

Ultrasound in Continuous Tubular Crystallizers: Parameters Affecting the Nucleation Rate

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Table S1. Values used to calculate the Proximity of a particle to a category.

Mean	Single crystals	2 nuclei	3-5 nuclei	6-10 nuclei	11-20 nuclei	21-30 nuclei
Area (μm^2)	285.1325	718.4615	1048.1657	1589.4114	1970.0592	4071.4567
Circularity (-)	0.8955	0.7792	0.6566	0.6269	0.6090	0.5391
Solidity (-)	0.9429	0.9028	0.8696	0.8558	0.8458	0.8300
Standard deviation	Single crystals	2 nuclei	3-5 nuclei	6-10 nuclei	11-20 nuclei	21-30 nuclei
Area (μm^2)	130.0506	404.2993	532.8863	544.5218	643.0956	1636.6376
Circularity (-)	0.0842	0.0661	0.0735	0.0967	0.0860	0.0682
Solidity (-)	0.0215	0.0242	0.0392	0.0555	0.0472	0.0448

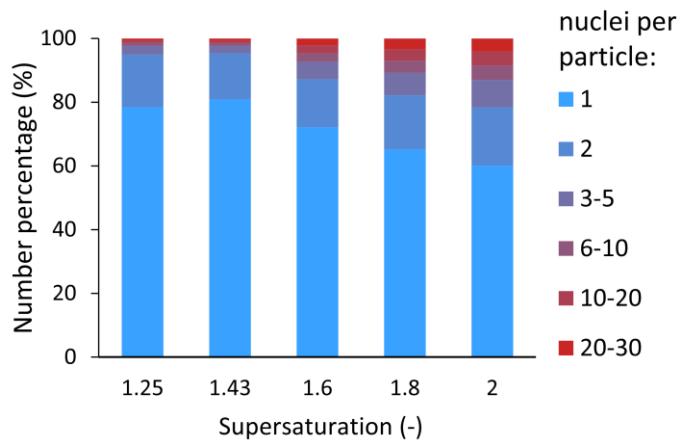


Figure S2. Influence of the supersaturation on the aggregation distribution.

Table S3. Equivalent spherical sizes of the particles coming out of the nucleator during the first 10 minutes of the experiment. The deviations are calculated by divi.

Equivalent spherical diameter	Number based	Deviation	Volume based	Deviation
Number of particles analysed	291958			
Mean size (μm)	22.7	0.55	32.2	1.38
d10 (μm)	13.5	0.17	18.2	0.58
d50 (μm)	21.2	0.64	28.2	0.58
d90 (μm)	31.4	0.74	46.2	2.08
Span	0.8	0.01	1.0	0.07

Table S4. Parameters used for the image analysis. The algorithm and further information can be found elsewhere [31].

Version	MacroU-V69
Scale in scale in pixels/ μm	0.650
Background image method	Median of multiple frames
Edge detection High Threshold	3
Edge detection Low Threshold	1
Edge detection Smoothing	2
Edge detection Sharpening	0.4
Frames for background subtraction	30
Use additional histogram based binerization	true
Closing cycles when using histogram binerization	0
Closing cycles after edge detection	2
Field of View correction factor	true
Minimum size	1
Minimum circularity	0
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Watershed irregular features	true
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