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### ENERGY SAVINGS IN GLASS MAKING: THE IMPORTANCE OF VACUUM SETTING

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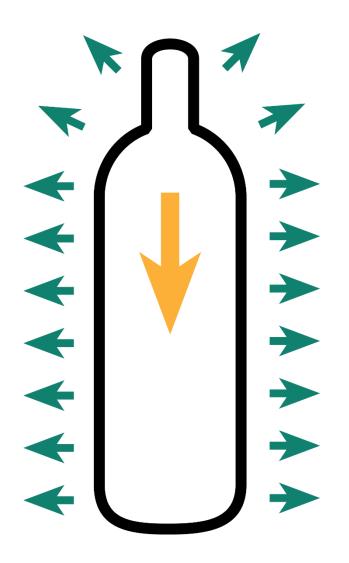
# VACUUM AND COMPRESSED AIR IN GLASS PRODUCTION







### PNEUMATIC ENERGIES IN GLASS MOULDING



Benefits of exact pressure value:

#### **Productivity**

- Superior heat evacuation
- Higher forming speed
- More bottles / day

#### Quality

- Better 3D engraving
- Sharper corners / shoulders
- Lower rejection rate
- Lighter bottle

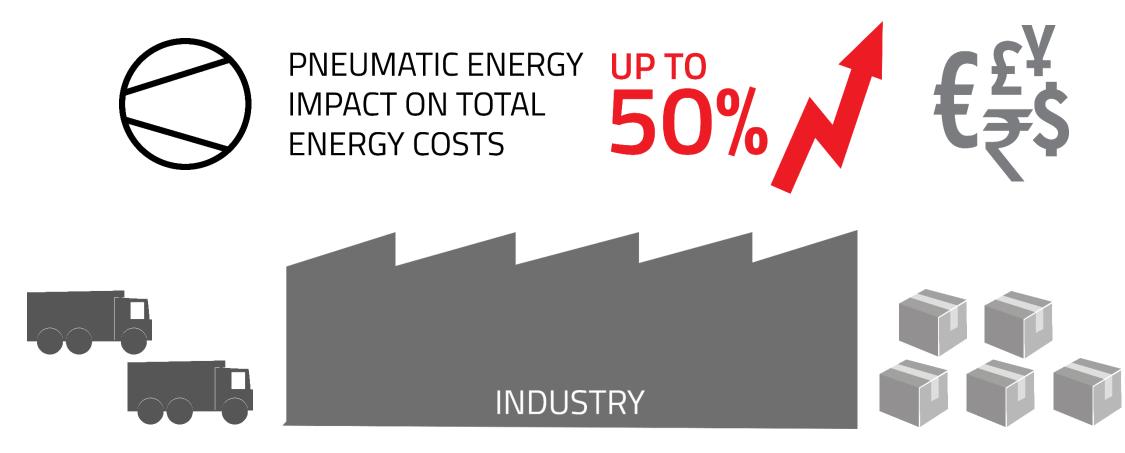
#### **Energy Saving**

 Correct set-up between air and vacuum leads to energy saving





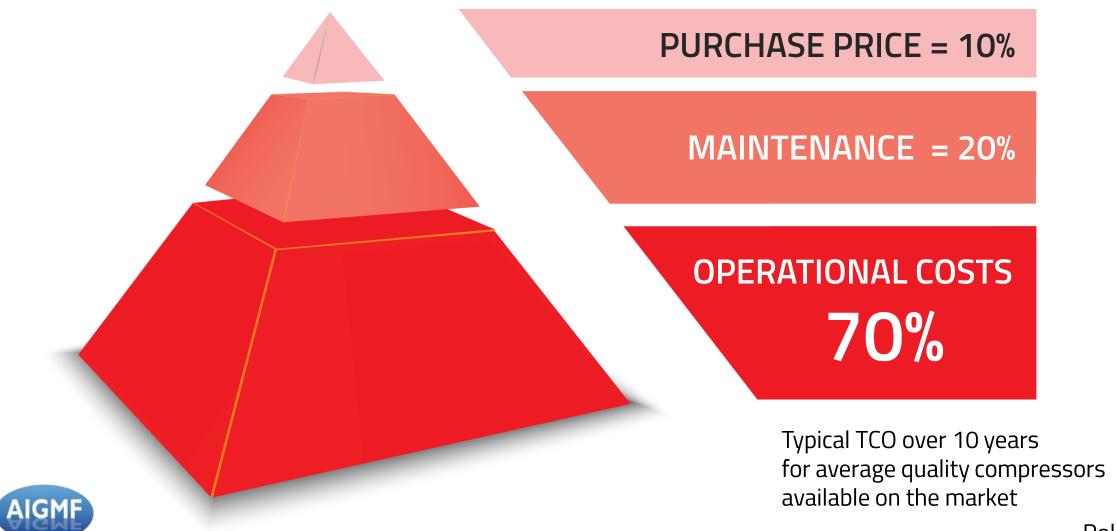
### **IMPACT OF UTILITY COSTS**





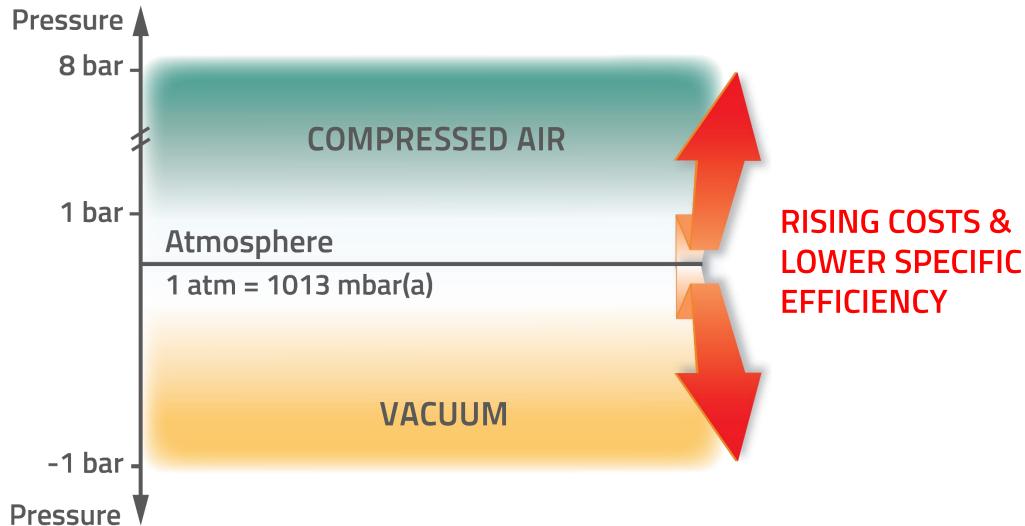


### TOTAL COST OF OWNERSHIP





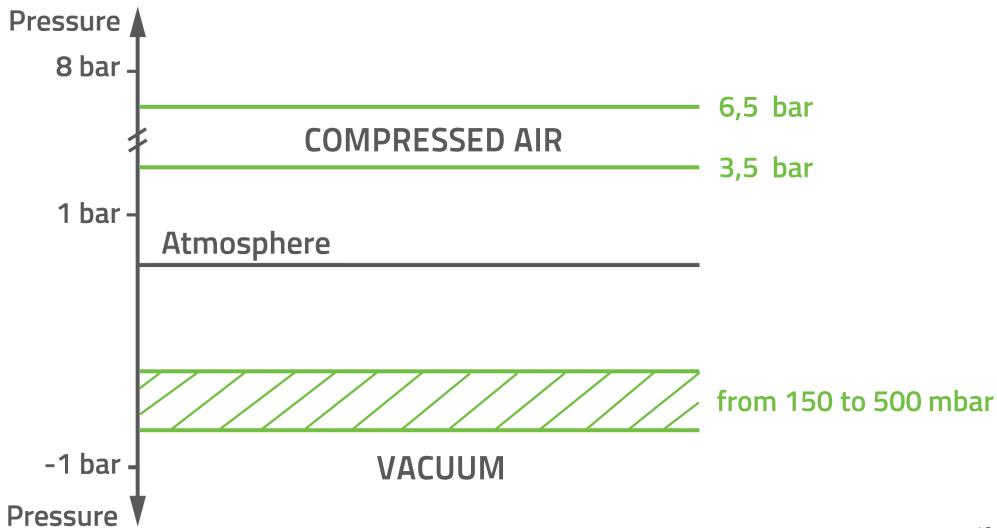
### **DEVIATION FROM ATMOSPHERE CONDITIONS**







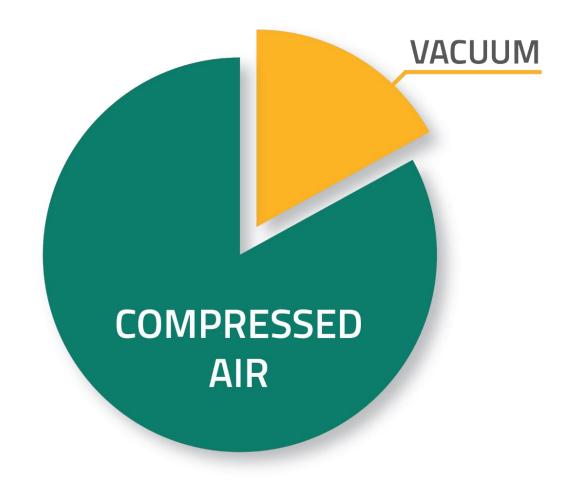
### TYPICAL USE FOR HOLLOW GLASS







# **ENERGY CONSUMPTION**COMPRESSED AIR vs VACUUM

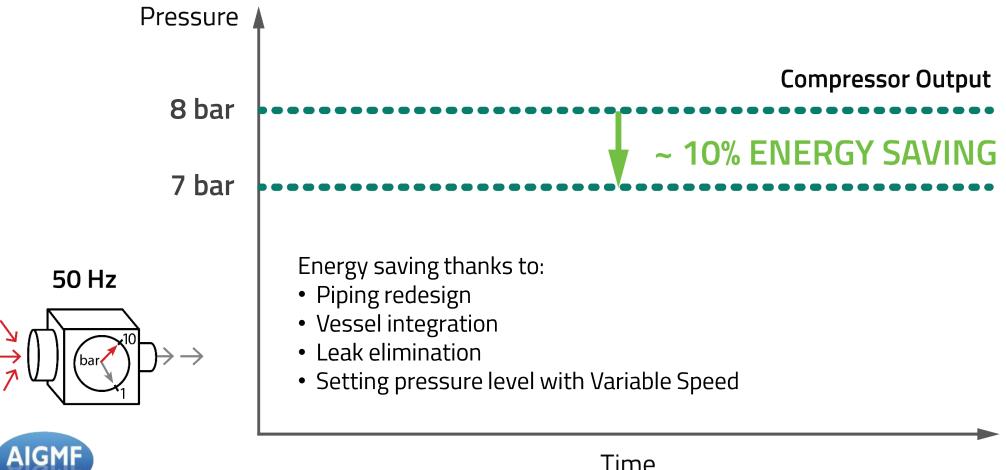






### SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

**COMPRESSED AIR EXAMPLE** 

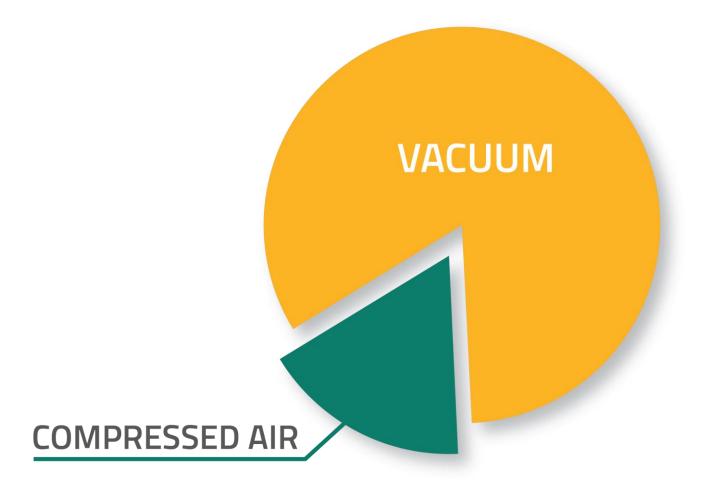






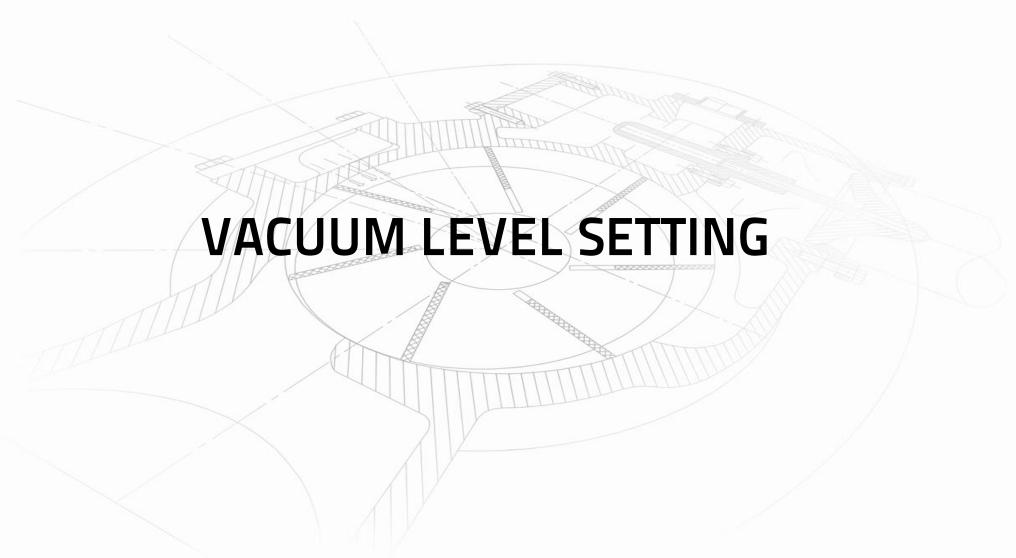
### POTENTIAL ENERGY SAVINGS

COMPRESSED AIR vs VACUUM





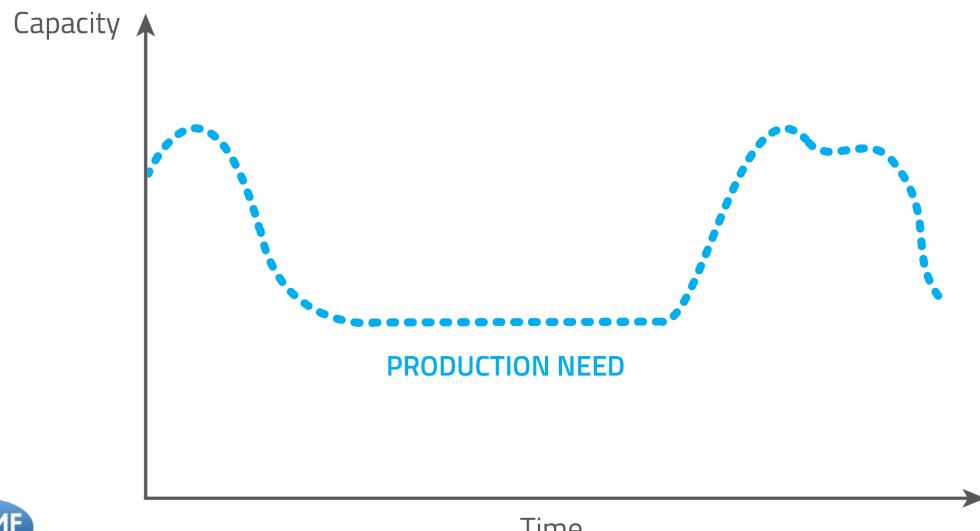






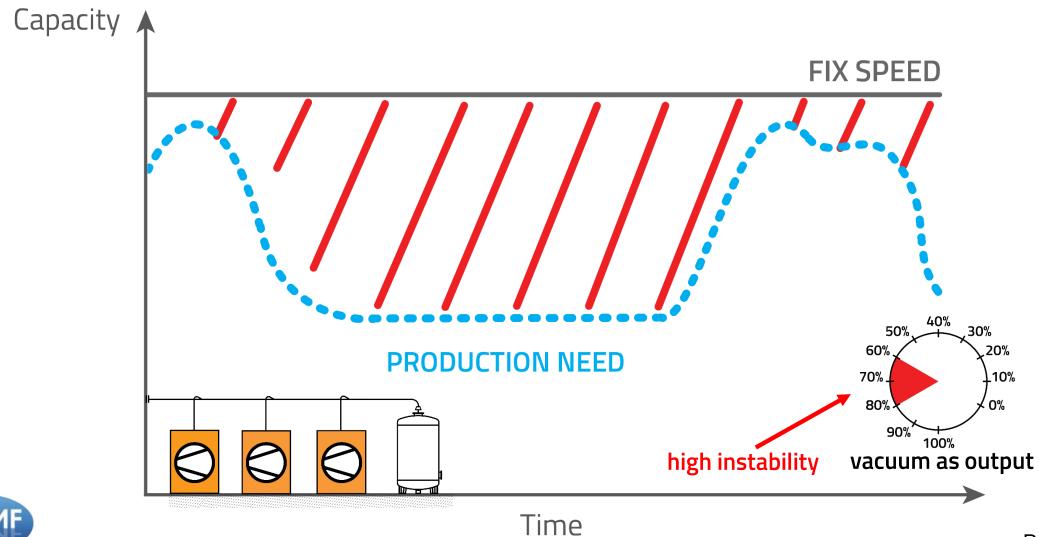


### **INSTABLE VACUUM NEEDS...**





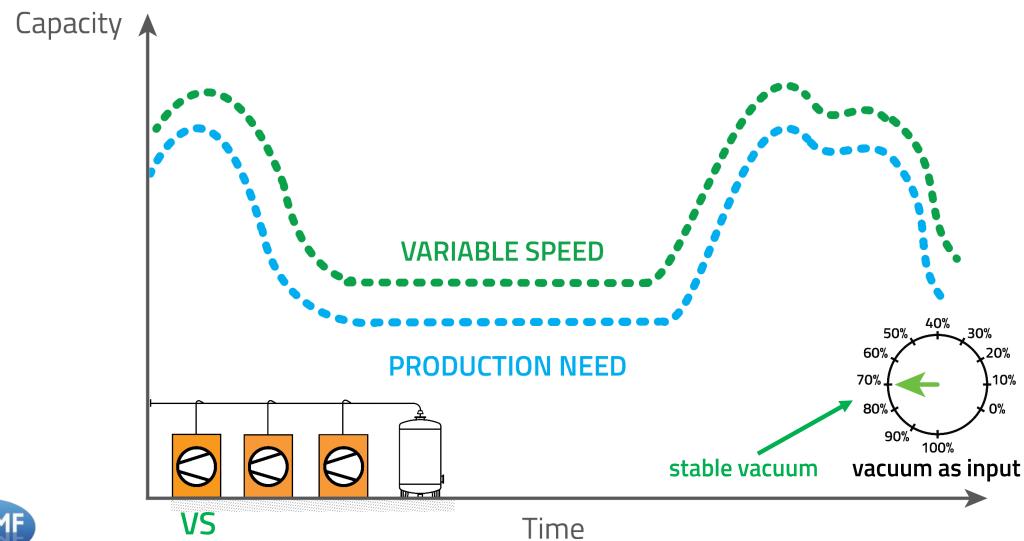
### ...WITH STABLE VACUUM CAPACITY





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### VACUUM LEVEL CORRECT WORDING



LOW VACUUM = HIGH PRESSURE

1 bar = 1,000 mbar(a) = 0% vacuum

-1 bar - HIGH VACUUM = LOW PRESSURE

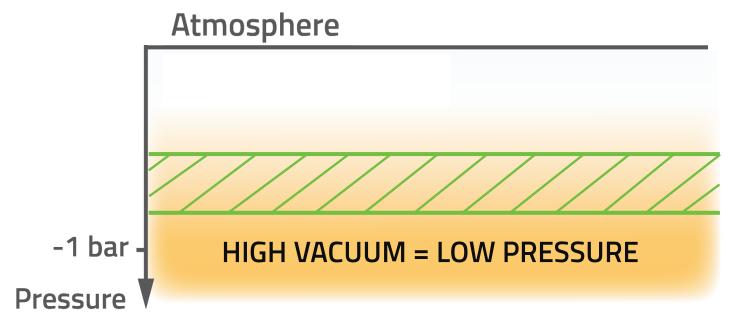
- 1 bar = 0 mbar(a) = 100% vacuum



Pressure



### VACUUM LEVEL CORRECT WORDING



from 150 to 500 mbar(a)

- 1 bar = 0 mbar(a) = 100% vacuum





### REQUESTED VACUUM LEVEL

In hollow glass, the vacuum level depends on the glass container shape

- → The vacuum level has to be defined in practice
- High enough to meet the production need, but...
- ... with a moderate approach, in order to be cost effective

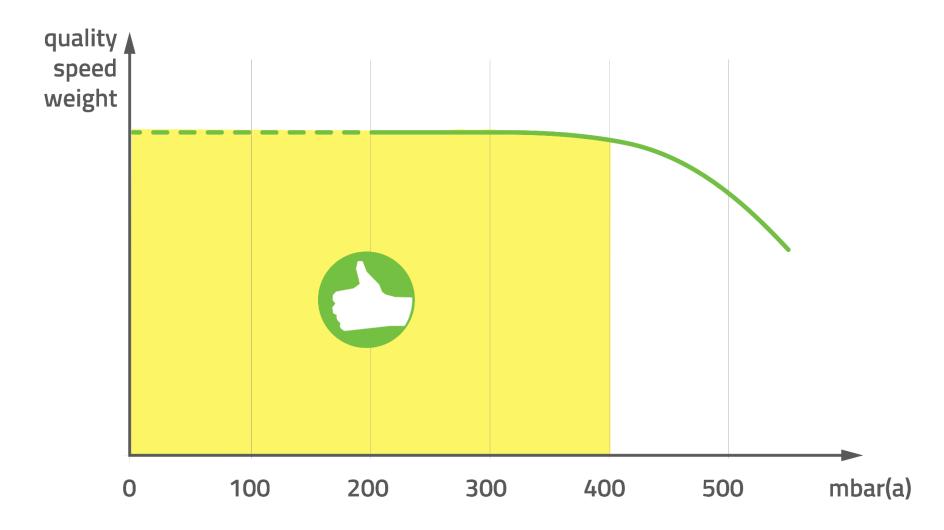
Let see it in practice





### BENEFITS OF VACUUM

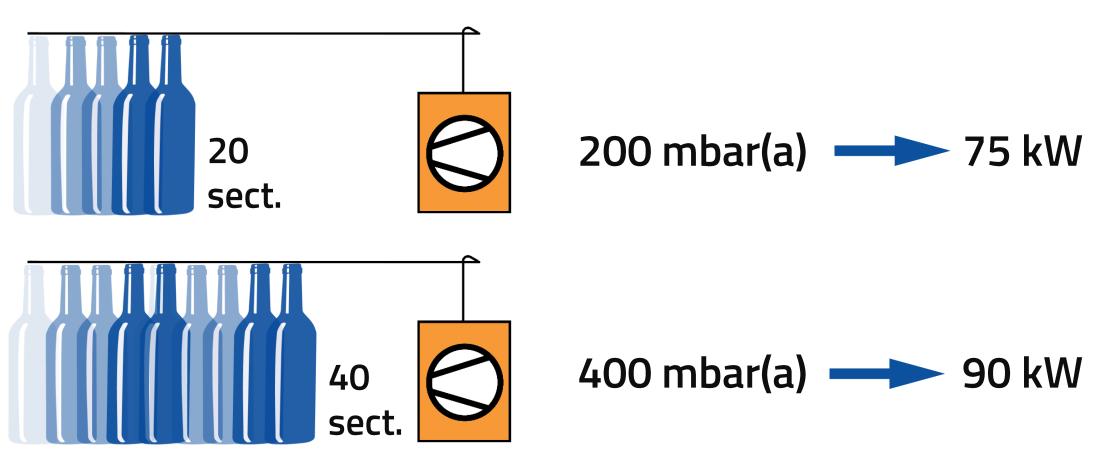
PRODUCTION SPEED, BOTTLE QUALITY AND WEIGHT







# VACUUM LEVEL RELATED TO PRODUCTION NEEDS

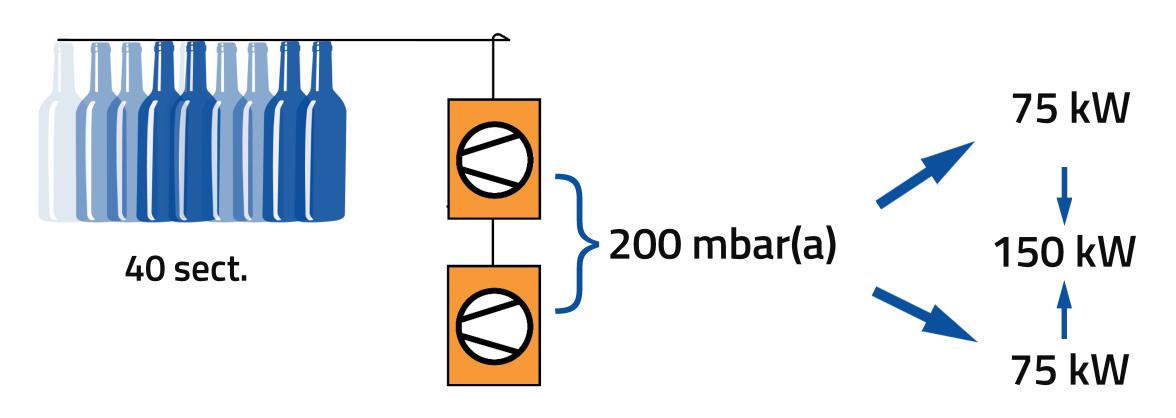






### REQUESTED VACUUM LEVEL

#### REDUCTION BY CONSTANT PRODUCTION

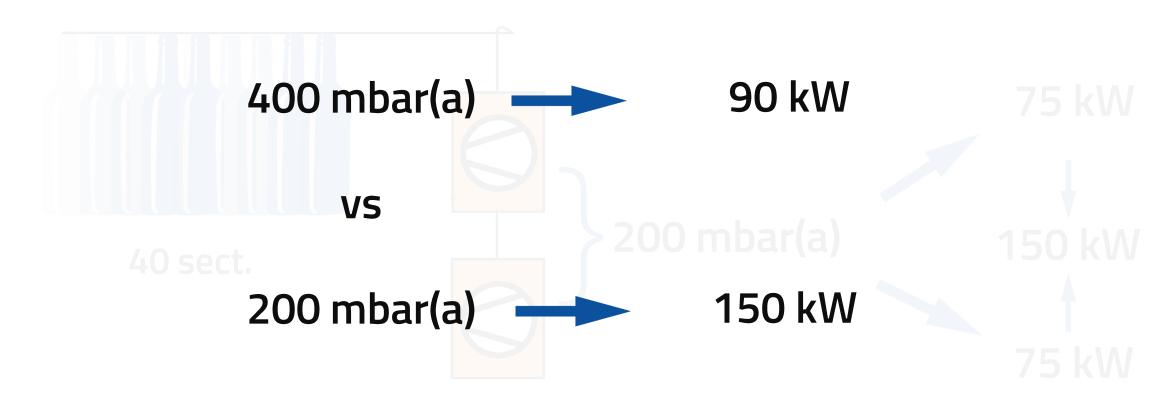






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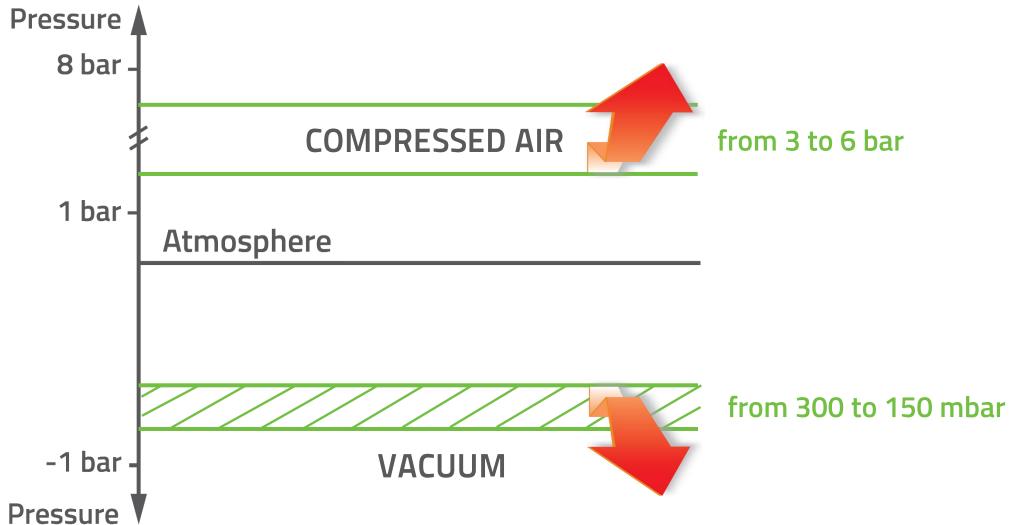
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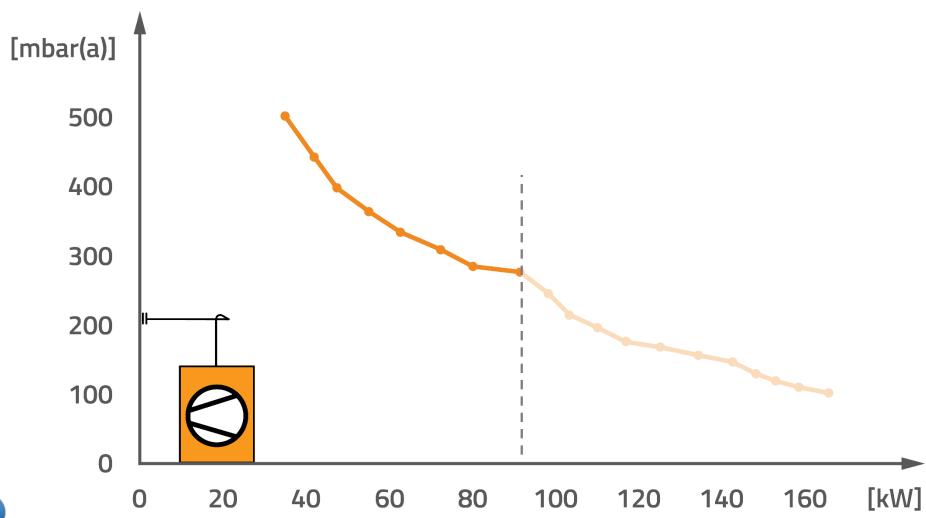




### PRESSURE VARIATIONS

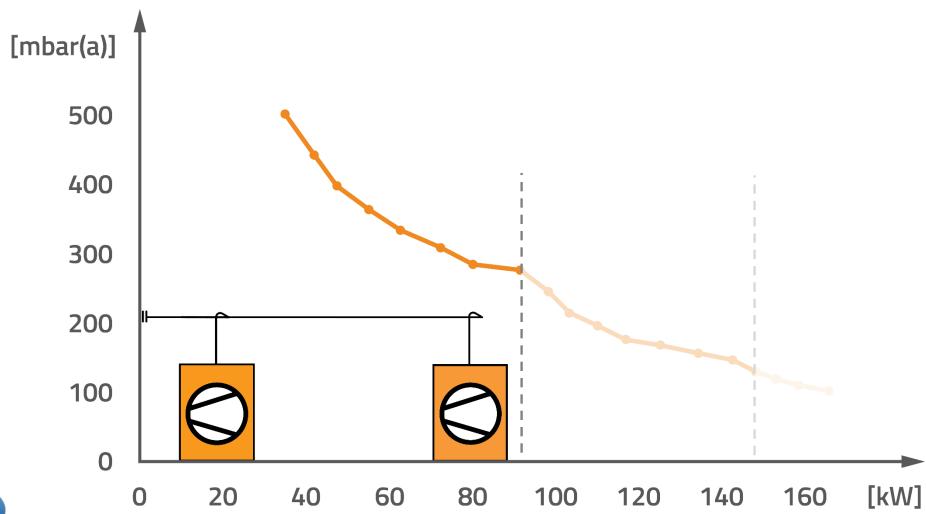






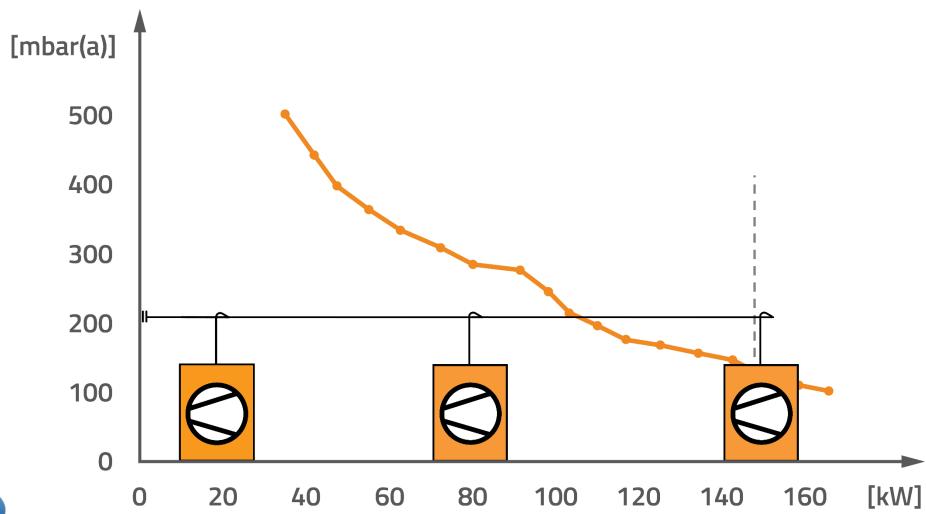






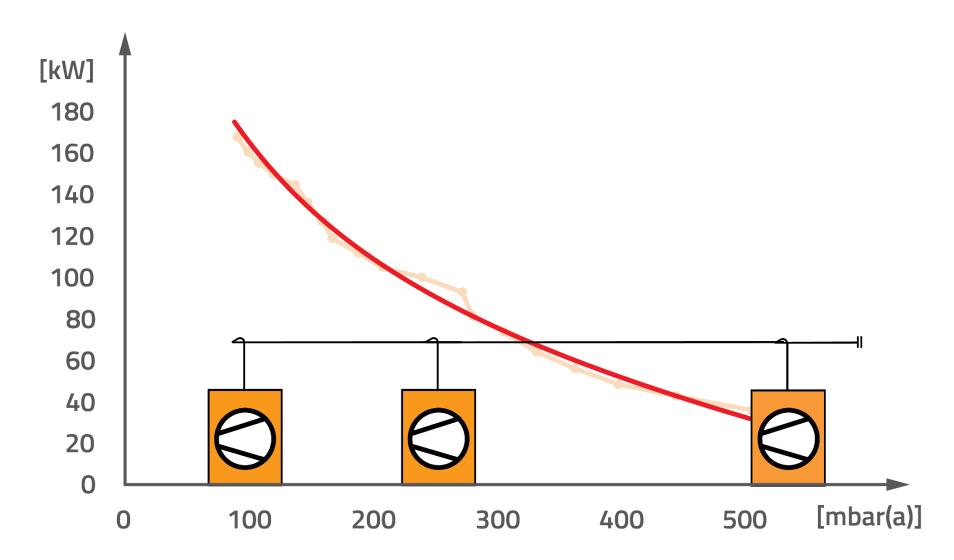








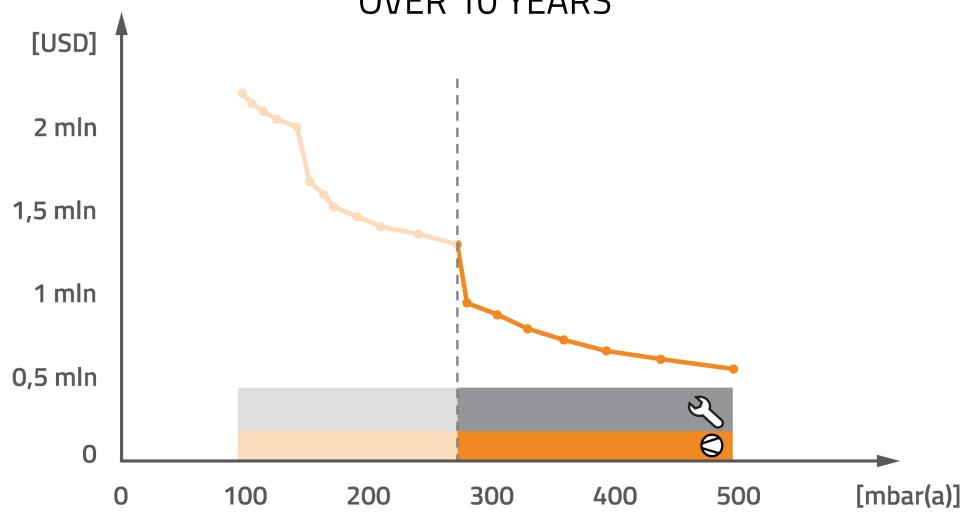










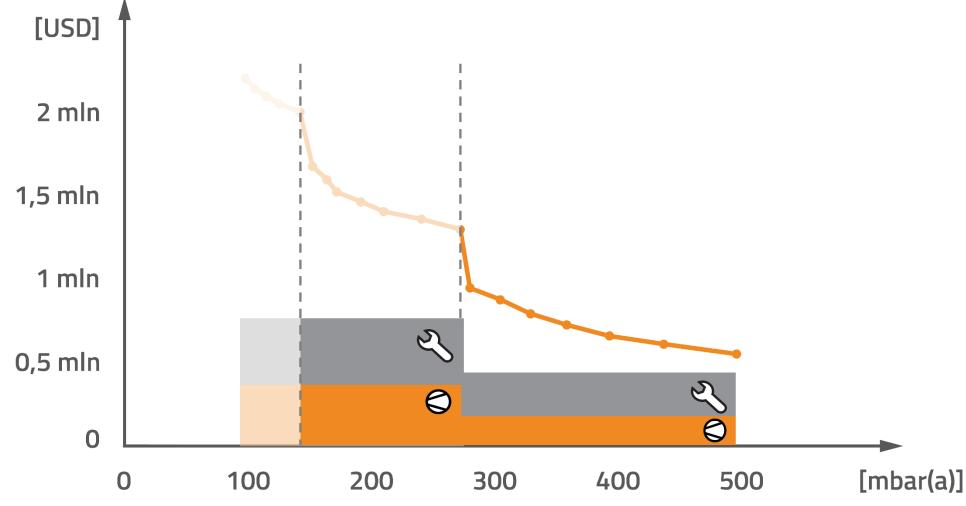




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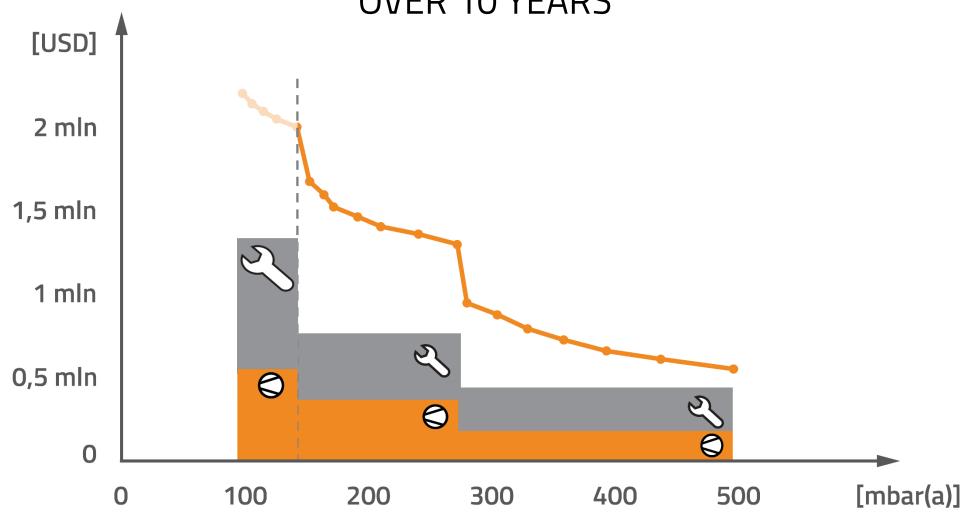




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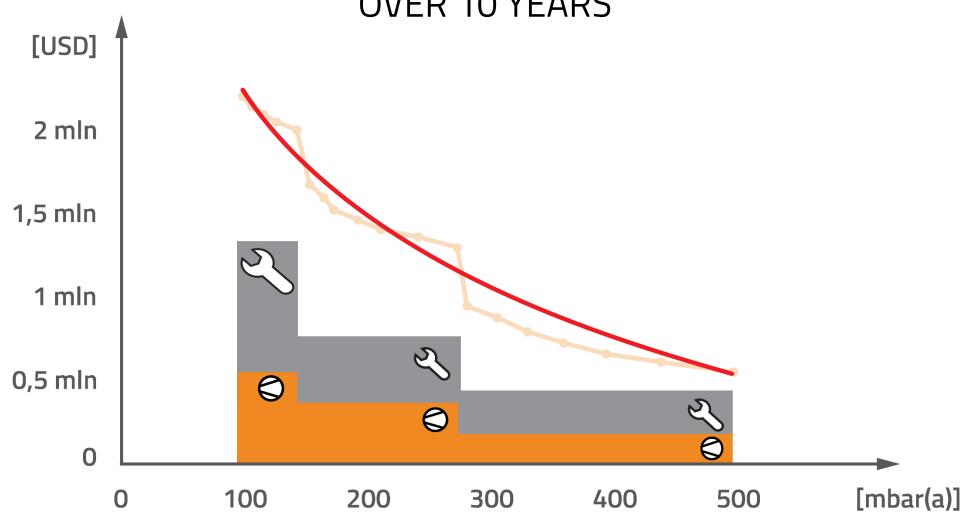








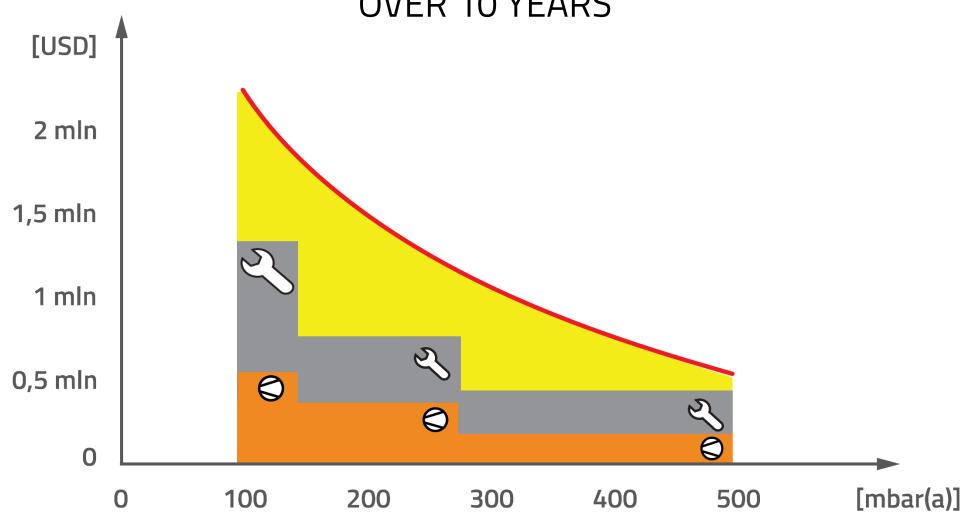






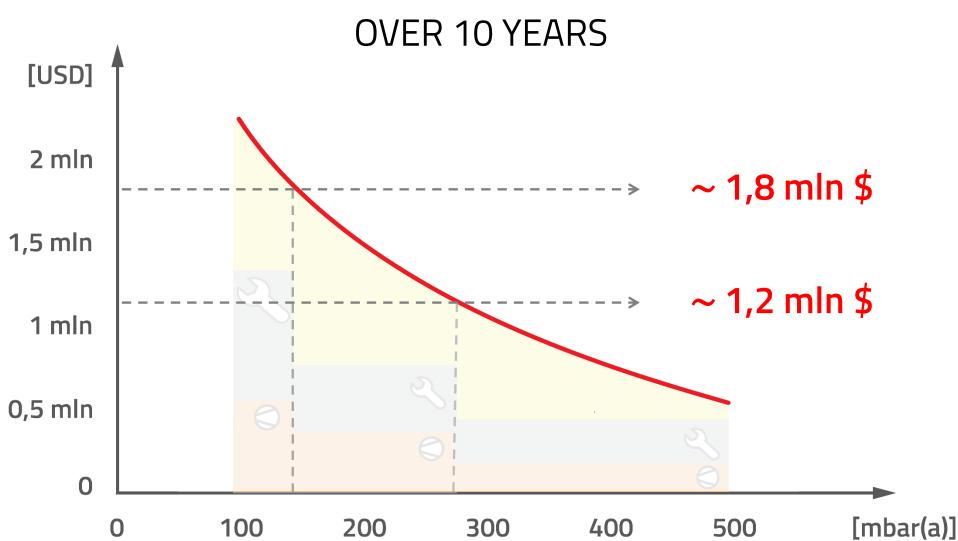












300

400

200





### TAKE-AWAYS

Set the pressure you really need by using Variable Speed pumps. Don't be conservative in setting the vacuum level.

Adapting the vacuum level to the real production needs is an opportunity to save big money without investing a single cent!



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Thank you for your attention!