

# Aseptic TECHNOLOGIES

**SAFER & EASIER** aseptic filling



**Crystal<sup>®</sup>** Closed Vial Technology

## ■ ■ ■ *Laboratory Crystal<sup>®</sup> L1 Robot Line*



Enables ***Safer & Easier*** aseptic filling operations.

Designed to fill ready-to-fill polymer vials with:

- Research lots,
- Clinical and stability batches,
- Commercial batches for niche products.

Liquid and lyophilized products.

Nominal capacity up to **600** Closed Vials per hour.

## Philosophy and process

The **Crystal<sup>®</sup>** technology is based on the concept that the polymer vials are provided clean (molded in ISO5 clean room), already closed (stopper in place and secured) and sterile (gamma-irradiated), i.e. **ready-to-fill**.

The Laboratory **Crystal<sup>®</sup> L1** Robot Line has been developed to meet small scale pharmaceutical filling with a filling capacity going up to 600 vials/hour. Typical batch size ranges from a few hundred up to 5,000 vials, on a single shift basis.

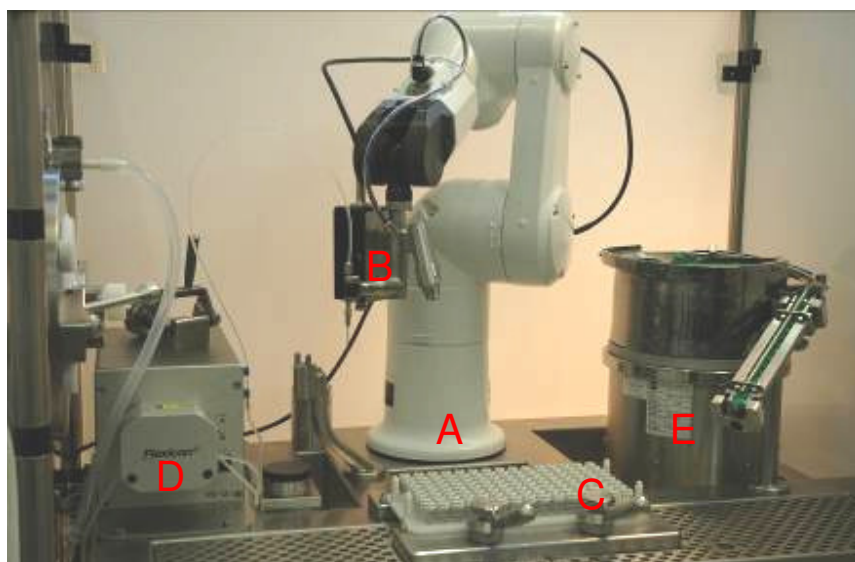
Fully compliant with cGMP requirements, the Laboratory **Crystal<sup>®</sup> L1** Robot Line is able to process all ready-to-fill **Crystal<sup>®</sup>** Closed Vials (from 1 to 50 ml). Vial format change is easily done by program selection on HMI. Only 1ml format requires few simple part changes.

The complete process is made of the following steps:

1. Manual positioning and locking of a rack with vials on the operation area
2. Filling performed by a specially designed needle that pierces the stopper, dispenses the liquid, and comes out by lifting
3. Laser resealing of the puncture trace by a laser shot on the stopper surface
4. Capping performed inside the barrier, by simple snap-fit of plastic cap.
5. Manual unloading of the vial rack.

Filling, laser re-sealing and capping are performed by a specially designed 6-axe clean room robot with multi-task head.

- A. 6-axe robot
- B. Multi-task head
- C. Vial rack on its locking base
- D. Pump
- E. Cap vibrating bowl



## Quick facts

Laboratory <b>Crystal</b> <sup>®</sup> L1 Robot Line	
Applications	Aseptic filling of liquid and freeze-dried parenterals. All types of products (including cytotoxics and biohazard).
Output (2ml vials)	Up to 600 vials/hour.
Filling volume	0.1 ml to 50 ml + overfill.
Filling accuracy	+/- 1% (+/-10 µl for small volumes below 1 ml).
Dimensions (L x W x H, in mm)	1190 x 760 x 930 (core equipment without containment).
Utilities	Electricity, no water, no compressed air.
Materials	AISI 316L for product contact parts.

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## Versions

Upon your project specifications, the Laboratory **Crystal**<sup>®</sup> L1 Robot Line can be provided in various versions:

- **Containment**
  - As a sub-system, to be installed in a third party barrier (e.g. existing or new isolator);
  - Equipped with a safety barrier, to prevent operator presence in the filling area during operations;
  - In a CVFS<sup>1</sup> with glove access into the filling area;
  - In an isolator/closed CVFS+ (allowing washing, for highly potent products) with glove access into the filling area;
  - In an isolator/closed CVFS++ (allowing washing and decontamination, for biohazard products) with glove access into the filling area.
  
- **Material entry/exit systems**
  - Mousehole;
  - RTP (Rapid Transfer Port), via beta-bags;
  - VHP (Vaporized Hydrogen Peroxide) airlock.
  
- **Vial formats**
  - Closed Vials only (1 to 50 ml);
  - Closed Vials and open plastic & glass vials.

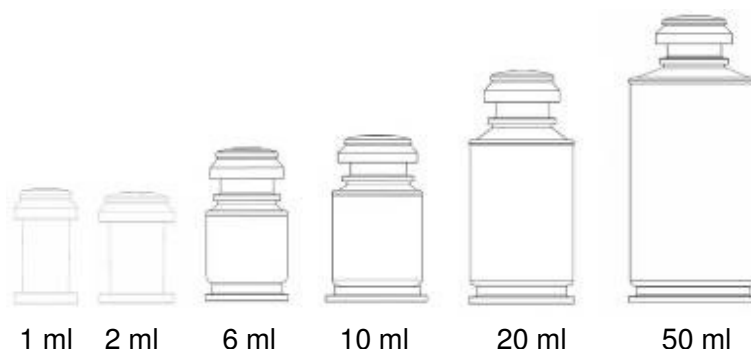
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<sup>1</sup> “CVFS - Closed Vial Filling System” is defined as “An aseptic filling system providing an environment achieving uncompromised Class ISO 5 protection that surrounds containers which are delivered closed and sterile inside, are filled through their stoppers and then immediately re-sealed to preclude the possibility of microbial ingress”.

## Overview of *Crystal*<sup>®</sup> line range

	<i>Crystal</i> <sup>®</sup> M1 Filling Station	<i>Crystal</i> <sup>®</sup> L1 Robot Line	<i>Crystal</i> <sup>®</sup> Cx Filling Line	<i>Crystal</i> <sup>®</sup> PX Filling Line	<i>Crystal</i> <sup>®</sup> Pxx Filling Line
Max. output (1ml)	180 v/h	600 v/h.	4.500 v/h	9.000 v/h	36.000 v/h
Applications	Aseptic filling	Aseptic filling, Aseptic-toxic, Biohazard	Aseptic filling	Aseptic filling, Aseptic-toxic, Biohazard	Aseptic filling
Freeze dried	YES	YES	YES	YES	-
Filling volume	0.1 ml to 50 ml + overfill.	0.1 ml to 50 ml + overfill.	0.1 ml to 50 ml + overfill.	0.1 ml to 50 ml + overfill.	0.1 ml to 50 ml + overfill.
Containment	ISO-5 in ISO-8 or isolator	ISO-5 in ISO-8 or isolator	ISO-5 in ISO-8	ISO-5 in ISO-8 or isolator	ISO-5 in ISO-8
Typical footprint	1 m <sup>2</sup>	1,5 m <sup>2</sup>	9 m <sup>2</sup>	13 m <sup>2</sup>	44 m <sup>2</sup>
Utilities	Electricity, no water, no compres. air	Electricity, no water, no compres. air	Electricity, no water, no compres. air	Electricity, no water, no compres. air	Electricity, compres. air, no water.

## Overview of *Crystal*<sup>®</sup> vial range



<i>CVFL</i> <sup>®</sup> Vials	1 ml	2 ml	6 ml	10 ml	20 ml	50 ml
Height (in mm.)	33.1	33.1	43.0	53.5	64.7	88.6
Stopper upper diameter (in mm.)	8	9	9	9	9	9
External vial diameter (in mm.)	18.3	22.3	25	25	30	36
Maximum volume filled (in ml.)	1.35	2.25	7.6	11.7	21.8	52.1
Freeze-drying	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Oxygen-free	Every Closed Vial format can be delivered with very low O <sub>2</sub> content					
Light-sensitive	Every Closed Vial format is available with amber body					
Colored caps	Caps and rings are available in different colors for differentiation					

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