

OVC– the cooling crystalliser

A new generation of efficient coolers. Perfectly equipped for constant crystal growth and maximum yield.



For optimum crystal growth.



Molasses massecuite mingler

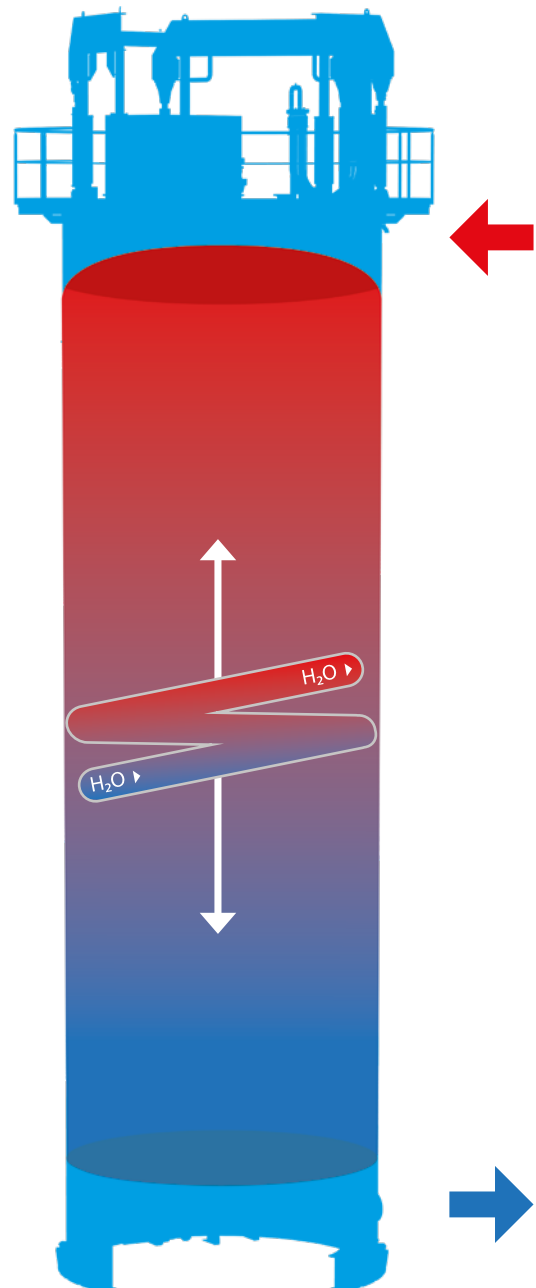
With its OVC, BMA delivers a continuous cooling crystallisation solution for maximum desugarisation without the formation of fine crystals.

The cooling crystalliser uses the force of gravity, with the massecuite flow from top to bottom. BMA offers highest precision when the massecuite enters the cooler. As it enters the unit, the massecuite is uniformly distributed across the entire crystalliser cross section by a slowly rotating distributor.

The cooling system consists of standardised cooling block elements, in which water flows countercurrent to the massecuite. The entire cooling system oscillates vertically by 1 m. This, in conjunction with the symmetric arrangement of the cooling pipes, provides for optimised retention times and even cooling of the massecuite. The standardised cooling process helps achieve high yields. Six hydraulic cylinders, which are symmetrically mounted on the cover of the cooling crystalliser, drive the system. The oscillating cooling blocks also achieve self-cleaning effects. As a result, the OVC can be in continuous operation during the campaign and requires less maintenance during production. The cooling water cycle is a closed system and therefore not dependent on a permanent connection to a fresh water system.

Optimised process technology for greater effectiveness:

- Larger specific cooling surface
- Oscillating cooling surfaces for excellent self-cleaning effect
- Defined cooling for maximum yields
- Permanently very good heat transfer between the massecuite and the coolant



Schematic of cooling crystallisation

Cooling: ten out of ten.

The new generation of cooling systems.



Cooling crystallisers are used in beet and cane sugar factories and sugar refineries worldwide for the crystallisation of sugar from low-purity crystal suspensions (massecuite); they are economical and produce excellent results.

Cooling crystallisers from BMA (OVC) are vertical units consisting of a cylindrical product chamber ① and cooling pipes ② only on the inside. Massecuite enters via the product distributor ③. Hydraulic cylinders ④ drive the vertically oscillating cooling packs. The product is discharged at the lower end ⑤ of the OVC, which can be adapted to fit a specific piping infrastructure.

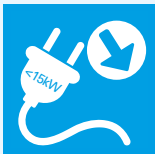
- Design features**
- Modularity of OVC cooling blocks and body
 - Standard lifting system and standard product distributor
 - Compact design
 - Easy to integrate with piping systems thanks to standard flanges

Range of sizes					
Cooling packs	Cylinder height m	Throughput		Volume	Cooling surface
		Cane	Beet	m³	m²
4	11.4	7	6	132	232
6	13.8	10.5	8.5	180	348
8	16.2	14	11	228	464
10	18.6	17.5	13.5	276	580
12	21	21	16.5	324	696
14	23.4	24.5	19.5	372	812
16	25.8	28	22.5	420	928
18	28.2	31.5	25.5	468	1044
20	30.6	35	28.5	516	1160
22	33	38.5	31.5	564	1276
24	35.4	42	34.5	612	1392



Bringing out the best. Benefits at a glance.

Efficient



Energy consumption
no more than 15 kW



ROI within the
first two years¹⁾

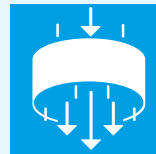


Optimised process
technology



Maximum output
Cooling surface of up
to 1,400 m²

New!



Throughput of up to
40 t/h in one cooling
crystalliser

Cool down



Maximum yield: cool
down to 40° C

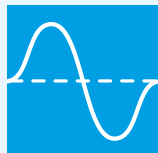
Consistent quality



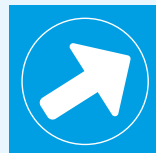
Purity drop of
up to 9 points



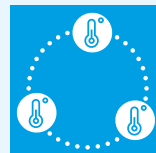
Optimised desugarisa-
tion, no formation of
fine crystals



Oscillating cooling
surfaces for self-clean-
ing effect



Optimised retention
times for high yields



3-step temperature
control

Availability



Robust, low-mainte-
nance hydraulic system



Continuous
operation



For use in cane and
beet sugar factories,
refineries, and for
non-sugar crystallisation

Automation



"Essential" level
included in basic scope
of supply



Extensible with
automation modules

¹⁾ Calculation of the ROI is based on the length of an optimum campaign.



Plants and automation technology from a single supplier

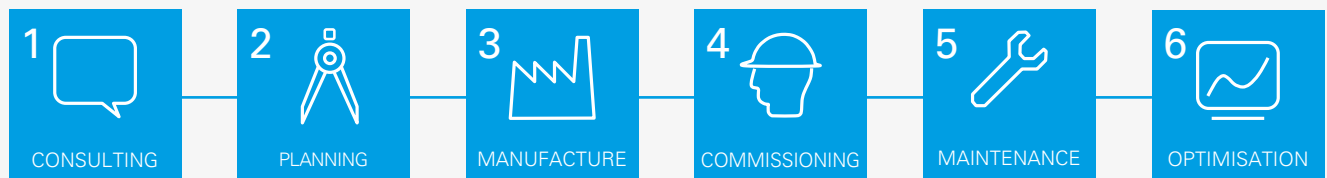
Even the best design solution requires a matching control system and process automation technology to reach its full potential. Together with BMA Automation, we have the necessary combination of mechanical engineering, process technology, and measurement, control and automation technology.

We offer a range of automation modules:

- “Essential” for basic machine safety
- “Extended” with added process technology aspects
- “Advanced” includes additional modules to provide a comprehensive solution for the entire process step.

BMA Group: from the first consultation to the finishing touches.

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