MicroPower 5 and 15 t The best for micro injection molding

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PRECISE – EFFICIENT – ECONOMICAL The optimum for all types of micro parts

The advantages

- » Reliable injection molding technology for shot weights from 0.05 to 4 g
- » 2-step injection unit with screw plasticizing and plunger injection
- » Energy-efficient, all-electric "Drive-on-Demand" motor system
- » Innovative 5-point toggle lever clamping unit
- » User-friendly through new UNILOG B8 control system with integrated assistance systems
- » Compact machine cell to accomodate a rotary table, robot, quality accurance system and conveyor belt inside the machine
- » Matching integrated peripherals available (material loader and temperature controller)
- » Easy conversion into a clean room cell by adding a laminar flow unit
- » Also as 2-component machine with second injection module and an adjusted rotary table available

The machine series

MicroPower standard: 2 clamping force sizes - 5 and 15 t

MicroPower MEDICAL: for clean room applications - 5 and 15 t

MicroPower COMBIMOULD: for multi-component injection molding - 15 t



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MicroPower The system highlights

- » Clamping unit all-electric with optimal access The MicroPower clamping unit is a 2-platen system, in which the clamping force between the nozzle and the toggle lever side is transmitted by a U frame element. The moving platen is driven by an integrated, highprecision 5-point toggle lever. It moves the mold platen guided with high precision on linear bearings smoothly and with high dynamism.
- Plasticizing unit: best control of micro quantities Three injection unit sizes are available for *MicroPower* machines, with shot volumes ranging from 1.2 to 4 cm³. In all three of these aggregates, plasticizing is effected by a 14 mm 3-zone screw with a 20:1 L/D ratio. Injection takes place via a plunger either 5 or 8 mm in diameter, with injection pressure of up to 3000 bar and with an injection speed of up to 750 mm/s.
- » Small platen drillings optimal force transmission The small through holes of only 26 mm in both mold platens enable optimal clamping force transmission into the mold, thus providing ideal conditions for high precision and long service life of the molds.
- » All-in-one production cell available on request The *MicroPower* system is totally modular. Therefore it can be extended into a complete production cell inside the standard machine frame by adding a WITTMANN SCARA robot, a rotary table, an optical parts inspection system and a conveyor belt or glass container for finished parts.
- » Clean room-compatible standard concept The standard machine frame is designed for easy cleaning. Without any structural alterations, it can be combined with a laminar flow unit, which supplies class 6 clean air according to ISO 14644-1 standard. Hygienic depositing of the finished parts is possible within the clean room cell strictly according to cavities in an 8-compartment depositing unit with glass containers.

CLAMPING UNIT Free mold space

» High precision

The *MicroPower* clamping unit meets the most stringent requirements for precision in movements and automation options. Its high standard of precision is achieved by guidance of the system platen on the clamping side and the mold carrier plate on the same linear bearings. The central positioning of the toggle lever inside the U frame clamping unit ensures symmetrical clamping force transmission into the mold.

» One machine size with two force levels

- The clamping unit is available with 5 or 15 t clamping force.
- The mold platens on the ejector side come in one uniform size of 240 x 248 mm as standard.
- The width of the fixed platen is either 170 or 240 mm.
- The maximum daylight between platens is 400 mm.

» Free access and flexible automation

- Thanks to the U frame, the mold space remains free of tiebars.
- Ample space is provided on both sides of the U frame for the installation of a rotary table (rotation diameter 443 or 466 mm), a parts handling robot and other peripherals for quality inspection and parts depositing.





INJECTION UNIT Specially designed for micro parts

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 Injection unit for extremely small quantities The *MicroPower* injection unit is equipped with a two-step plasticizing and injection unit. It is available in three sizes. What all three sizes have in common is their 14 mm plasticizing screw for processing standard-size granulates. The injection plunger comes in different sizes. They are available for shot volumes ranging from 1.2 to 4 cm³.

» One system for 3 shot volume levels

The *MicroPower* plasticizing and injection aggregate is a 2-step unit. Step one is plasticizing with controlled back pressure. Step two is a separate plunger injection unit. The plunger of this aggregate functions simultaneously as a shut-off device to separate the melt channel of the plasticizing unit from the injection unit. Behind the injection plunger, an injection pressure sensor is located, which actively regulates the injection process and thus controls the precision and consistency of the molded parts.

The advantages of the MicroPower injection unit

- » Low-stress metering at low pressure
- » System without check valve, therefore no damage to materials through shear stress
- » FI-FO injection process (first in first out)
- » Minimal pressure loss during injection
- » Extremely small melt cushion, consequently high temperature stability of the shot volume
- » Shot weights below 50 mg possible
- » All standard granulates can be processed.



Anti-wear options

In addition to the high-quality standard finish, an extensive range of optional versions with extra anti-wear and/or anti-corrosion protection is available. Pre-defined option packages and a selection matrix facilitate the choice of the right version.

CLAMPING UNIT – **COMBIMOULD SOLUTION** Fast rotary unit

The all-electric rotary unit is laid out for running in the +/- 180° mode. The rotary table features high dynamism, flexibility, operational safety and mold protection packed into a minimum of space. The robust basic structure provides optimal clamping force transmission. In combination with the backlash-free toggle lever, it thus enables extremely energy-efficient operation of the machine. The direct drive situated behind the rotary table combines ultimate precision with high rotary speed.



» Highly dynamic electric servo drive

- Short rotary times
- Parallel movements possible
- Short cycle times

» Short changeover times

- Optimal accessibility
- Easy mold insertion and removal
- Direct plug-in media connections for pneumatic systems/water
- Media supply via covered energy chain

» Great flexibility

- Location of ejector possible in both injection stations
- Servo-electric ejector control for ultimate precision
- Use as a 2x1-component machine also possible

» Sensitive and accurate

The rotary plate moves virtually without friction on its linear bearings. The mold protection system is very finely adjustable and thus ensures optimal mold protection.

- » Clean room-compatibility as standard
 - Smooth surface for fast cleaning
 - Encapsulated structure
 - Stainless steel cover

INJECTION UNIT – **COMBIMOULD SOLUTION** Designed for molding micro parts



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2-component injection molding

A 2-component machine also is available by combining two injection aggregates placed next to each other and using a rotary table inside the clamping unit.

- » Parallel operation of the injection units possible In the *MicroPower* COMBIMOULD machine, both plasticizing and injection units can be operated parallel to each other. This equally applies to the ejectors, core pulls and air valves, which can be operated parallel to the clamping movement.
- » H-H configuration
 - Two parallel horizontal aggregates
 - Both aggregates moveable individually
 - Effective thermal separation of the aggregates



- » Flexible, modular, compact
 - Fast changeover between the injection units (PIM, LIM, thermoplastics)
 - All standard granulates can be processed.
 - Part weights below 50 mg possible
 - Easy barrel change

» Ultimate prescision

- 2-step screw-and-plunger system
- Minimal injection times
- Optimal injection pressure control combined with highly dynamic changeover to holding pressure.



MicroPower Production cell "ex works"

The production cell concept is an "ex works" solution for *MicroPower* injection molding machines.

The advantages of the MicroPower production cell

- » Machine frame closed on all sides as standard. Thus molding of the micro parts takes place in
- an isolated environment.
- » The enclosed machine cell is designed to provide space for additional equipment modules inside the standard cell.
- » The enclosed cell can be fitted with a clean room module. It consists of a suction filter and a ventilation unit for laminar air flow through the machine.
- » Cost benefits, since all danger areas are covered and certified ex works.
- » *MicroPower* clean room production cells are suitable for producing micro parts for medical technology, as well as the electronics, watch making and optical industries.
- » CE mark included for every machine with an insider solution. No separate costs for individual examinations.



CE-certified by type examination

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OPTIONEN Flexible – proven – powerful

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MicroPower The option highlights

» Rotary table

The rotary table enables use of 2 bottom mold halves to achieve shorter cycle times on the one hand, and on the other hand to implement insertion and removal processes. In the multi-component version, the rotary table serves to accommodate the two different mold halves.

- » Silicone processing in micro dimensions For liquid silicone processing, for example in the production of medical components, a micro twocomponent material loader is available, including a blending and metering system. With this equipment, the machine can be quickly converted from thermoplastics to LIM injection molding.
- » High-precision coining (EXPERT-pvT-Coining) For the production of optical or micro-structured parts, a high-precision coining system is available as an optional equipment package. In this process, the coining pressure is controlled with high dynamism via the clamping stroke, depending on mold temperature or cavity pressure.

» HiQ control for hot runners

With decreasing part size, the proportion of sprue in the shot volume increases, due to the nature of the system. Minimizing the proportion of sprue is given a high priority in WITTMANN BATTENFELD product development.

» WITTMANN peripherals in micro dimensions The optional WITTMANN 4.0 peripherals integration package is the basis for "Plug & Produce" technology of WITTMANN BATTENFELD injection molding machines with peripheral units from WITTMANN.

WITTMANN peripherals specially developed for the *MicroPower*.

- TEMPRO plus D Micro 100/140/160
- DRYMAX Micro F2-15 compact + material loader
- W8VS2 Vertical SCARA
- W8VS4 Vertical SCARA

UNILOG B8 Complex matters simplified

The UNILOG B8 machine control system is the WITTMANN BATTENFELD solution to facilitate the operation of complex processes for human operators. For this purpose, the integrated industrial PC has been equipped with an enlarged intuitive touch screen operator terminal. The visualization screen is the interface to the new Windows® 10 IoT operating system, which offers extensive process control functions. Next to the pivotable monitor screen, a connected panel/handset is mounted on the machine's central console.



WITTMANN 4.0 Barrier-free communication

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With its communication standard WITTMANN 4.0, the WITTMANN group offers a uniform data transfer platform between injection molding machines and peripheral equipment from WITTMANN. For an appliance exchange, the correct operating software is loaded automatically via an update function according to the "plug & produce" principle.

Connection of peripherals via WITTMANN 4.0

» WITTMANN robots with R9 control system

- Operation of robots via the machine's monitor screen
- High-speed communication between machine and robot to synchronize movements
- Important machine movements can be set via the R9 robot control system

» WITTMANN TEMPRO plus D temperature controllers

- Setting and control of temperatures via the machine's control system possible
- All functions can be operated either on the unit or via the machine's control system

Integration in MES system

The integration of machines and complete production cells in an MES system is a prerequisite for an efficient and transparent production facility according to the Industry 4.0 concept. Depending on the customer's requirements, small and medium-sized companies are offered a compact MES solution based on TEMI+. For large-scale and globally active companies, our cooperation partner is MPDV Microlab GmbH, a leading MES service provider. Due to the Windows® 10 IoT operating system, it is also possible to have selected status information from all connected machines on the production floor shown under *SmartMonitoring* on the display screen of every machine.





APPLICATION TECHNOLOGY Outstanding competence



Micro Systems (UK) Ltd

Photo:

» Clean room injection molding When medical components or electronic parts need to be manufactured in a particle-free environment, the *MicroPower* concept offers excellent conditions with its easy-to-clean mold environment and an optional clean air supply system.



» COMBIMOULD

Two or more plastic materials in different colors or with different attributes can be combined into one part by upgrading the standard *MicroPower* with a second micro aggregate or by combining several machines into one production unit.



Reel-to-reel molding To produce electronic parts, punched structures are fed through the clamping unit and insert-molded. The ample mold mounting space of the *MicroPower* offers optimal conditions for this process.



Insert molding When individual parts such as plug contacts need to be insert-molded, an insert station on a rotary table outside the mold is available for this purpose. A high-precision Scara handling robot and a metal parts feeding station can be integrated into the machine as additional modules.

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TECHNICAL DATA *MicroPower* 5/15

Clamping unit			MicroPower 5			MicroPower 1	5	
Clamping force	kN	50			150			
Platen size (h x v)	mm x mm		240 x 400 (170)		240 x 400 (248)			
Mold height (min.)	mm		100			100		
Mold height (max.)	mm		220			300		
Opening stroke/Opening force	mm/kN		100/15			100/15		
Maximum daylight	mm		320		400			
Ejector stroke/ejector force	mm/kN		30/2		40/5			
Dry cycle time ¹⁾	s – mm	1.2 - 100			1.2 – 100			
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Injection unit		3	7.5	10	3	7.5		10
Dosing screw diameter	mm		14			14		
Dosing screw stroke	mm	8	20	26	8	20	26	
Screw L/D ratio			20			20		
Injection plunger diameter	mm	5	8	8	5	8	8	
Theoretical shot volume	cm ³	1.2	3	4	1.2	3	4	
Specific injection pressure	bar	3000	2500	2500	3000	2500	2500	
Max. screw speed	min ⁻¹		200			200		
Max. plasticizing rate (PS) ²⁾	g∕s		1.7			1.7		
Max. screw torque	Nm		90			90		
Nozzle stroke/contact force ³⁾	mm⁄kN		230/40			230/40		
Injection speed	mm/s		750			750		
Injection rate into air	cm ³ /s	15	38	38	15	38	38	
Barrel heating power, nozzle incl.	kW		2.45			2.45		
Number of heating zones			4			4		
Drive								
Electrical power supply	kVA		9			9		
Emission sound pressure level ⁴⁾	dB(A)		65			65		
Weights dimensions								

Weights, dimensions			
Net weight	kg	1350	1420
Length x width x height	m	2.1 x 0.98 x 2.1	2.1 x 0.98 x 2.1
Max. mold weight⁄ Min. mold diameter	kg/mm	50/120	80/120

1) theoretical according to EUROMAP 6 2) according to WITTMANN BATTENFELD norm 3) manual 4) according to ÖNORM EN 201:2010 annex K





General machine view











TECHNICAL DATA MicroPower 15 COMBIMOULD

Clamping unit			MicroPower 15		
Clamping force	kN		150		
Platen size (h x v)	mm x mm	485 x 400 (248)			
Mold height (min.)	mm		100		
Mold height (max.)	mm		300		
Opening stroke/Opening force	mm⁄kN		100/15		
Maximum daylight	mm		400		
Ejector stroke/ejector force	mm⁄kN		40/5		
Dry cycle time ¹⁾	s – mm		1.2 - 100		
Injection unit		3	7.5	10	
Dosing screw diameter	mm		14		
Dosing screw stroke	mm	8	20	26	
Screw L/D ratio			20		
Injection plunger diameter	mm	5	8	8	
Theoretical shot volume	cm ³	1.2	3	4	
Specific injection pressure	bar	3000	2500	2500	
Max. screw speed	min ⁻¹		200		
Max. plasticizing rate (PS) ²⁾	g/s		1.7		
Max. screw torque	Nm		90		
Nozzle stroke/contact force ³⁾	mm⁄kN		230/40		
Injection speed	mm/s		750		
Injection rate into air	cm³/s	15	38	38	
Barrel heating power, nozzle incl.	kW		2.45		
Number of heating zones			4		
Drive					
Electrical power supply	kVA		9		
Emission sound pressure level ⁴⁾	dB(A)		65		
Weights, dimensions					
Net weight	kg		2400		

1) theoretical according to EUROMAP 6 2) according to WITTMANN BATTENFELD norm 3) manual 4) according to ÖNORM EN 201:2010 annex K

m

kg∕mm

Length x width x height

Max. mold weight/ Min. mold diameter





2.6 x 1.3 x 2.2 (2.52)

80/120



STANDARD

Base machine

Paint RAL 7047 tele grey 4/RAL 5002 ultramarine blue

Rectangular main beam on one-piece base frame Built-in control cabinet

Part transp. on operator side, or parallel to machine axis

Drillings for peripheral equipment – like robot, camera, etc. – operator sided on rectangular main beam

Clamping unit

Clamping system: 5-point toggle with servo-electric direct drive Servo-electric mold height adjustment

Clamping and opening forces for mold safety system adjustable

Mold safety program with envelope curves monitoring for optimal mold cover Precise platen parallelism with low-maintenance moving platen support Platen drillings metrical as per EUROMAP

Clamping force displayed on screen

Clamping force monitoring incl. display via screen

Servo-electric ejector

Mechanical ejector couple

Cooling hole in the mold mounting platen

Injection unit

Servo-closed loop control

Increased injection performance

Screw drive by 3-phase servo motor, screw speed continuously adjustable via screen Barrel, screw, distributor block and injection nozzle in hot-work tool

steel, injection piston TIN coated

Thermocouple failure monitor

Plug-in ceramic heater bands

Open nozzle

Quick removal for injection nozzle and cylinder

Hopper of V2A stainless steel can be shut and emptied Linear bearings for the injection unit

Selectable barrel stand-by temperature

Decompression before and/or after metering

Physical units - bar, ccm, mm/s etc.

Screw protection

Peripheral screw speed indication

Linear interpolation of holding pressure set values Bar chart for barrel temperature with set value and actual value display

Selectable injection pressure limitation

Changeover from injection to holding pressure depending on stroke, time and pressure

Safety gate

Maintenance-free safety gate locked by electromagnet Safety gate with electric monitoring according to CE standard Safety gate on the rear side

Watercooling with open cooling system	Cooling and conditioning
	Watercooling with open cooling system

Feeding zone with controlled cooling system

Additional equipment

Operating instructions

User manual

Electrics
Operating voltage 230/400 V-3PH, 50 Hz
Common voltage supply for drive and heat
Separate voltage supply for drive and heat USA/CDN
USB – 1 x operating unit
1 Ethernet interface (switch cabinet)
Printer via USB connection or network
Signal lamp at the machine
Control system
Control system UNILOG B8 – 21,5" multi-touch screen (full HD)
Software for operating hours counter
Closing/opening – 5 profile steps
Ejection forward/back – 3 profile steps
Injection/holding pressure – 10 profile steps
Injection parallel to clamp force build-up
Screw speed/back pressure – 6 profile steps
Parts counter with good/bad part evaluation
Purging program
Stroke zero offset settings
Start-up program
Adjustable injection pressure limitation
Switchover to holding press. MASTER/SLAVE by injection time, screw stroke/injection vol. and injection pressure
Self-teaching temperature controller
Display of temperature inside electrical cabinet
Seven-day timer
Access authorization via USB interface, password system and RFID authorization system
Freely configurable status bar
Physical, process-related units
Energy consumption monitoring for motors and heating
Automatic dimming
Logbook with filter function
User programming system (APS)
Cycle time analysis
Energy measurement displayed
Freely configurable screen pages "user page"
Notepad function
Hardcopy function
Internal data storage via USB connection or network
Online selection of imperial or metric units
Time monitoring
BASIC Quality Monitoring (1 freely configurable network connection, quality table with 1000 storage depth, events protocol (logbook) for 1000 events, actual value graphics with 5 curves, 1 envelope curves monitoring)
Injection integral supervision
Metering integral supervision
Alarm message via Email
SmartEdit – sequence editor

OPTIONS

Robot/handling unit

Teachbox R8.2/R9 Additional valve

Conveyor belt

Additional vacuum circuit (Venturi)

I/O expansion control cabinet (81/80) Interface for COGNEX camera

W8VS2 WITTMANN Vertical Scara Robot with 3 servo axis W8VS4 WITTMANN Vertical Scara Robot with 4 servo axis

Additional vacuum circuit (Venturi with blow-off function)

Adapter for gripper plate (EOAT) with crash sensor

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Electrics

Special voltage Control cabinet cooler

Temperature control zone for hot runner

Temperature control interface digital, serial 20 mA TTY protocol CAN-Bus-interface for mold conditioner as per EUROMAP 66-2

Interface for handling equipment

Clamping uni	t
Servo electric	rotary table
Mechanical m	old safety mechanism
SPI bolt patte	'n
Ejector platen	safety device as per EUROMAP 13
Parts chute fo	r separation of good/bad parts
Nickel plated	platen in lieu of standard
Air valve, actio	on initiated (ON) and timer (OFF)
Non-standard	layout of fastening bores in clamping/nozzle platen
Turning-out de	evice with servo motor, installed on ejector plate
Injection unit	
Grooves in the	feeding zone of barrel for improved feeding
High tempera	ture heaterbands up to 450 °C
Barrel insulati	on .
Enter block wi standard	th additional connection for nitrogen supply in lieu of
Wear and corr	osion resistant injection unit AK+
Equipment pa	ckage for liquid silicone
Equipment pa	ckage for PIM (MIM/CIM)
Equipment pa	ckage for technical plastics (PC, PMMA, ABS)
Equipment pa	ckage for bioresorbable materials
Screw in speci	al geometry
Conversion kit	injection unit reduction to size 3 in AK+
Vacuum packa sensor	age: vacuum pump incl. interface, vacuum valve, vacuum
Material hopp	er in DURAN glas design, 0.6 litres in volume
Connecting fla	ange for customer-supplied hopper drier or drying unit
Equipment pa	ckages available in lieu of standard and∕or in addition
Safety gate	
Pneumatic saf	ety gate at the operator side
Initiation of the	e next cycle by closing safety gate in semi-auto operation
Front side safe	ety system for manual part removal
Pneumatic	
Pneumatic ma	intenance unit incl. pressure regulation
Pneumatic cor	e pullers incl. pressure regulator
Additional cor	npressed-air controller
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Cooling and o	conditioning
Watercooling	with closed cooling system
Hosting of coo	oling circuits on the fixed platen of the moving platen
Integrated WI	ITMANN temperating units and dryer
Cooling circuit	ts 2x additionally without shut-off valve
Granulat∕dry	er/feeder
Integrated WI	TTMANN dryer/dew point sensor
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Interface for	or WITTMANN dryer integrated
Interface for	or WITTMANN temperating units integrated
Interface for	or robots as per EUROMAP 67
Interface fo	or robots as per EUROMAP 67 with add. signals for rotary table
Interface fo	or conveyor belt and dosing unit
Interface for	or full integration of robot incl. Ethernet switch
Host comp	uter interface/PDA (EUROMAP 63)
Relays cont	tact parallel to plasticizing
Kistler mod	lule for cavity pressure dependent switchover
BNC conne	ctors for injection process analysis
Machine fa	ult (potential-free contact)
Part inlay r	nonitoring via vacuum
Signal towe	er with acustic element
CEE socket	16 A
Protection breaker wit	of the socket circuits via residual-current-operating circuit h 30 mA conventional tripping current
Additional	emergency-stop button, mounted on the rear of the machine
Interface e	vacuation with software (incl. vacuum valves for rotary table)
Interface for	or freely configurable mold monitoring
Control sys	stem
Energy con	sumption analysis
Switch over	r to holding pressure by cavity or melt pressure
Switch over	r to holding pressure by external signal
Injection co	ompression and venting sequences
Second inje	ection data setting for automatic start up
HiQ-Cushic	on – melt cushion control
HiQ-Flow -	- injection integral control
HiQ-Melt -	- monitoring of material quality
Injection co	mpression program/Extended injection compression program
Gate start	special program
Special pro	gram according to customer specification
User specif	ic limiting input value system
Program in	US dimensions
RJG eDart	interface
EXPERT Qu quality tab 10000 eve monitoring	ality Monitoring (4 freely configurable network connections, le with 10000 storage depth, events protocol (logbook) for nts, actual value graphic with 16 curves, 4 envelope curves , SPC charts, trend diagrams)
Add. screen	text not according to EU (max. 2 languages in add. to German)
Second inje parameter	ection parameter record for lower mold allocation or injection change-over during start-up phase
Variotherm	processing package
Additional	euipment
Special pai	nt and/or touch-up paint
Tool kit	
Levelling p	ads
Lighting in	mold space
Distance b	locks 100 mm for leveling mounts
Spare parts	s package
Sprue-cut-c	off-appliance with air nozzle
Clean room	1 box
Visual qual	lity inspection
Ionization	

8-fold parts depositing



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