SEPARATION
DIRECTLY FROM LIQUID TO GRANULES
FLUIDIZED BED SPRAY GRANULATION
ANDRITZ Separation was among the first to introduce fluidized bed technology for use in industrial drying. We have been focusing on development of tailored process solutions for our customers since the early 1960s.
Experience makes the difference

With our experience and target-oriented development of process solutions in our pilot plants, we are able to provide you with the optimum solution for your process at any time. Drying and granulation processes can be combined perfectly in a fluidized bed dryer. The usual processing lines, such as evaporation, crystallization, dewatering, granulation, and drying, can be replaced by a single piece of equipment. The resulting granular material is produced directly from a liquid. The feed product is sprayed into the fluidized bed by a suitable spray nozzle. The droplets generated strike the granules in the fluidized bed layer and moisten their surface with a thin liquid layer. The solvent contained in the liquid is evaporated by the energy of the fluidizing gas, while the solid portion remains on the particle surface.

Multiple and uniform wetting in a well agitated, fluidized layer results in a stable, multi-layer granule that grows continuously in layers like an onion.

Solidification processes work in a similar way. In this case, the fluidizing gas is used to remove the solidification heat. If the binding forces between the sprayed primary particles are strong, adequate steps are taken to control the particle size within a narrow range. This can be achieved by recycling dust from the exhaust air treatment system or by the feed product. The granulation system can also be operated in a closed gas loop, with inert gas and solvent recovery if sensitive or flammable products are to be processed.

Typical process setup with external crushing
Improved product with less effort

The purpose of spray granulation is to create a granular product with a defined structure, particle size, shape, and composition. Considerably higher product quality can be achieved compared to conventional processing:

- Close to spherical shape
- Dust-free
- High bulk density
- Good flow properties
- Narrow particle size distribution
- Low attrition during transport and packing
- Low caking tendency during storage
- Enhanced suitability for metered dosing

Delivering spray granulators to various industries already since 1980, ANDRITZ Separation is one of the technology’s pioneers.

TYPICAL APPLICATIONS
- Calcium chloride
- Potassium carbonate
- Amino acids
- Urea
- Bacteria mass
- Detergent components

COMPLETE SYSTEMS FOR THE FOLLOWING DRYER TYPES
- Spray granulator as a directly heated unit
- Spray granulator with incorporated heat exchangers

YOUR BENEFITS
- Tailor-made systems to meet your particular needs
- Maximum energy efficiency from optimized process configuration
- Customized product quality
- Low costs over the entire life cycle
- Extensive test facilities to resolve your specific drying challenge
- Market leader in fluidized beds with incorporated heat exchangers
SAFETY
Many suspensions and granules contain organic components that are rated as combustible or explosive. No matter whether it is ATEX, other standards, or local regulations, a suitable safety philosophy is the key to a beneficial mode of operation for your plant in the long term. Using their many years of experience in drying of explosive goods, our specialists will choose the optimum safety technology for your plant. Feasible options are pressure proof, shock proof plants with relief devices, suppression systems or inertized drying with closed gas loop systems.

LAB-SCALE AND PILOT TESTING
Our R&D center with its qualified personnel and integrated laboratory is at your disposal to develop your process or examine your specific tasks.

Main services
Our services include development, planning, design, manufacturing, and delivery of single key-components or complete systems, as well as supervising their installation and commissioning.
Intelligence for machine and process control

Metris addIQ control systems

With Metris addIQ, you get a well-proven, intelligent control solution for industrial processes and machines. Our solid/liquid separation specialists use their in-depth expertise to provide scalable solutions that are individually tailored to regional and application requirements. Whether you’re automating new equipment or upgrading to extend the lifecycle of existing systems, we find the ideal solution for you.

Your full-service provider

With ANDRITZ Separation, you gain access to one of the world’s largest OEM manufacturers for solid/liquid separation systems, including such well-known brands as 3Sys Technologies, Bird, Delkor Capital Equipment (Pty) Ltd., Escher Wyss dryers, Frautech, Guinard Centrifugation, KHD Humboldt Wedag, Krauss-Maffei centrifuges, dryers, and filters, Lenser, Netzsch Filtration, Rittershaus & Blecher, Royal GMF Gouda, Sprout Bauer, and Vandenbroek. Whether you need spare parts, rentals, local service, repairs, upgrades, or modernization of your equipment, ANDRITZ Separation is your true full-service provider. From initial consulting through to service agreements, process optimization, and training programs, we are always looking for ways to minimize downtime and increase predictability in operations while raising your overall production efficiency. Wherever you operate, our network of 550 service specialists and global service centers ensures we’ll always be there to support you for many life cycles to come. Let’s sit down and see how we could take your operations to the next level.
WHAT’S YOUR SEPARATION CHALLENGE?

ANDRITZ Separation is the world’s leading separation specialist with the broadest technology portfolio and more than 2,000 specialists in 40 countries. For more than 150 years, we have been a driving force in the evolution of separation solutions and services for industries ranging from environment to food, chemicals, and mining & minerals. As the OEM for many of the world’s leading brands, we have the solutions and services to transform your business to meet tomorrow’s changing demands – wherever you are and whatever your separation challenge. Ask your separation specialist!

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