

# (Semi) Hard Cheese Line Solutions

High efficiency vs high flexibility

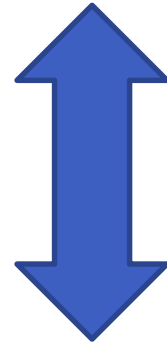
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**HIGH EFFICINECY CHEESE LINE**



**HIGH FLEXIBILITY CHEESE LINE NEW**



# Tetra Pak Semi-hard cheese line solution

## Line segments





**(Semi) Hard High Efficiency line solution**

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## Tetra Pak Semi Hard line solutions



### ► High Efficiency Semi Hard Cheese Line

Focus on high performance and high quality:

- First class whey quality (IF) – and maximum recovery
- Outstanding weight accuracy
- Very low moisture standard deviation
- Long running time – less down time
- Efficient CIP



# High efficiency Semi Hard Cheese line

## ► Good whey quality starts with good milk treatment

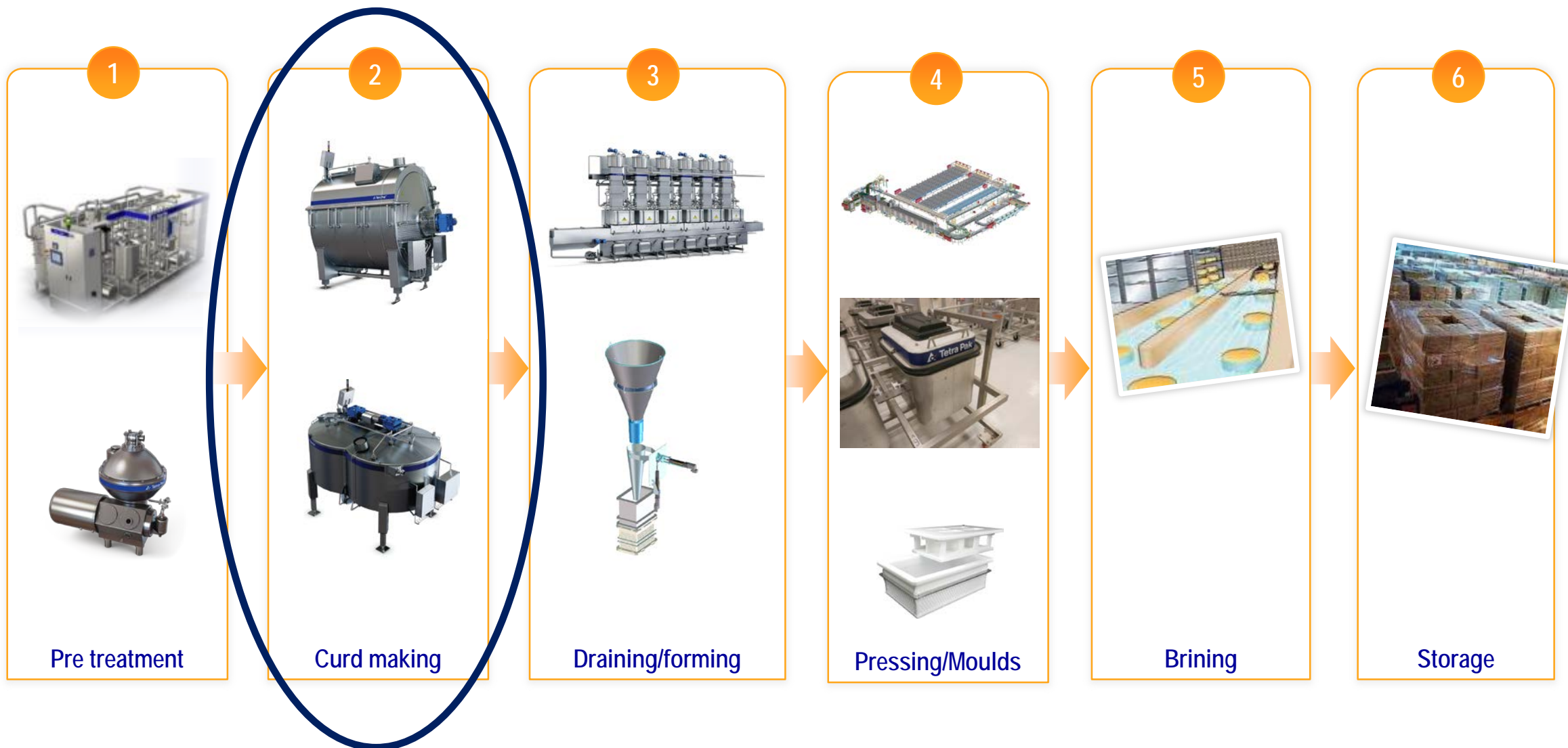
- Spore removal
- Lower bacterial counts
- No fat damage
- Prevent growth of thermophiles in regeneration sections  
(limiting running times of PHE)

*Pasteurizer section maximum 4 – 5 hours running time  
by double execution enabling continuous production !!!  
(needed for whey quality, not for cheese quality)*



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# Tetra Pak Cheese vats family

## Fit for wide set of requirements

### Horizontal Shaft(s)



### Vertical Shafts





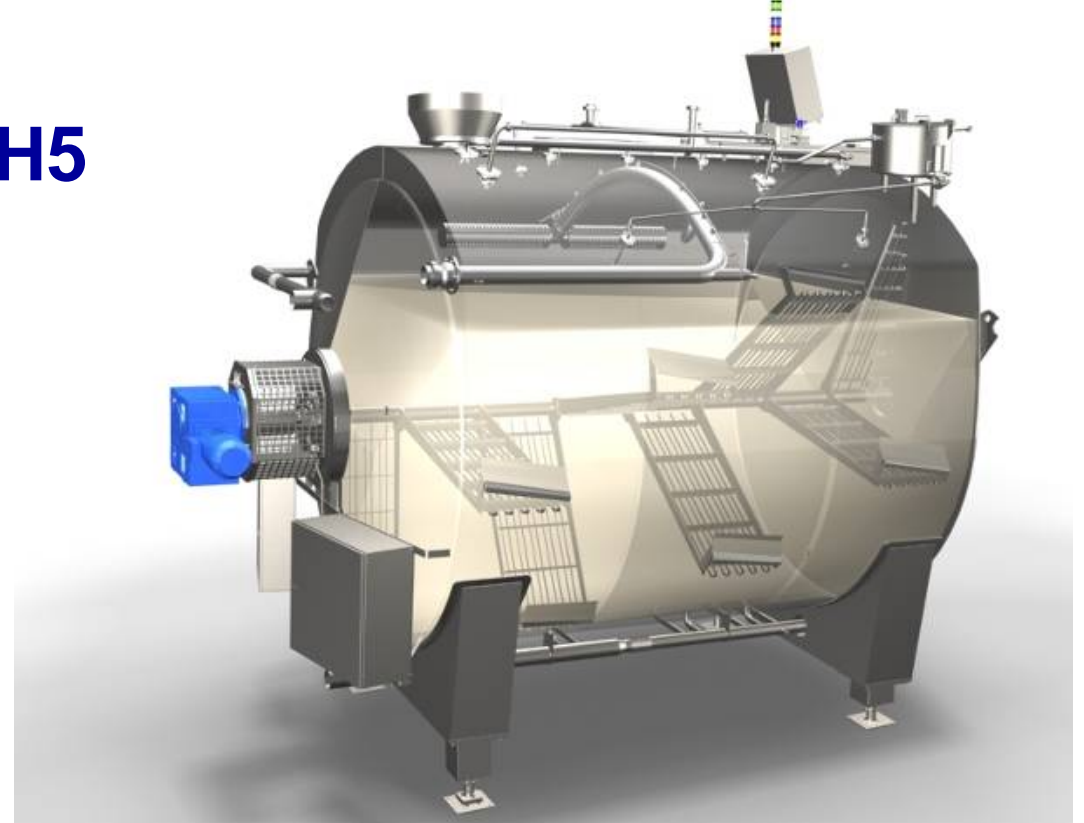


# Tetra Pak Cheese Vat OST SH5

Curd production for semi hard and hard cheese

Capacities 3.000 – 30.000 ltr

- ▶ Excellent performance
- ▶ Long operating time
- ▶ Reliable strong construction
- ▶ Low service costs





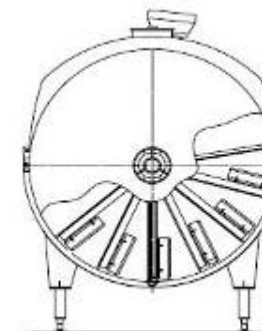
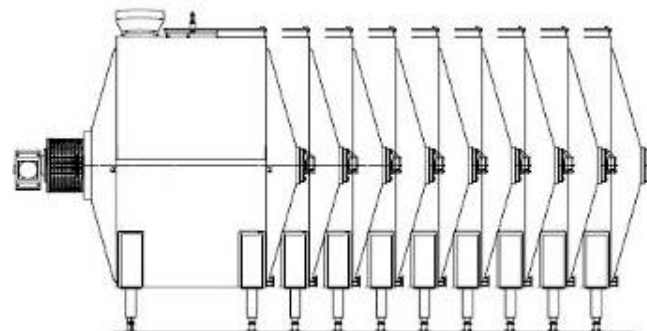
# Tetra Pak Cheese Vat OST SH6

(see SH5) furthermore:

- ▶ Preferred for larger vat sizes (>15 KL)
- ▶ Heating with dimple jacket
- ▶ Controlled  $\Delta T$  for gentle heating



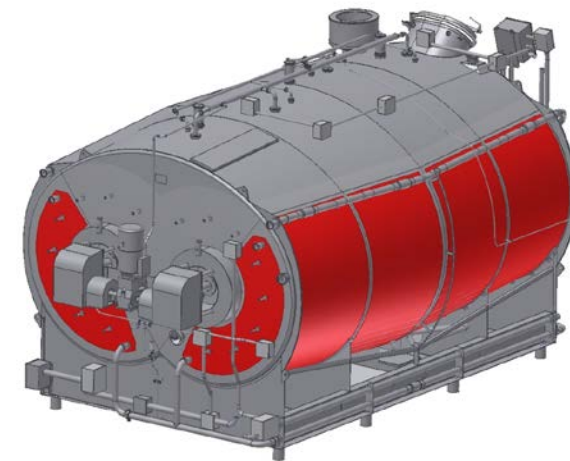
15.000 - 30.000 L  
in steps of 2.500 L





# Tetra Pak Cheese Vat YMV (American style vats)

## The Yield master high performance vats







# Tetra Pak Cheese Vat OO (vertical shafts)

Curd production for (semi) soft, semi hard and hard cheese

Types:

SH8 and SH9; with whey strainer

SH8 Range 2.000 – 30.000 l

SH9 Range 14.000 – 19.000 l





Tetra Pak Cheese Vat OO SH9

## Cheese maker's choice

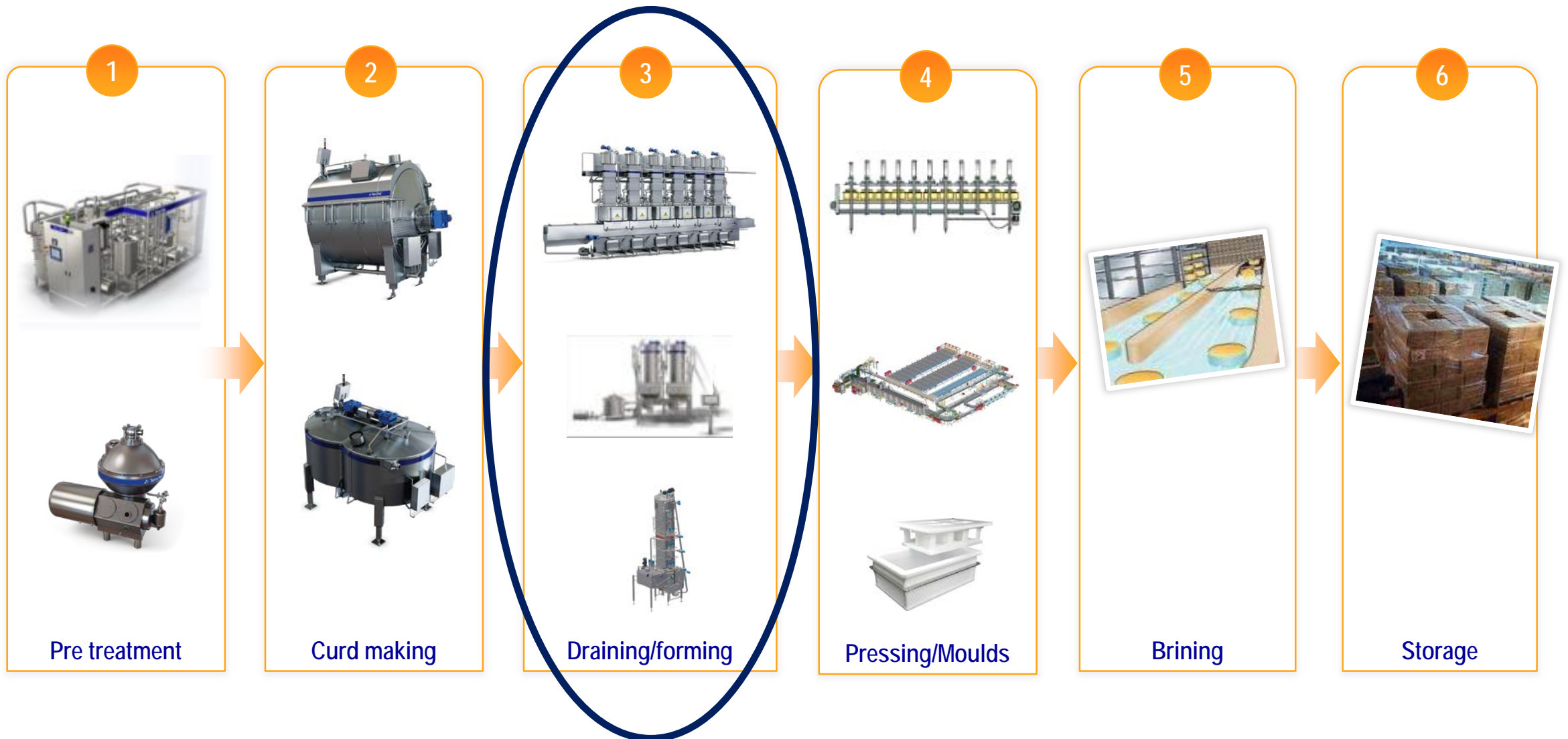
- ▶ High performance at different fill levels
  - Low fat and fines losses
  - Predictable curd size distribution
  - High yield
- ▶ Precise process control
  - Effective cutting
  - Gentle stirring
  - Quick whey discharge
  - Soft heating profile
- ▶ Tune-able cheese make recipe
- ▶ Up to 60% whey pre-draw of nominal volume
- ▶ Mechanical and thermal stress resistant





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# Tetra Pak Casomatic system SC7



Continuous whey drainage and portioning machine for efficient semi hard and hard cheese for 1 cheese size

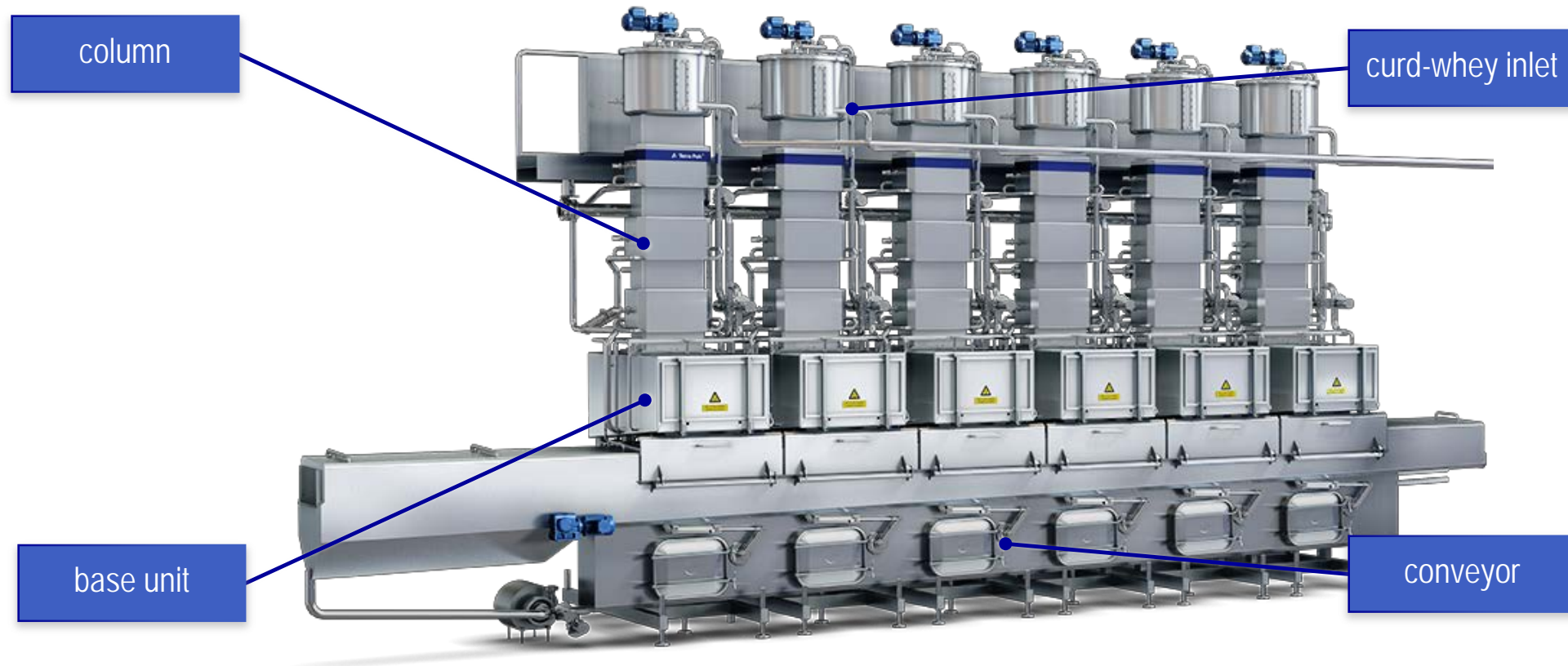
Weights: 8 – 30 kg  
Capacity: 1000-1300 kg/h  
Running time: > 22,5 hrs





# Machine overview

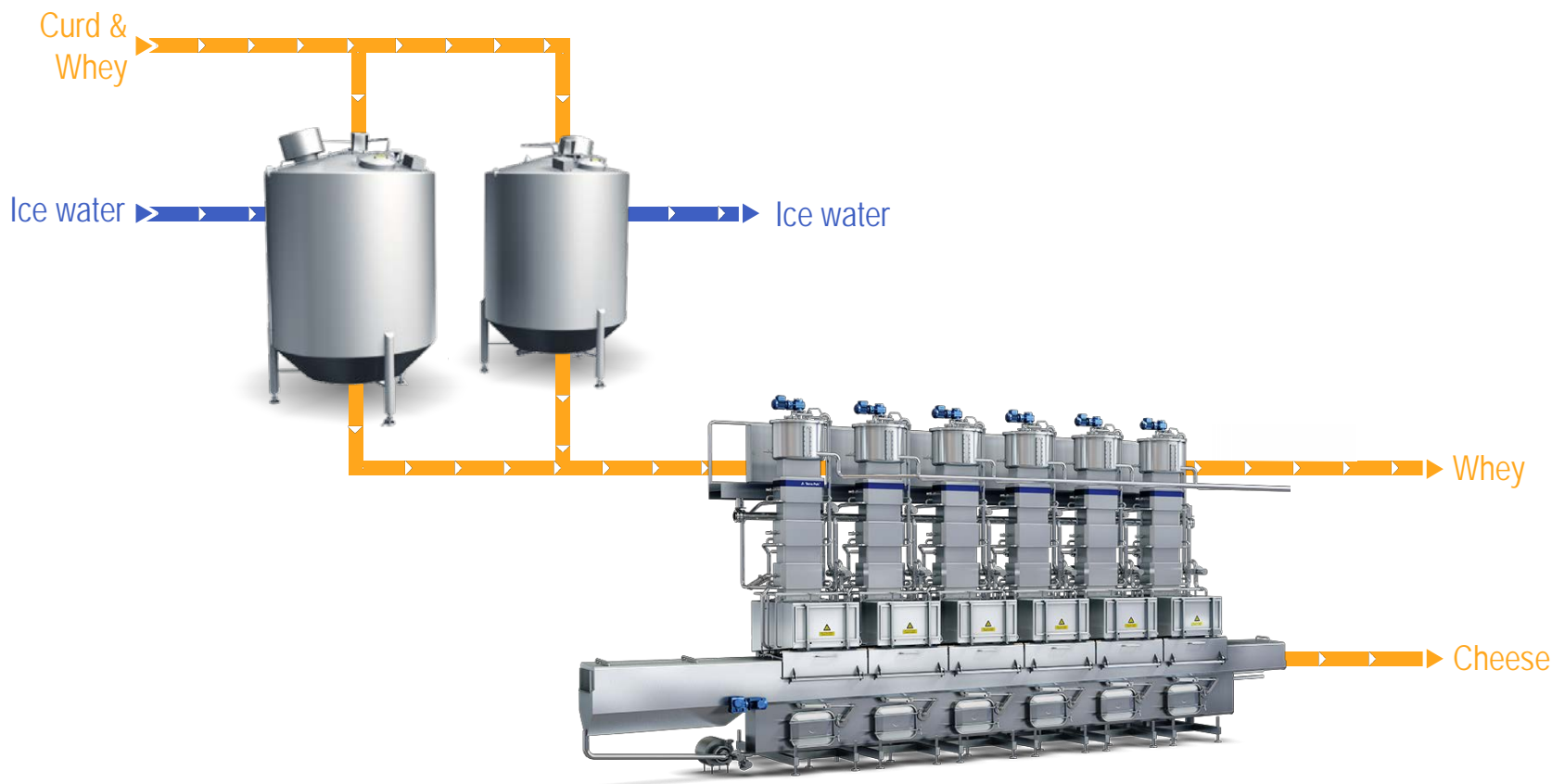
## Tetra Pak® Casomatic system SC7





# Flow chart

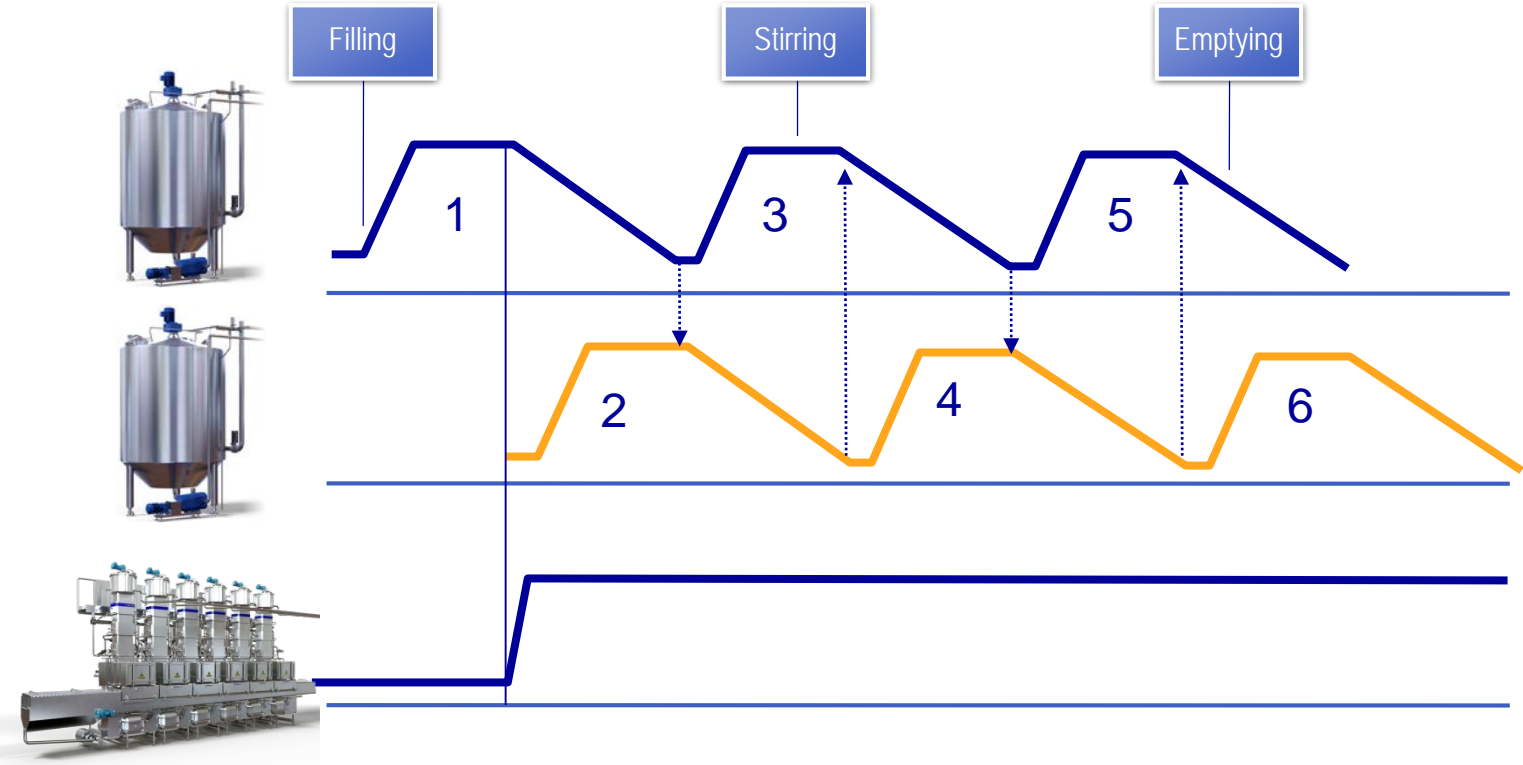
## Tetra Pak® Casomatic system SC7





# Buffer tanks principle

Tetra Pak® Casomatic system SC7 is continuously filled from the buffer tanks





# Buffer tank

Tetra Pak® Casomatic system SC7

- ▶ Excellent stirring
- ▶ Low losses
- ▶ Complete emptying
- ▶ Level controlled speed of agitator
- ▶ Ice water cooling till the last drop







# Process in column

Tetra Pak® Casomatic system SC7

- ▶ Whey flow
- ▶ Static pressure
- ▶ Fusion
- ▶ Filtering effect





# Drainage system

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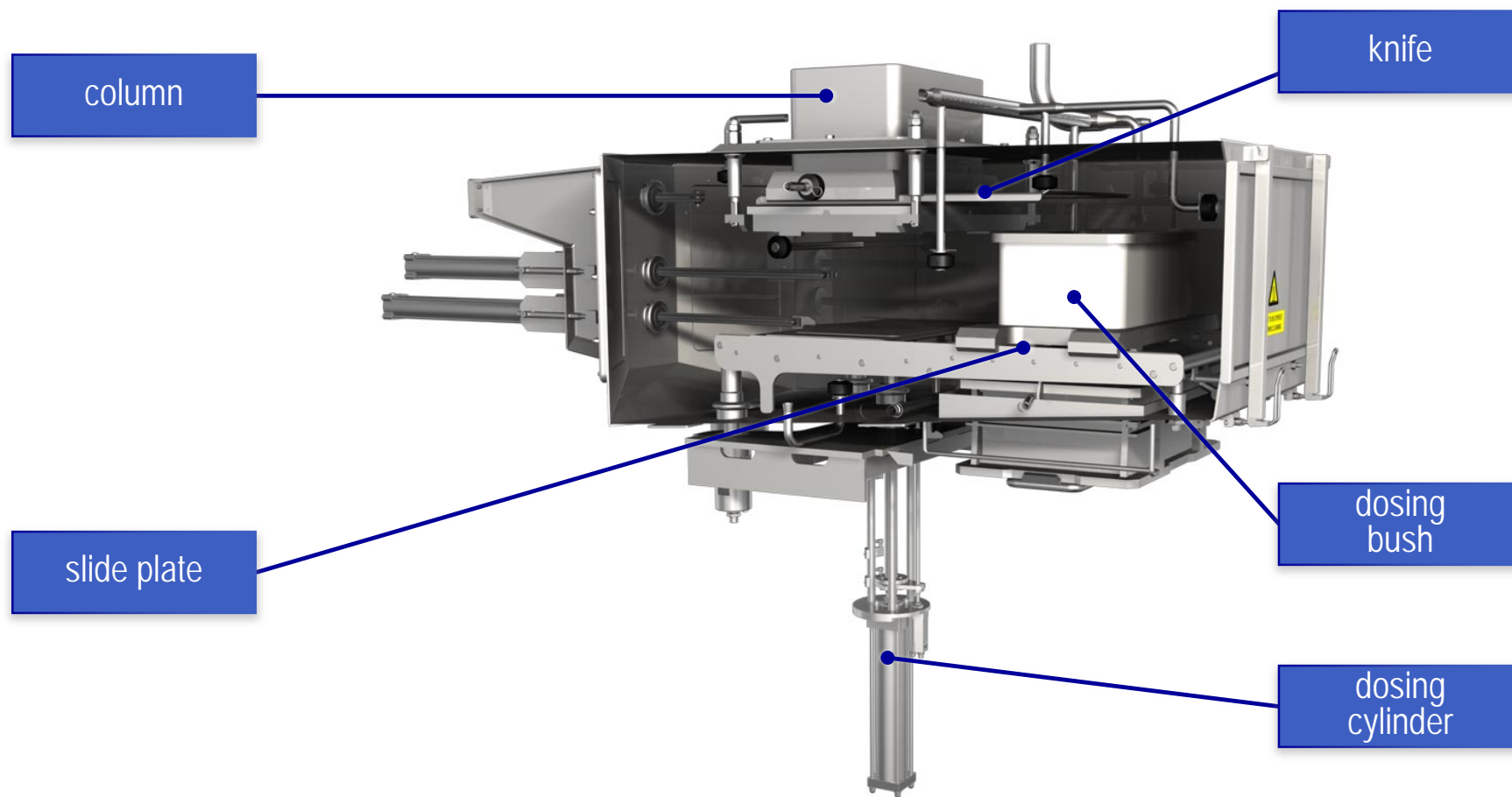
- ▶ Pressure between curd and whey is measured
- ▶ Required pressure is maintained by controlling flow
- ▶ Flow is regulated by PID controlled membrane valve





# Dosing part

Tetra Pak® Casomatic system SC7







## The expert's choice

Tetra Pak® Casomatic system SC7

- ▶ Efficient solution
- ▶ Long production runs
- ▶ Reliable performance
- ▶ Excellent whey quality
- ▶ Accurate moisture content
- ▶ Outstanding weight accuracy
- ▶ Good cheese quality
- ▶ Improved environmental performance





# Tetra Pak Casomatic system SC7

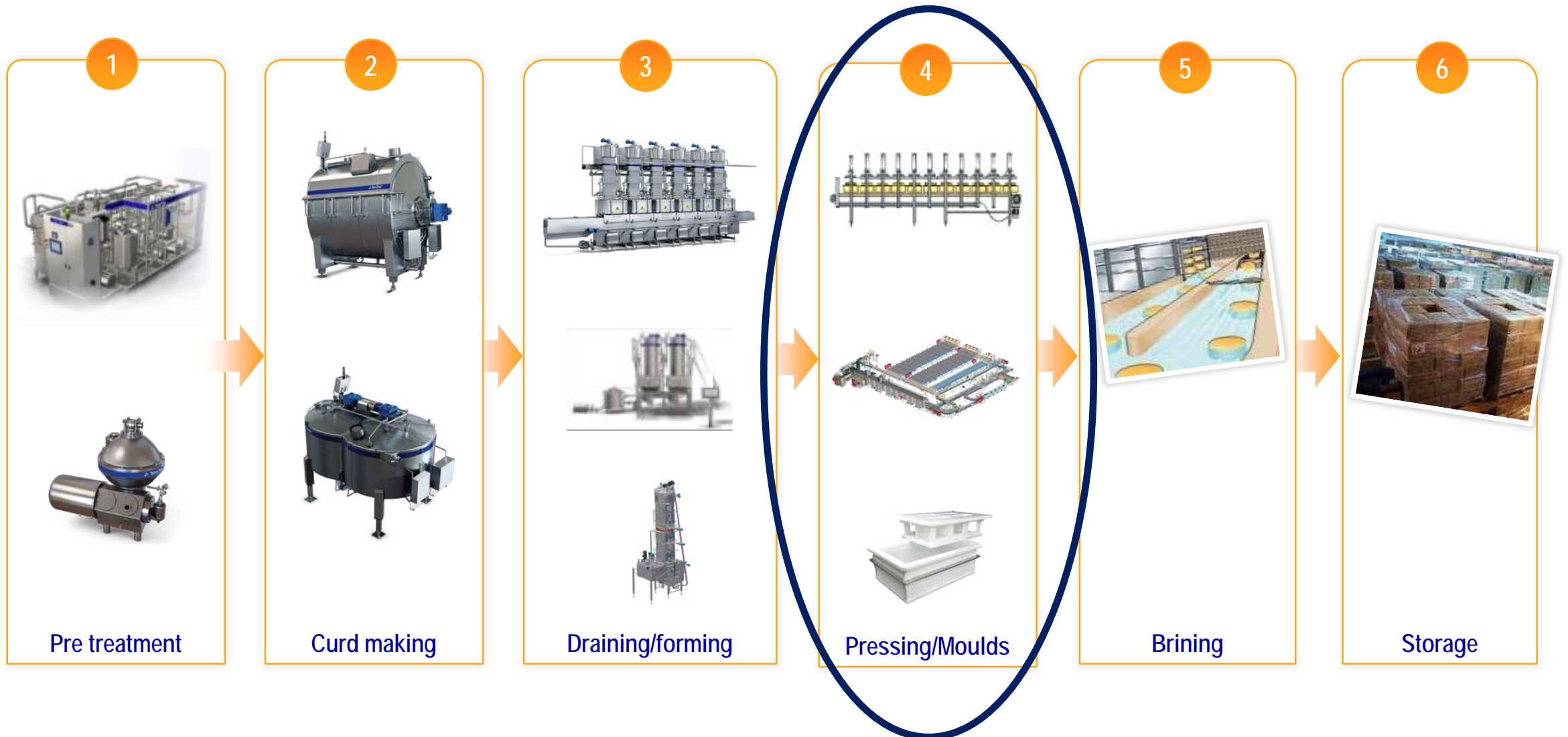
Key performance indicators:

- ▶ Weight accuracy ( VC < 0,8%)
- ▶ Moisture accuracy (VC < 0,9%) – in combination with pressing configuration – pressing per batch – batch separation.
- ▶ Whey quality at start and end of production run (> 22.5 hr)
- ▶ Long running time (>22.5 hour without CIP)
- ▶ Minimum curd losses
- ▶ Bacteriological quality of cheese and whey



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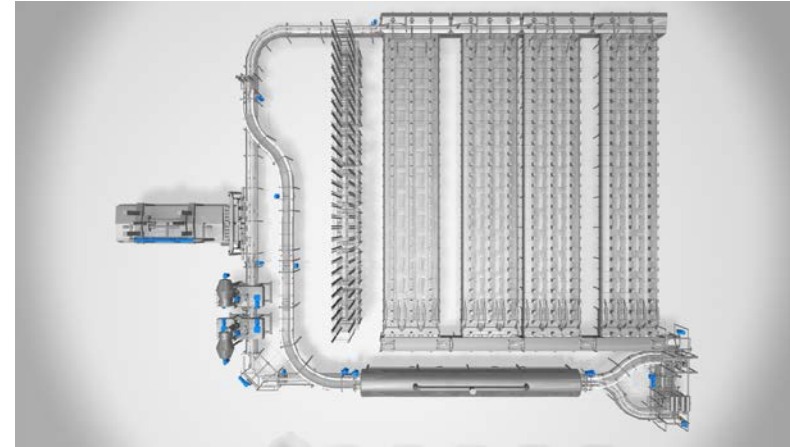
## Line segments



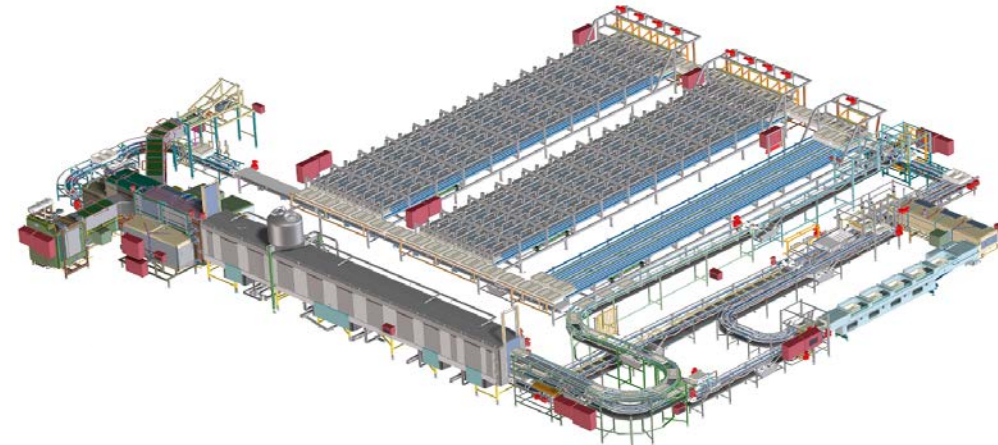


# Semi Hard Pressing systems

Closed pressing systems



Whey Tray systems



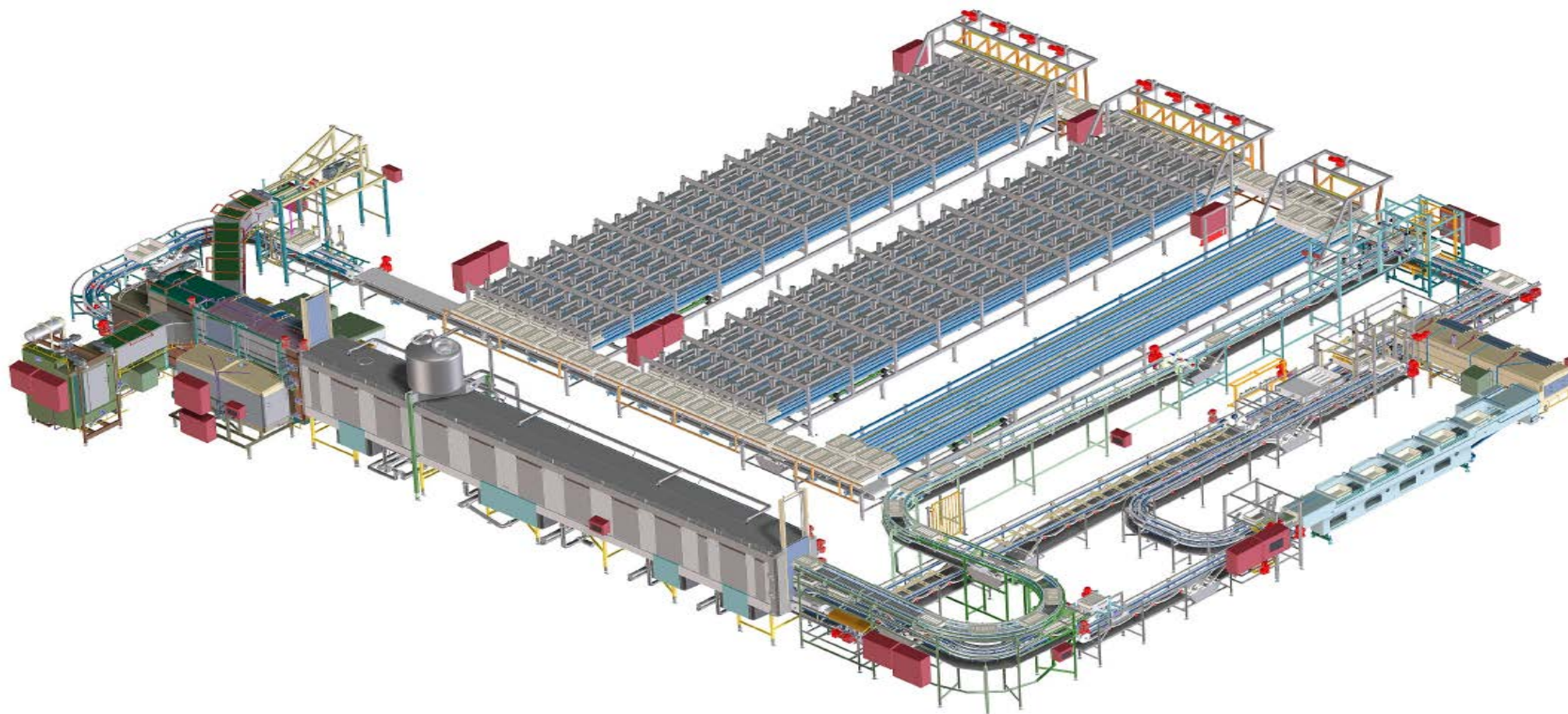




A Tetra Pak company

# Whey Container - Tray System

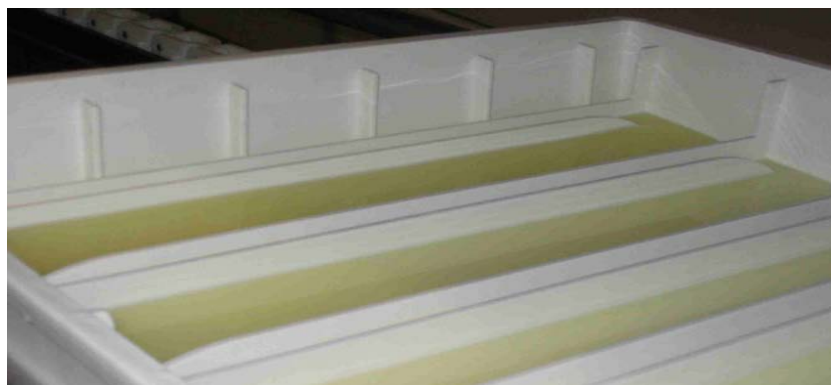
Concept for dry presses – dry floor





# Whey container system

- ▶ Increased recovery of high quality whey
- ▶ No cleaning of the presses, conveyors nor handling equipment
  - Less operational costs - less water and cleaning agents, less energy
  - Lower impact on cheese room climate
  - Less energy consumption
  - Pressing per batch configuration



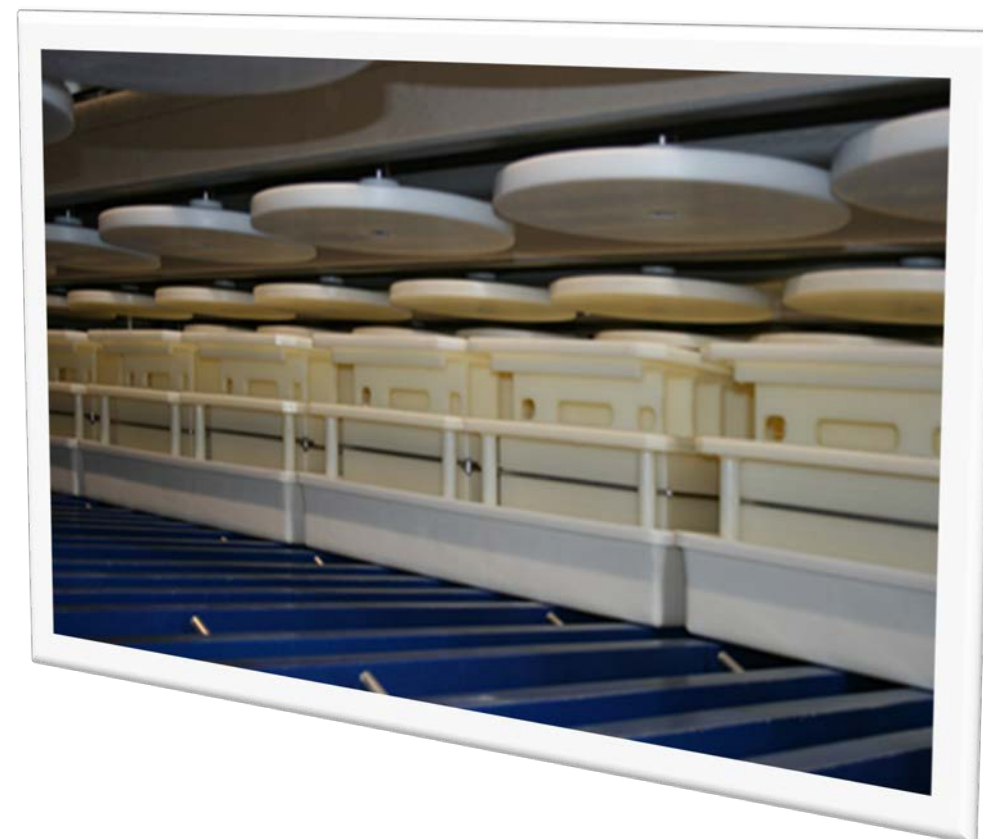
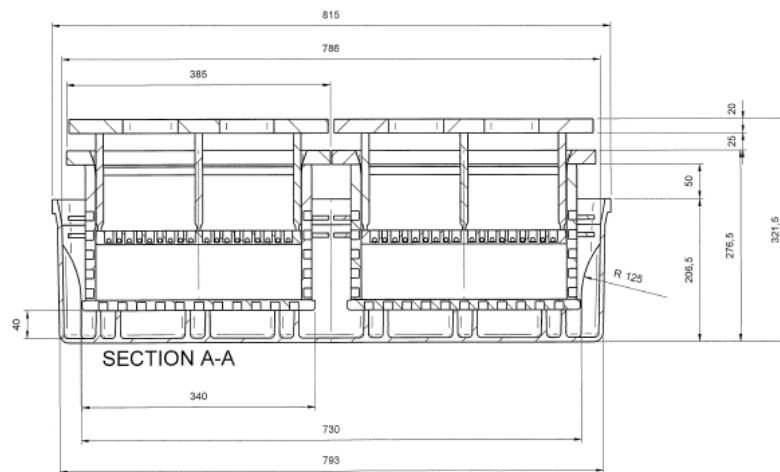
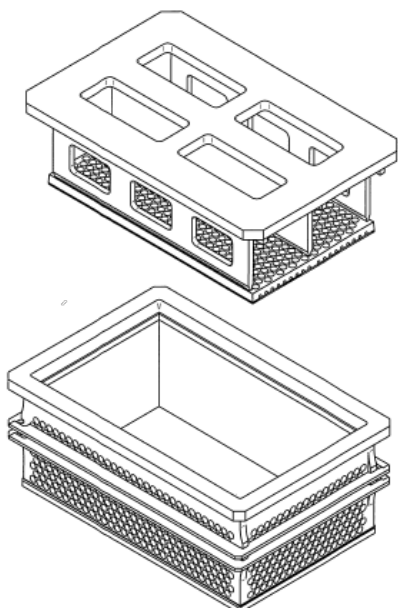




# Cheese line – most efficiency pressing system

Mould handling system (conveyors):

- adapted to many different recipes
- open and accessible final pressing system
- special mould and trays design



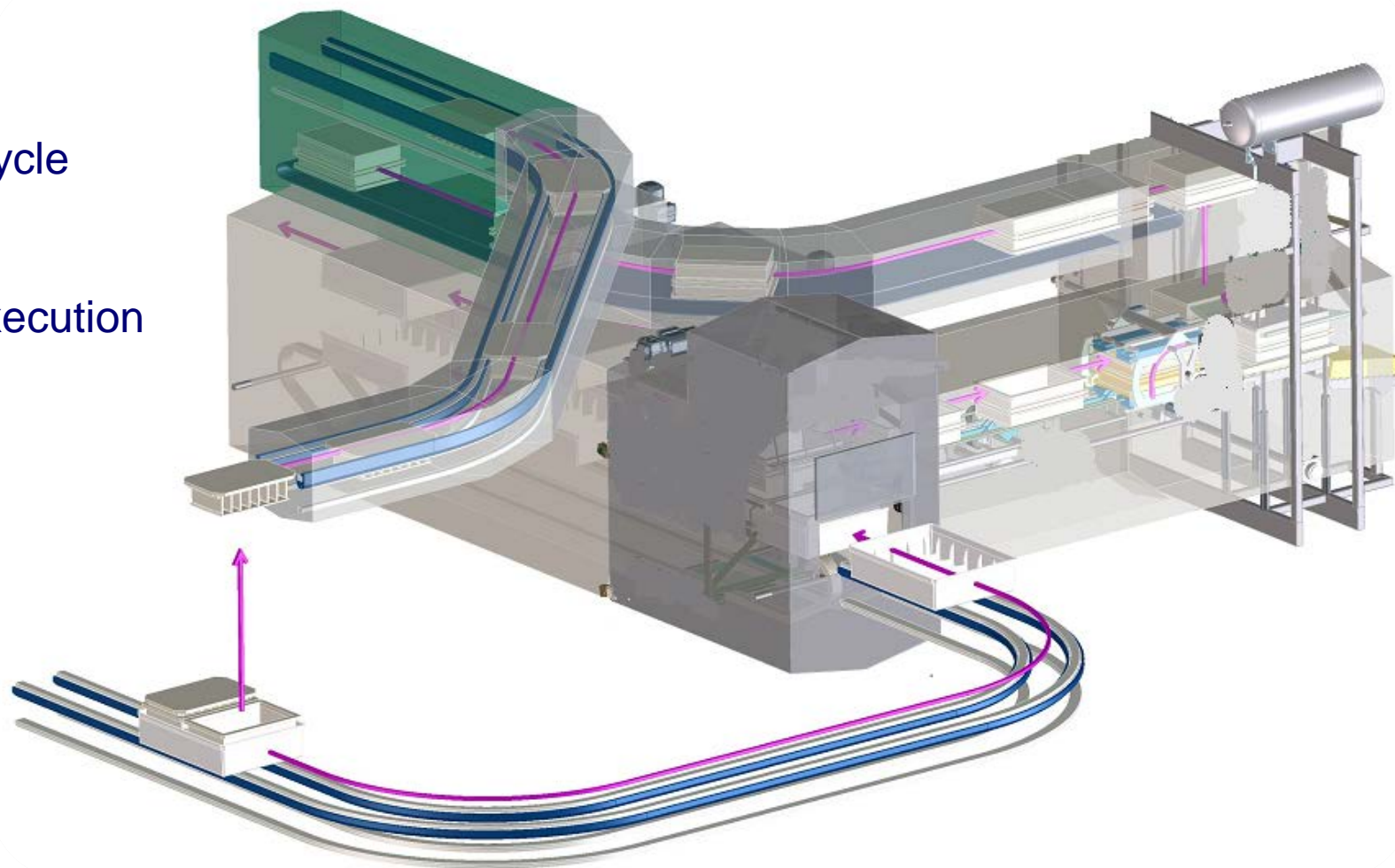




# Cheese line - difficult stages

## Demoulding system:

- enclosed CIP-able system
  - whey recovery after every cycle
  - Tray cleaned every cycle
  - Collecting station double execution
- CIP every 3 – 4 hours





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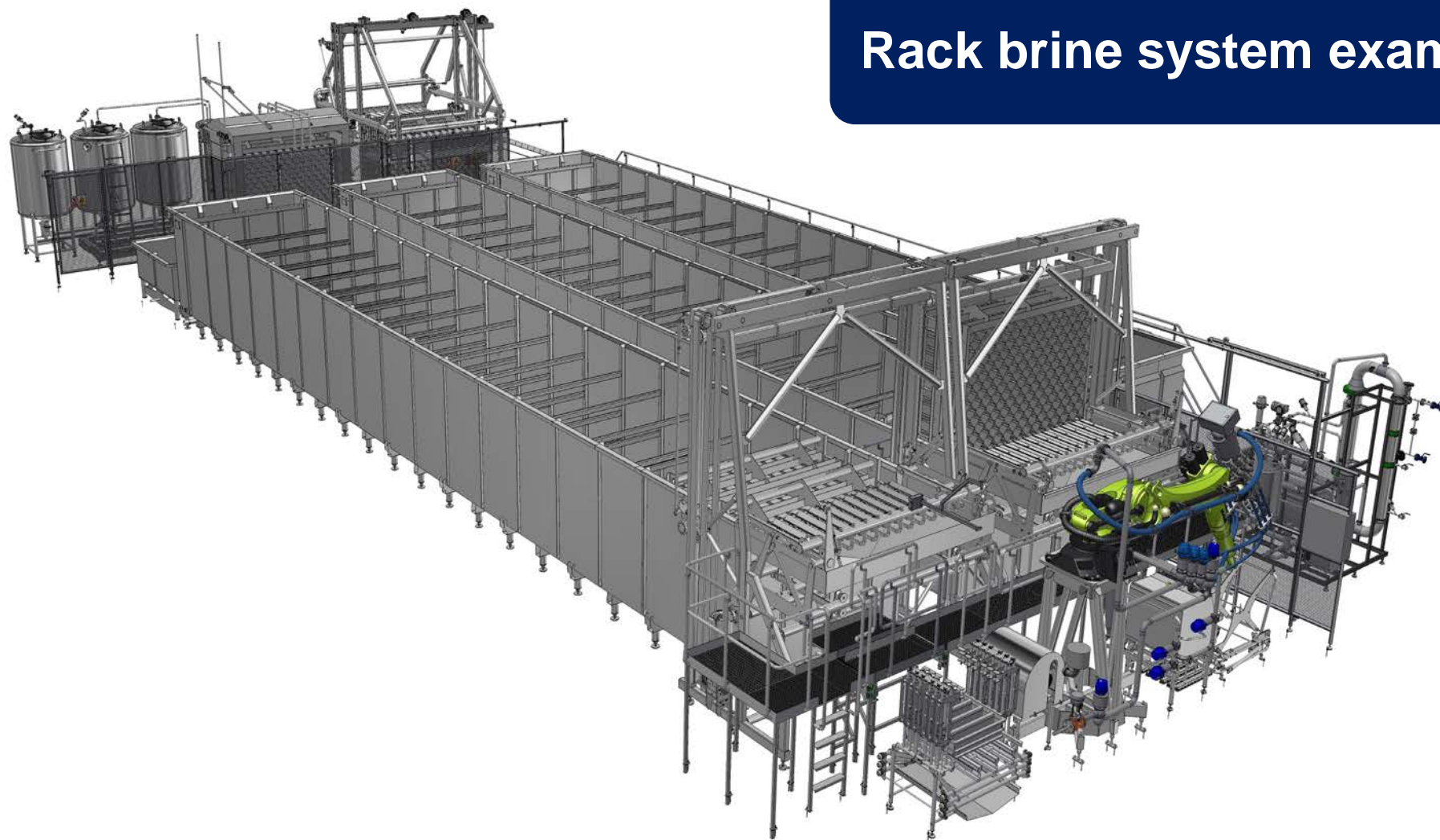
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# De-moulded cheeses to go into brine system

**Rack brine system example**





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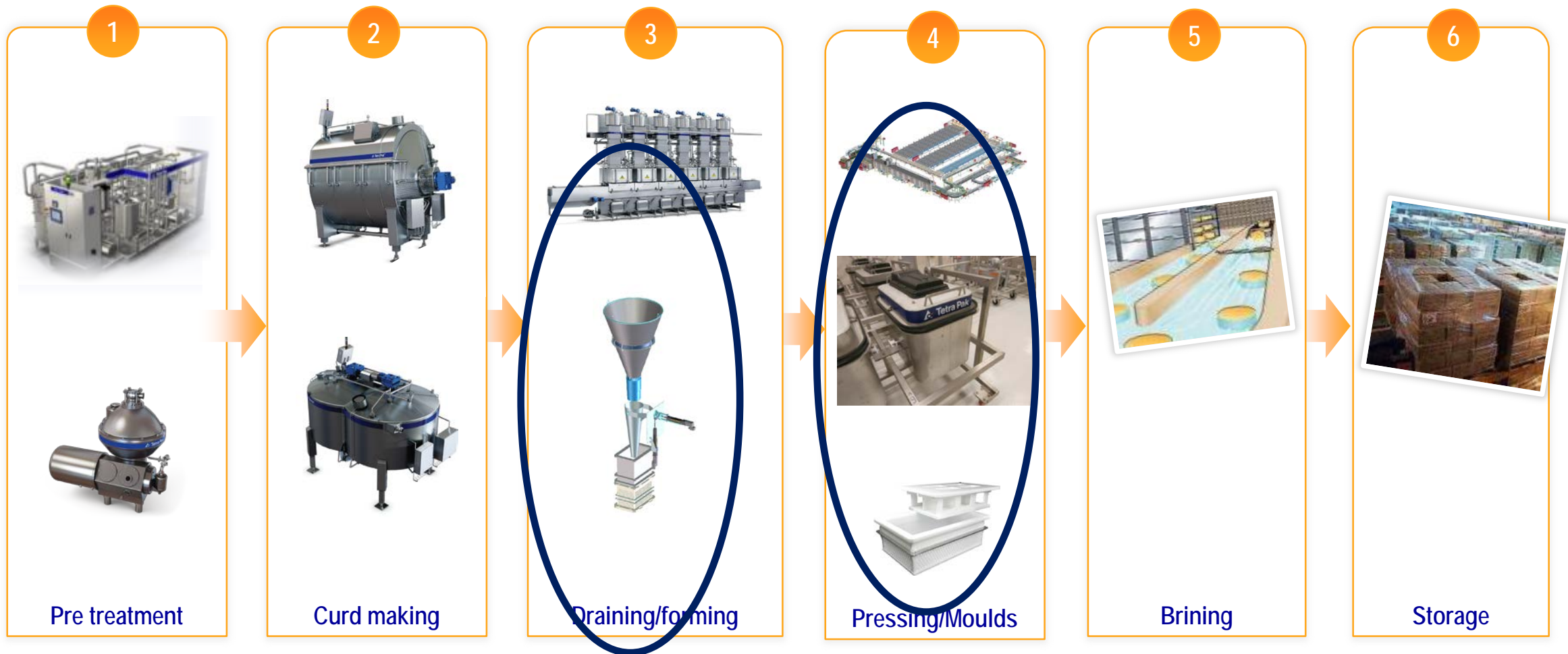
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# Ultimate flexibility in cheese

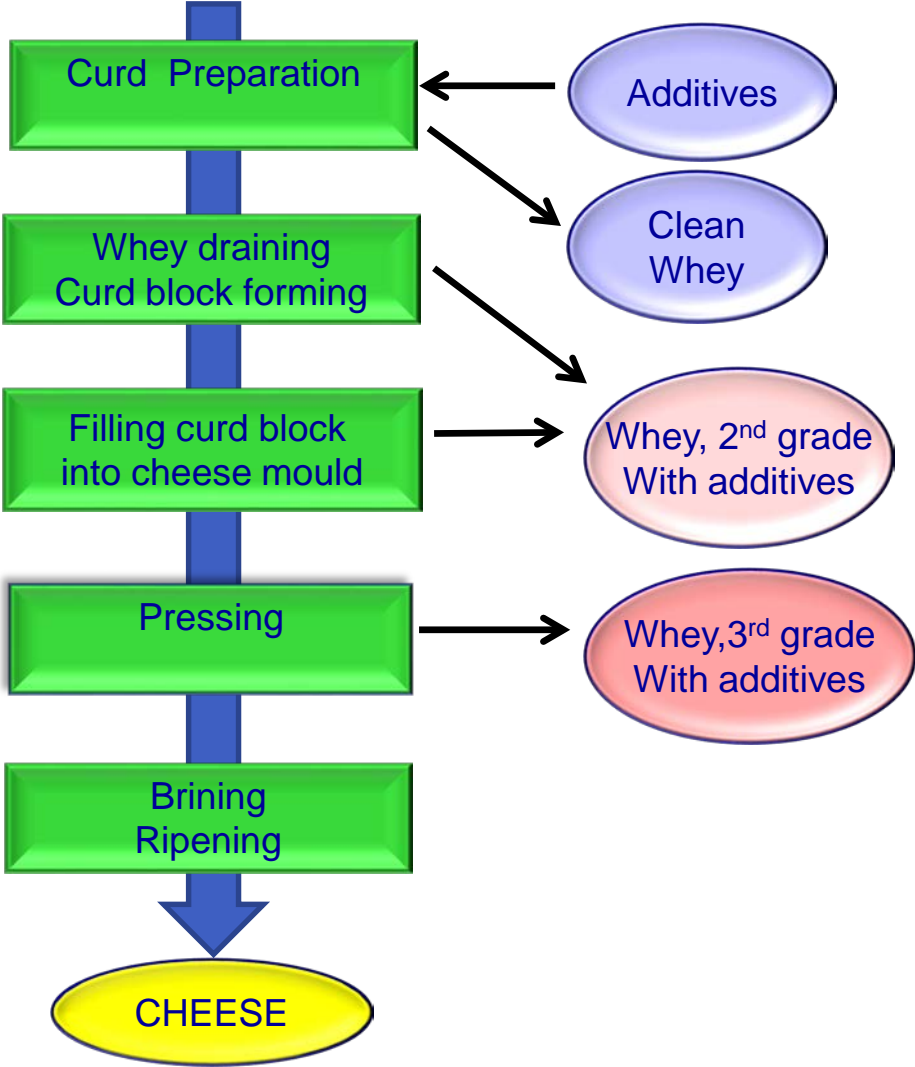
New technology addresses market needs

- ▶ Create unique cheese types
- ▶ Premium whey quality (early sourcing)
- ▶ High quality cheese
- ▶ Produce every batch an other cheese type without product and time losses
- ▶ Follow consumer demands with short time to market
- ▶ Limited investment for new formats
- ▶ Maximize value of whey, attractive business case



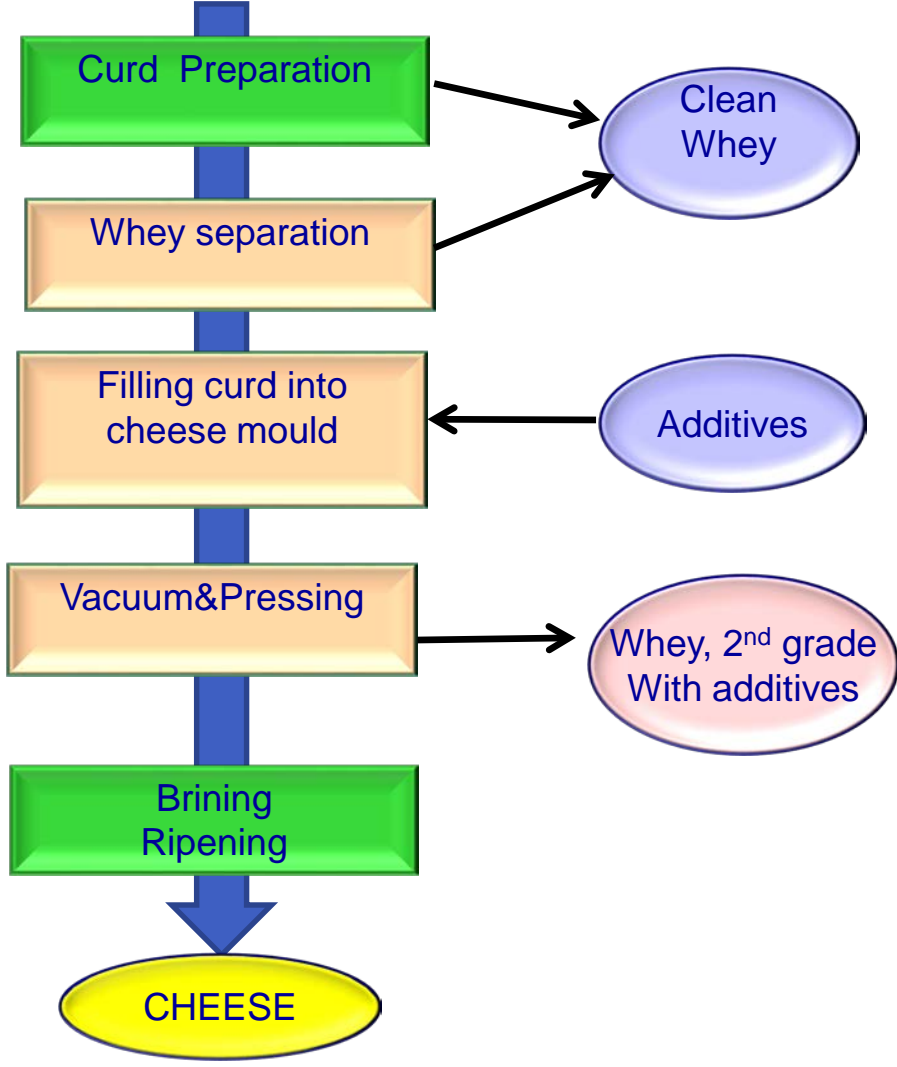
# How it is done

## Conventional



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## Revolutionary

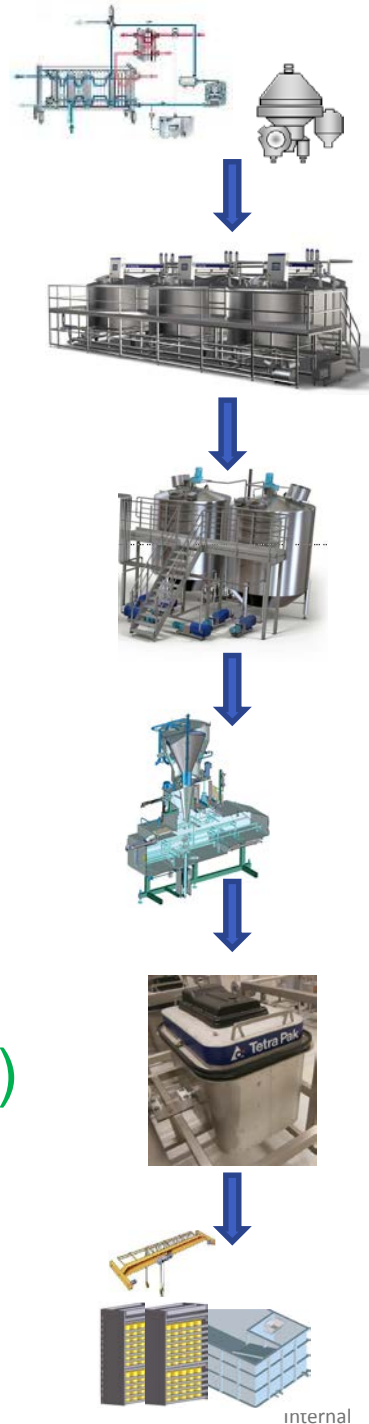






## How it is done; total line concept

- ▶ Flexible cheese milk pre-treatment
- ▶ Based on normal curd making technology
- ▶ Discontinuous mode, batch-by-batch
- ▶ Whey separation before mould filling
- ▶ Ingredient addition in drained curd
- ▶ Mould filling and positioning in container
- ▶ Vacuumize container
- ▶ Pressing with atmospheric air
- ▶ Reliable and hygienic de-moulding (mould consisting of 3 parts)
- ▶ Rack brining

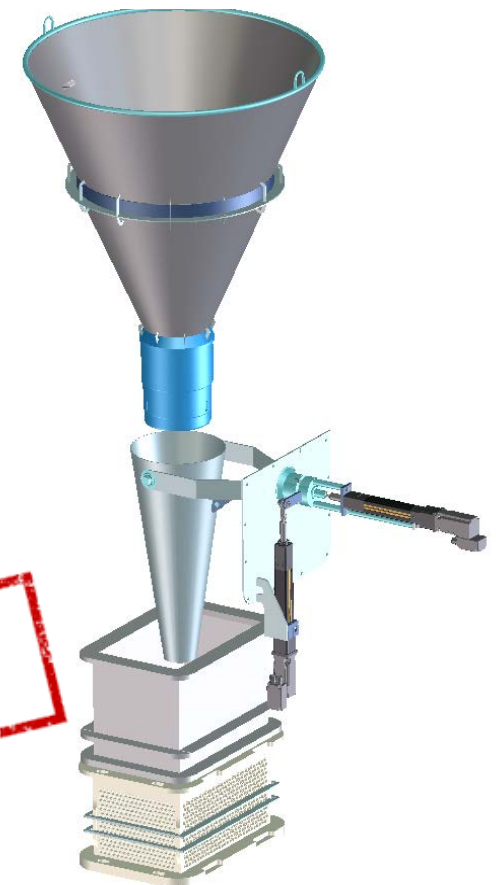
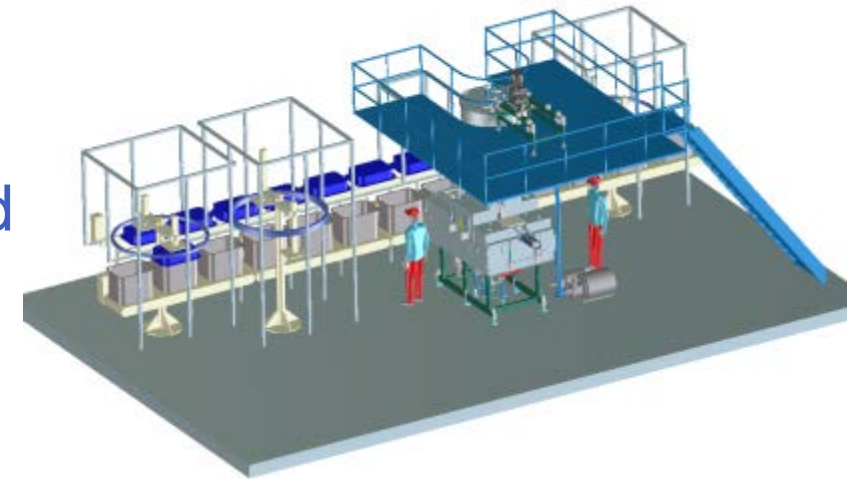




## How it is done

### Whey Separation and Filling the mould with curd

- ▶ Whey separation with rotating conical screen
- ▶ Screen consists of two segments
- ▶ Easy to flush and clean
- ▶ No internal curd buffer
- ▶ For single or multi moulds
- ▶ Capacity up to 3 moulds per minute per unit
  - Depending line setup, format complexity, ingredient distribution pattern



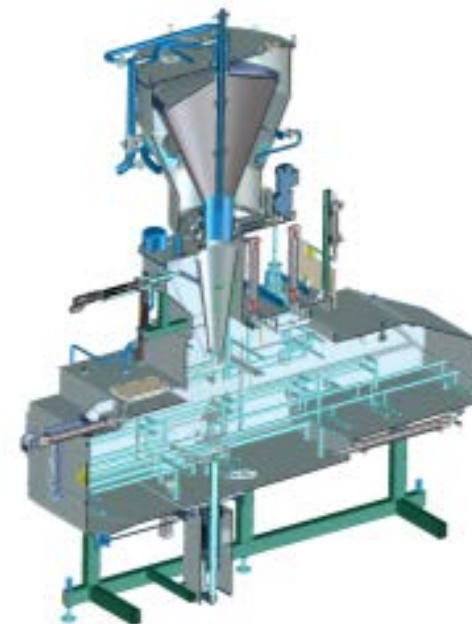


# How it is done

## Ingredient placement on drained curd

- ▶ Controlled distribution of ingredients
  - Even distribution
  - Uneven distribution patterns possible (layers, spots, other)
- ▶ No drag of ingredients between batches
- ▶ Small volume of whey contaminated with ingredients residues
- ▶ High retention ingredients to cheese
- ▶ Placement of wide range of ingredient types possible
- ▶ Dry herbs for more intense taste sensation

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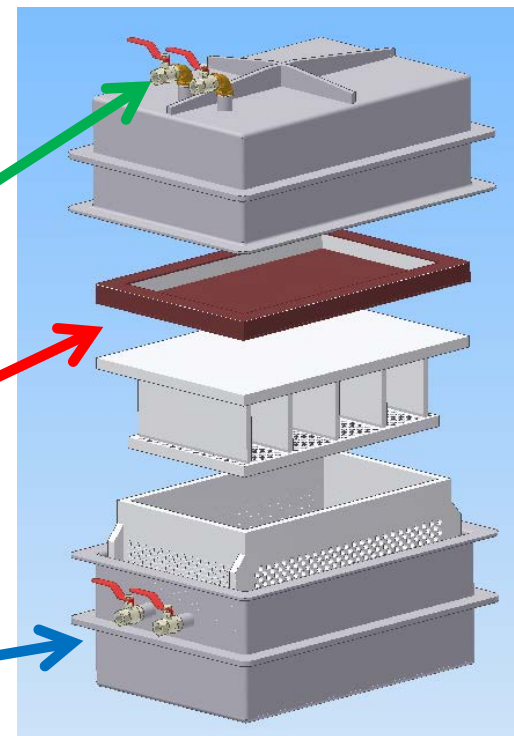
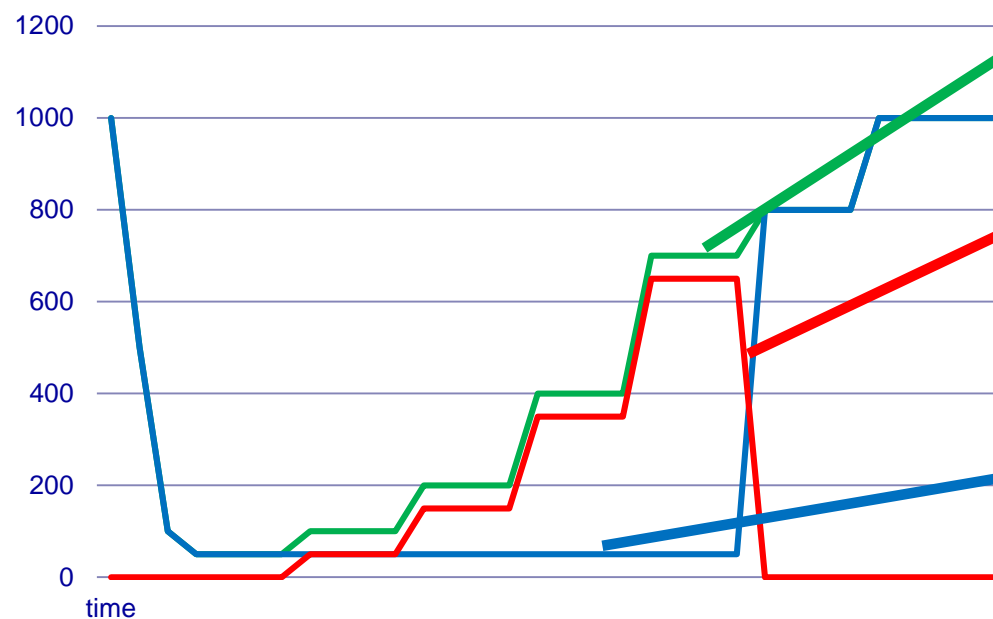




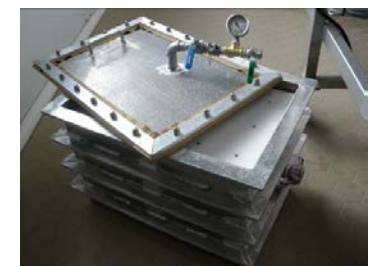
# How it's done

Vacuum based on cheese forming and pressing

- ▶ Moisture removal by evaporation at vacuum
- ▶ Pressing by atmospheric pressure



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## How it is done

Pressing “behind the moon” with atmospheric air

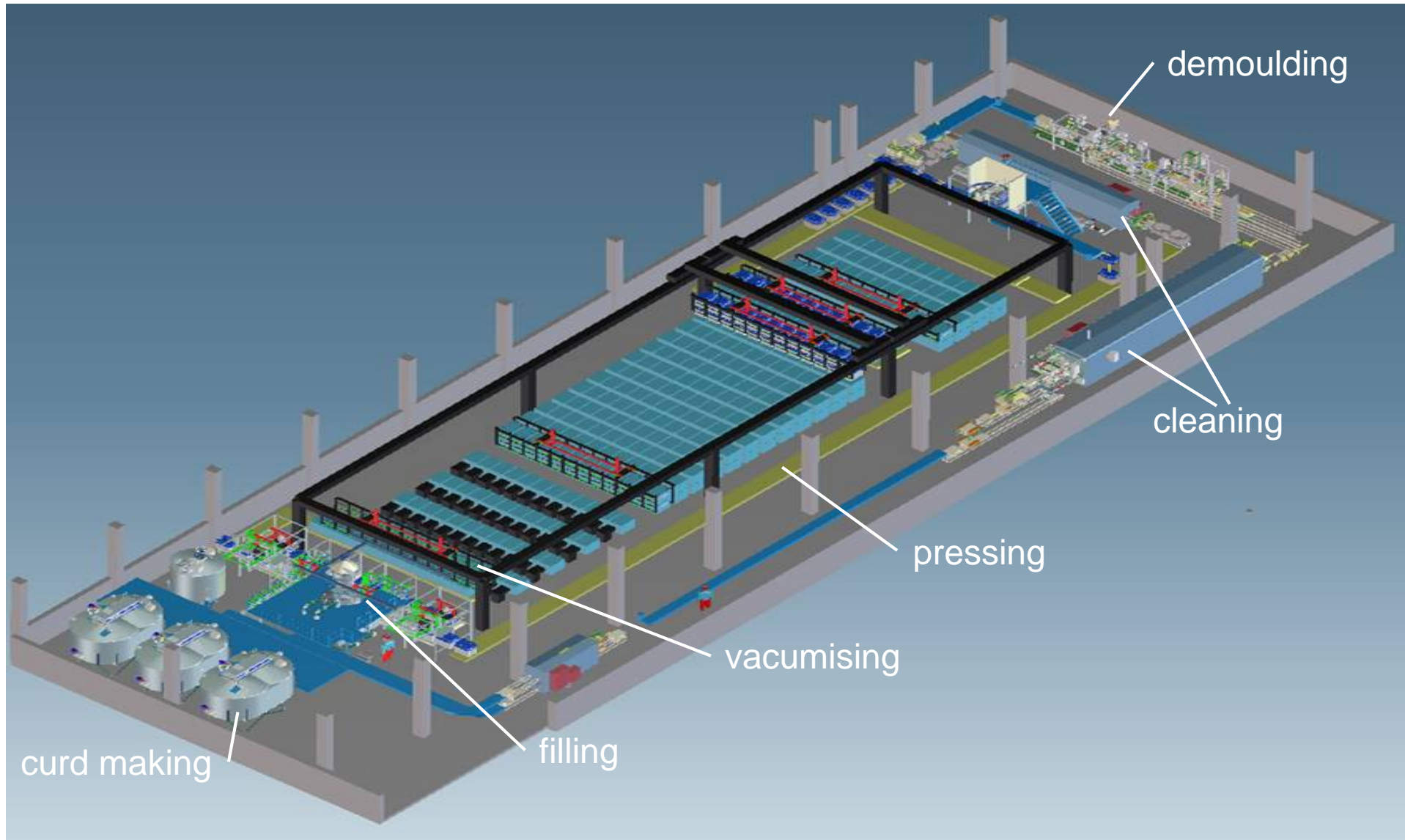
- ▶ Autonomous cheese pressing using vacuum container
  - Vacuum is applied to the container
  - Atmospheric force is applying pressure
- ▶ Wireless, tubeless, autonomous
  - The container could go anywhere you like
- ▶ Flexible
  - Recipe per cheese
- ▶ Reduced building demands
  - Footprint and high care areas

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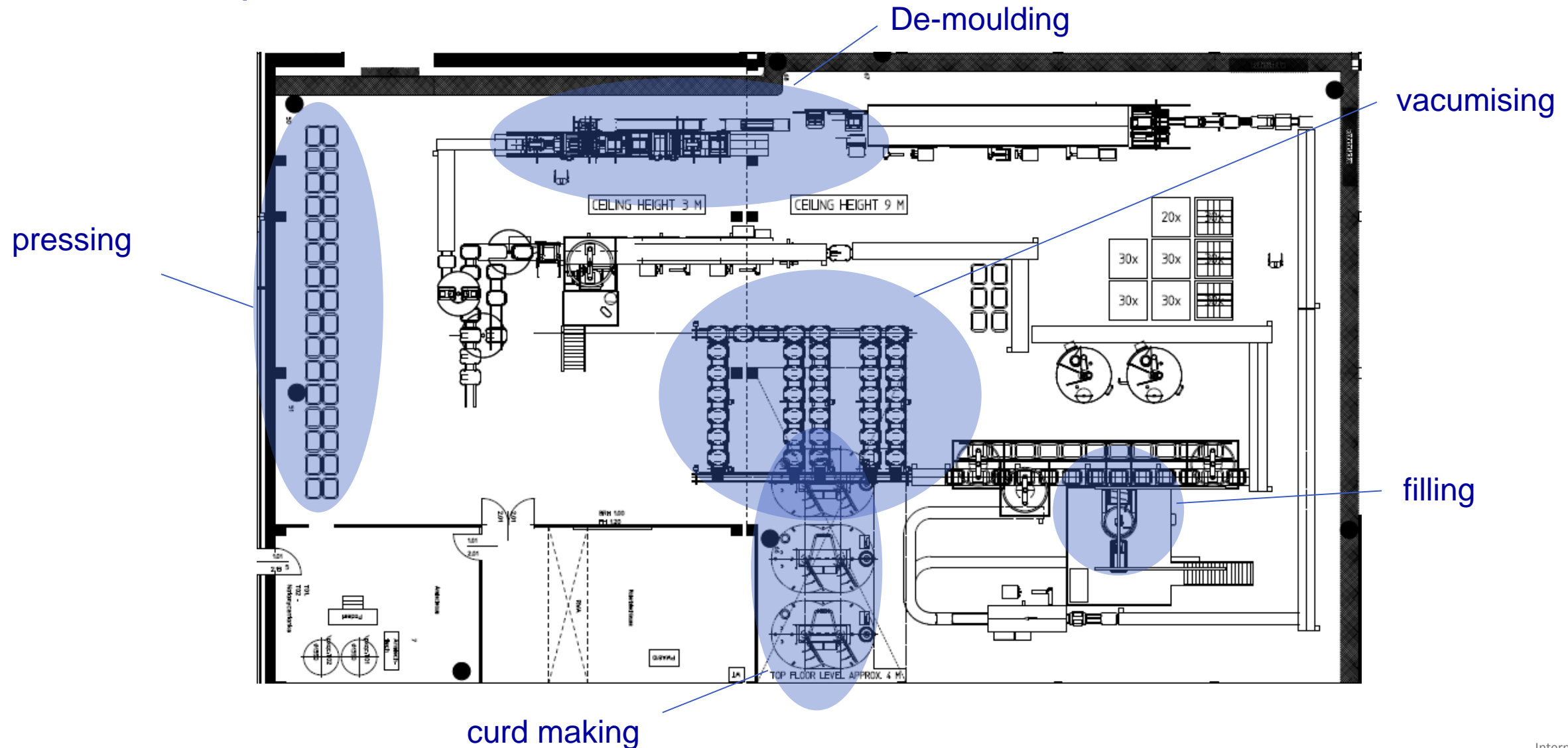
# Flexline; a principle layout example





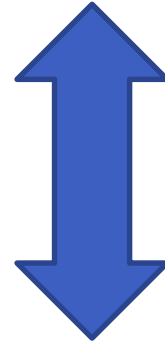
# Typical Layout of Flexline with Basic Functionality

## Example





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**HIGH FLEXIBILITY CHEESE LINE**