


**Temperatures / Proportions**

Type of Plastic		Processing-Temperature Range		Purging Temperature Range		Screw Diameter			
		[°C]	[°F]	[°C]	[°F]	< 60 mm Ø		> 60 mm Ø	
						in %	in g/ kg	in %	in g/ kg
Acrylnitrile-Butadiene-Styrene Copolymer	ABS	200 - 250	390 - 480	170 - 190	340 - 375	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Acrylonitrile-Copolymer	SAN	200 - 220	390 - 430	180 - 200	355 - 390	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Cellulose-Acetate	CA	220 - 260	430 - 500	190 - 230	375 - 445	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
PEEK	PEEK	370 - 390	700 - 735	340 - 360	645 - 680	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Polyamide	PA	250 - 280	480 - 535	220 - 230	430 - 445	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Polycarbonate	PC	280 - 330	535 - 625	230 - 280	445 - 535	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Polyester	PET	180 - 220	355 - 430	150 - 200	300 - 390	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Polyester (linear)	CPET	230 - 300	445 - 570	200 - 250	390 - 480	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Polyethylene	HDPE/LDPE	180 - 250	355 - 480	150 - 190	300 - 375	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Polymethyl-Methacrylate (Plexiglas)	PMMA	210 - 230	410 - 445	180 - 200	355 - 390	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Polyoxymethylene	POM	170 - 210	340 - 410	140 - 170	285 - 340	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Polypropylenel	PP	200 - 250	390 - 480	170 - 200	340 - 390	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Polystyrene	PS	200 - 270	390 - 520	170 - 210	340 - 410	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Polysulphonate	PSU	350 - 400	660 - 750	320 - 350	610 - 660	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Polyvinylchloride*	PVC	160 - 180	320 - 355	140 - 160	285 - 320	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Polyvinylidene Fluoride	PVDF	200 - 220	390 - 430	180 - 200	355 - 390	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50
Thermoplastic Polyurethane	TPU	200 - 220	390 - 430	180 - 200	355 - 390	2 - 3	25 - 35	3 - 4	35 - 50

 \* Tech Tip: when purging a machine used for PVC, we recommend to use PP as the purging material carrier; please refer to our special application guide for more information.

**Quantity required for purging mix with CORATEX and CORATEX HT**

Screw dia. in mm in inch	20 - 40	40 - 50	50 - 60	60 - 80	80 - 100	100 - 120	120 - 150	150 - 175	175 - 200
	0.75 - 1.5	1.5 - 2	2 - 2.5	2.5 - 3	3 - 4	4 - 4.5	4.5 - 6	6 - 6.5	6.5 - 8
Recommended in kgs <sup>1</sup> in lbs	0,5 - 1 0.3 - 2.2	1 - 3 2.2 - 4.3	3 - 5 4.3 - 7.5	5 - 10 7.5 - 18	10 - 25 18 - 35	25 - 35 35 - 60	35 - 70 60 - 117	70 - 90 117 - 186	90 - 150 186 - 280

1) Approximate values; depending on screw configuration and degree of contamination.

Suitable for all known commercially available polymers and processing temperatures up to 400°C / 750°F.

CORATEX can be as valuable for manual cleaning as it is for purging. CORATEX is also extremely suitable as a polishing agent for tools, moulds and stainless steel surfaces.

**1/2  
the  
Time**

Our path to better purging  
with CORATEX

**1/2  
the no.  
of Strip  
Downs**

**1/2  
the  
Energy**

**1/2  
the  
Material**



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**CORATEX purges:**  
Barrels and screws, including heads and dies of extruders and nozzles, hot-runner tooling of injection moulding machines, under operating conditions.

**CORATEX enhances:**  
Fast changeover from one raw material and/or from one colour to another.

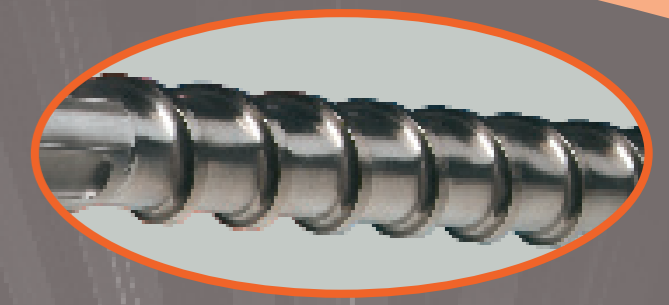
**CORATEX eliminates:**  
Stubborn contamination and material oxidation traces.

**CORATEX offers:**  
Low cost purging and easy handling.

**CORATEX is:**  
Physiologically safe when used according to directions.

**CORATEX is used for:**  
ABS, CA, PMMA, PA, PC, PET, HDPE, LDPE, PEAK, POM, PP, PS, PSU, PVC, PVDF, SAN, TPU etc.

Your local distributor:



Cost Saving

Effective

Versatile

„Made in Germany“



## General information about CORATEX and CORATEX HT

**CORATEX** is a purging emulsion for plastics processing machines. It is primarily used for colour- and material changes, in preparation of preventive maintenance programs, for the removal of polymer degradation ("black specks") and during machine start-up after closing down. It will give outstanding cleaning results on all relevant components such as screws and barrels, including heads and dies of extruders and nozzles, hotrunner tooling of injection moulding machines.

In addition to its purging properties **CORATEX HT** is very popular for manual cleaning of individual machine components.

**CORATEX** (Art.-No. 66261030130 - one packing unit of 10 bottles, 800 ml each bottle) and **CORATEX HT** (Art.-No. 66261030549 - one packing unit of 10 bottles, 800 ml each bottle) are mixed with your polymer and applied under reduced process temperatures (see right side information). For remote destinations please ask for special overseas packaging.

## Cleaning with CORATEX: a successful concept that pays off!

The uniqueness of CORATEX is based on 3 pillars:

### CORATEX

#### Cost Saving

CORATEX is an innovative material designed for efficient performance purposes.

Tight quality control for Coartex in the manufacturing process is the key precondition for reliability. This product has proven itself for decades to the benefit of plastics processors.

CORATEX is produced in a certified manufacturing environment to assure a constant product performance.

CORATEX is "Made in Germany"

#### Effective

Convincing cleaning results; removes extra stubborn material contamination, colours and oxidization traces.

When compared to other purging systems CORATEX achieves outstanding and economical results.

CORATEX enhances enormous time and cost savings.

CORATEX is simple to use.

#### Versatile

CORATEX is a concentrated liquid which brings additional manual cleaning opportunities when compared with any granular product.

It can be mixed as an additive to all types of polymers to become a purge material.

It takes just a few minutes to prepare CORATEX to work.

## Typical applications for CORATEX:

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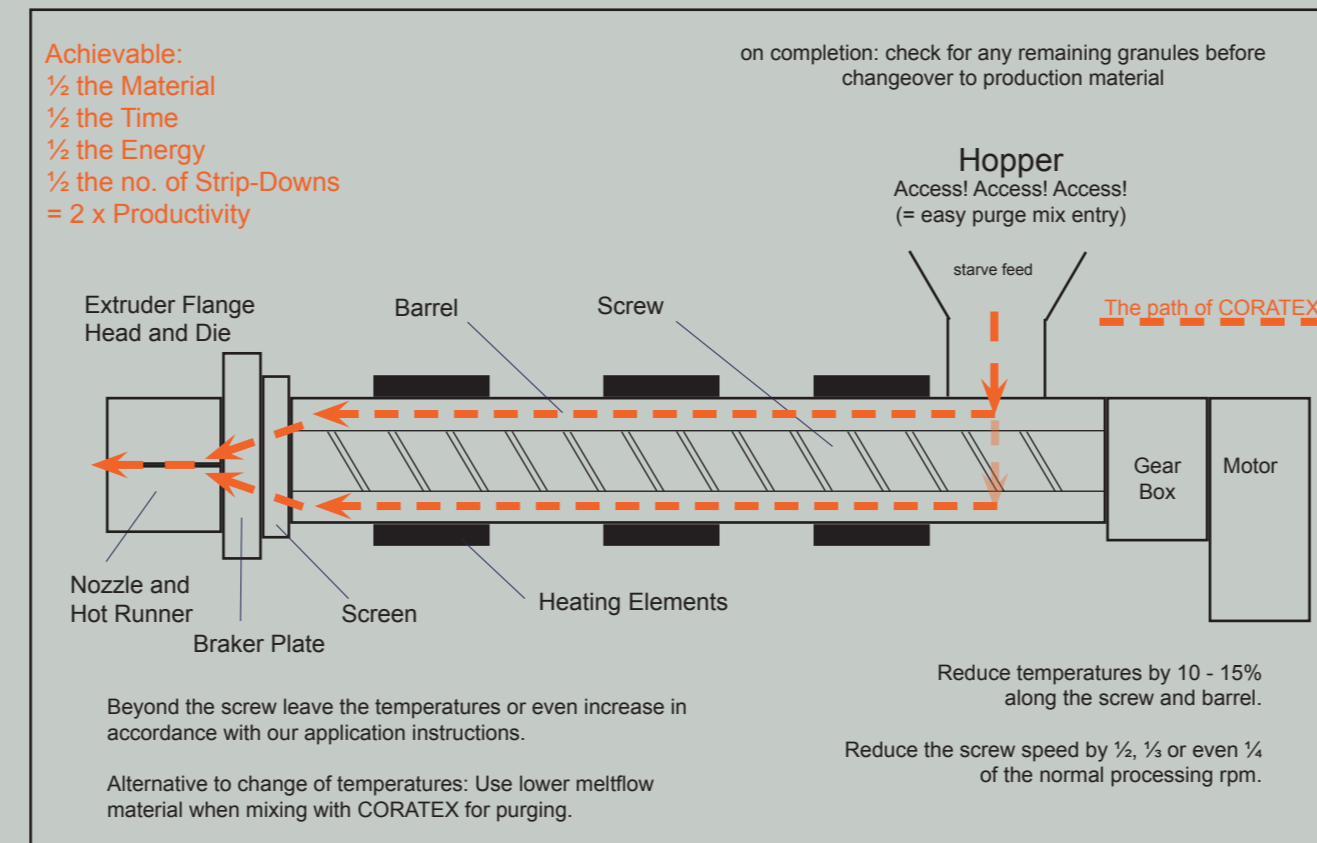
Typical applications for cleaning/ purging:

- > extrusion lines, such as as compounding, pipe, sheet, profile, cable, master batch
- > injection moulding machines with conventional or hotrunner tooling
- > film blowing and blow moulding machines
- > ... and manual polishing for the final touch.



## CORATEXING

One diagram covering the preparations of various machine configurations for best results for all thermoplastic raw materials. For machines using PVC please refer to our application instructions.



## Process steps\*

Step 1	<b>Preparation</b> Check your machine parameters and ensure free access of purge mix into the machine hopper. The hopper should be free of loaders, driers and the like, to allow the purge mix to be fed directly onto the screw.
Step 2	<b>Temperature settings</b> According the specific thermoplastic material, approximately 10-15% under normal processing temperatures, see Temperatures / Proportions table. Alternatively the use of lower melt flow material as carrier for Coratex may allow the processing temperature to be left at normal processing temperature, when purging. In either case it is advisable not to reduce the die temperature.
Step 3	<b>Preparation of the purging mixture</b> Ensure that the polymer granules are evenly coated with Coratex and that any lumps are avoided. Also ensure that the correct ratio of Coratex to plastic granules is adhered to.
Step 4	<b>Purging process</b> Reduce the screw speed to 50% or lower and let the purging mixture run through.
Step 5	<b>Flushing</b> After purging flush your machine with virgin material.
Step 6	<b>Control</b> If required repeat steps 2-5 once more. In the event that the anticipated result is not achieved, a strip-down of screw, head and nozzle parts combined with manual cleaning using Coratex in neat form, may be required.
Step 7	<b>On completion</b> Check for and remove any remaining coated granules in the feed section and change over to normal production temperatures before commencement of the next production run of the machine.

## Examples showing the value of using CORATEX

### Example 1: CORATEX compared to disassembly (strip down) of an extrusion line

cost center	purging with CORATEX mix	strip down	your cost advantage
Labour	2h incl. re-start	8h incl. disassembly and manual cleaning	6h at € 200.- = €1,200.-

### Example 2: CORATEX with an injection moulder having a Ø 100mm Ø single screw

cost center	purging with CORATEX mix	purging with a compound-ed, granular purge material	your cost advantage
Purging material	4% CORATEX mixed into 25kg of polymer approx. €80.-	purging material in granular form incl. transport cost approx. €550.-	approx. €470.- ...and far less storage space required

\* simplified; for detailed information consult your CORATEX distributor or refer to our application guidelines on [www.coratex-emulsion.com](http://www.coratex-emulsion.com)