

## THE REVOLUTIONARY COMPACT AIRLOCK SIEVE® WINS A PRESTIGIOUS PPMA AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

The Processing & Packaging Machinery Association's awards of Excellence have been recognising superiority and innovation in engineering for ten years. The Bob Newman Medal is awarded in recognition of innovative machinery design by a UK supplier.

The prize was awarded to Russell Finex for their new Compact Airlock Sieve which was launched in March 2005. Since then it has achieved great interest in the technical press and the subsequent sales have exceeded Russell's high expectations.

The PPMA judging panel is made up of eight impartial experts who agreed that the Compact Airlock Sieve 'demonstrated a clear improvement in assuring safety'. The unique design evolved as a result of close consultation with many of the top pharmaceutical companies around the world. Russell Finex conducted extensive market research which concluded that the biggest concern for pharmaceutical powder processors was the danger of product leakage.

The award presentation took place on the Russell Finex stand at the PPMA show. The President and Chief Executive of PPMA were in attendance along with special guest, snooker player, Dennis Taylor.

Rob O'Connell, Marketing Manager at Russell Finex, commented that 'we are very pleased to receive this award as it reinforces the positive feedback we have received from our customers since its release earlier this year'.

The revolutionary new design is the first real advance in pharmaceutical sieving technology for ten years, the validatable pneumatic clamping system offers large improvements in product containment and operator health and safety. With powders safely contained, the screener accurately removes any contamination and therefore improves product quality and safeguards the reputation of the user. The unit also complies with the new ATEX legislation in Europe.

The Compact Airlock was designed to ensure containment of potentially harmful powders whilst maintaining the high throughput and accuracy levels



- Improves product quality
- Improves containment
- Safeguards the health and safety of your operators

of the popular Compact Sieve range. All this has been combined with operator friendly design and tool free assembly and dis-assembly. Crevice free and smooth surfaces make the product contact parts very easy to clean and they are fully washable.

The unit is available with a range of options, including; different materials of construction, different grades of finish, explosion proof motors, mesh debinding systems and many more. Also available are documentation packages to simplify the validation process. The versatile Compact Airlock is manufactured at Russell's high quality ISO9001 accredited factory.