

# Edwards Supplier Guide: Getting Started on Climate Strategy

At Edwards Lifesciences, we are dedicated to providing innovative solutions for people fighting cardiovascular disease and are committed to being a trusted partner in the communities in which we operate. In July of 2022, Edwards announced aggressive SBTi-approved carbon reduction targets in line with a 1.5°C scenario and committed to achieve carbon neutrality by 2030. We expect all our suppliers to commit to reducing their carbon footprint and to encourage their suppliers to do the same.

With these aggressive carbon targets in mind, Edwards must also consider the impact of our supply chain. As such, Edwards seeks to conduct business with suppliers who also are committed to the following:

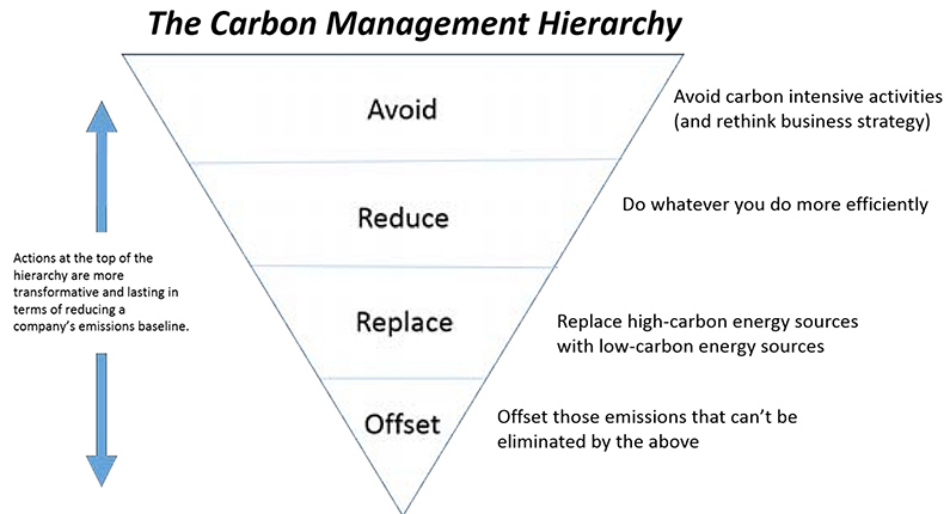
- Optimize direct operations in order to reduce consumption of natural resources.
- Quantify greenhouse gas emissions from their operations.
- Establishing carbon reduction goals for their operations.
- Publicly disclose greenhouse gas emissions and track progress against stated goals.
- Implement programs to reduce waste and encourage recycling.
- Strive to reduce water consumption, especially in water stressed regions.

For more information on the carbon reduction initiatives at Edwards, please visit Edwards' [Corporate Impact](#) webpage.

To address your greenhouse gas emissions, Edwards recommends the following these steps:

1. Identify scope and quantify baseline greenhouse gas emissions from direct operations (Scope 1 + 2 emissions) using the industry-accepted Greenhouse Gas Protocol standards.
  - a. [Greenhouse Gas Protocol Corporate Standard](#)
  - b. [Greenhouse Gas Protocol Scope 2 Guidance](#)

2. Explore opportunities to reduce GHG footprint using the carbon management hierarchy.



3. Establish a carbon reduction target.
  - a. Refer to the [Science Based Targets Initiative](#) (SBTi) for more information and tools on target-setting include 1.5°C aligned and net-zero targets.
4. Measure and report progress publicly on an annual basis using any combination of the options below.
  - a. [CDP](#) is one of the industry gold standard global disclosure system to report your environmental impact. In 2022, nearly 20,000 organizations disclosed data through CDP worldwide.
  - b. [EcoVadis](#) is another broadly used global sustainability disclosure platform. In addition to environmental impact, EcoVadis also includes Labor & Human Rights, Ethics and Sustainable Procurement topics. Over 100,000 businesses worldwide disclose data through EcoVadis.
  - c. Publish your progress publicly in your company's online corporate sustainability report.