# *EcoPower* 55 – 300 t All-electric, fast and precise

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# **DYNAMIC** – **PRECISE** – **HIGHLY EFFICIENT** Optimal sustainability and performance

#### The advantages

- » Dynamic toggle clamping unit with sensitive mold protection
- » High-precision injection units with extreme shot-by-shot accuracy
- » Fast, precise and efficient thanks to servo drive axes with parallel operation
- » Additional energy bonus through patented KERS energy recovery system
- » User-friendly through new UNILOG B8 control system with integrated assistance systems
- » "Plug & produce" extension into a full-fledged production cell possible with WITTMANN peripheral units and the WITTMANN 4.0 integration package
- » Optimal price/performance ratio

#### The machine series

*EcoPower* standard: 7 clamping force sizes from 55 to 300 t *EcoPower* Medical: for clean room applications – from 55 to 300 t *EcoPower* COMBIMOULD: for multi-component injection molding – from 55 to 300 t



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### The system-highlights

» Direct servo drives for main movements The *EcoPower* machines come with highly dynamic servo motors to drive the main movements (closing/ opening, plasticizing, injection). The mold height adjustment device in the clamping unit is also driven by a servo-electric motor. The ancillary strokes (ejector, nozzle stroke/contact pressure, core pulls) are driven by an integrated servo-hydraulic aggregate powered by a servo-electric motor. Direct servo-mechanic drives are available as an option.

### » High-performance injection unit

The *EcoPower* injection units are equipped with a twin drive system for the injection and dosing functions. A torsion-resistant, one-piece cast iron frame with linear guides and a central ball screw drive provides the basis for highly dynamic, precise movements.

#### » Fast toggle clamping system

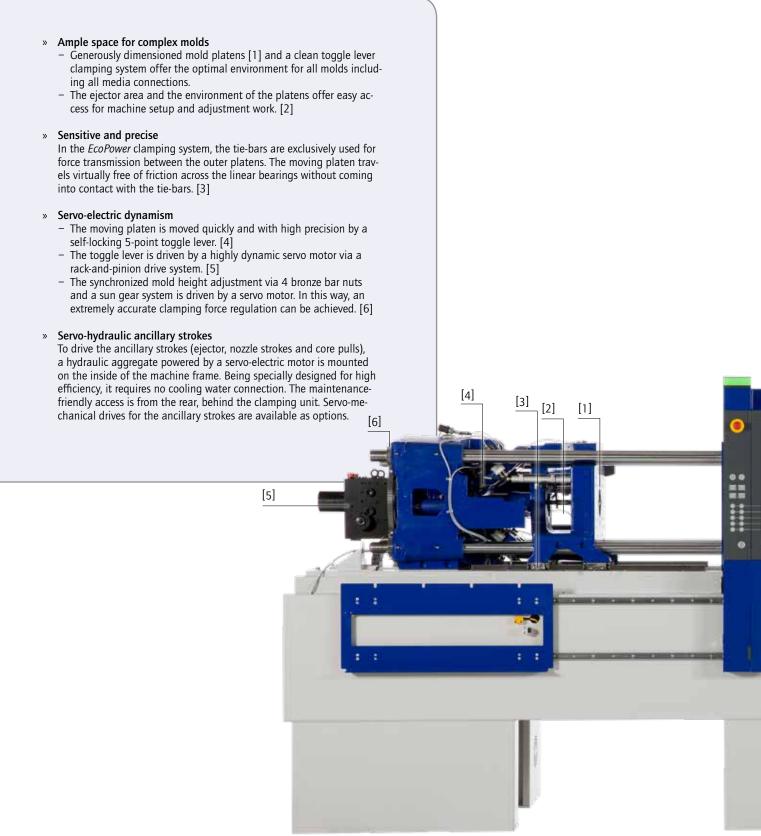
The *EcoPower* clamping unit is a 3-platen/4-tie-bar system with a 5-point toggle lever, driven directly by a servo motor via a rack-and-pinion drive. The moving platen of the machine travels on linear guides and rotating roller bearings without coming into contact with the tie-bars. Injection can already start during clamping force build-up.

#### » KERS - energy recovery is standard

The KERS kinetic energy recovery system, patented for injection molding machines, converts the kinetic energy released by braking processes into electrical energy. The resulting current is used within the machine, e. g. for barrel heating. With KERS, the energy consumption can be cut further by up to 5 %.

» Mould Protect – fast-response mold protection The minimal rolling friction of the moving platen guide system combined with measurement of force changes inside the toggle lever drive offers optimal conditions for highly sensitive, self learning, fast-response mold protection.

# **CLAMPING UNIT** Servo-electric speed and dynamism



# **INJECTION UNIT** Precision from beginning to end



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### **DRIVE TECHNOLOGY** Energy efficiency with servo motors



#### Servo-hydraulic drive for ancillary strokes

- » Integrated in the machine frame without additional space requirements
- » Drive unit for hydraulic core pulls
- » Energy-efficient, maintenance-free nozzle contact with high pressure
- » No cooling required for standard applications



# **INSIDER CONCEPT** "ex works" production cell

The insider concept is an ex-works solution to transform an *EcoPower* injection molding machine into a fully fledged production cell. In its basic version, the equipment cell integrates a parts handling system, a conveyor belt for parts transport and a protective housing firmly connected with the machine. Additional equipment modules for further processing, quality documentation and packaging are available as options. For the design and configuration of such higher automation levels, WITTMANN BATTENFELD places the combined expert knowledge of the entire group at its customers' disposal.

### The advantages of insider automation » Material flow systematization

- thanks to a uniform logistics interface for finished parts transfer at the end of the clamping unit, a prerequisite for positioning of several machines in rows
- » Reduction of production space by up to 50 % compared to conventional automation solutions
- » Minimization of robot cycle times through shorter travel paths and immediate parts depositing on conveyor belt
- » Easy access in spite of integration to the mold and the robot thanks to mobility of the conveyor belt integrated in the protective housing
- » Cost benefits, since safety features for all danger areas are already in place and certified ex works.
- » CE mark included

for every machine with an insider solution. No more costs for individual approval.



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### **UNILOG B8** Complex matters simplified

The new 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.



### The process in constant view

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#### » SmartEdit

*SmartEdit* is a visual, icon-based cycle sequence programming facility, which enables direct addition of special functions (core pulls, air valves, etc.) based on a standard process via touch operation on the control system's monitor. In this way, a total user-defined sequence can be compiled from a sequence menu. This machine cycle, visualized either horizontally or vertically, can be adjusted simply and flexibly to the process requirements by finger touch with "drag & drop" movements.

#### The advantages

- Icon visualization ensures clarity.
- Clear events sequence through node diagram
- Alterations without consequences through "dry test runs"
- Theoretical process sequence can be quickly implemented in practice.
- Automatic calculation of the automation sequence based on the actual set-up data set without machine movements

#### » SmartScreen

- Partitioning of screen displays to visualize and operate two different functions simultaneously (e.g. machines and peripherals)
- Uniform design of the screen pages within the WITTMANN group
- Max. 3 containers can be addressed simultaneously for the SmartScreen function.
- Adjustments of set values can be effected directly in the set value profile.





#### Remote communication

- QuickLook
  - Production status check via smartphone simple and comfortable:
  - Production data and statuses of all essential appliances in a production cell
  - Complete overview of the most important production parameters
  - Access to production data, error signals and user-defined data
  - Facilities for grouping of appliances and sorting according to status available

#### » Global online service network

- Web-Service 24/7: direct Internet connection to WITTMANN BATTENFELD service
- Web-Training: efficient staff training by means of the virtual training center

## **WITTMANN 4.0** Communication in and with production cells

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.

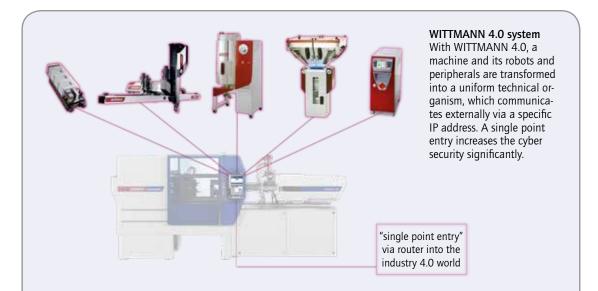
#### Connection of peripherals via WITTMANN 4.0

- » WITTMANN FLOWCON plus water flow regulator, GRAVIMAX blenders and ATON dryers
  - Units directly addressed and controlled via the machine's control system
  - Joint saving of data in the production cell, the machine and in the network via MES
- » 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.





# **OPTIONS** Modular and flexible



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# *EcoPower* The option highlights

#### » Performance increase for injection

As an option, a "high-speed" version of the toggle lever drive is available. The injection dynamism and precision of the servo-electric injection units provide the prerequisites for manufacturing thin-walled molded parts with high standards of dimensional accuracy. This enables the production of thin-walled plastic parts for the packaging and electronics industries.

#### » Faster ejection

As an alternative to the standard servo-hydraulic drive for the ejector, a more powerful version with a servomechanical drive is available as an option.

#### » Electrical nozzle movement

Instead of the standard version of the nozzle system with hydraulic cylinders, the nozzle carriage equipped with a servo-electric drive can be supplied as an option.

#### » Fast media connections

For the ergonomically positioned standard connection points for cooling water, air and core pull hydraulics, optional fast-coupling plates (individual plates or system plates) can be supplied, as well as electrical plug-in systems for the hot runner heating circuits, temperature and pressure sensors and coding signals.

#### » WITTMANN peripherals

The extensive range of WITTMANN peripheral units offers appropriate solutions for all secondary processes of injection molding, including parts handling, material feeding and drying, sprue recycling and mold cooling. Via the optional WITTMANN 4.0 integration package, all additional appliances can be integrated into the production cell according to the "plug & produce" principle.

# **APPLICATION TECHNOLOGY** Outstanding competence



 Clean room injection molding
Whenever medical or electronic components need to be manufactured in a particle-free environment, the *EcoPower* concept with its easy-to-clean mold space offers good basic conditions, which can be further optimized to meet more stringent requirements by adding optional equipment modules (such as water-cooled servo motors and clean room packages).



» Technical precision injection molding The *EcoPower* ensures highest standards of precision and reproducibility, with free-ofplay force transmission and servo-electric drives. Technical parts such as SIM card holders can be produced with high accuracy and at high speeds. Minimal cycle times and reliable production processes ensure profitability and top-quality products.



**IML – In-Mold Labeling** The fast running *EcoPower* machines in combination with the proven WITTMANN handling technology are the basic equipment for high-performance in-mold labeling production cells to make directly decorated containers.



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Where two or more different plastic materials in different colors or with different attributes are to be combined into one part, the *EcoPower* machines can be fitted with additional injection units in V or L configuration.

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» Injection molding of high-precision components

The high degree of precision in the movements of servo drives stands for an equally high level of precision and consistency of the injection parameters. This provides ideal conditions for processing engineering plastics into all kinds of high-precision components.



» BFMOLD® – Variothermic technology BFMOLD® ("ball filled mold") technology combined with specially adapted heating and cooling aggregates enables cyclical heating and cooling of cavity areas close to the contours. The effect of this process is the elimination of joint lines and sink marks as well as accurate forming of high-gloss surfaces.

# **TECHNICAL DATA** EcoPower



COMBINATIONS OF CLAMPING UNITS/INJECTION UNITS						
Clamping unit	Injection unit					
t	70	130	350	750	1330	2100
55	•	•	•			
90		•	•			
110		•	•	•		
160			•	•		
180			•	•	•	
240				•	•	•
300				•	•	•

Material	Factor
ABS	0.88
CA	1.02
CAB	0.97
PA	0.91
PC	0.97
PE	0.71
PMMA	0.94
POM	1.15
PP	0.73

The maximum shotweights (g) are calculated by multiplying the theoretical shot volume (cm<sup>3</sup>) by the above factor.

Material	Factor
PP + 20 % Talc	0.85
PP + 40 % Talc	0.98
PP + 20 % GF	0.85
PS	0.91
PVC hard	1.12
PVC soft	1.02
SAN	0.88
SB	0.88
PF	1.3
UP	1.6

Dark grey boxes = thermosets

### **STANDARD**

#### Base machine

Regional packages, Europe

Drop – voltage 230/400V/3p+N-TN/TT, 50 Hz

Painting RAL 7047 tele grey 4 / RAL 5002 ultramarine blue

Air cooling system for drive unit, water cooling for feeding zone with solenoid valve  $% \left( {{{\mathbf{r}}_{i}}} \right)$ 

One-piece base frame with 3 disposal directions

Ejection area - coverage of ejection area according to EN201

Machine filled with hydraulic oil HLP32 zinc free according to DIN 51524 T2 / purity level 17/15/12 according to ISO 4406, lubricants according to H2-quality

Operating manual in printed version incl. user manual on USB flash drive in any EU language according to definition of country incl. type examination certificate TÜV Austria in German incl. protocol: electrical safety according to EN 60204-1

Injection molding machine according to machinery directive 2006/42/EG incl. declaration of conformity and CE-marking

#### Clamping unit

Clamping force and closing and opening forces adjustable Mold safety program

Moving platen supported by positioned linear guides

Mold platen according to EUROMAP 2, clamping surface metallic bright, rest painted

Fixing holes for robot on fixed platen as per EUROMAP 18

Hydraulic multi stroke ejector

Drive unit S0 with speed controlled servo motor for hydraulic pump to increase the energy efficiency, injection axis, dosing axis and clamping axis with energy-efficient and performance optimized direct servo drive

Servo electric ejector and injection unit movement (fully electric machine)

Clamping system with 5-point twin toggle, servo electric direct drive via rack-and-pinion drive

Servo electric mold height adjustment

#### Injection unit

Screw drive by A.C. servo-motor for parallel recovery during cycle

Plasticizing unit with screw in nitrated steel quality and barrel in AK+ for processing thermoplastics, without grooves, standard nozzle head, 3 zone universal screw, quick acting check valve (3 parts), heater bands up to 350 °C without insulation

Thermocouple failure monitor

Maximum temperature supervision

Plug-in ceramic heater bands

Temperature control of feed throat integrated

Injection axis via servo motor and defined hydraulic nozzle contact pressure

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

Open nozzle R35

Splash guard and barrel covering in standard execution according to EN 201, L/D 22 protected via limit switch

Material hopper 6 litres (MH206) for automatic material feed, sliding device with shut-off function for material with sliding guide

#### Safety gate

Covering injection side – maintenance door slightable with sensor Safety gate in standard execution, acrylic glass light-blue 309 / frame RAL 5002 ultramarine blue

Safety gate at operator and non-operator side manually operated

Safety gate clamping side front and back with maintenance-free locking manually operated  $% \left( {{{\rm{D}}_{\rm{s}}}} \right)$ 

#### Electrics

Control zone for nozzle heater band 230  ${\rm V}$ 

ambiLED status indicator

Fuse protection for sockets

Switch cabinet circulating fan for environment temperature to max. 30 °C Emergency stop switch button in control panel

Printer socket

USB – 1 x operating unit

1 Ethernet interface (switch cabinet)

Printer via USB connection or network

#### Control system

Control system UNILOG B8 - 21,5" multi-touch screen (full HD) Control panel with selectable haptic keys Software for operating hours counter Closing/Opening - 5 profile steps Ejection forward/back - 3 profile steps Nozzle forward/back - 3 profile steps Injection/Holding pressure - 10 profile steps Screw speed/Back pressure - 6 profile steps Parts counter with good/bad part evaluation Purging program through open mold Stroke zero offset settings Start-up program Switch over to holding pressure MASTER/SLAVE by injection time, screw stroke/injection volume 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 (1 x check card IT-level-15, 1 x token customer level-30 and 1 x token customer service level-20 are included in delivery) Freely configurable status bar Physical, process-related units Automatic dimming Logbook with filter function User programming system (APS) User page Note pad function Cycle time analysis Hardcopy function Internal data storage via USB connection or network Online language selection Online selection of imperial or metric units Time monitoring BASIC Quality Monitoring (1 freely config. network connection, quality table 1000 storage depth, events protocol (logbook) for 1000 events, actual value graphics with 5 curves, 1 envelope curves monitoring) BASIC StepForce - Injection parallel to clamping force build-up Injection integral supervision Metering integral supervision Alarm message via e-mail SmartEdit - sequence editor QuickSetup - assistance program for initial parameter setting Energy consumption monitoring for motors and heating

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#### Base machine

Regional packages, country-specific

Drop 1, special voltage, drop 2

Handling package with open machine safety gate on non operator side Parts hopper

Parts chute for separation of good/bad parts or photoelectric ejection check

#### Hydraulics/Pneumatics

Raw filter in water inlet of cooling incl. adapter with ball valve for oil maintenance on oil tank

Hydraulic core pull for clamping plate, interface according to EUROMAP 13, incl. or without core pull pressure release

Pneum. core pull on clamping plate/nozzle plate, incl. pressure regulator Hydraulic manifolds for one mold shut-off nozzle or more

Air valves on nozzle plate/clamping plate

Compressed air pressure maintenance unit incl. 1 or more way pressure regulation incl. directional exhaust valve with blocking function

#### Clamping unit

Mold platen according to SPI, JIS, T-slots

Mold platen incl. cooling channels

Mold platen chemically nickel-plated

Manuel tie-bar retract device

Hydraulic ejector in reinforced execution

Unscrewing device in lieu of ejector

Double check valve to keep ejector in end-position

Ejector cross according to EUROMAP/SPI Mechanical or pneumatic ejector coupling

Ejector platen safety

Mechanical mold safety mechanism

#### Injection unit

Plasticizing unit AK+ in wear and corrosion resistant execution

Plasticizing unit AK++ in high wear and corrosion resistant execution Plasticizing unit AKCN in wear and corrosion resistant execution, for pro-

cessing PMMA and ABS Plasticizing unit AKTN in wear and corrosion resistant execution, for

processing PC

Grooves in the feeding zone

Barrier section, screw with mixing section

Ball type screw tip

Melt pressure transducer, melt temperature sensor

Heater bands up to 450 °C

Plasticizing unit in special execution for LIM, MIM, CIM, PVC Barrel insulation

Open nozzles in special execution

Needle type shut-off nozzle operated with spring, pneumatically or hydraulically

Barrel covering and splash guard in special execution

Vacuum package incl. vacuum pump

Material hopper in special execution

Hopper magnet

#### Safety gate

Safety gate clamping side, rear side and/or operator side elevated, lowered or extended

Insider package WITTMANN rear side incl. conveyor belt

Safety gate clamping side electrically operated

Front side gate safety system for manual part removal incl. clearance of ejector  $% \left( {{{\rm{s}}_{\rm{s}}}} \right)$ 

#### Cooling and conditioning

Cooling water distributor with/without blow-off valve

Solenoid valve for cooling water distributor

Machine cooling by T-piece in inlet pipe

Filter back flushable/water pressure supervision in inlet pipe

Distributor block on nozzle plate/clamping plate

#### Electrics

Temperature control zones for hot runner

Acustic element integrated in signal lamp

Socket combination

Additional fan in electric switch cabinet for increased environment temperature

Cabinet air conditioner

Additional emergency stop switch button

Interface for robot, conveyor belt, TCU, dosing unit, AIRMOULD®, BFMOLD®, mold surveillance, production data logging system, RJG eDart, Priamus BlueLine, danger zone boundary, ejection in mold middle plate, brushing device, relay signals

#### Control system

Cavity pressure switch over

BNC sockets for injection process analysis

EXPERT Quality Monitoring (4 freely configurable network connections, quality table with 10000 storage depth, events protocol (logbook) for 10000 events, actual value graphic with 16 curves, 4 envelope curves monitoring, SPC charts, trend diagrams)

#### Mold identification

Special programs on customer request
HiQ-Cushion – melt cushion control
HiQ-Flow – injection integral control
HiQ-Melt – monitoring of material quality
Software Tandemmould, multiple data sets
Energy consumption analysis
Injection compression and venting program
Initiation of next cycle by closing safety gate
Special program ejector intermediate stop/ejection of cold slug
Additional output card/input card, freely programmable
Integration package WITTMANN 4.0

Additional equipment

Plinth for robot

Tool kit

Levelling pads

Lighting in mold space

Mold clamping systems in mechanical, electrical or hydraulic execution Integration package (robot, feeder, dosing unit, TCU, mold integration) WITTMANN BATTENFELD web service during warranty period free of charge

Remote control package



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