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Our product line includes:

**CROSSHEADS**
- for single layer extrusion
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- for dual layer extrusion
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- Crossheads with intermediate tool for the separated extrusion of two identical or different materials in one head, like bedding plus sheathing compound.
- Crossheads for the extrusion of fluoro-polymers (single layer extrusion, skin co-extrusion and stripe co-extrusion)
- Furthermore UNITEK offers a number of crossheads for special applications like heads with heating/cooling shells for rubber extrusion or heads for extremely thin wall single or multi-layer extrusion.

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are available from size 4 (UXH4) to 140 (UXH140) with maximum outer diameter of the finished product from 0,05 [0,002"] to 140mm [5,511”]. All crossheads are designed for fixed centered tools, whereas certain heads are also available with manual adjustment.

**CARTRIDGES**
In addition to the standard type cartridges we offer special designs in order to meet the requirements of a huge number of applications:
- Standard cartridges for PVC and PE
- LV cartridges for low-viscosity materials such as polyamide and polyurethane
- HFC cartridges for high-viscosity materials, especially for halogen-free, fire-resistant materials or highly filled PVC.

**TOOLS**
UNITEK extrusion tools are made of state-of-the-art materials only such as tungsten carbides and tool steels with or without diamond inserts and are famous for their extreme accuracy and durability. We offer a large variety of tool designs from standardized to fully customized tools in order to meet every extrusion requirement.

**Peripheral Equipment**

**Bypasses UBP**
The UBP is a discharge valve with alternatively hydraulic, pneumatic or manual actuation. Installed as a separate unit between the extruder and the head they serve for the diversion of the melt stream and a pressure release inside the crosshead for an easy start-up and shut-down of the production process.

**AUTOMATIC COLOUR CHANGING SYSTEMS**
Available for all kinds of products including extremely thin wall automotive wires allowing to change from one colour to another at full production speed without having to stop the extrusion line. Resulting in no down-time, minimized scrap and highly improved productivity. Depending on the product and the requirements, one can choose from about two dozen different systems. The right selection will mainly be subject to necessary adjustments such as basic colour, stripe colour, wall thickness and insulation material as well as the frequency of the colour changes.

**SUPPORT TROLLEY/SUPERCARRIAGE**
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