Laboratory bead mill K8.

Universal conical bead mill for laboratory and research applications and small-scale production.





Proven technology on a small scale. Progress through experience.

K8 – the flexible and rugged bead mill for laboratories or small-scale production. The tried and trusted K Series enjoys an outstanding reputation in a wide variety of industries where wet grinding and dispersing processes are of central importance.

The steady increase in requirements for existing and new technologies has propelled the further development of the K8 and the entire K Series. Knowledge gained from intensive research and productive applications at the sites of our demanding customers has been continuously and systematically transformed into practical innovations and has been incorporated into the machine design.

The heart of the K8 is its conical slot agitator with the dynamic grinding gap relief feature and intensive stator and rotor cooling system. It allows the processing of products across a wide viscosity range and offers high flexibility in terms of grinding formulation quality. The processing zone and the separation slot of stainless steel and ceramic materials maximize life cycles while minimizing the maintenance requirements. Process data registration ensures perfect documentation.



The advantages of the K8.

- Short start-up time
- Compact desk-top design
- Reproducible results allowing scale-up
- Wide viscosity range
- Ceramic materials for processes free of contamination
- Low cross-contamination volume
- High grinding formulation flexibility
- Rugged and low-maintenance machine
- Self-cleaning grinding slot separator for grinding media with a diameter of 0.3 mm and larger



Powerful process data recording

Flexible – from development to small-scale production.









Visualized control:

- Verv easy operation
- Adjustable process parameters: - Rotor rpm (continuously variable) - Conveying speed

Engineering materials for the agitator:

- Cooling water temperature
- Process variables measured: - Product pressure
- Product temperature

Steel

- Standard

- Cooling water temperatures

- Agitator power

- Agitator torque

- Frequency converter for agitator drive and product conveying · Graphic overview of the process
- variables
- Serial data interfaces

Explosion-proofed design:

- · For processing solvent-based, low-viscosity products
- For applications in zones with potentially explosive atmospheres by appropriate control and drive components
- ATEX II2G EEx c T3

- Processes free of contamination

- Excellent cooling characteristics

SiC

ZrO₂

- Processes free of contamination
- Minimized product graying



Pressure unit (option): • For manual variation of the grinding chamber volume and bead charge in the steel agitator

- Wear-optimized pin geometry

- Allows fine-tuning of the bead charge in the course of testing
- Can easily replace lid
- Displacement 0.32 dm³ with a stroke of 50 mm
- Scale for selecting the stroke/ grinding chamber volume

Gear pump (option):

- · Suitable for conveying medium- to highviscosity products
- Conveying capacity up to approx. 30 l/h
- Easy dismantling for cleaning



Hose pump (option):

- · Suitable for conveying low- and mediumviscosity products and products sensitive to shearing
- · Ideal also in combination with ceramic grinding media and ceramic agitator, because of metal-free conveying element
- Conveying capacity up to approx. 30 l/h
- Easy dismantling for cleaning
- Solvent-resistant hoses (option)



Press-out unit (option):

- Suitable for conveying products of all viscosities
- For batches up to a volume of 6 liters
- Constant and pulsation-free product conveying
- · Particularly suited to the conveying of shearand temperature-sensitive products
- Dimensions: 252 mm wide × 313 mm deep × 511 mm high



Temperature control unit (option):

- For controlling the temperature of the cooling water
- Allows controlled inlet temperatures up to 80°C
- · Electric connection to the K8 through a rugged plug-in connection
- Selection of the target temperature directly through the operator terminal of the K8 control system
- · Emptying function for servicing the machine
- · Recommended application also in case of poor quality of water supplies
- Dimensions: 200 mm wide × 750 mm deep × 450 mm high



Technical data.

Possible applications

	Pasty printing inks	Liquid printing inks	Wet Materials for grinding the electronics industry		Cosmetics		
K8 basic machine	×	×	×	×	×		
Gear pump	×	×	(x)	-	-		
Hose pump	-	(×)	х	×	×		
Press-out unit	×	(×)	-	(×)	×		
Recommended grinding media type	Steel	Ceramics	Ceramics	Ceramics	Ceramics		
Recommended grinding media size	1.6 – 2.5 mm	0.3 –1 mm	-1 mm 0.3 -1 mm 0.3 -2.5 mm		0.5 – 2.5 mm		
Slot separator	0.4 mm	0.1 mm 0.2 mm	0.1 mm 0.2 mm	0.1 mm 0.4 mm	0.1 mm 0.4 mm		
Temp. control unit	х	recomr	nended	x	х		
Pressure unit	recommended – –						
Process data registration	recommended						
Recommended agitator material	Steel	Steel	Steel SiC ZrO ₂	SiC ZrO ₂	SiC		



Equipment concept

• = Basic machine O = Accessory	
Conical slot agitator with high power density	•
Parts in contact with the product of corrosion-resistant material	•
Fully ceramic slot agitator (SiC/ZrO ₂)	0
Rotor cooling system	٠
Self-cleaning grinding slot separator	•
Separator rings can be used on both sides	•
Low-maintenance mechanical seal	•
Easy-to-use PLC control system with	
membrane keypad and LC display	•
Monitoring of the product pressure	•
Monitoring of the product temperature	•
Rotor speed can be varied through	
integrated frequency converter	•
Gear pump, hose pump, or press-out	
unit for product conveying	0
Variable conveying speed through	
integrated frequency converter	•
Electronic control of the cooling	
	•
(temperature control unit)	0
Pressure unit for variation	
of the bead charge	0
Process data registration	0
Serial interface for data transmission	•
Explosion control: ATEX II2G EEx c T3	0

Technical data, weights, etc.

Туре	Active grinding chamber	Drive power	Torque	Rotor speed	Product flow rate	Grinding media	Weight in kg		Volume of seaworthy	
	volume							rail-	sea-	packing
	dm³	kW	Nm	min ⁻¹	dm³/h	Ø in mm	packed	packed	packed	m ³
Standard version	0.52	to 4	to 25	100 - 2000	0.5 – 30	0.65 – 2.3	200	220	250	1.5
Explosion-proofed										
version	0.52	to 4	to 25	300 – 2500	0.5 – 30	0.3 – 2.3	200	220	250	1.5

For a wide viscosity range. Application examples.



Cosmetics: lipstick, mascara



Concentrates and pastes



Artist's colors



Offset printing: newspapers, books, magazines



Intaglio printing: banknotes



Materials for the electronics industry



Screen printing: fabrics, posters, advertising panels



Sealing compounds, putty



Fine chemicals

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