



## XRD-MILL MCCRONE

**The XRD-Mill McCrone was specially developed for the preparation of samples for subsequent X-ray diffraction (XRD). The mill is used for applications in geology, chemistry, mineralogy and materials science, quality control as well as R&D.**

Because of its unique grinding motion, the XRD-Mill McCrone is particularly effective for this analytical method: The 48 cylindrical grinding elements grind the samples gently via friction. The result is a short grinding time with almost no sample loss and an exceptionally narrow particle size distribution. Consequently, the signals in the X-ray diffraction pattern are peak-shaped, with small half-widths, allowing for very good phase analysis.

**The crystal lattice structure is largely preserved, with almost no defects, a prerequisite for meaningful X-ray diffraction patterns.**

The grinding vessel consists of a 125 ml capacity polypropylene jar fitted with a screw capped gasketless polyethylene closure. The jar is filled with an ordered array of 48 identical cylindrical grinding elements, available in agate, zirconium oxide or corundum. The grinding time for optimum micronization is between 3 and 30 minutes. A typical sample volume is between 2 and 4 ml.

For the preparation of organic samples for a subsequent XRD examination we also offer a hand mortar and pestle made of agate.



## ADVANTAGES

- | crystal lattice preserved during grinding operation
- | very narrow and reproducible particle size distribution
- | minimal cross contamination
- | compact, bench-top sized model
- | adjustable grinding power (4 steps)
- | suitable for dry and wet grinding
- | easy to clean
- | almost maintenance-free
- | quiet operation

## APPLICATION EXAMPLES

bones, borides, carbides, cement, ceramics, clay, construction materials, glass, metals, mica, minerals, nitrides, plant materials, slate

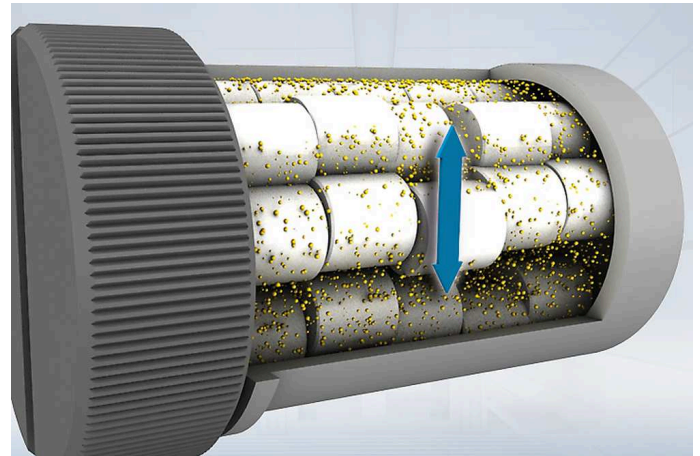
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## FUNCTIONAL PRINCIPLE

The XRD-Mill McCrone carries out size reduction mainly by friction. 48 cylindrical grinding elements are placed into the grinding jar in eight rows of six elements each.

During operation, the jar's circular motion causes the elements to grind the sample from  $< 0.5$  mm to the low  $\mu\text{m}$ -range (typically  $< 10$   $\mu\text{m}$ ).

Thanks to the very gentle size reduction process, the crystal lattice of the sample is preserved. This makes the XRD-Mill McCrone the instrument of choice for the sample preparation for subsequent X-ray diffraction analysis.



## FEATURES

<b>Applications</b>	grinding, mixing and triturating, dry and wet
<b>Field of application</b>	X-ray diffraction
<b>Feed material</b>	medium-hard, hard, brittle, fibrous
<b>Material feed size*</b>	< 0.5 mm
<b>Final fineness*</b>	< 1 µm
<b>Speed at 50 Hz (60 Hz)</b>	1,000 - 1,500 min <sup>-1</sup> in 4 steps
<b>No. of grinding stations</b>	1
<b>Typical mean grinding time</b>	3 - 30 min
<b>Dry grinding</b>	yes
<b>Wet grinding</b>	yes
<b>Cryogenic grinding</b>	no
<b>Material of grinding tools</b>	agate, zirconium oxide, corundum
<b>Grinding jar sizes</b>	125 ml
<b>Setting of grinding time</b>	digital, 00:00:10 to 99:59:50
<b>Drive</b>	DC-Motor
<b>Drive power</b>	50 W
<b>Electrical supply data</b>	100-240 V, 50/60 Hz
<b>Power connection</b>	1-phase
<b>Protection code</b>	IP 30
<b>Power consumption</b>	33 VA
<b>W x H x D closed</b>	205 x 155 x 520 mm
<b>Net weight</b>	~8.9 kg
<b>Standards</b>	CE

\*depending on feed material and instrument configuration/settings

[www.retsch.com/xrd-mill](http://www.retsch.com/xrd-mill)

## ORDER DATA

### XRD-MILL MCCRONE

**XRD-Mill McCrone with 2 grinding jars with screw top lid of PP, 1 pouring lid, 1 loading device  
(Please order grinding elements separately)**

20.770.0001 XRD-Mill McCrone, 220-240 V, 50/60 Hz



#### XRD-MILL MCCRONE COMPLETE PACKAGE

**XRD-Mill McCrone complete package incl. 2 agate grinding sets (50 grinding elements each), 2 grinding jars with screw top lid of PP, 1 pouring lid, 1 loading device**

20.770.1001 XRD-Mill McCrone, 220-240 V, 50/60 Hz complete package



#### SETS OF GRINDING ELEMENTS

02.368.0123 Agate 1 set (50 grinding elements)



02.368.0122 Corundum 1 set (48 grinding elements)



02.368.0126 Zirconium oxide, 1 set (48 grinding elements)



#### ACCESSORIES XRD-MILL MCCRONE

22.460.0001 Sample preparation set (stainless steel percussion mortar, 10 corundum grinding elements, 1 sieve 500 µm and 1 brush)

02.368.0124 Grinding elements, tungsten carbide, 2 pieces



#### ADDITIONAL ITEMS XRD-MILL MCCRONE

01.462.0356 Grinding jar with screw top lid



03.462.0359 Screw top lid

03.462.0357



Pouring lid

03.486.0007



Loading device

22.111.0005

Gasket for grinding jar, 5 pcs.