



## PLANETKULEMØLLE PM 200

**The Planetary Ball Mill PM 200 is a powerful benchtop model with 2 grinding stations for grinding jars with a nominal volume of 12 ml to 125 ml.**

**The extremely high centrifugal forces of Planetary Ball Mills result in very high pulverization energy and therefore short grinding times.**

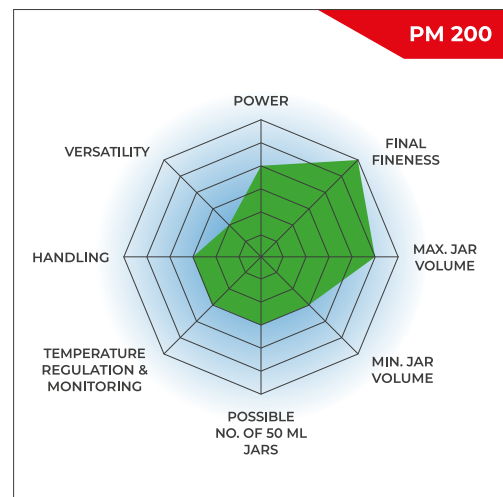
The PM 200 can be found in virtually all industries where the quality control process places the highest demands on purity, speed, fineness and reproducibility.

The mill is ideally suited for tasks in research like mechanochemistry (mechano-synthesis, mechanical alloying and mechanocatalysis), or ultrafine colloidal grinding on a nanometer scale, as well as for routine tasks such as mixing and homogenizing soft, hard, brittle or fibrous materials.



## **TWO GRINDING STATIONS FOR STANDARD APPLICATIONS**

- | Max. speed 650 rpm
- | Up to 10 mm feed size and 0.1  $\mu\text{m}$  final fineness
- | 2 grinding stations for jars from 12 ml up to 125 ml, jars of 12 and 25 ml can be stacked (two jars each)
- | GrindControl to measure temperature and pressure inside the jar.
- | Aeration lids to control the atmosphere inside the jar
- | Storable SOPs and cycle programs, 5 different jar materials for dry and wet grinding



## FAST & POWERFUL

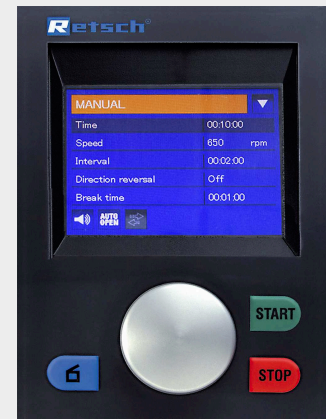
- | Loss-free size reduction down to the submicron range
- | Wet grinding yields particle sizes in the nanometer range (<100 nm)
- | Variable speed from 100 to 650 rpm, speed ratio 1:-2
- | Grinding with up to 33.3 x acceleration of gravity
- | Batch-wise processing with max. 2 x 50 ml sample
- | Wide range of materials for contamination free grinding

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## REPRODUCIBILITY, SAFETY AND EASY HANDLING

- | Reproducible results due to speed control
- | Easy and safe clamping of grinding jars
- | The Safety Slider prevents starting the machine without securely clamped jars
- | Perfect stability on the lab bench thanks to FFCS technology
- | Innovative counterweight and imbalance sensor for unsupervised operation
- | 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 processing time



## SETTINGS & OPTIONS

- | Dry and wet grinding possible
- | Suitable for long-term trials, 99 h max.
- | Interval operation allows for cooling breaks
- | Direction reversal helps to minimize caking effects

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ALTERNATIVE TO A  
RETSCH PLANETARY  
BALL MILL? A  
RETSCH MIXER MILL.



Benefit from particularly ergonomic handling while achieving the same finenesses down to the nanometer range.

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## SAFETY FIRST: JAR CLAMPING

Operation of the RETSCH planetary ball mills is particularly safe. They feature a robust Safety Slider which ensures that the mill can only be started after the grinding jar has been securely fixed with a clamping device. The self-acting lock ensures that the jar is seated correctly and securely. This proven solid mechanical system is less failure-prone than electronic solutions - the user has full access to the sample at any time. When the electronic system fails, it is not possible to unlock the jars, for example.



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## WET AND NANO-SCALE GRINDING WITH THE PM 200

Wet grinding is used to obtain particle sizes below 5  $\mu\text{m}$ , as small particles tend to get charged on their surfaces and agglomerate, which makes further grinding in dry mode difficult. By adding a liquid or dispersant the particles can be kept separated.

To produce very fine particles of 100 nm or less (nano-scale grinding) by wet grinding, friction rather than impact is required. This is achieved by using a large number of small grinding balls which have a large surface and many friction points. The ideal filling level of the jar should consist of 60 % small grinding balls.

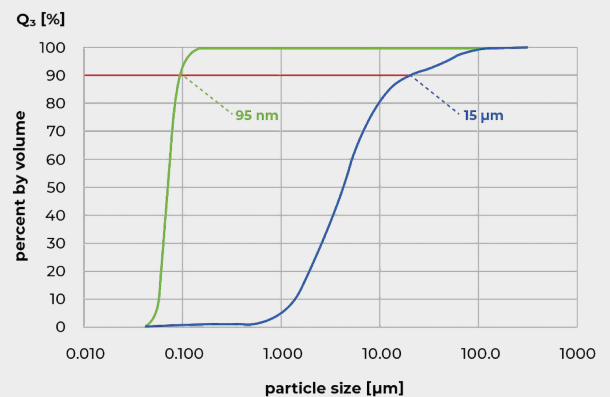
For more details on jar filling, wet grinding and sample recovery watch the video.



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*The video shows wet grinding in the Planetary Ball Mill PM 100.*

The graphic shows the result of grinding barium titanate at 500 rpm in the PM 200. After 5 h of pulverization in heptane and oleic acid mixture with 0.5 mm grinding balls, the D90 value of the original sample was reduced from 15  $\mu\text{m}$  to 95 nm.



*Grinding of barium titanate in heptane and oleic acid mixture with 0.5 mm grinding balls.*

*Blue curve: original sample; green curve: pulverized sample after 5 h.*

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## EASYFIT GRINDING JARS FOR EXCELLENT RESULTS

The performance and the result of sample preparation are also determined by the choice of the grinding jar and its ball charge. The EasyFit range of jars has been specially designed for extreme working conditions such as long-term trials, even at maximum speed of 800 rpm, wet grinding, high mechanical loads and maximum speeds as well as for mechanical alloying. This line of jars is suitable for all RETSCH planetary ball mills.

The new EasyFit grinding jar series features a structure on the bottom of the 50-500 ml jars called Advanced Anti-Twist (AAT). This ensures that the jars are tightly fixed without the risk of twisting, even at high speed, and that wear and tear is drastically reduced. Secure clamping of the jars is made much easier: to find the correct clamping position, a maximum twist of 60° is required.

The geometry of the EasyFit jars in the 50 ml and 250 ml sizes has been enlarged in diameter and reduced in height compared to the previous "comfort" models. This offers two advantages: better grinding results and interchangeable lids, as there are only three diameter dimensions for the entire grinding jar range.

### Diameter categories

- | Diameter 1: 12 ml and 25 ml grinding jars
- | Diameter 2: 50 ml, 80 ml and 125 ml grinding jars
  
- | Available jar sizes: 12 ml / 25 ml / 50 ml / 80 ml / 125 ml
- | Innovative Advanced Anti-Twist (AAT) function ensures secure fit of grinding jars
- | High flexibility thanks to suitability of three lid sizes for all seven jar sizes
- | Pressure-tight and dust-proof O-ring sealing prevents material spillage
- | Jars and balls available in 5 materials: hardened stainless steel, tungsten carbide, agate, sintered aluminium oxide, zirconium oxide
- | Stainless steel protective jacket for agate, sintered aluminum oxide, zirconium oxide and tungsten carbide grinding jars
- | A groove between jar body and lid allows for easy opening of the lid, e. g. with the help of a spatula, if there are underpressure effects inside the jar



## JARS & LIDS FOR SPECIAL APPLICATIONS

- | For colloidal or wet grinding, the use of a grinding jar with a special closure device is recommended
- | The special closure device is designed for ergonomic handling
- | Aeration lids are designed for working under inert atmosphere, for example if oxygen can influence the grinding process or the mechanosynthesis. The lids allow the introduction of gases like argon or nitrogen into the grinding jar.



Aeration lid



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Video: Aeration lid

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## RECOMMENDED JAR FILLINGS

To produce optimum grinding results, the jar size should be adapted to the sample amount to be processed. The grinding balls are ideally sized 3 times bigger than the largest sample piece. Following this rule of thumb, the number of grinding balls for each ball size and jar volume is indicated in the table below. To pulverize, for example, 50 ml of a sample consisting of 3 mm particles, a 125 ml jar and grinding balls sized at least 10 mm or larger are recommended. According to the table, 30 grinding balls are required.

Grinding jar nominal volume	Sample amount	Max. feed size	Recommended ball charge (pieces)					
			Ø 5 mm	Ø 7 mm	Ø 10 mm	Ø 15 mm	Ø 20 mm	Ø 30 mm
12 ml	opp til ≤5 ml	<1 mm	50	15	5	-	-	-
25 ml	opp til ≤10 ml	<1 mm	95 – 100	25 – 30	10	-	-	-
50 ml	5 – 20 ml	<3 mm	200	50 – 70	20	7	3 – 4	-
80 ml	10 – 35 ml	<4 mm	250 – 330	70 – 120	30 – 40	12	5	-
125 ml	15 – 50 ml	<4 mm	500	110 – 180	50 – 60	18	7	-

The table shows the recommended charges (in pieces) of differently sized grinding balls in relation to the grinding jar volume, sample amount and maximum feed size.

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## TYPICAL SAMPLE MATERIALS

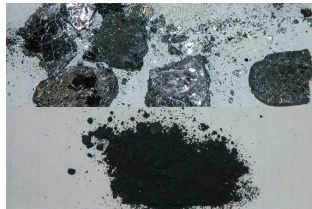
RETSCH planetary ball mills are perfectly suitable for size reduction of, for example, alloys, bentonite, bones, carbon fibres, catalysts, cellulose, cement clinker, ceramics, charcoal, chemical products, clay minerals, coal, coke, compost, concrete, electronic scrap, fibres, glass, gypsum, hair, hydroxyapatite, iron ore, kaolin, limestone, metal oxides, minerals, ores, paints and lacquers, paper, pigments, plant materials, polymers, quartz, seeds, semi-precious stones, sewage sludge, slag, soils, tissue, tobacco, waste samples, wood, etc.

### Medium-hard: biomass



35 g sample  
125 ml stainless steel  
grinding jars  
7 x 20 mm stainless  
steel grinding balls  
15 min at 500 rpm

### Brittle: tin sulfide



52 g sample  
125 ml agate grinding  
jars  
50 x 10 mm agate  
grinding balls  
60 min at 550 rpm  
10 min intervals and  
direction reversal

### Fibrous: strå



7 g sample  
125 ml zirconium oxide  
grinding jars  
50 x 10 mm zirconium  
oxide grinding balls  
40 min at 300 rpm  
10 min intervals and  
direction reversal

### Hard: natural rocks



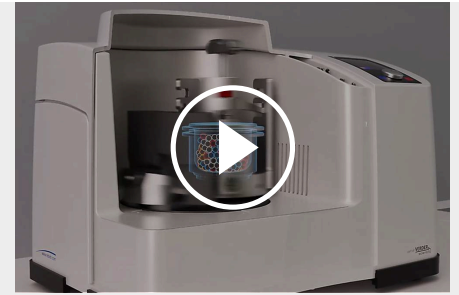
60 g sample  
125 ml stainless steel  
grinding jars  
7 x 20 mm stainless  
steel grinding balls  
10 min at 420 rpm

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## VIRKEMÅTE

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. 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.



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## TECHNICAL DATA

<b>funksjon</b>	pulverizing, mixing, homogenizing, colloidal milling, mechanical alloying, mechanochemistry, nano grinding
<b>bruksområde</b>	biologi, byggematerialer, chemistry, geologi / metallurgi, glass / keramikk, landbruk, maskinbygging / elektroteknikk, medisin / legemidler, miljø / gjenvinning
<b>matemateriale</b>	mykt, hardt, sprøtt, fibrøs - tørr eller våt
<b>nedmalingsprinsipp</b>	sammenstøt, friksjon
<b>matestørrelse*</b>	< 4 mm
<b>sluttfinhet*</b>	< 1 µm, for colloidal grinding < 0.1 µm
<b>prøvevolum*</b>	max. 2 x 50 ml
<b>antall malestasjoner</b>	2
<b>Turtallforhold</b>	1 : -2
<b>solhjul diameter</b>	100 - 650 min-1
<b>effektiv solhjul diameter</b>	157 mm
<b>akselerasjon</b>	37.1 g
<b>type malebeger</b>	EasyFit, optional aeration covers, safety closure devices
<b>material i maleverktøyet</b>	herdet stål, rustfritt stål, wolframkarbid, agat, sintret korund, silicon nitride, zirkoniumoksid
<b>Størrelse på malebeger</b>	12 ml / 25 ml / 50 ml / 80 ml / 125 ml
<b>Stackable grinding jars</b>	12 ml / 25 ml
<b>innstilling av maletid</b>	digital, 00:00:01 to 99:59:59
<b>intervalldrift</b>	ja, med retningsreversering
<b>intervalltid</b>	00:00:01 til 99:59:59
<b>pausetid</b>	00:00:01 til 99:59:59
<b>SOPer som kan lagres</b>	10
<b>Målig av energiinput mulig</b>	ja
<b>Grensesnitt</b>	RS 232 / RS 485
<b>drift</b>	3- faset asynkron motor med frekvensomformer
<b>drivkraft</b>	750 W
<b>Elektriske tilkoblingsdata</b>	ulike spenninger
<b>Nettilkobling</b>	1-fase
<b>kapslingstype</b>	IP 30

<b>kraftforbruk:</b>	~ 1250 W (VA)
<b>b x h x d lukket</b>	640 x 480 (780) x 420 mm
<b>nettovekt</b>	~ 76 kg
<b>Normer / standarder</b>	CE
<b>Patent / Utility patent</b>	SafetySlider (DE 202008008473)


\*avhengig av matemateriale og apparatkonfigurering /apparatinnstillinger

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## BESTILLINGSINFO

### PLANETARY BALL MILL PM 200

**(please order grinding jars and balls separately)**

20.640.0001  PM 200 with 2 grinding stations, speed ratio 1 : -2

**other electrical versions available for the same price**

### ACCESSORIES PLANETARY BALL MILLS

22.661.0003  Clamping unit for PM 200

03.025.0178 Adapter for stacking grinding jars 50 ml - 80 ml

02.728.0048  Counter aid for sun wheel PM 100, PM 200 and PM 400

03.486.0062 Opening aid for clamping unit of planetary ball mills

99.200.0008  IQ/OQ Documentation for PM 200

### GRINDING JARS EASYFIT

**(grinding jars EasyFit are suitable for all planetary ball mills)**

#### HARDENED STAINLESS STEEL

01.462.0239  12 ml

01.462.0240  25 ml

01.462.0516 50 ml

01.462.0517 80 ml

01.462.0518 125 ml

#### TUNGSTEN CARBIDE

01.462.0494	50 ml
01.462.0495	80 ml
01.462.0527	125 ml

#### AGATE

01.462.0509	50 ml
01.462.0511	80 ml
01.462.0515	125 ml

#### SINTERED ALUMINUM OXIDE

01.462.0507	50 ml
01.462.0512	125 ml

#### ZIRCONIUM OXIDE

01.462.0508	50 ml
01.462.0510	80 ml
01.462.0513	125 ml

## ACCESSORIES FOR GRINDING JARS EASYFIT FOR WET GRINDING, GRINDING WITH INERT ATMOSPHERE AND MECHANICAL ALLOYING (MA)

#### AERATION LIDS (INCL. INLAY)

22.107.0613	for grinding jars EasyFit 50 ml - 125 ml, hardened stainless steel
22.107.0616	for grinding jars EasyFit 50 ml - 125 ml, tungsten carbide
22.107.0617	for grinding jars EasyFit 50 ml - 125 ml, agate
22.107.0615	for grinding jars EasyFit 50 ml - 125 ml, zirconium oxide
22.864.0001	Spare valve set for aeration lids M8x1



#### INLAY FOR AERATION LID

03.474.0225	for grinding jars EasyFit 50 ml - 125 ml, hardened stainless steel
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03.474.0207	for grinding jars EasyFit 50 ml - 125 ml, tungsten carbide
03.474.0208	for grinding jars EasyFit 50 ml - 125 ml, agate
03.474.0206	for grinding jars EasyFit 50 ml - 125 ml, zirconium oxide

## AERATION LIDS FOR GRINDING JARS EASYFIT

INCL. O-RINGS AND SINTERED FILTER (PLEASE ORDER LID INSERT AND GRINDING JAR SEPARATELY)

22.107.0636	Aeration lid for grinding jar EasyFit 50 ml - 125 ml
22.107.0637	Aeration lid for grinding jar EasyFit 250 ml - 500 ml

### INSERT FOR GRINDING JAR EASYFIT

03.474.0261	Aeration lid insert for grinding jar EasyFit 50, 80 oder 125 ml, stainless steel
03.474.0262	Aeration lid insert for grinding jar EasyFit 50, 80 oder 125 ml, zirconium oxide
03.474.0263	Aeration lid insert for grinding jar EasyFit 50, 80 oder 125 ml, tungsten carbide
03.474.0268	Aeration lid insert for grinding jar EasyFit 50, 80 oder 125 ml, agate
22.186.0007	Sintered filter with O-ring, set of 10 pieces
22.864.0001	Valve set M8x1 for GrindControl and aeration lids



## SAFETY CLOSURE DEVICES

22.867.0011	for grinding jars EasyFit 50 ml - 125 ml
02.486.0055	Opening aid for safety closure device

## GASKETS FOR GRINDING JARS EASYFIT

### O-RINGS

05.114.0086	O-ring for 12 ml grinding jar EasyFit
05.114.0085	O-ring for 25 ml grinding jar EasyFit
05.114.0056	O-ring for 50 ml - 125 ml grinding jars EasyFit
03.111.0438	Flat gasket for 50 ml, 80 ml or 125 ml



## GRINDING BALLS

### HARDENED STEEL

05.368.0029  5 mm Ø

05.368.0030  7 mm Ø


05.368.0059  10 mm Ø


05.368.0032  12 mm Ø

05.368.0108  15 mm Ø


05.368.0033  20 mm Ø

### STAINLESS STEEL

22.455.0010  2 mm Ø, 500 g (approx. 110 ml)

22.455.0011  3 mm Ø, 500 g (approx. 120 ml)

22.455.0002  3 mm Ø, 200 pieces (approx. 6 ml)

22.455.0001  4 mm Ø, 200 pieces (approx. 14 ml)

22.455.0003  5 mm Ø, 200 pieces (approx. 25 ml)

05.368.0034  5 mm Ø

05.368.0035  7 mm Ø

05.368.0063



10 mm Ø

05.368.0037



12 mm Ø

05.368.0109



15 mm Ø

05.368.0062



20 mm Ø

#### TUNGSTEN CARBIDE

22.455.0006



3 mm Ø, 200 pieces (approx. 6 ml)

22.455.0005



4 mm Ø, 200 pieces (approx. 14 ml)

22.455.0004



5 mm Ø, 200 pieces (approx. 25 ml)

05.368.0038



5 mm Ø

05.368.0039



7 mm Ø

05.368.0071



10 mm Ø

05.368.0041



12 mm Ø

05.368.0110



15 mm Ø

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20 mm Ø

#### AGATE



05.368.0024



5 mm Ø

05.368.0025		7 mm Ø
05.368.0067		10 mm Ø
05.368.0027		12 mm Ø
05.368.0111		15 mm Ø
05.368.0028		20 mm Ø

SINTERED ALUMINUM OXIDE

05.368.0021		10 mm Ø
05.368.0112		15 mm Ø
05.368.0054		20 mm Ø

ZIRCONIUM OXIDE

32.368.0005		0.1 mm Ø, 0.5 kg (approx. 135 ml)
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)
22.455.0007		3 mm Ø, 200 pieces (approx. 6 ml)

22.455.0009



5 mm Ø, 200 pieces (approx. 25 ml)

05.368.0146

7 mm Ø

05.368.0094



10 mm Ø

05.368.0096



12 mm Ø

05.368.0113



15 mm Ø