

In-Line mixers

Silverson High Shear mixers are supremely efficient and rapid in operation and are capable of reducing mixing times by up to 90%.

The action of any Silverson In-Line mixer can be modified with the use of rapidly interchangeable workheads. This enables any machine to mix, emulsify, homogenize, solubilize, suspend, disperse and disintegrate solids.

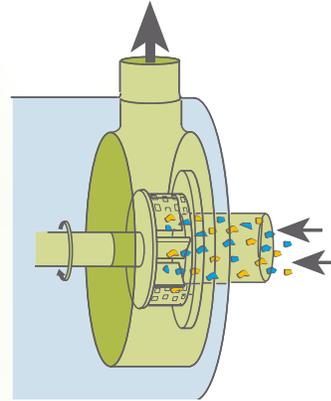
- Aeration free.
- Self pumping.
- No bypassing.
- Interchangeable workheads.
- Sanitary construction.
- Easy maintenance.
- Lower power requirements.
- Eliminates agglomerates and fish eyes.
- Creates stable emulsions and suspensions.
- Reduces particle size.
- Rapidly dissolves solids.
- Accelerates reactions.



How the In-Line works

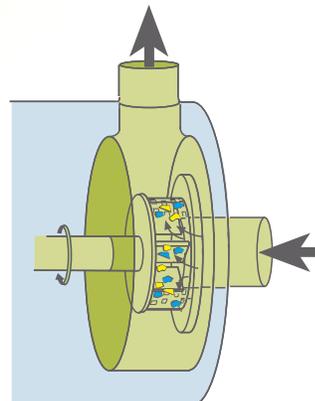
Stage 1

The high speed rotation of the rotor blades within the precision machined mixing workhead exerts a powerful suction, drawing liquid and solid materials into the rotor/stator assembly.



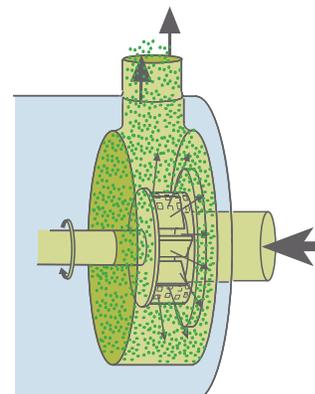
Stage 2

Centrifugal force then drives materials towards the periphery of the workhead where they are subjected to a milling action in the precision machined clearance between the ends of the rotor blades and the inner wall of the stator.



Stage 3

This is followed by intense hydraulic shear as the materials are forced, at high velocity, out through the perforations in the stator, then through the machine outlet and along the pipework. At the same time, fresh materials are continually drawn into the workhead, maintaining the mixing and pumping cycle.



Ultra Sanitary In-Line mixers

The Silverson UHS series of Ultra Sanitary multipurpose In-Line mixers is able to perform the widest variety of applications - mixing, emulsifying, homogenizing, disintegrating and dissolving - with an efficiency, flexibility and sanitary construction unmatched by other machines.

EHEDG and **3-A TPV** (Third Party Verification) Certified and designed to comply with **FDA**, and **cGMP** guidelines, these machines are ideally suited for industries where advanced Clean-In-Place (CIP) and Sterilize-In-Place (SIP) facilities are required. The design offers further versatility with multistage rotor/stator configurations as standard options, resulting in substantially faster mixing times by reducing the number of recirculation passes required, and offering greater particle size reduction.

Features:

- Interchangeable workheads with single or multistage configurations
- Ultra Sanitary **EHEDG** Approved single mechanical shaft seals, easily converted to Ultra Sanitary **EHEDG** Approved double mechanical shaft seals
- Outlet can be configured for self-venting vertical outlet or rotated to tangential self-draining position
- Designed for Clean-In-Place (CIP) and Sterilize-In-Place (SIP) operation
- Self-pumping
- Aeration free
- Crevice-free construction
- No metal-to-metal contact
- No castings - no porosity
- All 316L stainless steel construction of wetted parts
- No manual dismantling and cleaning is required, significantly reducing maintenance, operating costs, increasing reliability and increasing productivity



Advantages

Sanitary construction

EHEDG Certified and designed to comply with **FDA, 3A TPV** (Third Party Verification) and **cGMP** guidelines, these machines are ideally suited for industries where Clean-In-Place (CIP) procedures are the norm. Not only do these include the food, pharmaceutical and cosmetic industries, but also more diverse applications where modern manufacturing techniques and maximum equipment utilization require a rapid changeover from one product to another.

Interchangeable workheads

Available to adapt the machine for varying processes. Changing from one head or screen to another is quick and simple.

Speed

Adding a Silverson In-Line mixer to an existing process can cut mixing times by up to 90% compared with conventional agitators and mixers.

No bypassing

The In-Line mixer's design makes it physically impossible for any materials - liquid or solid - to pass from the inlet to the outlet without being subjected to intense mechanical and hydraulic shear as it passes through the rotor/stator workhead. Bypassing is impossible.

Aeration free

As the In-Line mixer and associated vessel and pipework form a closed system, the mixing process is completely aeration free. This is particularly important for applications where air entrainment creates a problem.

Lower power requirements

As the mixer's energy is concentrated on processing the small volume of material inside the workhead at any given moment, power is not wasted moving large volumes of liquid, and consequently, less power is normally required than for the equivalent batch mixer. This is particularly beneficial when processing large volumes of material.



High Viscosity In-Line mixers

Silverson's new **UHS-HV** Series of In-Line Mixers are designed for processing higher viscosity products.

They offer all the advantages of the standard **UHS** range but incorporate a unique and innovative "pumping rotor" design which substantially increases the mixer's self-pumping capacity.

This high flow rate is maintained as viscosity rises, eliminating the need for an additional feed pump when processing many higher viscosity products in the food, pharmaceutical, cosmetic and chemical industries.

Features:

- Ultra Sanitary construction - based on the **UHS** mixer range
- Self-pumping
- Aeration free
- No bypassing
- Interchangeable workheads
- Vertical or self-draining tangential outlet
- Designed for Cleaning-In-Place

Typical Applications

High Viscosity In-Line mixers are ideal for applications in the Food, Pharmaceutical, Cosmetic and Chemical industries, including preparation of Gels, Creams, Gums & Thickeners, etc.



General duty In-Line mixers

Silverson offers a range of In-Line mixers suitable for hazardous and aggressive chemical service.

These units are of robust and simple construction, which ensures that maintenance is easy and downtime minimal.

With some of the highest rotor tip speeds and shear rates in the industry, production times can be cut by up to 90%, reducing mechanical wear and maintenance requirements, while offering better particle size reduction, emulsification, rapid solubilization and dispersion.

Optional features

- Jacketed units for temperature sensitive products.
- Non-standard materials of construction such as hastelloy, titanium and hardened steels for processing highly abrasive or corrosive products.
- High capacity units with self-pumping capacities from 5 up to 50,000 gallons per hour.

Typical Applications

Bitumens, Edible oil refining, Drilling muds, Adhesives, Luboils, Pigment dispersions, Titanium dioxide, etc.



Technical specifications

Materials of construction

Product contact parts in 316L Stainless Steel. Special materials on request.

Motors

TEFC (Totally Enclosed Fan Cooled) washdown duty and NEMA explosion proof rated motors are available as standard. Inverter rated, stainless steel and other motors are available as optional extras.

Operating pressures

All Sanitary Multipurpose models are designed for operation on pressures of up to 150 psi (10 bar). General Duty models 100 psi (7 bar). Higher pressure units are available on request.

Inlet and outlet connections

Tri-Clamp or ASA 150 flanges are available as standard. ISS, DIN, RJT and SMS are available on request.

Interchangeable workheads

Single stage rotor/stator configurations as standard. For those applications which require greater shear, interchangeable multistage configurations can be used.



General purpose disintegrating head



General purpose disintegrating head, multistage inner and outer



Slotted disintegrating head



Slotted disintegrating head, multistage inner and outer



Square hole high shear screen™



Combined configuration: inner general purpose with outer slotted disintegrating head



Emulsor screen



Combined configuration: inner slotted with outer square hole high shear screen™

How to use In-Line mixers

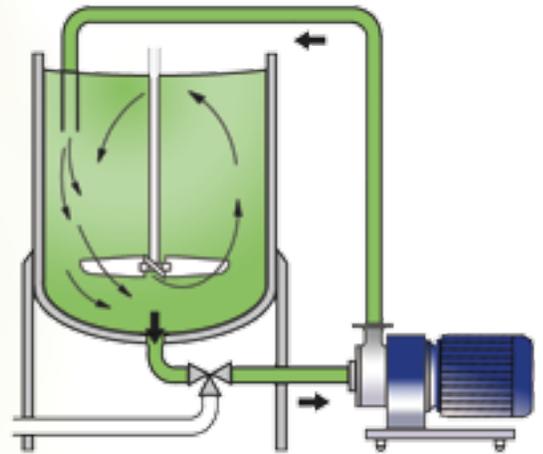
Recirculation method

This is the most common way of using an In-Line mixer, providing a higher degree of homogenization and particle size reduction. Here product is drawn from the bottom of the vessel, processed through the high shear rotor/stator workhead and passed back into the top of the vessel.

In small vessels this will ensure adequate in-tank movement but in larger vessels an auxiliary in-tank mixer or agitator will be required.

Additional fluid ingredients can be fed into the workhead and uniformly mixed before entering the vessel.

Where quality assurance (QA) demands a set number of passes through the rotor/stator workhead, product can be passed back and forth between two separate vessels.



Single pass method

There are basically three types of operations for which single pass processing can be used.

Continuous blending

Ingredients are metered into the mixer or a manifold just prior to the rotor/stator workhead. This ensures that products that react together are mixed immediately on contact. This method is ideal for continuous liquid/liquid blending and for products where aeration must be avoided, i.e. detergents.

Series processing

In cases where a higher degree of homogenization or comminution is required than

can be obtained by a single pass through the In-Line mixer, it is possible to achieve the required results by using two or more machines in series.

Premix method

The ingredients are coarsely premixed in a holding vessel with a Silverson Batch mixer, Ultramix or a simple agitator. A single pass through the In-Line mixer will then ensure an agglomerate-free homogeneous product. All the product must pass through the In-Line mixer's rotor/stator workhead as bypassing is impossible.

