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Your Benefits
- Peg grinding system with the highest grinding intensity
- Finenesses into the nanometer range
- Very narrow particle size distribution
- Maximum economic efficiency
- Exact reproducibility
- Effective centrifugal separation system
- Logical design for the highest throughput rates
- Ideal for circulation/multi-pass operation
- Optimum energy input with efficient cooling
- Ideal temperature control
- Universally applicable for any product
- Possible to scale-up from laboratory to production machine
- Reliable use of a wide variety of grinding media from 0.3 mm to 3 mm
- Achieve the best product qualities with maximum output and optimum energy efficiency
- Additional product-optimized grinding chamber configurations available upon request

With this technology, which is suitable for any viscosity and almost every product, you will achieve the highest product qualities using a wide variety of grinding media from 0.3 mm to 3 mm in diameter.

The ergonomic design and easy product change and cleaning facilitate daily operation of the machine. The good accessibility simplifies service and maintenance work.
Machine sizes – from the laboratory to large-scale production

The Zeta® grinding system is available in sizes ranging from the Mini/MicroSeries laboratory mills with grinding chamber volumes of 0.08 l to production machines with grinding chamber volumes of 400 l.

Full scale-up of the results achieved on the laboratory scale is possible.

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NETZSCH ZETA® – The high-performance

Functionality and Efficiency

The enclosed horizontal bead mill is designed for the highest product throughput rates and has an extremely high-intensity peg grinding system.

The product flows horizontally through the agitator mill from the inlet on the bearing side and exits via the slotted pipe at the bottom of the tank. The forced conveyance of the product through the grind-intensive grinding media fill guarantees a uniform load inside the mill. The dynamic separation system reliably retains the grinding media in the grinding zone. This enables extremely high flow rates without pressure build-up in the grinding chamber and creates ideal conditions for circulation or multi-pass operation.

For exact temperature control, the agitator mill is equipped with a targeted multi-zone cooling system. In the basic model, the grinding tank, complete agitator shaft and product outlet are coolable and prevent overheating of the product. As an option, the slotted agitator shaft component can also be cooled. The complete flow through the slotted agitator shaft area increases not only the cooling surface area, but the heat transfer efficiency as well.

Grinding chamber designs in various materials and new control concepts expand the potential applications.
Unlimited versatility

The Zeta® high-performance circulation system is an extremely versatile grinding system. It is equally suitable for everything from the processing of very low-viscosity products to the grinding of products with high concentrations of solids and correspondingly high viscosities. NETZSCH Beads® are grinding media ideally tailored to the Zeta® grinding system and are available in a variety of applicable materials and sizes ranging from 0.3 mm to 3 mm in diameter. The product-wetted components of the grinding system are available in various materials. Depending on the application, materials such as NElast, ceramic, wear-resistant special steels and stainless steel are available. A pharmaceutical version of the grinding system is another option. The targeted multi-zone cooling allows the processing of products at very low temperatures.

Standard design
optionally available in highly wear-resistant special steel for the processing of products containing solvents or in stainless steel for water-based products.

Ceramic design
for iron-free grinding of abrasive, contamination-sensitive solvent-based products. The product-wetted grinding chamber components are available in NETZSCH Ceram Z, NETZSCH Ceram N or NETZSCH Ceram C.

NElast design
all product-wetted parts have a coating of NElast for "iron-free" processing of contamination-sensitive water-based products.

Pharmaceutical design
the DeltaVita® series in a polished stainless steel design free of dead space, easy to clean and sterilize.
The Zeta® grinding system is in every aspect a very user-friendly, reliable, low-maintenance system. The many advantages start with the structural design of the agitator mill: the horizontal orientation guarantees uniform filling of the grinding media into the grinding tank. Start-up of the mill with product is therefore unproblematic. Very high flow rates can be set without pressure build-up. The double-acting cassette-type mechanical seal is mounted in the reduced-flow area of the grinding chamber. The mechanical stress from grinding media is minimal. The product outlet is located directly at the bottom of the grinding tank, making it easily accessible.

The maintenance-free slotted pipe within the grinding chamber prevents the loss of grinding media when the machine is idle. During operation, the grinding media are kept away from the slotted pipe by the rotor of the separation system. This prevents flow-induced bead compression and obstructions. A displacer in the slotted pipe increases the flow rate in the outlet area and, in conjunction with short pipelines, prevents product entrainment. Optional cooling of the displacer lowers the product discharge temperature after it passes through the intensive grinding zone, while still inside the agitator mill.

Cleaning made easy

The optimized cleaning concept with a wash cycle system allows almost residue-free cleaning with very little cleaning agent, and without emptying the grinding tank.

Focus on your benefit

- Horizontal construction facilitates maintenance
- Uniform grinding media distribution throughout the grinding chamber
- No grinding media compression
- Double-acting cassette-type mechanical seal in the reduced-flow area of the grinding chamber
- Easy access to the separation system
- Maintenance-free slotted pipe
- Easy, practically residue-free cleaning
- Wash cycle systems with speed adjustment
Applications

- Printing inks: e.g. flexo (chip quality)
- Inkjet ink
- Coatings
- Dyes, color pastes (textile, synthetic)
- Pigment preparations, pigment production, phthalo-blue conversion
- Fillers
- Pesticides
- High-tech products: e.g. color filters, polishing agents for electronic components
- Thermal paper coatings
- Magnetic coatings
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