

# HELIBAR® extruders

Greater efficiency for demanding extrusion processes



#### Components:

- Grooved intake zone
- Grooved barrel with axial or helical grooves
- Barrier screw with shearing and mixing sections

All EXTRUDEX HELIBAR® extruders are designed in accordance with applicable EU regulations and are delivered with CE marking.

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**Reliable processes, maximum throughput**

HELIBAR® technology was developed in-house specifically for hollow-body production and blow molding machine construction. It is based on efficient heat transfer and precise material guidance in the cylinder grooves, which optimizes plasticization in a targeted manner.

Over 1,000 HELIBAR® extruders are already in use worldwide. Leading companies from various industrial sectors rely on this technology to sustainably improve quality, safety, and cost-effectiveness.



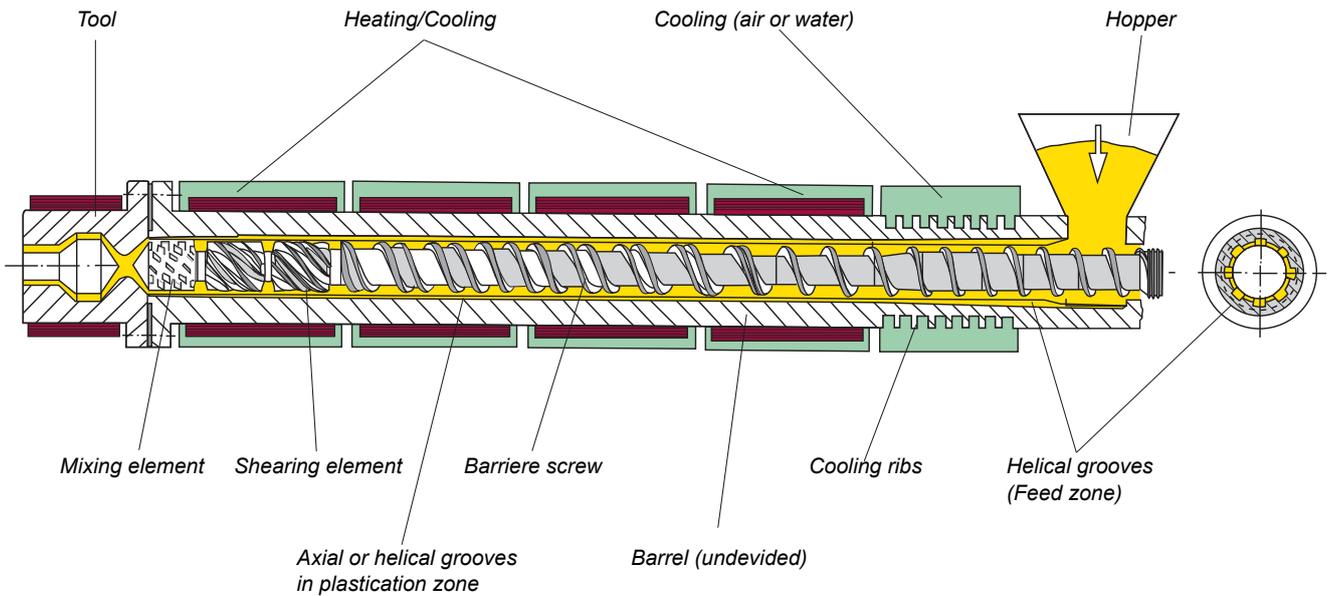
**Benefits vs. standard extruders with grooved feeding bush:**

- + **Reduced cooling losses** in the feed and melting zones
- + **Up to 20% energy savings:** in kW/kg of material at the same output
- + **Longer service life:** less wear
- + **Improved start-up:** reduced starting torque of the screw
- + **Greater process reliability:** stable pressure control, even at high back pressures – ideal for multi-layer applications
- + **Greater flexibility in material selection:** process-stable processing of ground material content up to 100%
- + **Wider range of applications:** suitable for use with virtually all thermoplastics
- + **More consistent material feed:** uniform material throughput with minimal variations for reproducible product properties
- + **More consistent product quality:** improved control of melt temperature and melt quality
- + **More homogeneous melt:** optimized remelting and more intensive mixing in the homogenization zone
- + **Gentler material processing:** reduced polymer damage due to short residence times
- + **Improved processing of difficult-to-process materials:** e.g. wall-clinging plastics
- + **Greater efficiency combined with cost savings:** higher overall efficiency, more cost-effective process unit
- + **Less space required:** compact design

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**Schematic diagram**

HELIBAR® single-screw extruders with a grooved barrel and a barrier screw featuring shearing and mixing elements:



**Retrofit**

with HELIBAR® processing units



- Replacement of worn processing units
- Modernization of existing extruders
- Replacement of defective processing units, particularly in blow molding systems

**HELIBAR® extruders**

**Custom extrusion solutions on a modular basis**

Our extruders are based on **proven designs** and a **modular platform**. Each machine is designed to meet specific process and application requirements – from standard applications to high-performance processes.

**Available size ranges:**

Screw diameter: 25–150 mm

Screw length (L/D): 25 / 30 / 36

**Modular machine design:**

Flexible adaptation of the screw, drive, thermal system, and process engineering – tailored to the material, application, and process conditions.

Performance data depends on the material and is defined on a project-by-project basis.

**Typical materials (depending on the application):**

PE-HD, PP, ABS, PET, PBT, PC, PA, as well as other thermoplastics upon request.

**Sample configuration**

**HELIBAR® 035:**

Type		HB035-30D
Screw diameter	[mm]	35
Screw length	[L/D]	30
Drive power	[kW]	19.2
Heating/Cooling		5/5 zones
Heating capacity	[kW]	10.5



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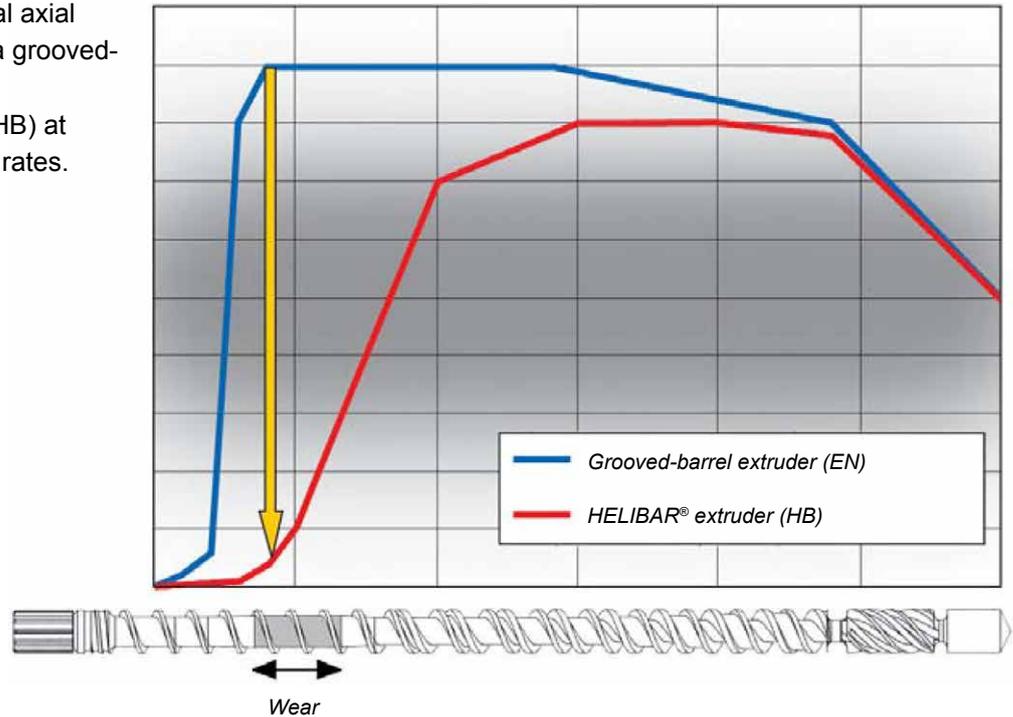
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**Typical axial pressure distribution**



Comparison of the typical axial pressure distribution of a grooved-barrel extruder (EN) and a HELIBAR® extruder (HB) at high specific throughput rates.



**Pressure decrease in the feed zone ...**

- = Reduced frictional losses and torque, particularly start-up torque
- = Reduced
  - energy losses due to cooling
  - wear
- = Improved process stability, all-round versatility

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**Process Behaviour**

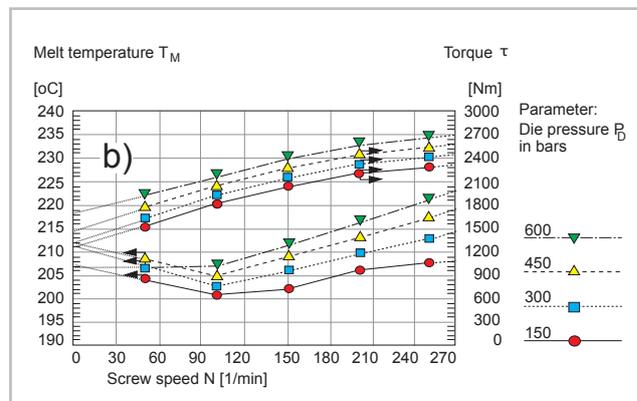
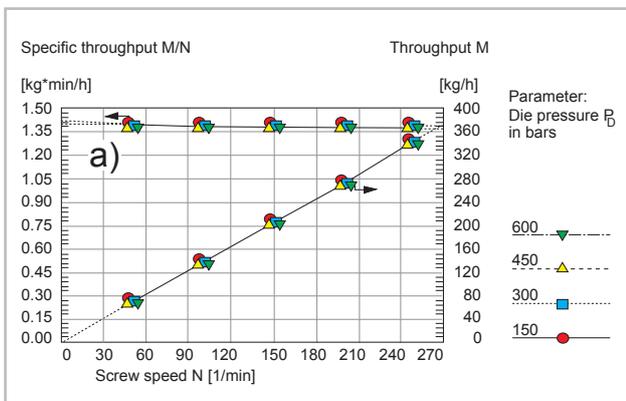


Typical behaviour when processing resins with high shear strength, e.g. HDPE, PP, ABS, PET, PBT, PC, PA, ...

- Extremely stable throughput rate, even at high die pressures
- Throughput is independent of counter-pressure
- High specific throughput
- Low melt temperatures (dependent on RPM and pressure)
- Low specific energy consumption
- Usually no or only weak intake zone cooling necessary

Extruder: HELIBAR® HB050-36D

Resin: HDPE (DOW 35060 E)



Typical process behaviour of HELIBAR® extruders: Important process characteristics as functions of screw speed at various die pressures.

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