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Myth: CO₂ emission reduction percentage is a biofuel property

or It's the system, stupid! or

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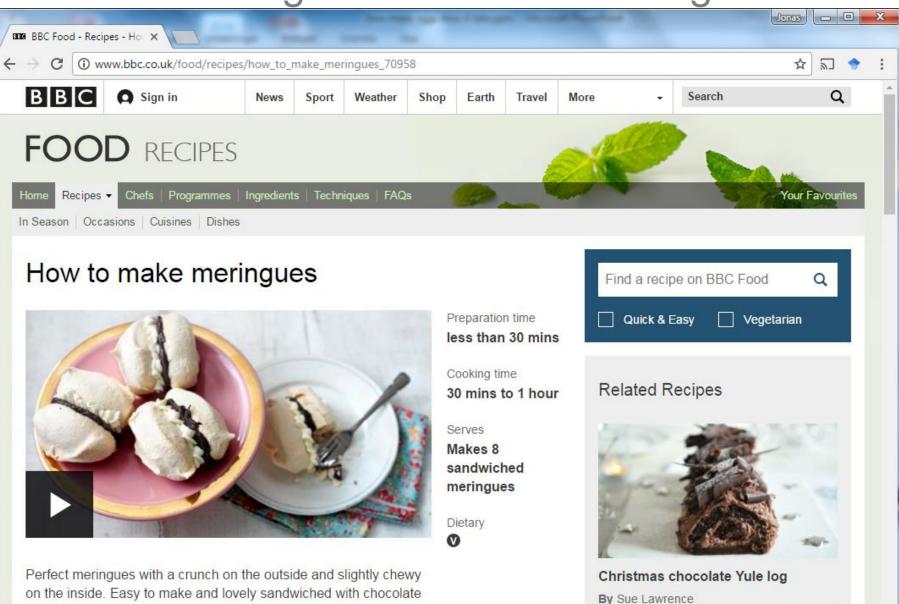


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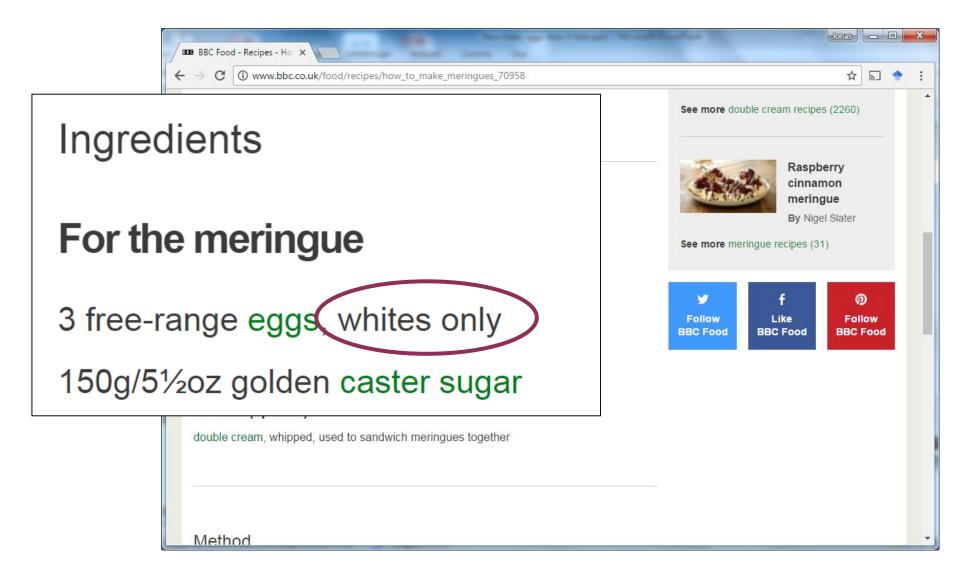


How much meringue and with which ingredients?



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and cream





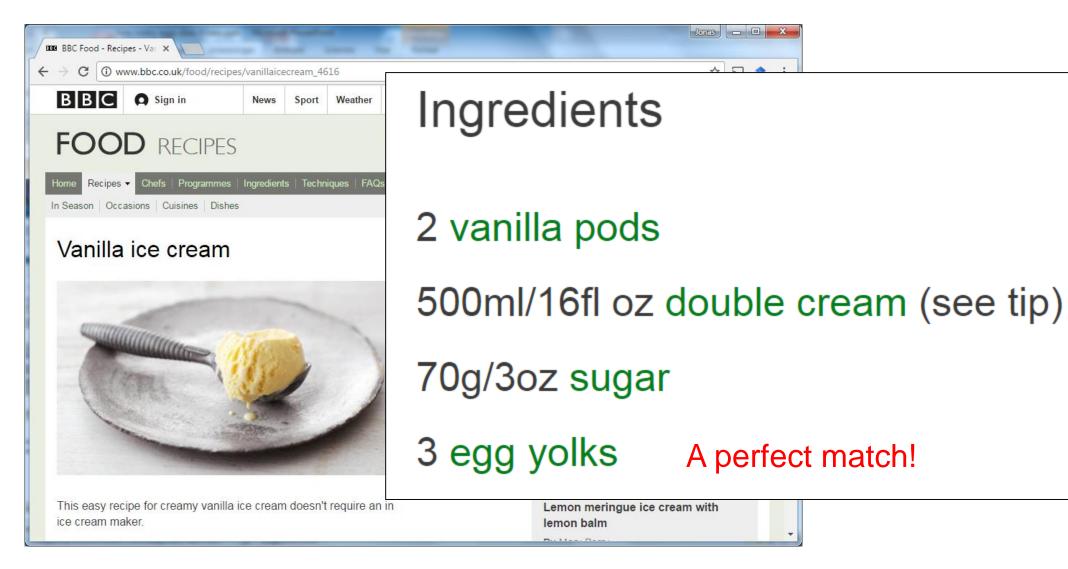
How many eggs do three egg whites correspond to?



Meringues – Yum! Meringues and ice cream – Double Yum!









How large egg use should we allocate to the meringues?

If we planned to make meringues and then decided to also make ice cream?

- If we, from the start, planned to make ice cream with meringues?
- If we planned to make ice cream and then decided to also make meringues?







Egg use is **not** a property of the meringues



It's the system, stupid!

(Or, rather, it's a system property)



Is CO₂ emission reduction percentage a biofuel property? No!

It is a system property



RED, sustainability criteria

Sustainability	criteria - Eu 🗙				
← → C ①	The EU has defined a set of sustainability criteria to ensure that the biofuels (used in transport) and bioliquids (used for electricity and heating way that guarantees real carbon savings and protects biodiversity . and bioliquids that comply with the criteria can receive government supp towards national renewable energy targets.	ng) is done in a Only biofuels			
European Commi HOME To be considered sustainable, biofuels must achieve greenhouse gas savings of at least 35% in comparison to fossil fuels. This savings requirement rises to 50% in 2017. In 2018, it rises again to 60% but only for new production plants. All life cycle emissions are taken into account when calculating greenhouse gas savings. This includes emissions from cultivation, processing, and transport.					
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Virgin palm oil: Unsustainable? – Used cooking oil: Sustainable?





THE METHOD'S INFLUENCE ON CLIMATE IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF BIOFUELS AND OTHER USES OF FOREST BIOMASS





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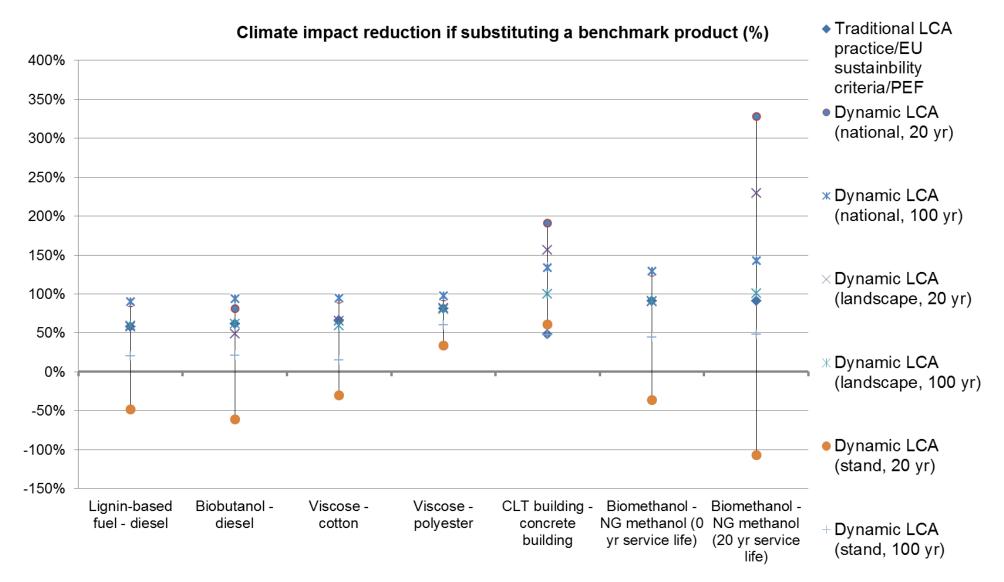
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The methods - procedure

Aspect of climate impact	Traditional LCA practice	Standards	Dynamic LCA
Timing of emissions and CO ₂ capture	X	Х	V
Biogenic CO₂ emissions = climate impact	X	Х	V
Time horizon of characterization factors	100 years	100 years	Any time horizon possible
Change of soil organic carbon	X	(V)	V
N ₂ O emissions from land use (fertilisation)	X	(V)	(V)
Albedo effects	X	Х	(V)
Aerosol effects	X	Х	(V)
Indirect land use change	X	X	(V)
Reference situation at forest	X	Х	(V)

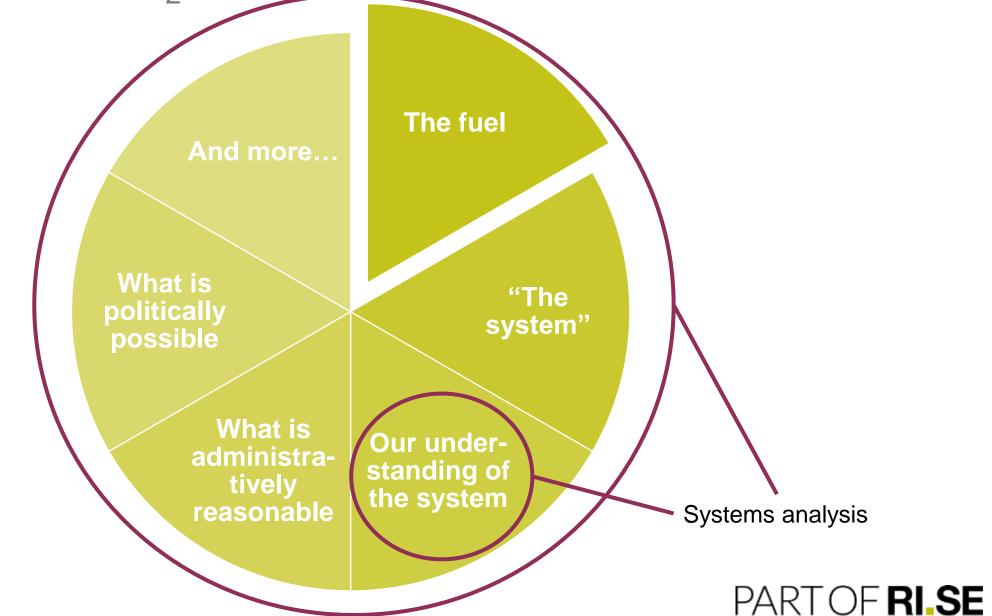
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Results (example)



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Reported biofuel CO_2 emission reduction is a function of...



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