# **PET Innovation: ISO Technology**

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## What is ISO Technology?

ISO\* Technology is a unique manufacturing process that inspires freedom of design





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#### How does ISO Technology Work?

ISO Technology makes use of a state-of-the-art diffusion bonding process



Example of a hot runner manifold prepared for diffusion bonding



#### How does ISO Technology Work?

High heat and pressure are uniformly applied to the plates in a specialized chamber



- During this process, a molecular exchange takes place across the adjoining plates
- Just as liquids and gases diffuse, solids do as well under the right conditions
- No brazing No filler materials used
- The joint has the same mechanical and physical properties as the parent materials



# How is ISO Technology Different?

Comparison of a gun-drilled vs diffusion bonded manifold



Conventional Gun-Drilled Manifold

#### ISO Diffusion Bonded Manifold

No plugs - no leaks



## Why use ISO Technology?

#### Design Freedom offers Inherent Advantages

- ✓ Enables an optimized melt channel design
- ✓ Facilitates smooth level transitions
- ✓ Eliminates sharp corners and edges
- ✓ No dead spots





Effect on Balance

- Short Shot test (injected at 50% shot-weight)
- Variation reduced from 46% to 19% (percent relative range)



ISO



Weight	Conventional	ISO
Average (g)	13.80	14.27
Min (g)	10.80	13.15
Max (g)	17.20	15.83
Range (g)	6.40	2.68
St Dev	1.43	0.57





#### Effect on Pressure Drop

- Peak injection pressure was significantly reduced
- Reduced resistance to flow shear stress
- Opportunity to reduce cycle time

Injection	Conve	ntional	ISO
Fill Rate (g/s/c)	10	13	16.9
Fill Time (s)	2.80	2.15	1.66
Peak Fill Pressure (b)	680	780	674





Combination of these two important elements:



Good Balance + Low Pressure Drop

Enables demanding technologies such as Overmolding

Bolsters light-weighting programs

- Thinner walls
- Higher L/T's



#### 144 Cavity comparison with a conventional hot runner

#### Peak Injection pressure reduced 19%

Conventional:	11,600 psi
ISO:	9,400 psi

#### Preform weight variation reduced 52%

Conventional:	0.29g
ISO:	0.14g

#### AA avg (with scavenger) reduced 24%

Conventional:	1.23 ppm
ISO:	0.93 ppm





Color Change – Green to Clear

- Conventional hot runner = 220 cycles
- ISO hot runner = 30 cycles









## Where else is ISO Technology Used?

**KoolTrack**<sup>™</sup> Diffusion Bonded Stack Components

- Optimized water circuit targets difficult to reach areas
- KoolTrack neck ring design utilizes conformal water channels



**Conventional Drilling** 

KoolTrack







#### StackTeck Challenge

- PCO-1881 18.58g preform
- StackTeck 96-cavity mold, EOAT, & PiCOOL
- Netstal PET-LINE 4000 side entry robot



	Conventional	KoolTrack
Cycle Time	7.50 s	6.99 s
Thread Temperature	64°C	50°C





# Thank You



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