



Where we operate





Our business - Unlocking the full potential of trees

Making the most of a renewable, natural material



sappi

Biobased Materials – Lignin



- The origin of Sappi's lignin business is in Europe and dates back almost 100 years.
- Lignosulphonate is a highly soluble lignin derivative and a product of the sulphite pulping process.
- Lignin gives materials stability and has a wide variety of uses due to its binding ability, and dispersing, emulsification and sequestration properties.
- Referred to as a 'green binder', it is used in the production of glass wool, chipboard, fertilisers and other products where lignin replaces the incumbent materials derived from petrochemical origin.
- Current market size ~1.2 Mio tpa





SElectiveLi is a Conceptual Study of novel electrochemical processes using Lignosulfonates to produce bio-based monomers & polymers

Fact Box

- > Type of action: Research & Innovation Action
- Value Chain: VC2 forest-based
- Start date: 01 May 2019
- End date: 30 April 2023
- BBI JU contribution: € 2,497,224.00





Key Data









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- Extraction of a range of aldehydes for potential food, adhesive, and pharmaceutical application
- Production of intermediates for conversion into polymers
- Development of downstream separation and purification processes
- > Combination of electrochemical processes & surplus energy available via smart grids











Meet Jana & Jesco at the Market Place



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