

FUEL FROM BIOMASS Treatment of

woody biomass





OVERVIEW

Think green!

Komptech is a leading international technology provider. We plan, build and supply machines and systems for the mechanical and biological treatment of solid waste and biomass, and the processing of woody biomass for use as a renewable fuel.

Fuel from woody biomass

Woody biomass plays a key role in the transition from fossil fuel to renewable energy. With the right machinery, waste wood, agricultural and forestry waste can all be turned into marketable fuels. Companies formerly working in disposal can use this to add energy production to their portfolio.

Low- or high-speed shredders, flexible star screens and – where needed – powerful stone separators are the key components for efficient fuel production. The customers are biomass heating and cogeneration plants, who need a low-cost fuel with a specific calorific value and grain size.



When wood is combusted, only as much carbon dioxide (CO₂) is released as a tree absorbs from the atmosphere during its growth. Energy from wood is therefore CO₂neutral and an important contribution to climate protection.

Wide application area

With the right processing, generally involving shredding, screening and separating, marketable fuel can be extracted from a variety of materials. Examples are tree and shrub cuttings from public and private landscaping or forest residues from wood harvesting - an inhomogeneous fraction of tops and branches. For the energetic use of these materials, processing is indispensable. Only this way high-quality fuels that meet plant-specific requirements can be produced. Our role is to develop the right concepts and most cost-effective machinery for this market.



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Green waste, branch and shrub cuttings (woody)

Untreated waste wood, 02 rootstocks, driftwood

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Forest residues





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Shredding woody biomass is typically accomplished with low-speed shredders like the Crambo, which produces very little fines and whose teeth are extremely resilient against damage from contaminants and high mineral content. With higher wood content and lower contamination with contaminants, the Axtor high-speed shredder comes into its own, in shredder mode for branches or chipper mode for trunks.

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Komptech star screens separate the material into fine, medium and coarse fractions in one pass. Typically the medium fraction is the most suitable for use as fuel. The fine fraction is further processed as compost, while the coarse fraction is cycled back for re-shredding by high-speed or low-speed machines.

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For better fuel quality, a cleaning step can be added to the process. The ash content, an important criterion for heating plant operators, is increased by stones in the fuel. A stone separator can be used to remove them efficiently.

Mobile star screens

Stationary star screens

Mobile drum screens



Crambo Mobile or stationary low-speed 2-shaft-shredder

Axtor Mobile high-speed shredder





03 < Stonefex Mobile stone separator Hurrikan S (optional) Mobile or stationary wind sifter





Crambo

The Crambo is one of the best machines there is for shredding all types of wood and green cuttings. Two lowspeed drums with teeth minimize the fines component, as well as noise and dust emissions, and are resilient against contaminants. The degree of shredding can be set flexibly. Just change the screen basket to get the ideal grain range for further processing.



Crambo mobile





01 Shredding

When producing biofuel from green cuttings, a coarse shred is important, so that woody fractions pass through the composting process largely unaltered, except for drying, and can then be screened out. The robust Crambo is ideal for this, as its large screen basket sizes give the right particle size for further processing.

is made possible by the generously dimensioned feed area, folding hopper and counter-rotating teeth.

A fuel with a coarser structure can be generated from forestry residue and clean waste wood by shredding with the Axtor. This fuel is sent directly to the heating plant or, in the case of higher requirements, further conditioned by screening. The Axtor turns trunks right into highquality chips.

Axtor

Compact dimensions and high flexibility make the Axtor the ideal machine for biomass treatment. Other features are a wide feed area with tilt hopper, tough and aggressive intake system, and roomy service platform with excellent access to engine and drum for maintenance.



Axtor

With fixed tool holders and chipping blades, the Axtor is a powerful chipper. With its large drum diameter and efficient shredding geometry, the Axtor can handle logs up to 0.8 metres in diameter.



Multistar One/S3/L3/XL3 /XXL2/SE

With Multistar star screens, high throughput and selectivity are assured even with materials of varying moisture content and composting stages. Versions and configurations are available for virtually any application and plant size. The electric drive makes screening quiet, efficient and economical.







A fine fraction, a medium fraction and a coarse fraction can be produced in one pass with a 3-fraction star screen. The medium fraction is generally the usable fuel fraction. In practice, a lower screen section with a hole size of 15-25 millimetres and an upper screen section with 80-100 millimetres have proven to be common for the particle size of the middle fraction.

As the material passes over a bed of rotating stars they knock any impurities off the material, giving a high quality

output.

For newer heating plants equipped with the appropriate conveying technology, particle sizes of up to 150 millimetres can be used.

Drum screens can also be used for this task: They provide robust design and universal application.



Mobile and stationary drum screens

Our wide range of drum screens deliver almost any desired performance level. The Primus and Maxx screens have proven their value for many years in the medium performance range. The Nemus adds innovative details to these tried and true solutions. The Cribus machine series includes three electrically powered models. Seven more sizes are available in stationary versions, with drum lengths of up to twelve metres.



Stonefex

The Stonefex stone separator reliably and very effectively removes stones and inert items from biomass fuels. A patented system of pressure and suction blowers generates exactly the right air flow in the expansion chamber to separate the stones and the organic fraction.







Forest residues and municipal green waste are often contaminated with stones during collection and storage. But stones are undesirable contaminants that reduce the quality and price of biofuels. The Stonefex improves fuel quality by removing up to 90 percent of stones and inert materials. The Stonfex can be combined with almost any standard screening machine. The electric drive of all components keeps energy costs low.

If required, lightweight materials (plastic foils) can be separated by windsifting with the Hurrikan S. On both machines, all components are electrically powered, using grid power or the onboard diesel generator.



Hurrikan

Hurrikan wind sifters provide effective removal of plastic film from screen overs. They work with a patented pressure-suction process that gives a separation efficiency of up to 95 percent on the Hurrikan S. Electric drive of all components ensures top efficiency, while offering many control possibilities. A magnetic and a rolling fraction separator can further enhance the quality of the recyclable overs.

> The Hurrikan S has an enlarged suction zone with twosuction blowers. An integrated power unit makes this wind sifter completely independent of grid power.



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