

## It is much more than an Air-Sprayer

- The Most Suitable and Effective method of applying chemicals to fruit trees, vines, and field crops.
- The B612 "Whirlwind" delivers its spray in a fine mist that penetrates dense foliage, covering leaves, fruit and twigs alike with a fine coating of chemical on all sides... no bare areas and no wasteful chemical run-off.





Since 1946...

**LEADERS IN** MIST-BLOWING LOW VOLUME TECHNIQUE

The "K.W.H." B-612 mist blower employs a pneumatic mist spraying, which has been successfully in use all over the world since the introduction of the first "Kiekens Whirlwind Holland" patents. It assures:

- high speed operation
- very fine and constant mist independently on the water flow rate
- uniform coverage and distribution of chemicals
- exceptional working range and penetration in any crop, of whatever shape - and even in difficult weather conditions
- superior efficiency in fungicide and insecticide spraying and in particular in the fight against weevil, cochineal insects, mites, aphides, etc.

#### savings:

WATER over 90% CHEMICALS over 30% LABOUR/TIME over 60% **FUEL** over 40%

with no damage to plants (liquid at low pressure) and no soil pollution (no run-off from leaves).

The B-612 mist-blower can spray:

HIGH VOLUME (over 1000 lt/ha or 100 gal/acre) MEDIUM VOLUME (500-1000 lt/ha or 50-100 gal/acre) LOW VOLUME (200-500 lt/ha or 20-50 gal/acre) VERY LOW VOLUME (50-200 lt/ha or 50-20 gal/acre) ULTRA-LOW VOLUME (less than 50 lt/ha or 5 gal/acre)

of chemicals dissolved in water or oil without replacing nozzles or discs, and with uniform coverage (mist droplets from 50 to 150 micron) at unchanged pressure (1.5 bar - 22 psi)

This top performance and versatility can only be achieved by the KWH system - though it was widely imitated. Its special design is based on the technical know-how gained in over 60 years practical experience and research carried out in cooperation with the best ranking Agricultural Institutes in EUROPE - NORTH and SOUTH AMERICA - SOUTH AFRICA and AUSTRALIA.

## TECHNICAL PRINCIPLE

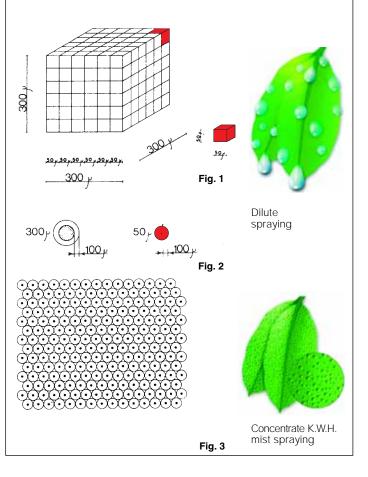
Fig. 1 represents a cube 300  $\mu$  long, wide and height (1  $\mu$  = 0.001 mm) and other of 50  $\mu$ . If the big cube is devided along its length, width and height into six equal pieces, then 6 x 6 x 6 = 216 cubes of 50 μ are produced. The ratio applies not only to the division of cubes, but also the spheres, i.e. droplets. The big cube is comparable with the average size of the droplets formed by a high pressure spraying machine, and the small cube with those of the mistblower.

From one drop of 300  $\mu$ , which is the average size droplet produced by a high volume machine, 216 droplets of 50 µ are produced by the mist blower and millions of such droplets are produced from a pint of water.

Around each droplet a zone of 100  $\mu$  width has been drawn, within which the spray chemical is active, see Fig. 2.

If we compare the area covered, we see that the 216 droplets of the mist blower protect a much larger area than the one 300 μ drop of the high pressure sprayer, see Fig. 3. This is the main reason why a mist blower can give an adequate cover with spray chemicals and yet use only a small quantity of water. This makes it possible to obtain a spray chemical economy of

30 to 50% compared with dilute spraying, while only 10 to 20% of the quantity of water is required.













#### **TECHNICAL FEATURES**

- **Dual intake centrifugal fan** of special design and exceptional efficiency, producing large volumes of air and remarkably high air flow rate at very low rev number.
- **Multi-power flow** device: a 6-position lever (+ idle) makes it possible to modify the air flow for most suitable use of air volumes and power available at power take-off.
- **Double spray head 90°** adjustable and independent with wide air outlets and 6+6 nozzles.

  The streamlined design and perfect construction of all elements make it possible to direct each air stream towards the target, without any losses of power and in the best way for every type and shape of tree.
- K.W.H. Spray nozzles (patented with special profile and large - 4 mm. - diametre), thus no clogging, no jamming, no wear, no deformation. They are situated in the point where the air stream reaches a speed of up to 300 KPH and thus divide the liquid flow into extremely fine and even droplets.
- Two stainless steel high precision metering valves (patented): the output of liquid can be easily changed from 50 to 3200 l/h; depending on the quantity (or volume) of fluid to be sprayed per hectare or acre, according to the desired tractor speed, concentration of chemicals (from normal to 2,3,4...10...20 times), soil conditions, density of foliage, etc.
- Low pressure, high delivery centrifugal pump made in stainless steel for nozzle feed adjustable, continuous agitation of the spray fluid, rapid, non polluting self-filling. It also powers the large capacity:
- Pre-mix-eco attachment, ideal for preparing chemical mixtures in a closed tank, both during self-filling and when the tank is already full, by simply operating a valve.
- **Tank,** made of reinforced polyester resin, for 3-point hitch and tow types; made of stainless steel for engine driven models and the 2000 lt. 500 gal. / PTO. The suction sumps are specially designed to assure thorough spraying even when operating on sloping grounds. The level of the liquid is clearly visible in the front side.
- The suction filter is external and it can be easily cleaned even when the tank is full.
- Sturdy, oversized **frames** of hot galvanized steel profile with adjustable draw-fork, support feet, adjustable axles. All p.t.o. models are perfectly balanced (center of gravity on the axle) thus very maneuverable when empty; in operation, 50% of the useful load advantageosly rests on the tractor's hindwheels.
- **Remote control unit** within driver's reach; equipped with glycerine pressure gauge and calibrating valve, delivering the fluid to both spray heads or one only.





#### **OPTIONAL ATTACHMENTS AND CONFIGURATIONS:**

- "Major" fan (delivering 25 % more of Air Volume than the "Standard") for high capacity treatments, suitable in tall trees with high density foliage (Walnuts, Citrus, Almonds, Avocados, Mangos, etc.) tractors of 85-90 HP and up, are required.
- "90°+90°" head: regular adjustable spray head with 6+6 nozzles to spray whatever crop
- "Vineyards" head: with 2+2 adjustable spray heads with 3 nozzles each, suitable only for narrow row crops (vineyards, berries, nursery crops, etc.)
- "180° Fixed" head: featuring 12 nozzles suitable for roofed crops (ex. table grapes) or whenever reduced dimensions are important (with this head sprayer 40 cm. shorter)
- "Gun + 90" head: suitable for covering field and row crops, greenhouse crops, tall trees, etc. (Vertical Swath: 20 m Horizontal Swath: 25 to 30 m.)
- "Multi-Flow" head: each nozzle can be individually oriented, suitable in narrow row crops (vineyards, berries, nurseries, coffee trees, etc.)
- "Turbo 2" head: Double spraying system one from the top and one from the bottom - to penetrate the thickest vegetations (suitable in Citrus groves, Mango, Papaya, Orchards etc.)
- "Cognac-California" head: to spray 2 complete rows of vineyards
- "Turbo 3" head: to spray 3 complete rows of vineyards (Awarded in various International Shows)
- "Trident" head: a special 3-head diffuser for aimed treatments and best penetration into field or nursery crops
- "Albatros" boom head: suitable for field crops (Melons, Vegetables, Pineapple, etc.)



THE USE OF PESTICIDES FOR SAVING
THE FRUITS OF THE EARTH

THE NEED TO AVOID POLLUTION TO THE ENVIRONMENT AND TO MAN

**OFTEN IMITATED - NOT YET EQUALLED** 



























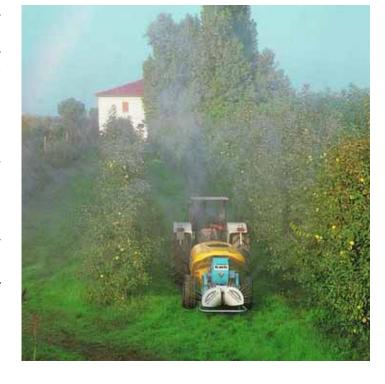


### Ten important advantages

- 1) Low volume from 50 LPH (13 GPH) and high volume up to 3200 LPH (850 GPH).
- 2) Same range and penetration both at low and high volume.
- 3) Perfect and uniform mist blowing of any chemicals.
- 4) Also concentrated mixture can be sprayed: for instance copper oxychloride, white and yellow oils, barium and calcium polysulphide, the latter even pure in the commercial formula (without dilution water).
- 5) No clogging, no jamming no wear of nozzles, discs, plates.
- 6) Instant and accurate adjustment of the liquid flow.
- 7) No run-off from foliage even at high volume.
- 8) Each nozzle can be individually closed or calibrated.
- 9) High versatility in use and wide selection of attachments.
- 10) Simple and reliable operation with minimum maintenance.











#### "MARTIGNANI - KWH" ELECTROSTATIC DEVICE

The FIRST to be produced in EUROPE (1981) PRIZE-WINNER in numerous international competitions

The **ONLY ONE** to be experimented by eminent Institutes Worldwide with excellent results

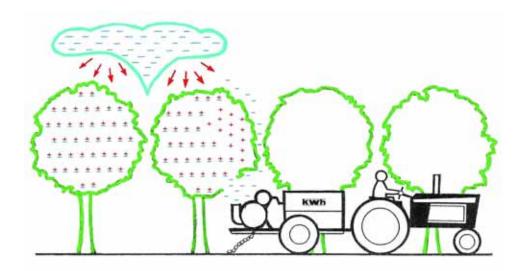
Already established in farming practice with thousands of vine and fruit-growers throughout the world, this device represents one of the most important contributions towards progress in research into new solutions able to optimize application techniques. Numerous tests have shown that it can REDUCE LOSSES THROUGH DRIFTING by 85%. On request, it can be applied to the entire Whirlwind range.



#### TECHNICAL PRINCIPLE

Thanks to the **electrostatic fields** formed **between the plants**, which are good conductors (sap, mineral salts, moisture, etc.) and the **chemical mist sprayed from K.W.H. blowers** with their **special electrostatic charge**, **droplets** saturated with active principle are **attracted by the vegetation** (branches, leaves, etc.). **This reduces losses through drifting** even in **windy weather**.

Years of research and practical experiments already conducted to date in this particular field by eminent institutes in North America (California), South America (Argentina - Uruguay), Asia (Philippines), Africa (Tunisia) and Europe (Holland, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy) have given surprising results. All this has allowed researchers to affirm that electrostatic mist-blowing sensibly improves the many advantages acknowledged by everyone when it comes to low-volume plant-protection treatments while eliminating those few aspects that certain people still question once for all.



#### These are the main advantages:

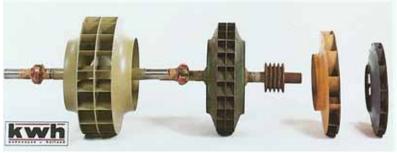
- The plant protection products are evenly distributed and adhere perfectly to even the undersides of the leaves.
- Less loss thru' drifting.
- Total use of the pesticides, thus even less product required per hectare/acre.
- Total coverage of even the tallest parts of the trees (where conventional mist blowers are unable to reach) since the chemical mist that forms above the plants is attracted by these latter.
- Job are done faster (up to 12 KPH or 7.5 MPH).
- More time saved.
- Healthier plants and better quality produce.
- A notable reduction in environmental pollution.
- The risk of the operator being contaminated by pesticides (both by inhalation and contact) is reduced by 70%.





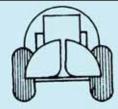










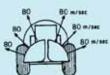


# REPLYING TO MANY QUESTIONS, HERE ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT DIFFERENCES CONCERNING HOW AIR IS USED BY THE "K.W.H." SYSTEM AND THE TRADITIONAL SPEED-SPRAYER





All the air sucked in by the dual intake blower is used.



2. Uniform air flow on all of the outlet section and perfectly directed airstream.



The special streamlined design of the sprayheads directs the air almost with no loss of



4. Continuous air stream of high speed and penetrative power, but without violence and turbulence.



5. The two outlets can be turned through 90°, thus for every shape of tree the air stream can be directed individually to the most important parts of the tree.



6. Both heads can be directed in one direction: this doubles penetration so that perfect coverage is possible also under windy conditions.

Straight flow air stream and the absence of

turbulence gives a high output. Add to this the advantages of the many adjustments possible for single and double sided spraying - the K.W.H. B 612 can be considered as using 100% of the power

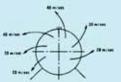


**8.**DOUBLE AIR ACTION: uniform droplet production and transport of liquid. (PNEUMATIC SYSTEM)

required.



Only 2/3rds of the axial fan produces air: 1/3rd of the fan is not used although it requires power.



The air turns round the impeller shaft, causing turbulence and non-uniform airstream at the outlet (the stream is mainly upwards on one side and downwards on the other).



The air must suddenly turn through 90° causing a loss of speed and power of 20%.



Heavy turbulence in the air stream causing great loss of speed and power.



No adjustment or adaptation to the tree shape possible.



When working one sided, the liquid output on one side must be closed, the air capacity of this side will remain unused through power is absorbed.



It has a loss of power of 20% and 33% (see points 1, 2, 3) leaving only less than 50% which on the other hand is used inefficiently.



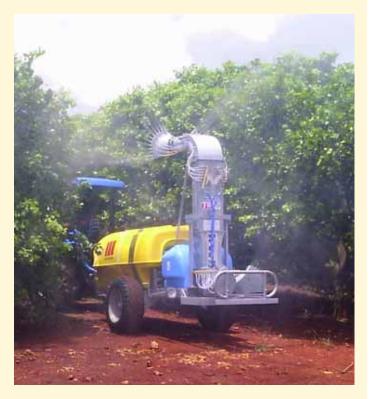
8. SINGLE AIR ACTION: only transport of the liquid divided into droplets of different size by the pressure nozzles (AIR CONVEYANCE).



#### **TURBO 2**







TECHNICAL DATA	"STANDARD" FAN			
	Min. speed 2300 rpm	Max. speed 3000 rpm		
Absorbed power	23 HP	36 HP		
Pump delivery	250 LPM / 65 GPM	250 LPM / 65 GPM		
Operating pressure	1,5 bar (22 psi)	1,5 bar (22 psi)		
Liquid flow from				
METERING VALVES (*)	50 to 3200 LPH	50 to 3200 LPH		
Wing nozzles	4 mm. Ø	4 mm. Ø		
Number of nozzles	6 + 6	6 + 6		
Adjustable agitation	hydraulic	hydraulic		





#### **WEIGHTS AND DIMENSIONS:**

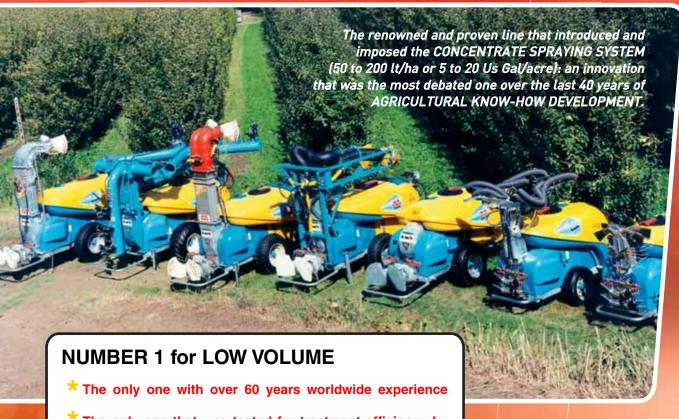
P.T.O. Models	Length cm.	Width cm.	Height cm.	Weight kg.
3/P 400 lt. (100 gal.) - Fiberglass tank	190	92	120	380
3/P 600 lt. (160 gal.) - Fiberglass tank	190	140	165	410
600 lt. (160 gal.) - Fiberglass tank	350	120 - 130	145/155	530
1000 lt. (260 gal.) - "Shuttle" - PVC tank	385	132 - 142	142/160	625
1000 lt. (260 gal.) - "Compact" - Fiberglass tank	385	140 - 150	130 - 140	590
1500 lt. (400 gal.) - Fiberglass tank	430	145 - 155	148 - 158	715
2000 lt. (500 gal.) - SS tank	470	155 - 165	175 - 185	950
Engine Driven Models				
1500 lt. (400 gal.) - SS tank "Major" fan 90 HP - DIESEL	480	187	164	1270
2000 lt. (500 gal.) - SS tank "Major" fan 90 HP - DIESEL	520	187	164	1340

"Major" fan 90 HP - DIESEL

(With sprayhead having a single outlet of 180°: 40 cm shorter)
(Right for modifications reserved)







- The only one that was tested for treatment efficiency by eminent Agricultural Research Institutes Worldwide
- ★ The only one used with no problems at high concentration by thousands of Top Wine and Fruit growers worldwide, from California to Australia



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