Planetary Ball Mill PM 400

General Information

Planetary Ball Mills are used wherever the highest degree of fineness is required. Apart from the classical mixing and size reduction processes, the mills also meet all the technical requirements for colloidal grinding and have the energy input necessary for mechanical alloying processes. The extremely high centrifugal forces of the Planetary Ball Mills result in very high pulverization energy and therefore short grinding times.

The PM 400 is a robust floor model with 4 grinding stations.

Application Examples

alloys, bentonite, bones, carbon fibres, catalysts, cellulose, cement clinker, ceramics, charcoal, chemical products, clay minerals, coal, coke, compost, concrete, electronic scrap, fibres, glass, gypsum, hair, hydroxyapatite, iron ore, kaolin, limestone, metal oxides, minerals, ores, paints and lacquers, paper, pigments, plant materials, polymers, quartz, seeds, ...

Product Advantages

- powerful and quick grinding down to nano range
- comfortable parameter setting via display and ergonomic 1-button operation
- automatic grinding chamber ventilation
- 10 SOPs can be stored
- programmable starting time
- power failure backup ensures storage of remaining grinding time
- grinding with up to 26.8 x acceleration of gravity
- reproducible results due to energy and speed control
- suitable for long-term trials and continuous use
- 2 different grinding modes (dry and wet)
- optional pressure and temperature measuring system PM GrindControl
- measurement of energy input
- wide range of materials for contamination free grinding
- Safety Slider for safe operation

Features

Applications	pulverizing, mixing, homogenizing, colloidal milling, mechanical alloying
Field of application	agriculture, biology, chemistry / plastics, construction materials, engineering / electronics, environment / recycling, geology / metallurgy, glass / ceramics, medicine / pharmaceuticals
Feed material	soft, hard, brittle, fibrous - dry or

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	wet
Size reduction principle	impact, friction
Material feed size*	< 10 mm
Final fineness*	< 1 µm, for colloidal grinding < 0.1 µm
Batch size / feed quantity*	max. 4 x 220 ml, max. 8 x 20ml with stacked grinding jars
No. of grinding stations	4 / 2
Speed ratio	1:-2 / 1:-2.5 / 1:-3
Sun wheel speed	30 - 400 min^{-1}
Effective sun wheel diameter	300 mm
G-force	26.8 g
Type of grinding jars	"comfort", optional areation covers, safety closure devices
Material of grinding tools	hardened steel, stainless steel, tungsten carbide, agate, sintered aluminium oxide, zirconium oxide
Grinding jar sizes	12 ml / 25 ml / 50 ml / 80 ml / 125 ml / 250 ml / 500 ml
Setting of grinding time	digital, 00:00:01 to 99:59:59
Interval operation	yes, with direction reversal
Interval time	00:00:01 to 99:59:59
Pause time	00:00:01 to 99:59:59
Storable SOPs	10
Measurement of input energy possible	yes
Interface	RS 232 / RS 485
Drive	3-phase asynchronous motor with frequency converter
Drive power	1.5 kW
Electrical supply data	different voltages
Power connection	1-phase
Protection code	IP 30
Power consumption	~ 2100 W (VA)
W x H x D closed	836 x 1220 (1900) x 780 mm
Net weight	~ 290 kg
Documentation	Operation & Application Video
Standards	CE
Patent / Utility patent	SafetySlider (UP - DE 202008008473)

*depending on feed material and instrument configuration/settings

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http://www.retsch.com/pm400

Function Principle

The grinding jars are arranged eccentrically on the sun wheel of the planetary ball mill. The direction of movement of the sun wheel is opposite to that of the grinding jars in the ratio 1:-2 (or 1:-2.5 or 1:-3).
The grinding balls in the grinding jars are subjected to superimposed rotational movements, the so-called Coriolis forces. The difference in speeds between the balls and grinding jars produces an interaction between frictional and impact forces, which releases high dynamic energies. The interplay between these forces produces the high and very effective degree of size reduction of the planetary ball mill.

Order data

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on wheels (please order grinding jars and balls separately)

20.535.0001	PM 400, 220-230 V, 50/60 Hz, with 4 grinding stations, speed ratio 1 : -2
20.535.0005	PM 400/2, 220-230 V, 50/60 Hz, with 2 grinding stations, speed ratio 1 : -2
20.535.0007	PM 400 MA, 220-230 V, 50/60 Hz, with 4 grinding stations, speed ratio 1 : -2.5, for mechanical alloying
20.535.0008	PM 400 MA, 220-230 V, 50/60 Hz, with 4 grinding stations, speed ratio 1 : -3, for mechanical alloying

other electrical versions available for the same price

Accessories PM 100 / PM 200 / PM 400

03.025.0002	Adapter for stacking grinding jars “comfort”, 50 ml, hardened steel, stainless steel, for PM 100 and PM 400
03.025.0003	Adapter for stacking grinding jars “comfort”, 50 ml, tungsten carbide, agate, sintered aluminum oxide,

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	zirconium oxide, for PM 100 and PM 400
02.728.0048	Counter wrench
99.200.0009	IQ/OQ Documentation for PM 400

Grinding jars “comfort” PM 100 / PM 200 / PM 400

Hardened steel

01.462.0145	50 ml
01.462.0144	125 ml
01.462.0224	250 ml
01.462.0229	500 ml

Stainless steel

01.462.0239	12 ml
01.462.0240	25 ml
01.462.0149	50 ml
01.462.0321	80 ml
01.462.0148	125 ml
01.462.0223	250 ml
01.462.0228	500 ml

Tungsten carbide

01.462.0156	50 ml
01.462.0326	80 ml
01.462.0155	125 ml
01.462.0222	250 ml

Agate

01.462.0139	50 ml
01.462.0197	80 ml
01.462.0136	125 ml
01.462.0220	250 ml
01.462.0225	500 ml

Sintered aluminum oxide

01.462.0153	50 ml
01.462.0152	125 ml
01.462.0221	250 ml
01.462.0226	500 ml

Zirconium oxide

01.462.0188	50 ml
01.462.0187	125 ml
01.462.0219	250 ml
01.462.0227	500 ml

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Accessories for grinding jars “comfort”

for grinding with inert atmosphere and Mechanical Alloying (MA)

22.107.0005	Aeration lid for grinding jar “comfort” 250 ml, stainless steel
22.107.0006	Aeration lid for grinding jar “comfort” 250 ml, tungsten carbide
22.107.0014	Aeration lid for grinding jar “comfort” 250 ml, zirconium oxide
22.107.0017	Aeration lid for grinding jar “comfort” 500 ml, hardened steel
22.107.0007	Aeration lid for grinding jar “comfort” 500 ml, stainless steel
22.107.0012	Aeration lid for grinding jar “comfort” 500 ml, agate
22.107.0013	Aeration lid for grinding jar “comfort” 500 ml, sintered aluminum oxide
22.107.0010	Aeration lid for grinding jar “comfort” 500 ml, zirconium oxide
22.867.0002	Safety closure device for grinding jars “comfort” 50 ml
22.867.0007	Safety closure device for grinding jars “comfort” 80 ml
22.867.0003	Safety closure device for grinding jars “comfort” 125 ml
22.867.0005	Safety closure device for grinding jars “comfort” 500 ml

O-rings for grinding jars “comfort”

05.114.0057	O-ring for grinding jars “comfort” 50 ml, 1 piece
05.114.0056	O-ring for grinding jars “comfort” 125 ml, 1 piece
05.114.0055	O-ring for grinding jars “comfort” 250 ml hardened steel, stainless steel and tungsten carbide, 1 piece
22.085.0010	O-ring for grinding jars “comfort” 250 ml agate, sintered aluminum oxide and zirconium oxide, 1 set
05.114.0054	O-ring for grinding jars “comfort”, 500 ml hardened steel and stainless steel, 1 piece
22.085.0011	O-ring for grinding jars “comfort”, 500 ml agate, sintered aluminum oxide and zirconium oxide, 1 set

Grinding balls PM 100 / PM 200 / PM 400

Hardened steel

05.368.0029	5 mm Ø
05.368.0059	10 mm Ø

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05.368.0108	15 mm Ø
05.368.0033	20 mm Ø
05.368.0057	30 mm Ø
05.368.0056	40 mm Ø

Stainless steel

22.455.0010	2 mm Ø, 0.5 kg (approx. 110 ml)
22.455.0011	3 mm Ø, 0.5 kg (approx. 120 ml)
22.455.0003	5 mm Ø, approx. 200 pcs. (approx. 25 ml)
05.368.0034	5 mm Ø
05.368.0063	10 mm Ø
05.368.0109	15 mm Ø
05.368.0062	20 mm Ø
05.368.0061	30 mm Ø
05.368.0060	40 mm Ø

Tungsten carbide

22.455.0004	5 mm Ø, approx. 200 pcs. (approx. 25 ml)
05.368.0038	5 mm Ø
05.368.0071	10 mm Ø
05.368.0110	15 mm Ø
05.368.0070	20 mm Ø
05.368.0069	30 mm Ø
05.368.0068	40 mm Ø

Agate

05.368.0024	5 mm Ø
05.368.0067	10 mm Ø
05.368.0111	15 mm Ø
05.368.0028	20 mm Ø
05.368.0065	30 mm Ø
05.368.0064	40 mm Ø

Sintered aluminum oxide

05.368.0019	5 mm Ø
05.368.0021	10 mm Ø
05.368.0112	15 mm Ø
05.368.0054	20 mm Ø
05.368.0053	30 mm Ø
05.368.0052	40 mm Ø

Zirconium oxide

32.368.0005	0.1 mm Ø, 0.5 kg (approx. 135 ml)

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32.368.0003	0.5 mm Ø, 0.5 kg (approx. 135 ml)
32.368.0004	1 mm Ø, 0.5 kg (approx. 135 ml)
05.368.0089	2 mm Ø, 0.5 kg (approx. 135 ml)
05.368.0090	3 mm Ø, 0.5 kg (approx. 140 ml)
22.455.0009	5 mm Ø, approx. 200 pcs. (approx. 25 ml)
05.368.0094	10 mm Ø
05.368.0113	15 mm Ø
05.368.0093	20 mm Ø
05.368.0092	30 mm Ø