



**POLYMER PROCESSING SEMINAR**

DISCOVER HOW WE CAN HELP YOU IMPROVE  
YOUR PRODUCTION PROCESS

**11 JANUARY 2018** FROM 10 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M.

- 1905 established as „Maschinenfabrik Paul Leistritz“
- Privately owned, independent company



- Employees ~ 1,900
- Sales p.a. ~ 265 Mio. EUR
- R & D~ 3.3%
- Export~ 64%
- Investment~ 5%

## Corotation Twin Screw Extruders (TSE)

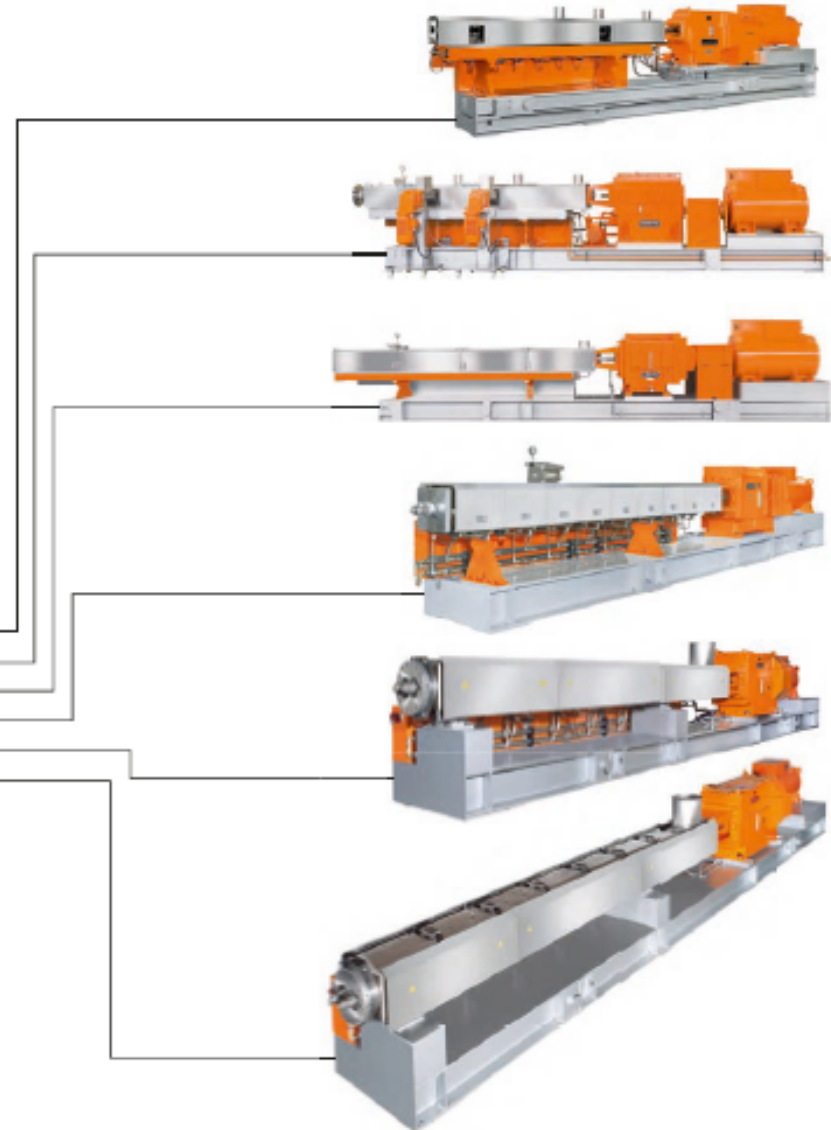
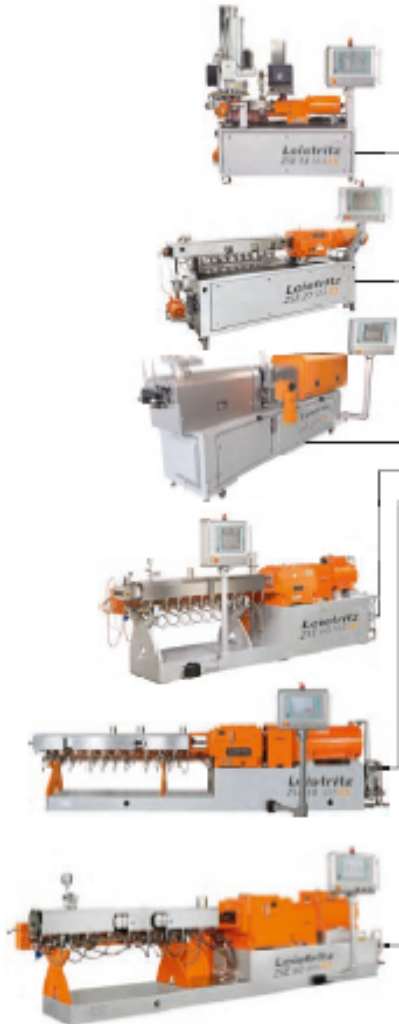
### ZSE MAXX SERIES

System for maXXimum possibilities

The very high specific torque (up to 15 Nm/cm<sup>2</sup>) and the large volume (OD/ID = 1.66) in ONE extruder – this is what has distinguished the ZSE MAXX twin screw extruder in the market for over a decade. This enormous adaptability of the ZSE MAXX series provides the user with a processing advantage: A large range of processes can be covered with one ZSE MAXX twin screw extruder.

Type	Screw diameter OD (mm)	OD/ID	Spec. torque density (Nm/cm <sup>2</sup> ) up to max.
18	18.5	1.66	11.0
27	28.3	1.66	12.5
35	35.1	1.66	15.0
40	41.4	1.66	15.0
50	51.0	1.66	15.0
60	61.6	1.66	15.0
75	77.0	1.66	15.0
87	89.4	1.66	15.0
110	113.1	1.66	15.0
135	138.7	1.66	15.0
160	159.9	1.66	15.0
180	178.8	1.66	15.0
260	258.0	1.66	15.0

» The ZSE MAXX series is the most elaborate twin screw extruder series with a consistent OD/ID and high torque, which facilitates a scale-up from smaller machines to larger production plants. «



## Today topics

- Industries using Leistritz Twin Screws Extruders
- Main parameters for twin screw extrusion
- A new generation of Leistritz extruders :  
ZSE35iMAXX
- Leistritz novelties for twin screw extrusion
- Smart Glasses Service

## Today topics

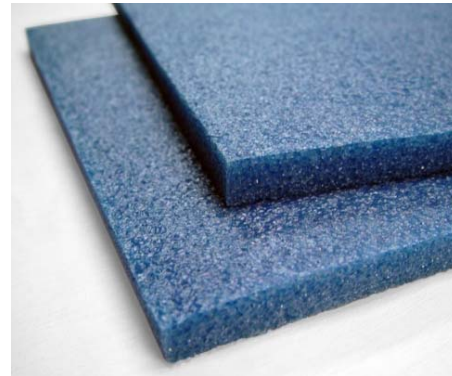
- Industries using Leistritz Twin Screws Extruders

## Industries using Leistritz Twin Screws Extruders

- Look on a thermoplastic product. In **95%** cases a **twin screw extruder** was used into its conversion cycle.
- Most often an extrusion with a twin screw extruder results to a pellet form named **compound** or **masterbatch**.
- Or sometime the final product is realized directly by compounding without pelletizing step -> **direct extrusion**



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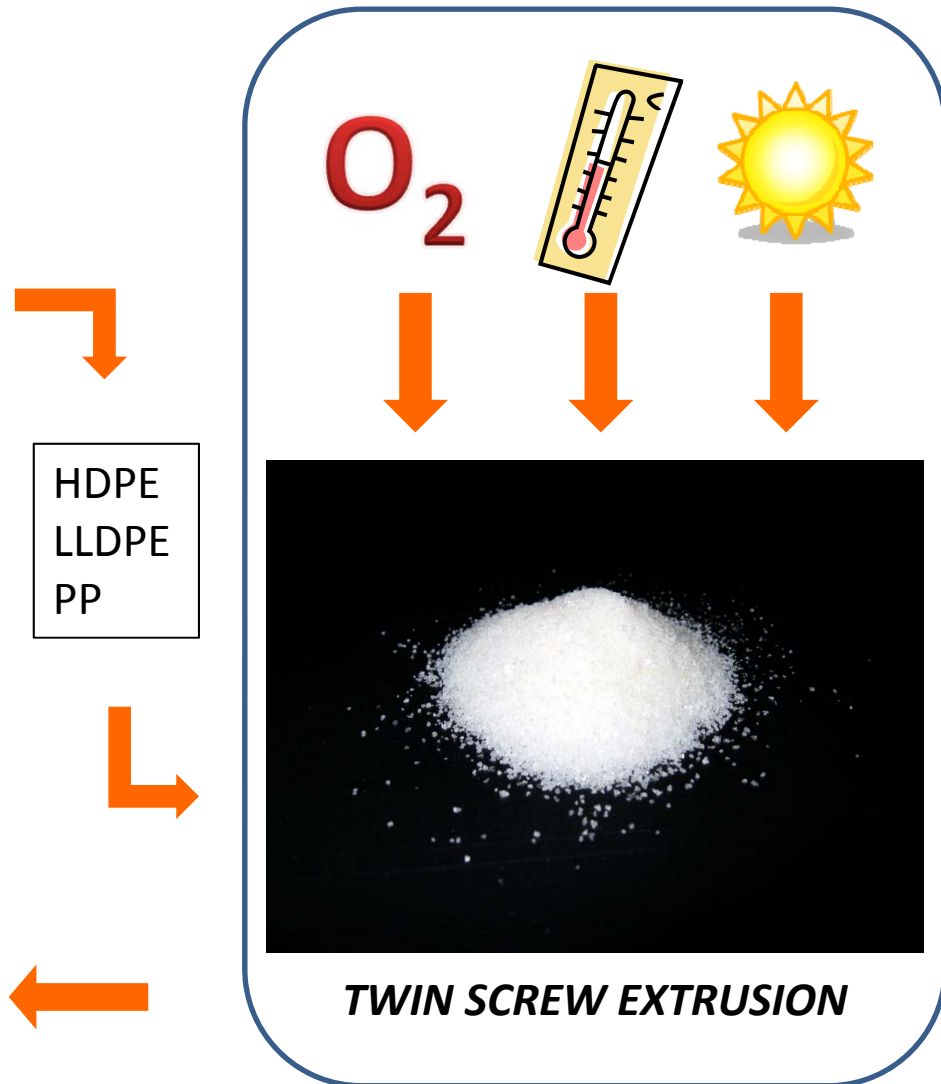
- Polymer
- Compounding
- Masterbatch
- Direct Extrusion
- Recycling
- Pharmaceutical
- Cosmetic
- Food
- R&D
- Adhesives – Hot melt
- Rubber
- Chemical reactions
- Polymerization
- Ceramic
- Metal Injection Molding
- ....



# Polymer Industry

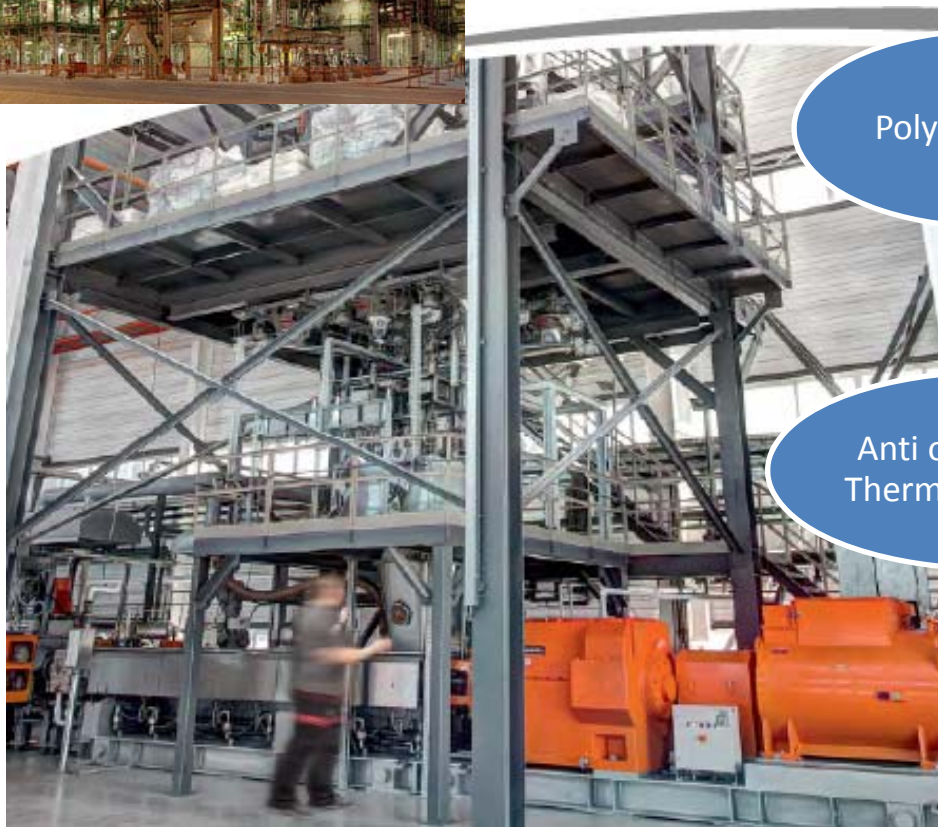


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## Polymer Industry



Polymérisation



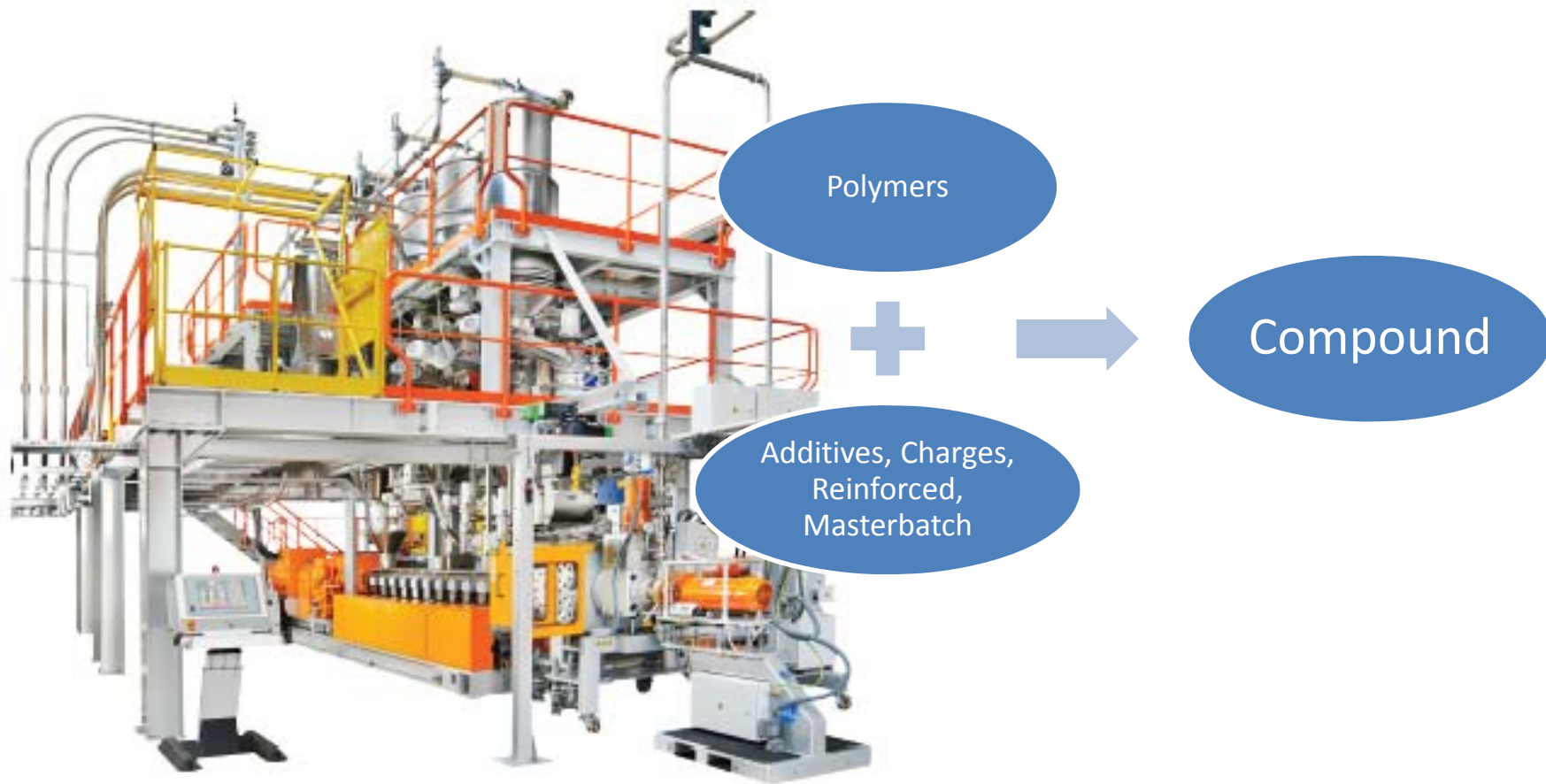
Commercialized  
Polymers

Anti oxydant, UV,  
Thermal Stabilizers

O<sub>2</sub>

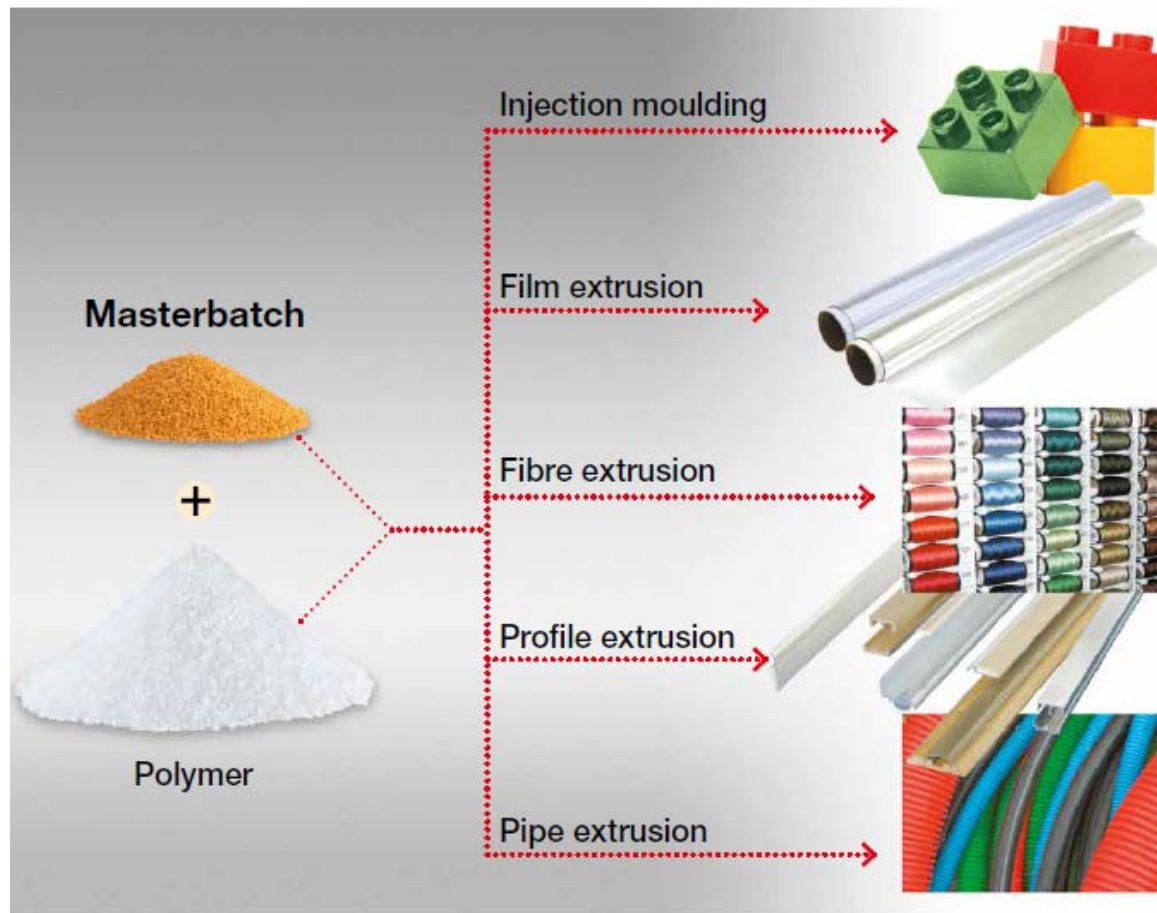


## Compounding

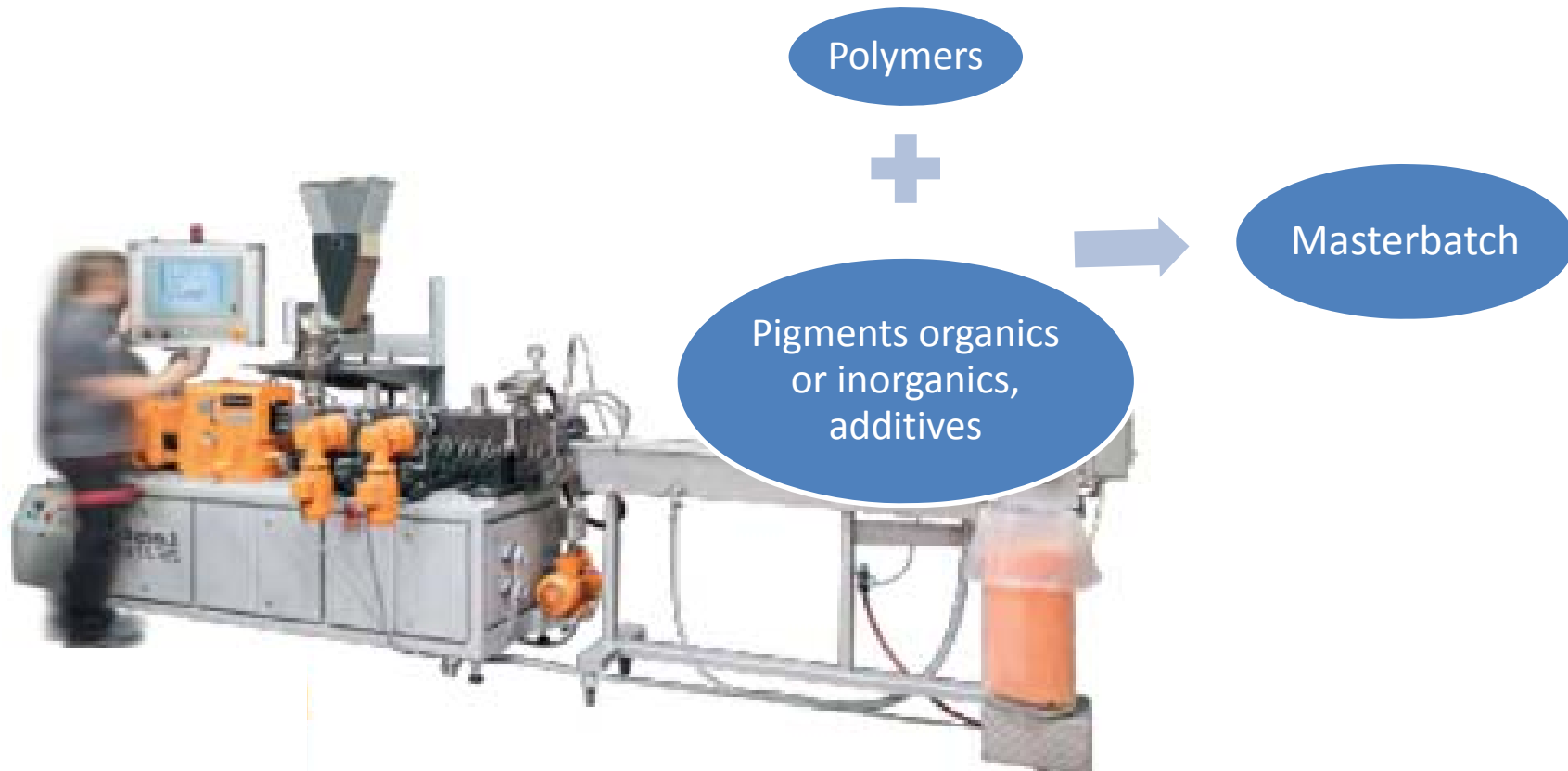




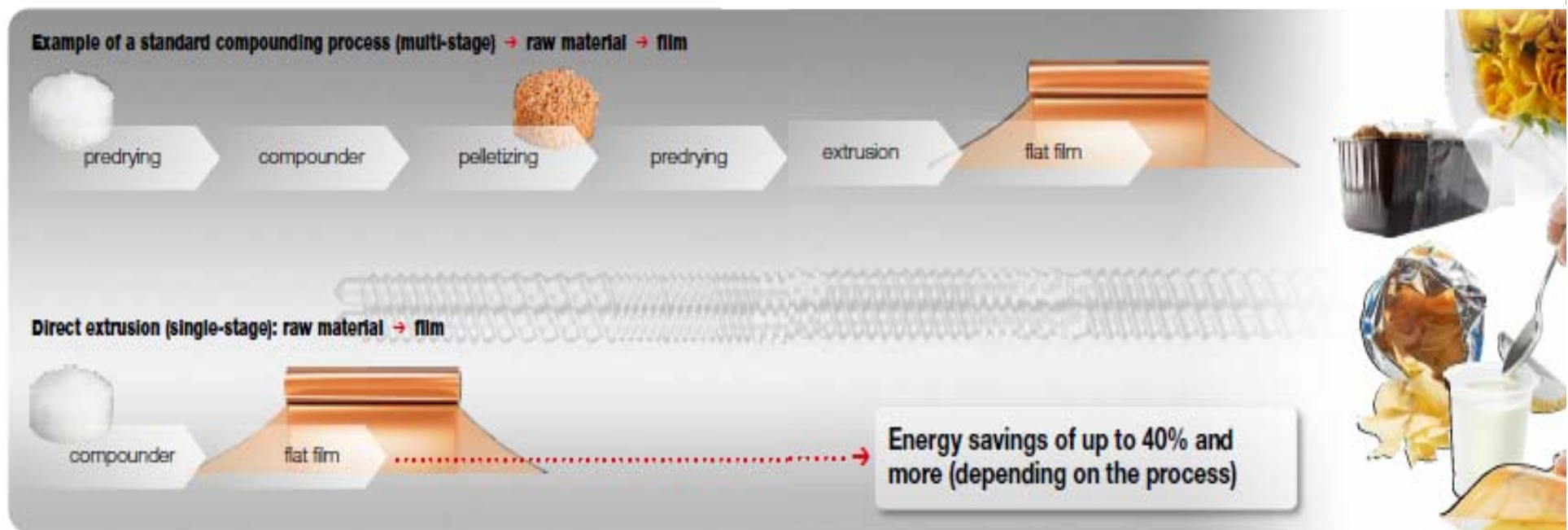
# Masterbatch



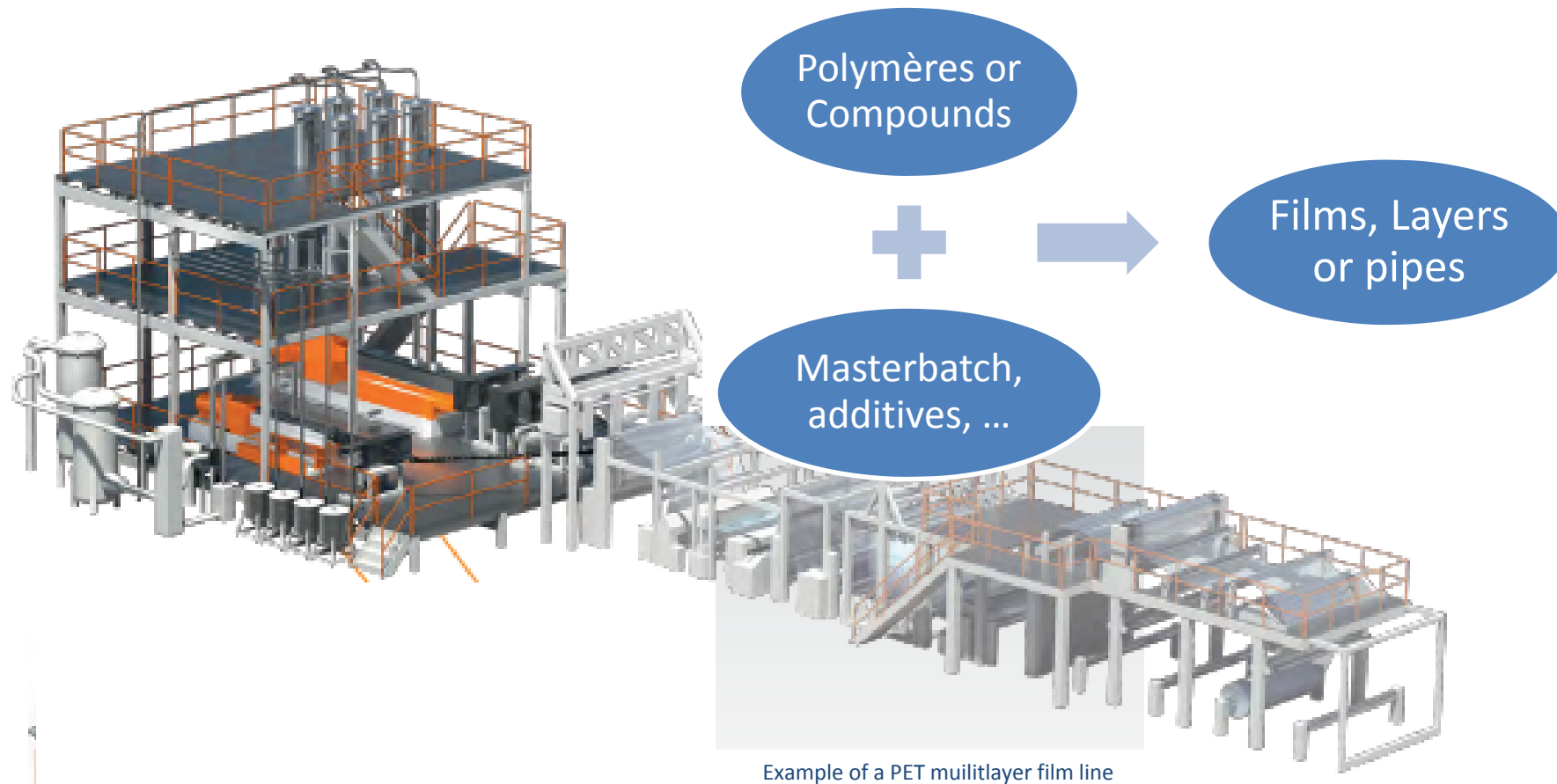
## Masterbatch line



## Direct extrusion



## Direct extrusion





## Recycling



End life plastics



Additives, Charges,  
Renforts, Mélanges  
Maîtres

Recycled  
Compound



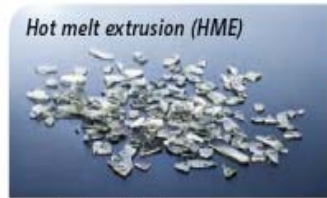
# Pharmaceutical, Cosmetics & Food Extrusion



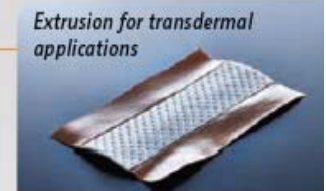
## PHARMACEUTICAL TWIN SCREW EXTRUSION

### Application fields

Compounding with co-rotating twin-screws has been successfully applied in the plastics industry for decades. Now it is a proven system for hot melt extrusion, granulation, lipid extrusion, transdermals and implants. Leistritz was a pioneer when pharmaceutical extrusion started. Today we are technology leader in this area. We have extensive knowledge in the areas of process technology, GMP design, plant engineering, and qualification.



Example after chill Roll process



Example of a ZSE 18 HP-PH



## Research & Development

**Innovation is the key to stay competitive**

- Test new formulations
- New raw material validation for your application
- Scale-up

**Leistritz Lab extruders type ZSE18Maxx & ZSE27iMaxx are the state of the art :**

- High flexibility and easy handling
- Same conception as a production line
- Volume & Torque performance like in production

## Research & Development





## Today topics

- Applications with Leistritz twin screws extruders
- Main parameters for twin screw extrusion

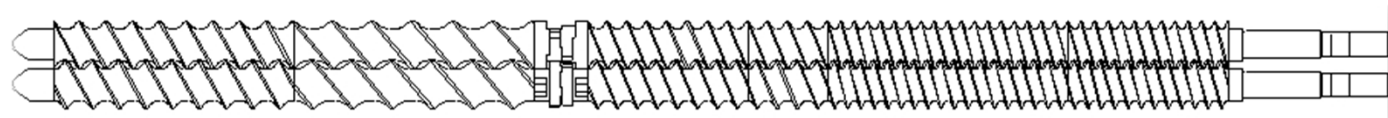
## Main parameters for twin screw extrusion for selection

- OD/ID ratio -> 1.4 to 1.8
- Specific Torque -> 8 to 18 Nm/cm<sup>3</sup>
- L/D length -> 24 to 100
- Screw profile -> multitude



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# Main parameters for twin screw extrusion for processing





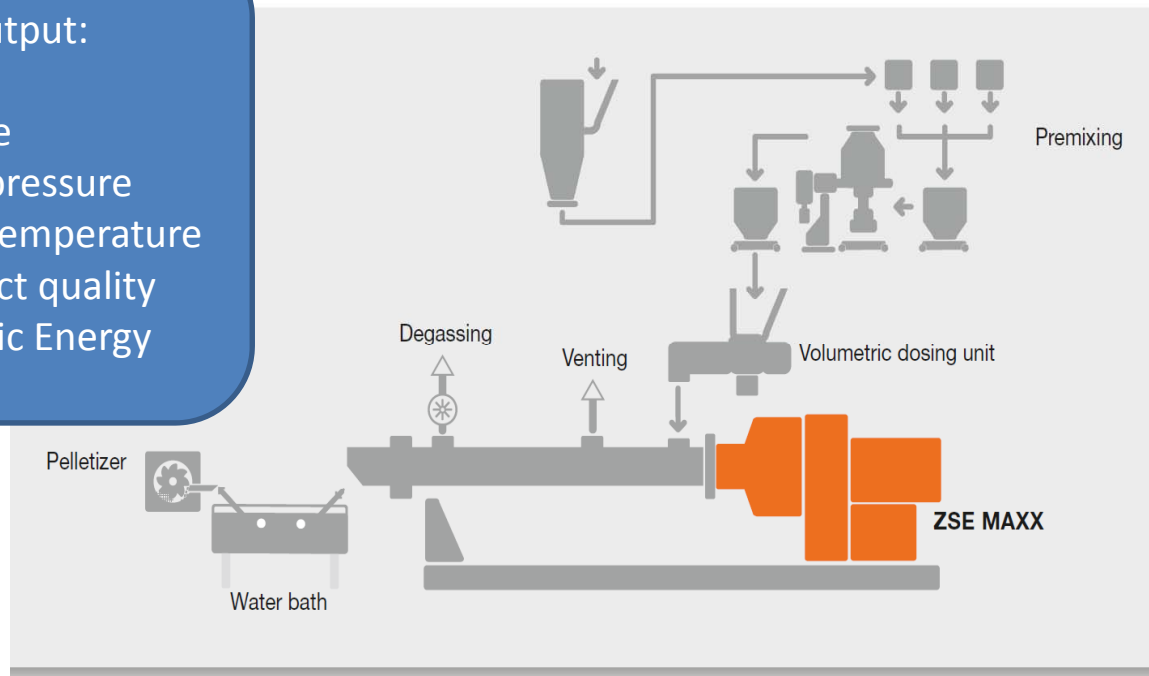
# Main parameters for twin screw extrusion for processing

## Output:

- Torque
- Melt pressure
- Melt temperature
- Product quality
- Specific Energy

## Input:

- Screw profile
- Throughput
- Barrel heating
- Screw speed



- Formula, raw materials quality and shapes are also important success factors.
- Auxiliary equipment will have an impact too (accuracy, régularity, performance)

# Main parameters for twin screw extrusion

## Important: the correct dispersion

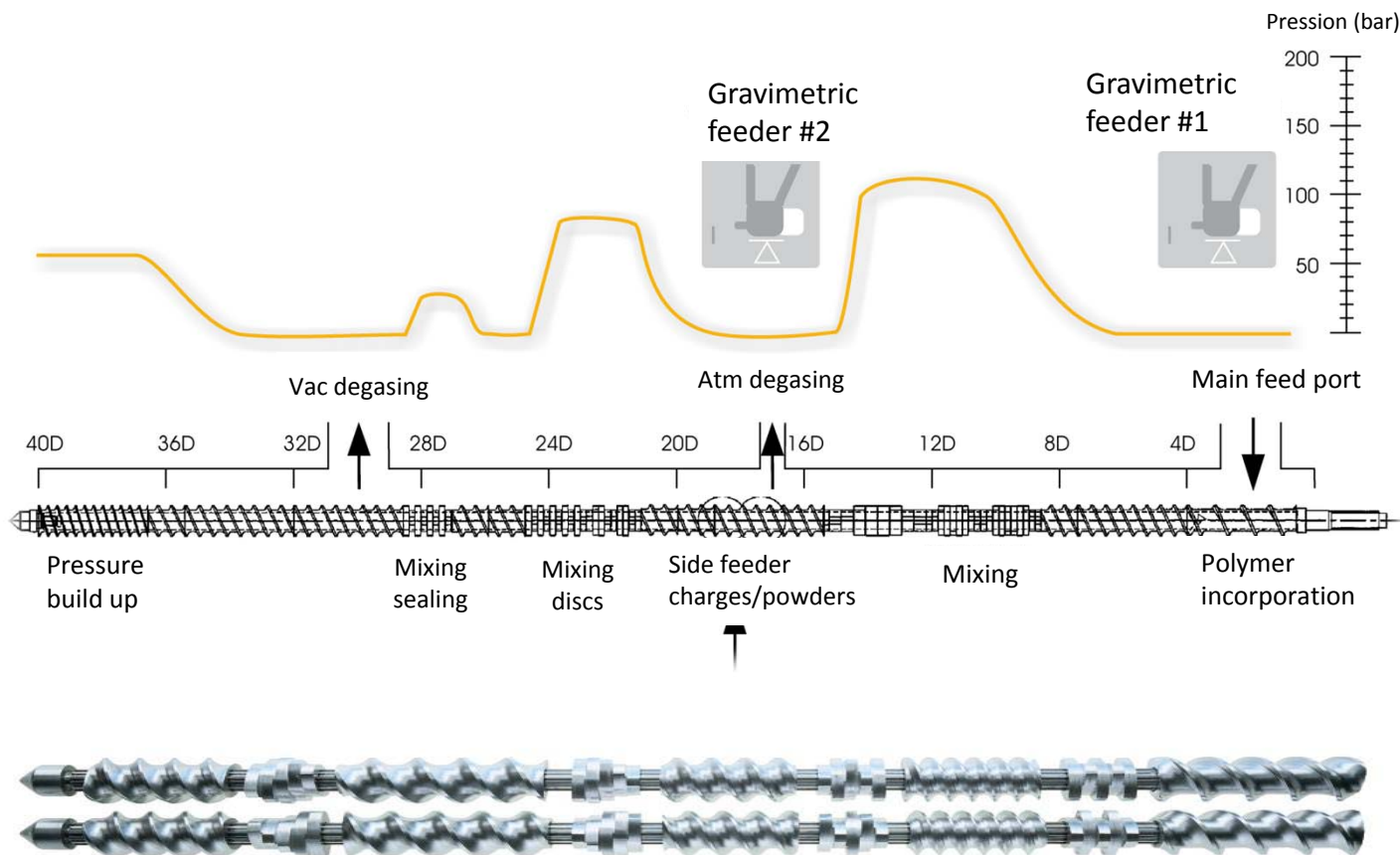
The goal when manufacturing masterbatches is the optimum dispersion and distribution of the additives in the polymer matrix. This is carried out after wetting by the mechanical energy introduced by the screws. If this takes place too early in the process, the un-moistened pigments can be compressed back into agglomerates by the force exerted on them (cold agglomeration). Two processes can be used to produce a masterbatch: premix\* and split-feed\*\*.

\*see P. 8/9 \*\* see P. 10/11



# Main parameters for twin screw extrusion

Different pressures into the process



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**ZSE35iMAXX**

*» ZSE 35 iMAXX – the ideal twin screw extruder  
for frequent product changes! «*



*Example of a ZSE 35 iMAXX*



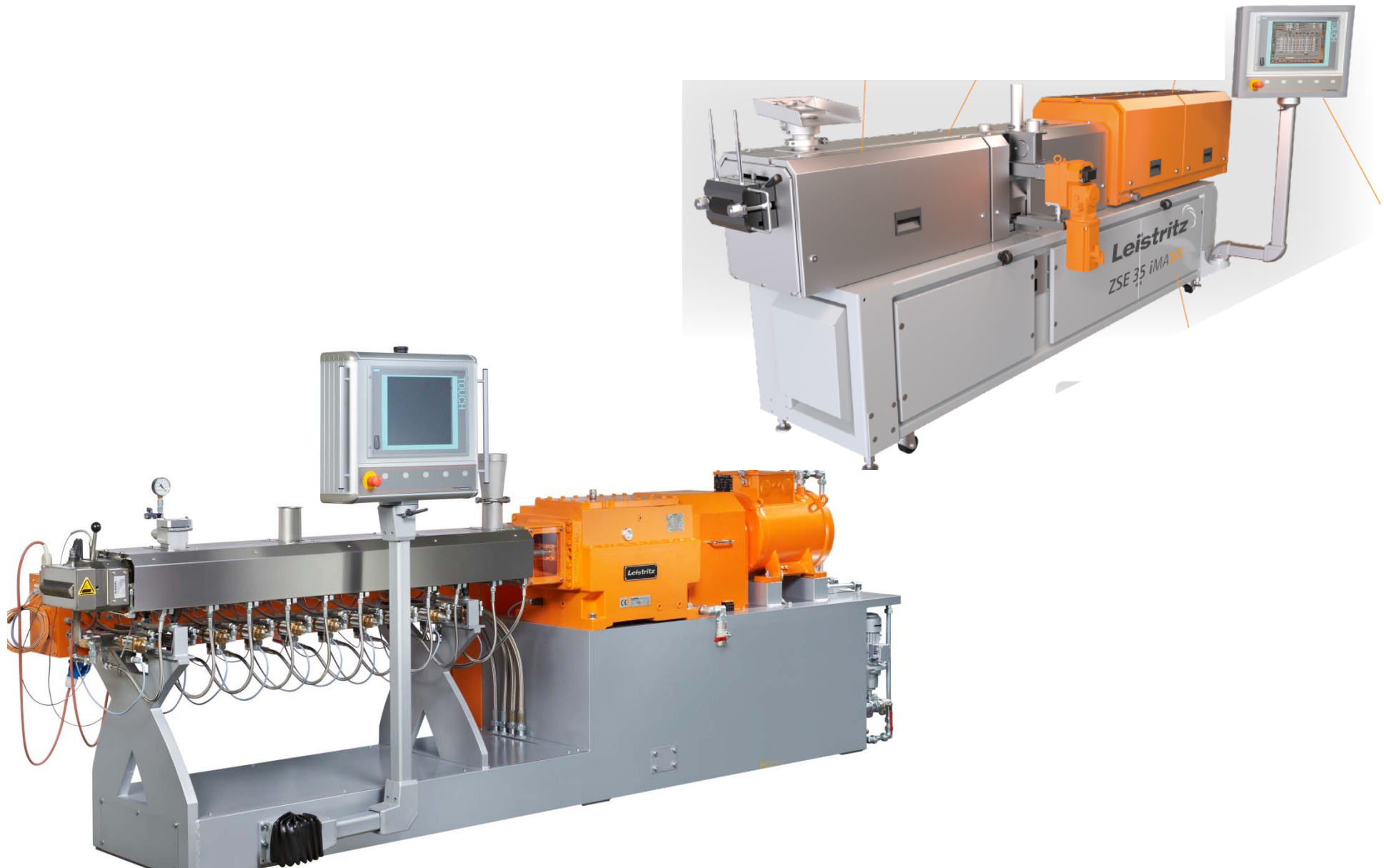


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ZSE35iMAXX

Leistritz





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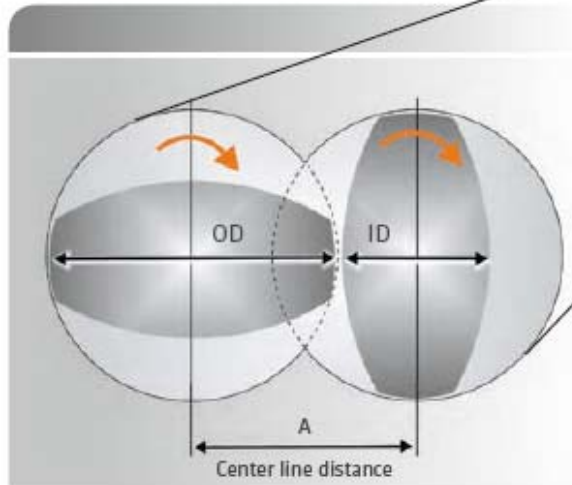
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# OD/ID ratio & high Torque

» With lower cut screw flights and larger external diameters, an increase in volume and thus improved throughputs of up to 30% are possible. «

## maXXvolume

More throughput by means of increased volume



## maXXtorque

More output for higher operating safety

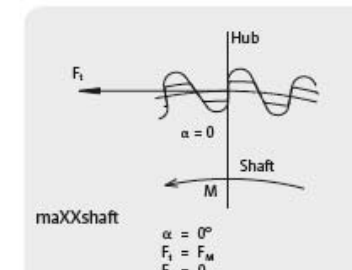
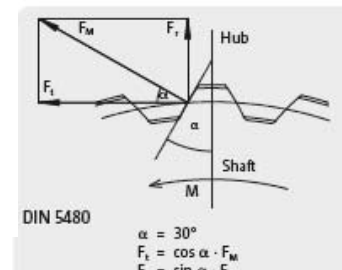
## maXXshaft

More splines for a better torque transmission



### ADVANTAGES OF THE ASYMMETRIC SPLINE SHAPE:

- The arrangement of several splines with the same root width → allows very high torque to be transmitted.
- Errors can be reduced by a set direction of assembly.



## Torque Measurement Option



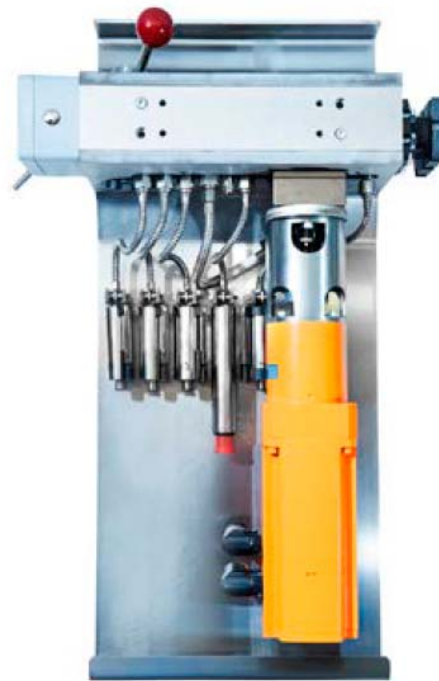
at sleeve coupling to  
get a value per screw  
shaft

## New Side feeders

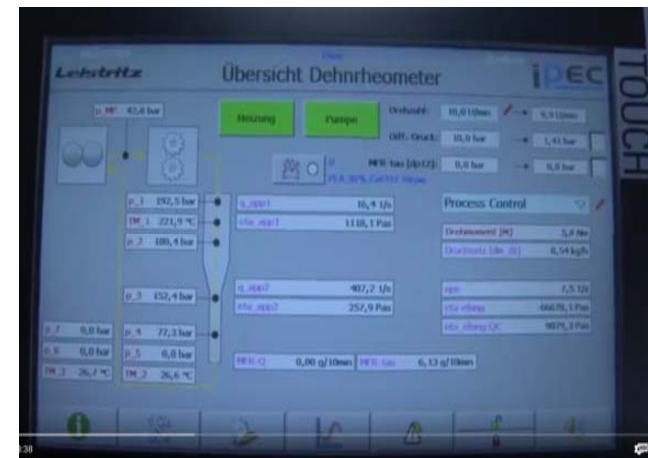


- OD/ID ratio : 2
- Easy handling
- Shafts cooled by water (option)
- Different steel quality of screws and barrel according to applications
- Screws could be segmented

# Elongational Rheometer



Inline for system  
production 4.0



The rheometer facilitates online measuring of the shear viscosity with shear rates in the range of 10 to 10,000  $s^{-1}$  and the elongational viscosity with elongation rates in the range of 5 – 75  $s^{-1}$ . It has a newly developed, patented die geometry with a hyperbolic narrowing that generates a constant elongational flow. This has not been possible with current online measurement devices. During a continuous measuring process, the operator can query two measured values of shear viscosity and one measured value of extensional viscosity in the according, precisely defined shear and expansion ranges at the same time.



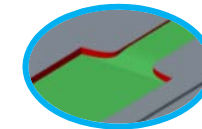
# Elongational Rheometer

- Based on Cogswell's assumptions

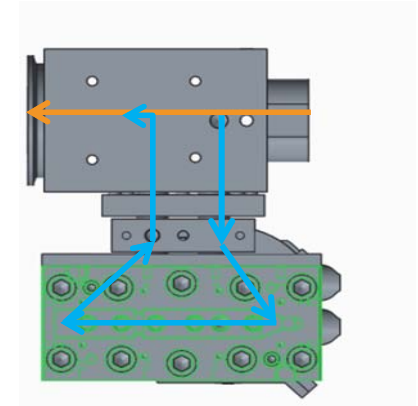
$$\Delta p_{\text{measured}} = \Delta p_{\text{shear}} + \underbrace{\Delta p_{\text{elong.}} + \Delta p_{\text{elast.}}}_{\Delta p_E}$$

$$\frac{\Delta p_{\text{Shear}}}{x} = \left( \frac{2^{m+1} \cdot (m+2) \cdot \dot{V}}{W(x) \cdot H(x)^{m+2} \cdot \Phi} \right)^{\frac{1}{m}}$$

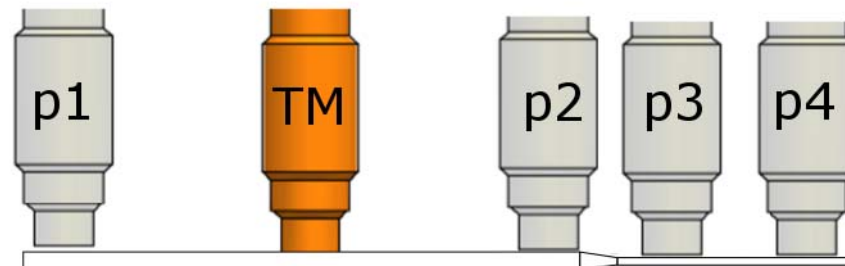
$$\eta_{\text{elong.}} = \frac{\sigma}{\dot{\epsilon}} = \frac{\Delta p_E}{\dot{\epsilon}} = \frac{\Delta p_{\text{measured}} - \Delta p_{\text{shear}}}{\dot{\epsilon}}$$



$$\Delta p_E = \Delta p_{\text{elong.}} + \Delta p_{\text{elast.}}$$



unique elongational die



- Elongation rate: constant for hyperbolic die:  $\dot{\epsilon} = \frac{\dot{V}}{L} \cdot \left( \frac{1}{H_2 \cdot W_2} - \frac{1}{H_1 \cdot W_1} \right)$

# Elongational Rheometer

**Valid tool for online quality control in compounding**

Example of application :

- Material degradation
- Blending performance
- Controlling viscosity/MFR during compounding
- Fillers distribution into a polymer



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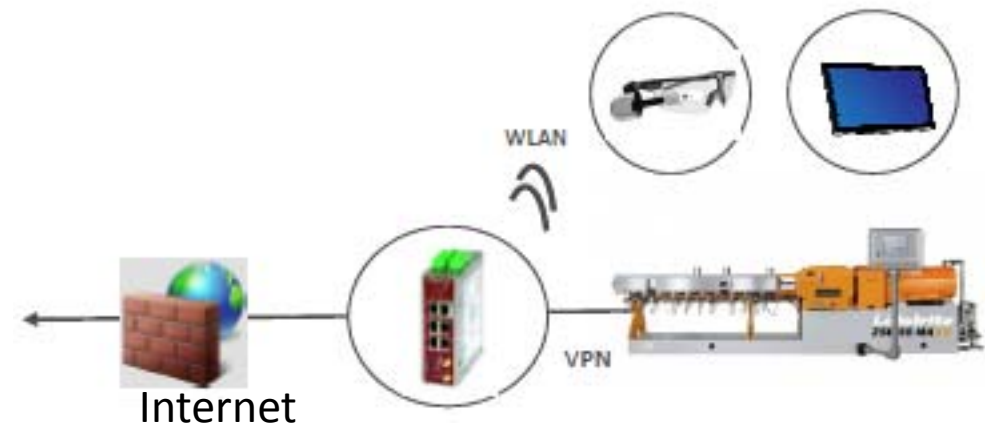
## REMOTE SERVICE

INDUSTRY 4.0

Each machine / line is equipped by default with a remote service tool (VPN security router) via an absolutely safe VPN tunnel.

### Leistritz remote service central

- Access to live machine data via VPN
- Access to live pictures via Smart Glasses
- Access tablet via Remote Desktop connection



- Only outbound connection
- Via company network or mobile network

# Smart glasses

INDUSTRY 4.0



## Conclusion: Leistritz the right partner

- Turnkey installations at high level of engineering
- A lot of know-how & competences in different fields
- Good connections with R&D labs & Universities
- 3 Development Centers worldwide
- Efficient service team
- 7 different trainings offered
- Always improving the future with innovations

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