Eccentric vibrating mills

Mechano-chemical activation and micro-fine milling of brittle materials of all hardness grades
The mechanism of action of the eccentric vibrating mill

Only the single-tube eccentric vibrating mill of Siebtechnik GmbH executes, through an exciter unit provided outside, inhomogeneous movements, comprising elliptical, circular and linear vibrations. The upshot is a high degree of loosening of the mill filling with very high impact load on the material to be ground, particularly with large amplitudes. The high specific energy input with a high degree of loosening of the mill filling is a decisive benefit of the single-tube principle, which, caused by the design, also makes a clear reduction in the mill mass and thus in the drive energy possible.

The eccentrically appointed imbalance excitation generates inhomogeneous vibrations, whereby the main wear zone in the eccentric vibrating mill is distributed more uniformly on the bottom half of the plating. With the image “Absolute movement of the grinding bodies in the eccentric vibrating mill”, the circulation movement of the grinding-media filling can be discerned, which undertakes transport of the milled material and homogenisation of the milled material.

The Siebtechnik eccentric vibrating mill is of modular design and basically comprises
- the cylindrical grinding vessel
- helical springs
- the base frame
- the grinding media
- the exciter unit
- the counter weight
This modular design of the machine offers enormous advantages particularly with larger machines:
- The mill can be split up into small units for transport and installation
- The power train fitted completely on the outside of the mill body is freely accessible once the protective guards have been dismantled
- All drive components and particularly the compact exciter units can be easily exchanged in case of maintenance, whereby downtimes can be considerably reduced compared to circular-oscillating mills
- Furthermore, the grinding vessel modules considerably simplify the change of the grinding media and wear lining
- The grinding vessel modules enable the grinding vessel lengths to be adapted to individual performance requirements or to changed performance requirements in the course of operation

The mill is set – via the direct three-phase drive and the exciter units - into inhomogeneous vibrations, which lead to the already mentioned high energy utilisation. The mill is filled with feed material via a nozzle at the highest point of the grinding vessel and the output at the lowest point at the other end of the grinding vessel. A perforated metal plate in the discharge prevents the grinding media from passing through.

Different output systems enable the ESM to be equipped with the following types of operation.
- Continuous operation
- Batch operation
- Automated batch operation
Siebtechnik produces customized eccentric vibrating mills especially for the particular application concerned. Available options include:

- Lining of the grinding vessel with wear-resistant lining made of special steel, ceramic or elastomers
- Grinding-media as balls, rods or Cylpebs in the most varying materials
- Cooling or heating through a double-walled grinding jacket
- Sound absorbing hood
- Opposed-action frame
- Inertisation with protective gas; vacuum; ATEX
- Complete plants including the necessary periphery
The ESM has convincingly proven its performance in the most varied applications and feed materials in the field of mechano-chemical activation and micro-grinding, including in the
- Automotive supply industry
- Pharmaceutical production
- Building industry
- Biomass preparation
- Chemical industry
- Ceramic industry
- Animal food industry
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In mechano-chemical activation, highly reactive conditions are generated, resultant in crystalline systems with impacting load. Generally, brittle materials have a crystalline structure, which prior to comminution represents the lowest-energy condition. With mechanical load from impact, this crystal structure is partly destroyed and the incorporated energy stored.

This result in highly reactive conditions, which lead, for example, to
- an increase in reactivity,
- an improvement in solubility,
- magnetic properties,
- conductivity
- and other physical properties.

One peculiarity are the reactions of various crystalline systems with each other, whereby through solid-state reactions new materials come about with specific properties. Under these circumstances, the eccentric vibrating mill undertakes the role of a mechano-chemical reactor. Micro-grinding in the eccentric vibrating mill likewise follows specific principles. Here, fineness of 0 - 5 μm can be attained depending on the product and grinding duration, and fibrous materials developed.

A good example for solid-state reactions generated with the eccentric vibrating mill is the mechano-chemical realisation of metals with sulphur to metal sulphides.
Applications

Fibre destruction of asbestos

As an alternative to thermal asbestos destruction, the eccentric vibrating mill is used for fibre-free micro-comminution of asbestos waste. When asbestos is micro-comminuted with the eccentric vibrating mill, complete destruction of the fibre structure is attained by the impact load and the concomitant high point temperatures through energy dissipation, so that needle-like, fibrous crystal structures are no longer detectable. A fibre-free material is obtained.

Tungsten carbides

Due to the high impact, the eccentric vibrating mill can also be implemented for the milling of tungsten carbide scrap. For example, carbide drills or carbide tips can be finely comminuted.

Grinding experiments in the Siebtechnik Technical Centre

For product tests and grinding experiments in the Siebtechnik Technical Centre testing machines of varied design are available with the pertinent technical equipment for designing the mill sizes for the particular performance requirements concerned.

All machines from the Technical Centre can also be made available as rental machines, so that specific grinding problems can also be tested on the spot over a protracted period of time.
**Technical data**

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Delivery Program

Screening Machines
Process Equipment
circular and elliptical motion screens
double counterweight screens
multideck horizontal screen
round screens
jigs

Sampling Systems, Airtube Systems,
Size Reduction Machines, Laboratory Equipment,
Control Screening Machines and Automation
industrial units and complete installations
for sampling and sample preparation
airtube systems
jaw crushers
roller mills
hammer and hammer impact mills
eccentric vibrating mills and ball mills
control screening machines
analytical screening machines
splitter
testing drums
automation

Centrifuges
scroll-screen centrifuges
pusher centrifuges
sliding discharge centrifuges
vibratory centrifuges
deанter centrifuges