

Reliability through Experience

DE SMET Prescalder









The Prescalder, from the workshop to your site













THE PRESCALDER

First designed and very successfully installed in 1981, the DE SMET PRESCALDER has revealed substantial advantages in many respects. The operating principle of the PRESCALDER is a mere thermal exchange between the diffusion juice and the cossettes followed by a recovery of the calories contained in the waste waters by the cold draft juice of the PRESCALDER.

BENEFITS

- High cossettes temperatures at the outlet of the PRESCALDER meaning easier scalding and ensuring optimal diffusion temperature to prevent infection.
- **High purity of draft juice** filtered by the thick layer of fresh cossettes on the PRESCALDER.
- Low consumption of steam at diffuser level meaning lower consumption of energy at plant level.
- Low temperature water disposal as required by the environmental considerations.
- Recovery of calories otherwise lost.

PERFORMANCES

Length Cossettes (m/100g)	Temp Cold Cossettes	perature (C°) Diffusion Juice	Draft Weight (% kg)	Temperature Cold Juice (°C)	Delta T Cossettes Juice (C°)	Temperature Warm Cossettes (C°)
12	10	73	120	25	15	71

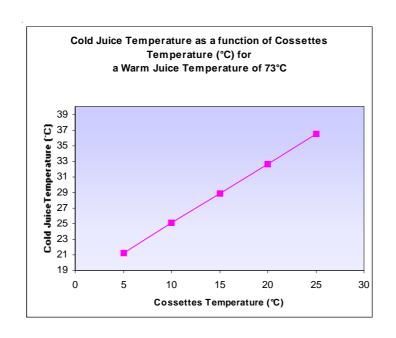
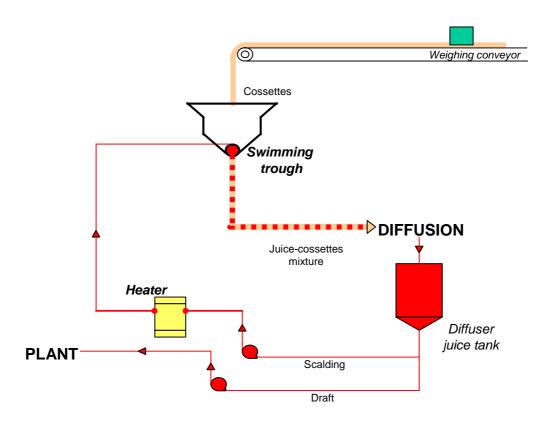


DIAGRAM WITHOUT PRESCALDER

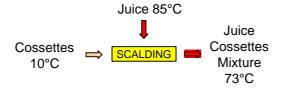


Scalding

Calories required for conventional scalding without PRESCALDER

For Cossettes : 1,000 kg x 0.84 x (73-10) = 52,900 kcal

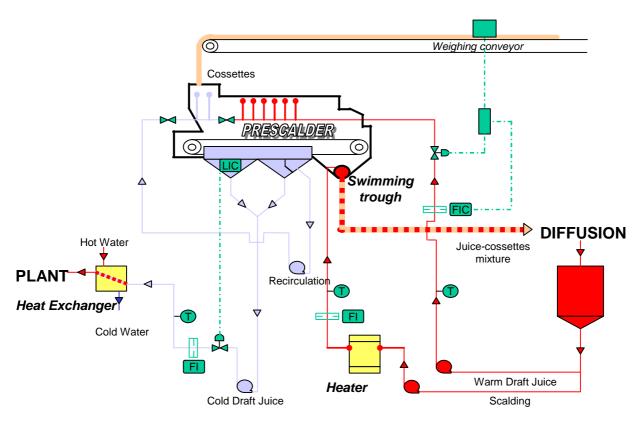
For Juice : 5,000 kg x 0.89 x (85-73) = 52,900 kcal



Calculation for 1,000 kg of beets



DIAGRAM WITH STANDARD DE SMET PRESCALDER



Prescalding

Calories required for Prescalding

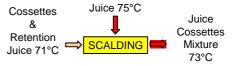
For Cossettes : 1,000 kg x 0.84 x (71-10) = 51,250 kcal Calories recovered : 1,200 kg x 0.89 x (73-25) = 51,250 kcal

Scalding

Calories required for Scalding

For Retention Juice : 130 kg x 0.89 x (73-71) = 230 kcal For Cossettes : 1,000 kg x 0.84 x (73-71) = 1,680 kcal

Juice 73°C Cossettes 10°C PRESCALDING To C To C Juice 25°C Hot Water HEAT EXCHANGING Juice 73°C



Total calories required

Prescalding and Scalding : 51,250 + 1,680 + 230 = 53,160 kcal

Calories from Scalding Juice : 53,160 - 51,25 = 1,910 kcal instead of 52,900 kcal without PRESCALDER

Weight of Scalding Juice required : $X = 1,910/0.89 \times (75-73)^{-1}$ 1,200 kg

Calculation for 1,000 kg of beets, Draft: 120% weight

FEATURES

- Same conveyor belt concept as the DE SMET diffuser itself with a 1,8 to 2 meter thick layer of cossettes.
- Total amount of draft juice drawn off for maximum recovery.
- Internal circulation of draft juice ensuring a cooled juice temperature of 25°C.
- Residence time of 4 minutes for cossettes and 80 seconds for juice, to prevent infection.
- The casing and the juice hopper of our new type of PRESCALDER are completely manufactured in corrosion – proof 3CR12 steel.
- All the juice distributors are in stainless steel.
- The choice is open between corrosion proof 3CR12 or stainless steel execution.
- The modern driving mechanism is equipped with a frequency variator for precise control of the linear speed.
- The feed hopper is large enough to play as a buffer to ensure even distribution of the cossettes on the belt.
- At the outlet, a discharge regulator ensures smooth discharge to the swimming trough.
- The comparatively compact size of our PRESCALDER makes it easy to install in front of any type of diffuser.
- The PRESCALDER is conveniently placed between the beet slicers and the diffuser, which does not require any adjustment. Moreover, fresh cossettes can be fed by a belt operating on the same axis or at right angles to the PRESCALDER.



SERVICES

- Our range of PRESCALDERS runs from 3,000 to 16,000 TPD of sugar beets.
- We manufacture your PRESCALDER, we transport it, we erect it or help you erect it, we start it up and we follow your requirements through our specialized after sales service.
- Whenever possible, we offer local construction for some parts of our PRESCALDER to reduce the final cost and boost your industrial environment.





DE SMET PRESCALDERS HAVE BEEN SUPPLIED TO THE FOLLOWING SUGAR FACTORIES:

1981	Sucrerie de Maizy-Hautes-Rives	France	4.000 tbd
1983	Sucrerie de Donstiennes	Belgium	4.000 tbd
1983	Raffinerie de Tirlemont	Belgium	7.000 tbd
1984	King's Lynn Sugar Factory	United Kingdom	5.800 tbd
1985	Sucrerie d'Abbeville	France	9.000 tbd
1986	Brigg Sugar Factory	United Kingdom	4.800 tbd
1989	Sucrerie de Nangis	France	7.000 tbd
1990	Sucrerie de Brugelette	Belgium	8.000 tbd
1997	York Sugar Factory	United Kingdom	10.000 tbd
1997	Sucrerie de Souppes-sur-Loing	France	9.000 tbd
1998	Sucrerie de Bucy-le-Long	France	7.200 tbd
1998	Sucrerie de Vic-sur-Aisne	France	7.000 tbd
1999	Sucrerie de Longchamps	Belgium	9.000 tbd
2003	Sucrerie de Longchamps	Belgium	9.000 tbd
2003	Raffinerie de Tirlemont	Belgium	13.000 tbd
2003	Râperie de Longchamps	Belgium	9.000 tbd
2005	Orafti (Südzucker)	Chile	4.000 tbd



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It brings a compelling business offering that combines excellence in execution, safety, cost containment, experience and reliability with particular care towards energy saving and sustainability.

Sugar as well as Oils & Fats have been the core of DE SMET ENGINEERS & CONTRACTORS's fields of activity. A major diversification towards the Biofuels, Biochemicals and Agrochemical industries has now taken place, based on its specific competence in agro-industrial engineering and project management acquired over the years.

DE SMET ENGINEERS & CONTRACTORS provides the industry with general contracting services from project management (**EPCM** - *Engineering, Procurement and Construction Management or "For and on Behalf" operations*) to full turnkey construction (**EPC** - *Engineering, Procurement and Construction*) allowing industrial operators to concentrate on their production commitments.

From conceptual study to vocational training, **DE SMET ENGINEERS & CONTRACTORS** has the ability and skill to **successfully complete large turnkey projects on brown- or greenfields**, all within the pre-established budget and delivery time, in a variety of geographical environment.



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