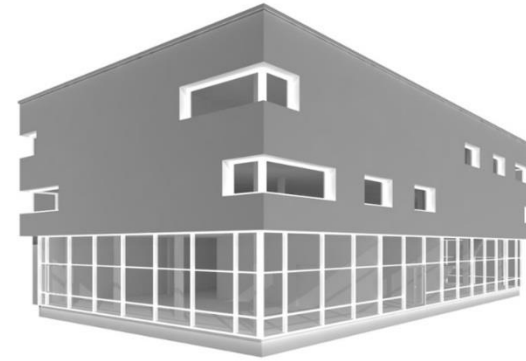
Multi-layered elements with properties (MP- and LCA- data)



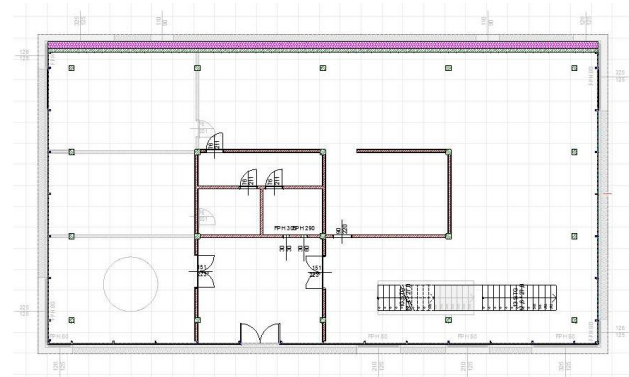
Possibility to make small changes in the thickness or a specific material

Case study: office building

- Existing model of the building
- 3 storeys
- Concrete construction

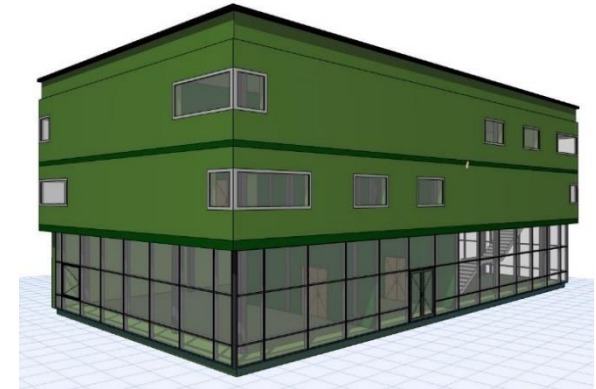
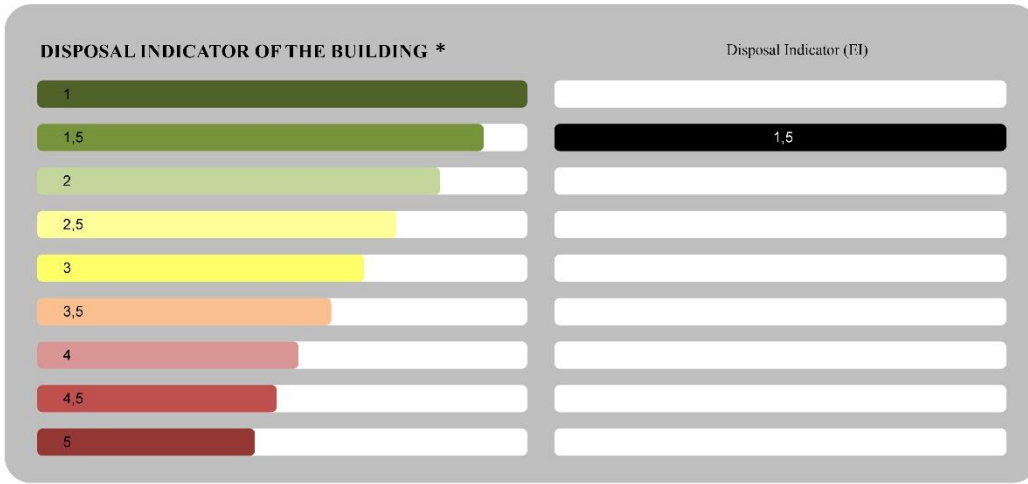
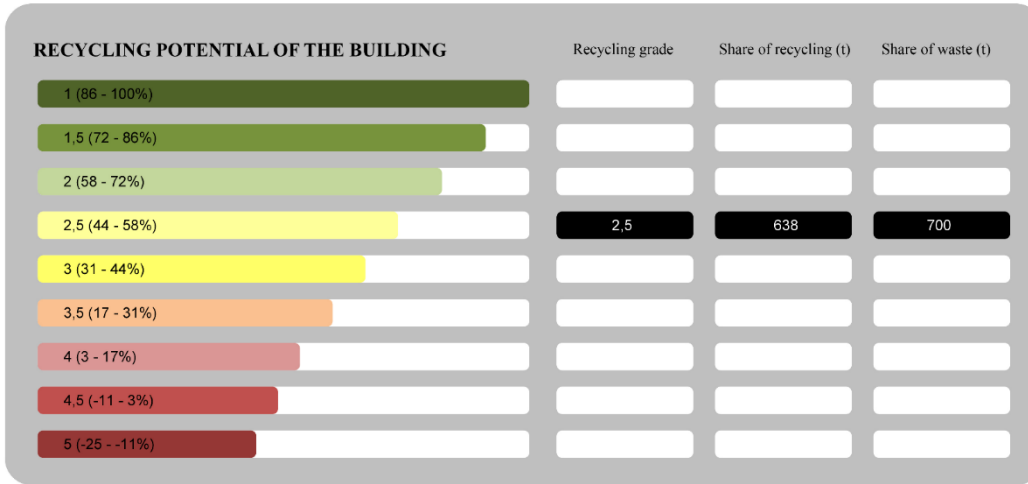


Mono-layered elements
(for Mpa)



Mono-layered elements replaced
by multi-layered elements from
the catalogue (for MPb)

MP-results

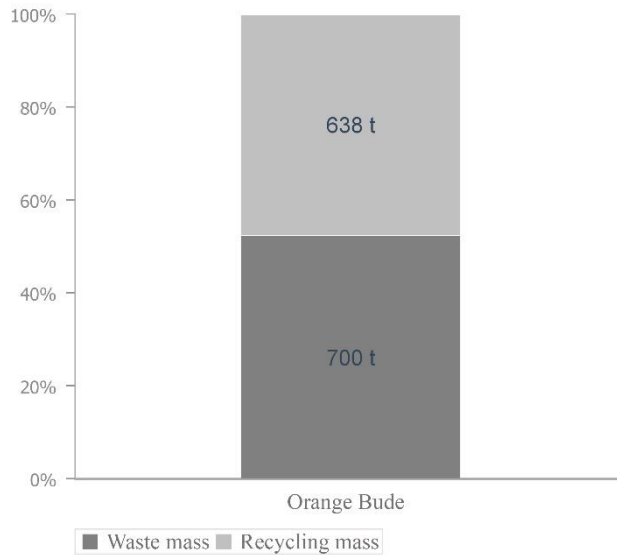


* Disposal indicator is element-based and area weighted, it considers the volume, disposal- and recycling- grade.

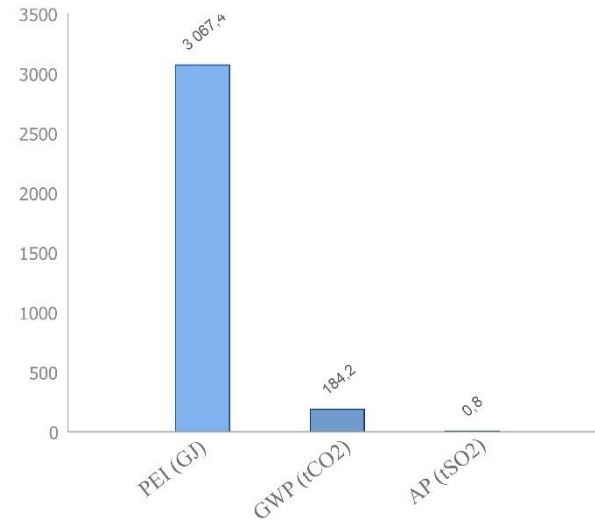


MP-results on building level

Waste vs. Recyclable mass

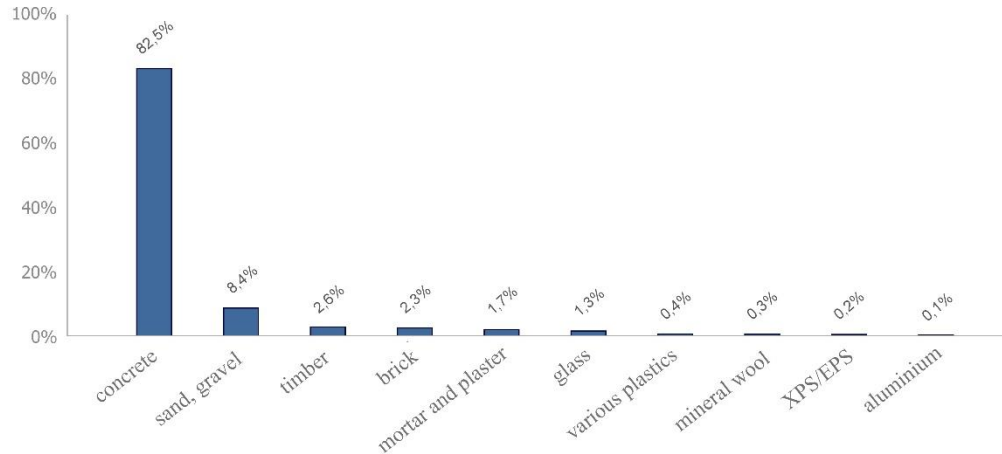


LCA

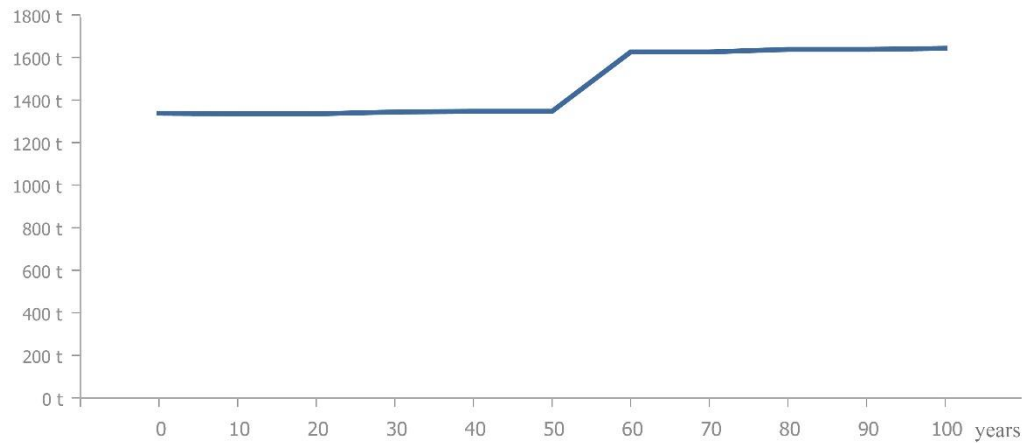


MP-results on building level

Material composition in %

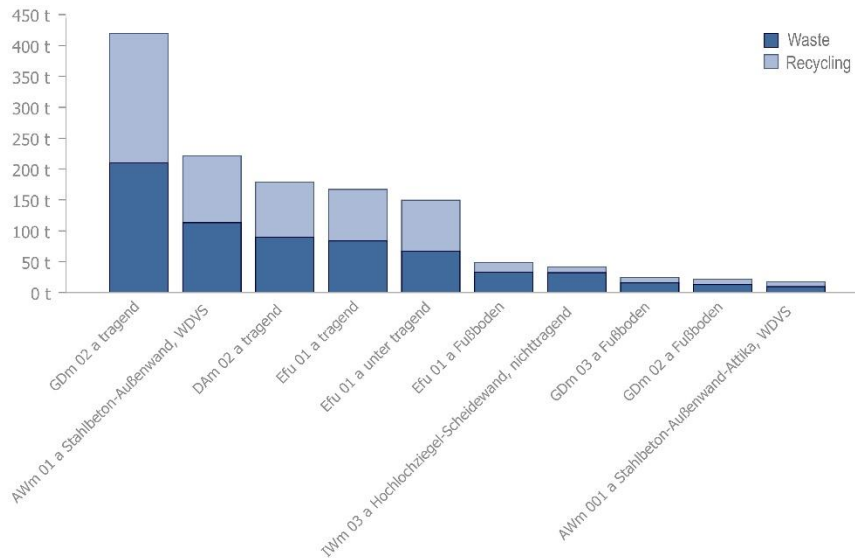


Accruing masses throughout the life-cycle (t)

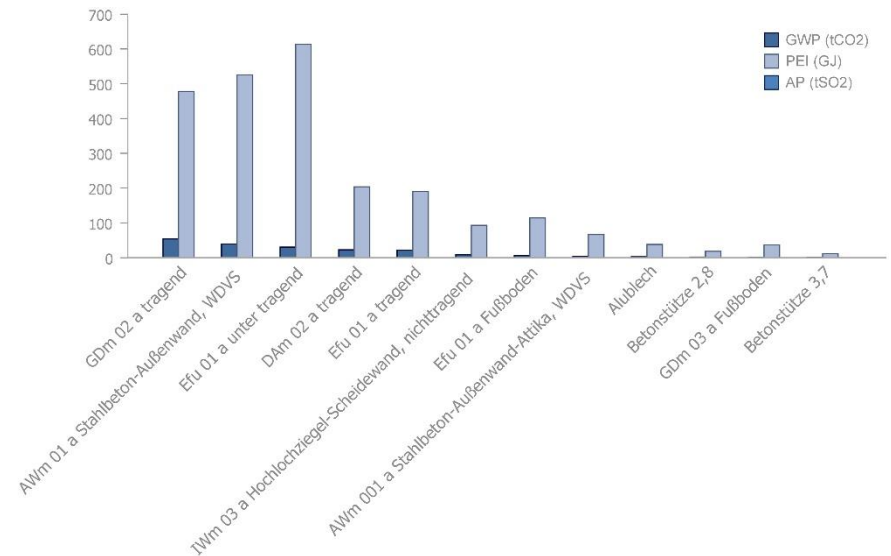


MP-results on component level

Waste vs. Recyclable mass

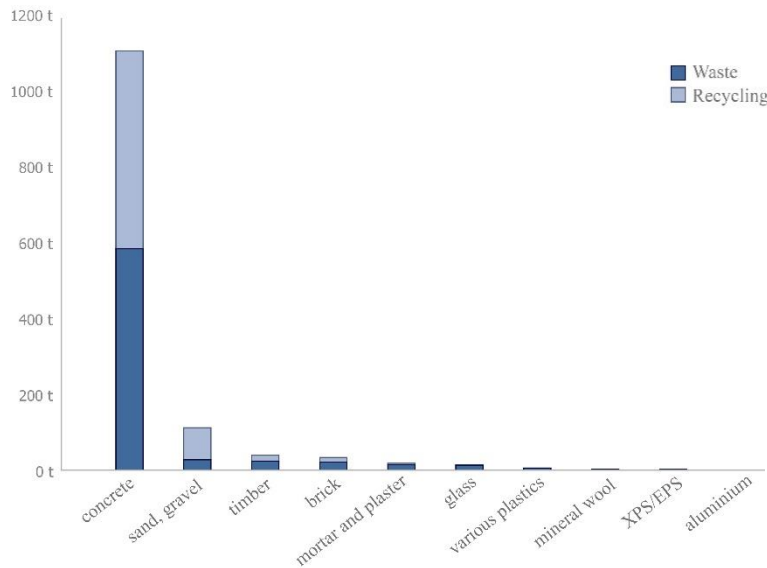


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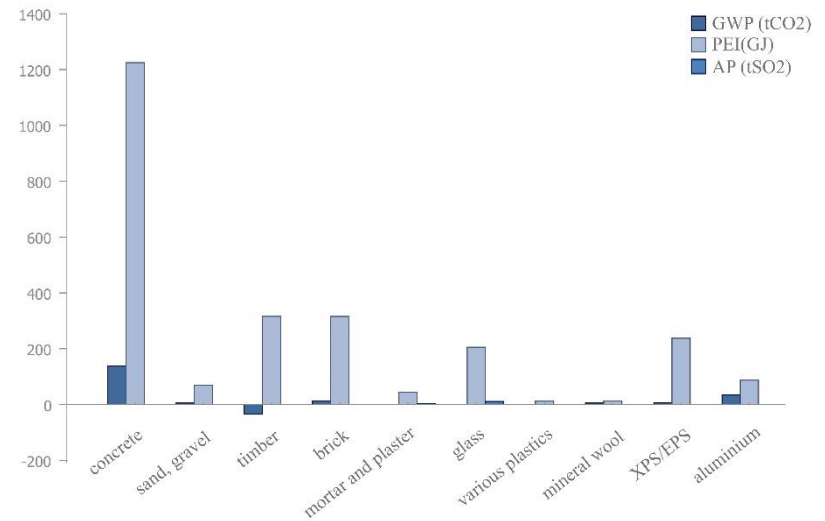


MP-results on material level

Waste vs. Recyclable mass



LCA



Conclusions

Main obstacles:

- **Inconsistent nomenclature** in different eco-databases
- In early design stages the **material composition is not defined** yet, therefore the use of pre-defined elements is necessary – restriction for planners
- **Parametrization** of materials in BIM is **not possible** in a consistent way, therefore the Material Inventory and Analysis Tool was used - requires specific know-how
- Knowledge regarding materials and sustainability necessary - „MP-consultant“

Conclusions

- Semi-automated generation of the BIM-based MP is possible
- MP enables optimizations in early design-stages
- MP represents a vital contribution to implement circular solutions within the AEC industry
- Basic method (from IBO) could be improved and enriched with data
- New construction rate across Europe is 2% - generation of MPs for existing buildings necessary (research project SCI_BIM)

Publications

- Publications to BIMaterial:
 - Honic, M., Kovacic, I., & Rechberger, H. (2019). Improving the recycling potential of buildings through Material Passports (MP): An Austrian case study. *Journal of Cleaner Production*.
 - Honic, M., Kovacic, I., & Rechberger, H. (2019). BIM-Based Material Passport (MP) as an Optimization Tool for Increasing the Recyclability of Buildings. In *Applied Mechanics and Materials* (Vol. 887, pp. 327-334). Trans Tech Publications.
 - Honic, M., Kovacic, I., Sibenik, G., & Rechberger, H. (2019). Data-and stakeholder management framework for the implementation of BIM-based Material Passports. *Journal of Building Engineering*.
- Information and final report of BIMaterial:
 - <https://www.industriebau.tuwien.ac.at/forschung/forschungsprojekte-ip/bimaterial/>

New research project

- SCI_BIM – Scanning and data capturing for Integrated Resources and Energy Assessment using Building Information Modelling
- Information to SCI_BIM:
 - <https://www.industriebau.tuwien.ac.at/forschung/forschungsprojekte-i-p/sci-bim/>
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