

# ROBODRILL

WORLD RENOWN FOR **HIGH RELIABILITY, PRECISION, & SPEED**



**α-DiA·SERIES**



**FANUC**  
**31i-B**  
THE STANDARD  
FOR RELIABILITY



# ROBODRILL

## STANDARD FEATURES

- Alpha Numeric Keypad
- 1,000 Registerable Programs
- 54 Work Offsets
- RS 232
- 3-Axis Simultaneous Machining
- 31i-B5 Nano CNC System
- Ultra Precise 16,000,000 Pulse/Rev Encoders
- Ai Contour Control I
- Thermal Growth Compensation
- Part Program Storage: 1280 Meters
- Tool Compensation Memory C
- Helical Interpolation Program Storage
- Rigid Tapping 5,000/8,000 RPM
- Thread Milling
- High Speed Reverse Tapping
- "Quick" Tap Recovery System
- Custom Macro B
- Canned Cycles for Drilling
- Coordinate System Rotation
- Coordinate System Setting
- Simultaneous ATC / Table Positioning
- On Screen Display of Spindle 'RPM' and 'Load' meters

*The world's most popular small machining centers.*

## SPECIFICATIONS SiA5, MiA5, & LiA5,

### α-DiA-SERIES

RoboDrill VMCs offer milling capabilities unmatched in a 30 taper machine. Available in three sizes with BIG-PLUS spindles, (14 & 21) station tool changer and the high performance FANUC 31i-B5 Nano control, RoboDrill VMCs provide lightning fast milling, drilling, tapping, and ease of operation.



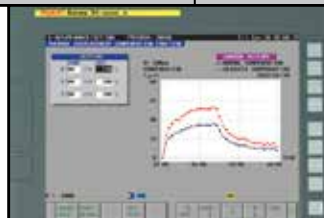
Short-bed

Medium-bed

Long-bed

SPECIFICATIONS	Unit	Short-bed	Medium-bed	Long-bed
<b>TRAVEL</b>				
X-Axis Travel	inches	11.8	19.7	27.6
Y-Axis Travel	inches	11.8	15.7	15.7
Z-Axis Travel	inches	13	13	13
Spindle to Table	inches	5.9 ~ 18.9	5.9 ~ 18.9	5.9 ~ 18.9
<b>TABLE SIZE</b>				
Table Size	inches	24.8 x 13	25.6 x 15.7	33.5 x 16.1
Table Capacity	lbs	440	660	660
<b>DIMENSIONS/WEIGHT</b>				
Machine Size w/ Coolant Tank (W/D/H)	inches	40 x 94.9 x 88.1	62 x 94.9 x 88.1	84 x 94.9 x 88.1
Machine Weight	lbs	4,290	4,400	4,620

10,000 or 24,000 rpm  
HIGH SPEED SPINDLE

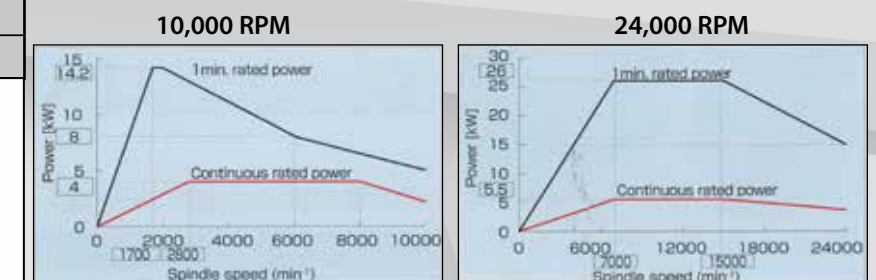


**Ai** THERMAL DISPLACEMENT  
COMPENSATION

**4 / 5 AXIS**  
CAPABLE



SPINDLES		
Spindle taper	-	BBT-30 Big Plus
10000 rpm	hp	18.7*/ 5.4 **
24000 rpm	hp	34.8*/ 7.3 **
Max Torque (10000 rpm / 24000 rpm)	lbs-ft (1 min)	58.8 / 25.8
FEEDRATE		
X axis rapid traverse	in / min	2125
Y axis rapid traverse	in / min	2125
Z axis rapid traverse	in / min	2125
Contouring	in / min	1181 (2362 opt.)
Acceleration	G	1.5
ATC		
ATC Turret Capacity	-	21 tools (14 OPT)
Max. tool weight (magazine)	lbs (kg)	4.4 / 6.6
Max. total tool weight	lbs (kg)	33 / 48
Tool to tool change time	sec	0.9 / 1.1
Chip to chip change time	sec	1.6 / 2.1
Max. tool length	in (mm)	9.8
Max. tool diameter	in (mm)	3.14



Specifications subject to change without notice.

\* 1 min rating

\*\* Continuous

# ROBODRILL

# eco

An economical workhorse VMC for years of continuous milling, drilling, & tapping.



## FANUC CNC 31i-B5

Achieve high speed rigid tapping with FANUC Serial Servo Bus communication. 1000 block look-ahead, 0.4 millisecond bps

### STANDARD FEATURES

- Rigid tapping up to 5,000 rpm
- High speed reverse tapping
- "Quick" tap recovery system
- 3 axis simultaneous machining
- Nano CNC system
- Part program storage: 1280 meters
- Custom macro B
- Canned cycles for drilling
- Coordinate system rotation
- Coordinate system setting
- Tool compensation memory C
- Tool offset pairs 200-pairs
- Thread milling
- Helical interpolation
- Ai Contour Control I
- 1 millisecond servo response time
- Thermal growth compensation
- Simultaneous ATC / table positioning
- On screen display of spindle 'rpm' and 'load' meters

Specification	Unit	ECO	Specification	Unit	ECO
<b>TRAVEL</b>			<b>FEEDRATE</b>		
X axis travel	in	19.7	X axis rapid traverse	in / min	2,125
Y axis travel	in	15.7	Y axis rapid traverse	in / min	2,125
Z axis travel	in	13	Z axis rapid traverse	in / min	2,125
Spindle to table	in	18.9	Contouring	in / min	1,181
<b>TABLE</b>			Acceleration	G	1.5
Table size	in	25.6 x 15.7	<b>ATC</b>		
Load capacity	lbs	660	ATC type	-	14 station turret
<b>SPINDLE</b>			Maximum tool weight	lbs	4.4 / 6.6
Spindle speed	rpm	10000	Maximum tool length	in	9.8
Spindle taper	-	BT-30	Maximum tool diameter	in	3.14
Spindle power	hp	14.75 direct drive	Tool to tool change time	sec	0.9 / 1.1
Spindle torque	ft-lbs	39	<b>DIMENSIONS/WEIGHT</b>		
<b>CONTROL</b>			Floor space	in	62 x 80 x 88
FANUC	-		Weight	lbs	4,400
			31i-B5		

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### OPTIONAL FEATURES

- Rotary tables & indexers
- 4 & 5 axis simultaneous machining
- Robotic loading
- Methods turnkeys



5 million cycle ATC designed for highly reliable manufacturing.



14.75 HP (peak) 10,000 rpm direct drive spindle delivers 39 ft lbs of torque

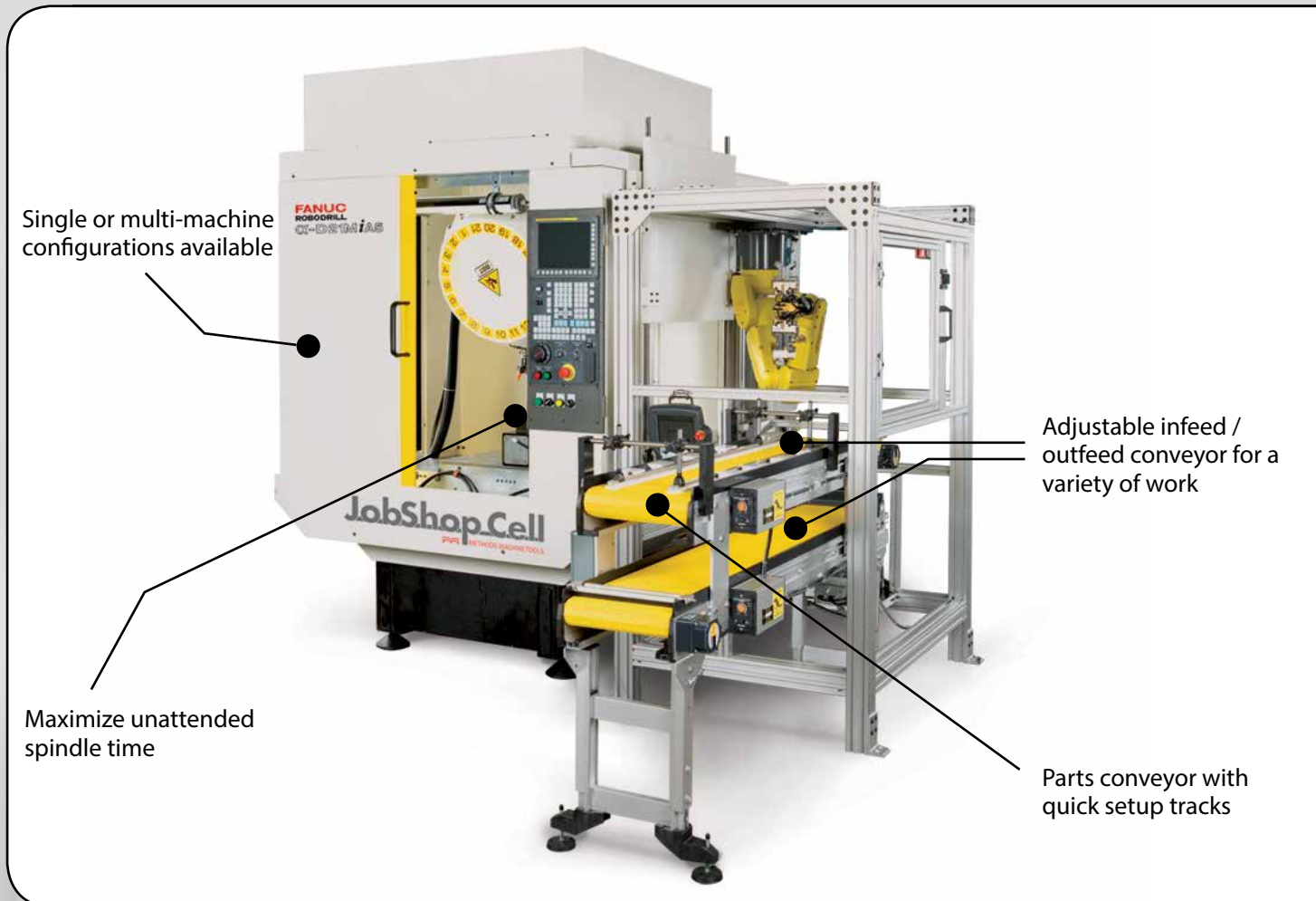
**LIGHTNING FAST & COST EFFECTIVE 30 TAPER VMC**  
**14.75 HP 10000 RPM DIRECT DRIVE SPINDLE 39 FT-LBS TORQUE**

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Pre-Engineered Automation: Flexible - Easy to Setup - Easy to Use

# JobShop\_Cell

STANDARD FEATURES

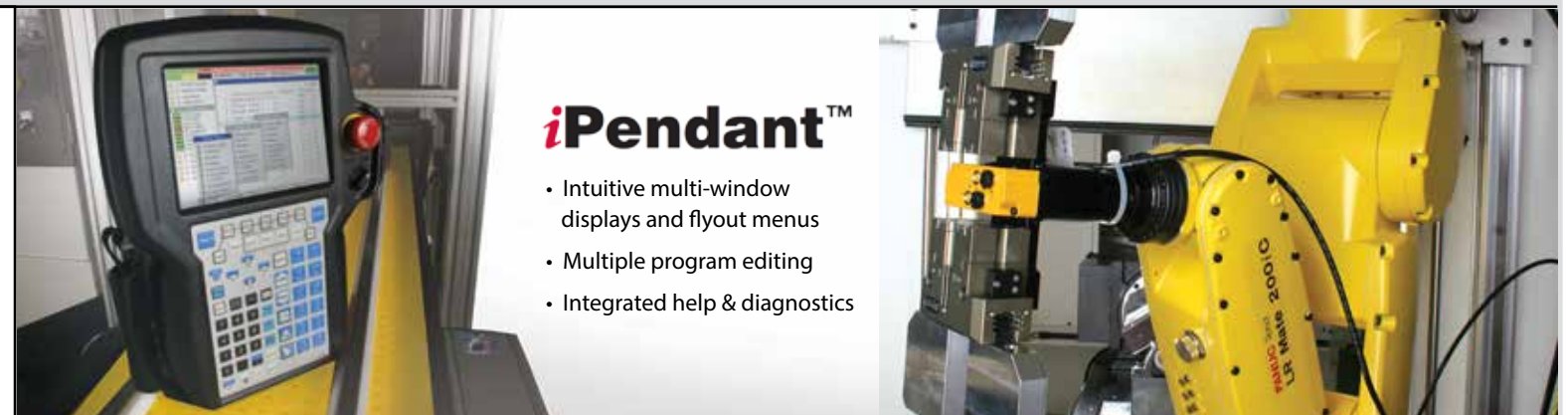


Single or multi-machine configurations available

Maximize unattended spindle time

Adjustable infeed / outfeed conveyor for a variety of work

Parts conveyor with quick setup tracks



## iPendant™

- Intuitive multi-window displays and flyout menus
- Multiple program editing
- Integrated help & diagnostics

## JobShop\_Cell

- Available on all model RoboDrills
- Robot interface and robot side auto door
- Robot safety guarding with safety interlock
- Inbound conveyor: 12" x 60"
- Outbound conveyor: 12" x 72"
- Collision guard software (optional)
- 1 Pneumatic double-acting valve for workholding
- Chip management system: Flush and air blow (does not include chip conveyor)
- 1 Positive pressure nozzles for part blow-off
- Triple alarm light

## FANUC LR Mate 200i Robot

- Axes: 6
- Payload (at wrist): 6.6 pounds
- End-of-arm tooling: Double gripper
- Teaching pendant: Color graphics
- Standard load/unload programming sequences
- Standard robot workcell documentation
- On-site robot training (operation and maintenance)

## Power Requirements

- RoboDrill power: 15 KVA
- RoboDrill compressed air: 80 PSI

## FANUC RoboDrill VMC

- FANUC RoboDrill (All models available)
- Horsepower: Up To 35 @ 1,700 RPM
- Spindle speed: 10,000 RPM or 24,000 RPM
- Toolchanger: 14 or 21 tools
- Torque: Up To 56 ft.lb (.750 tap in 303 SS)
- X Axis travels: 300 mm, 400 mm, or 700 mm
- Y Axis travels: 300 mm or 400 mm
- Tool change time: .9 seconds tool to tool
- Rigid tapping: Up To 5,000 RPM (8,000 RPM optional)
- Accelerations (X, Y, Z): 1.5 G
- Rapid traverses: 2,125 IPM
- Feed rate: 1,181 IPM (2,362 IPM optional)
- Coolant-thru-spindle ready
- High-speed reverse tapping
- Thread milling
- Basic top cover
- Memory: 512 K
- 1,000 registerable programs
- Tool comp C (length and diameter)
- 54 work offsets
- Custom macro B
- Thermal compensation

- JobShop Cell power: 110 VAC / 15 A
- JobShop Cell compressed air: 90 PSI



Optional circular conveyor



Optional 4th axis and workholding fixture available

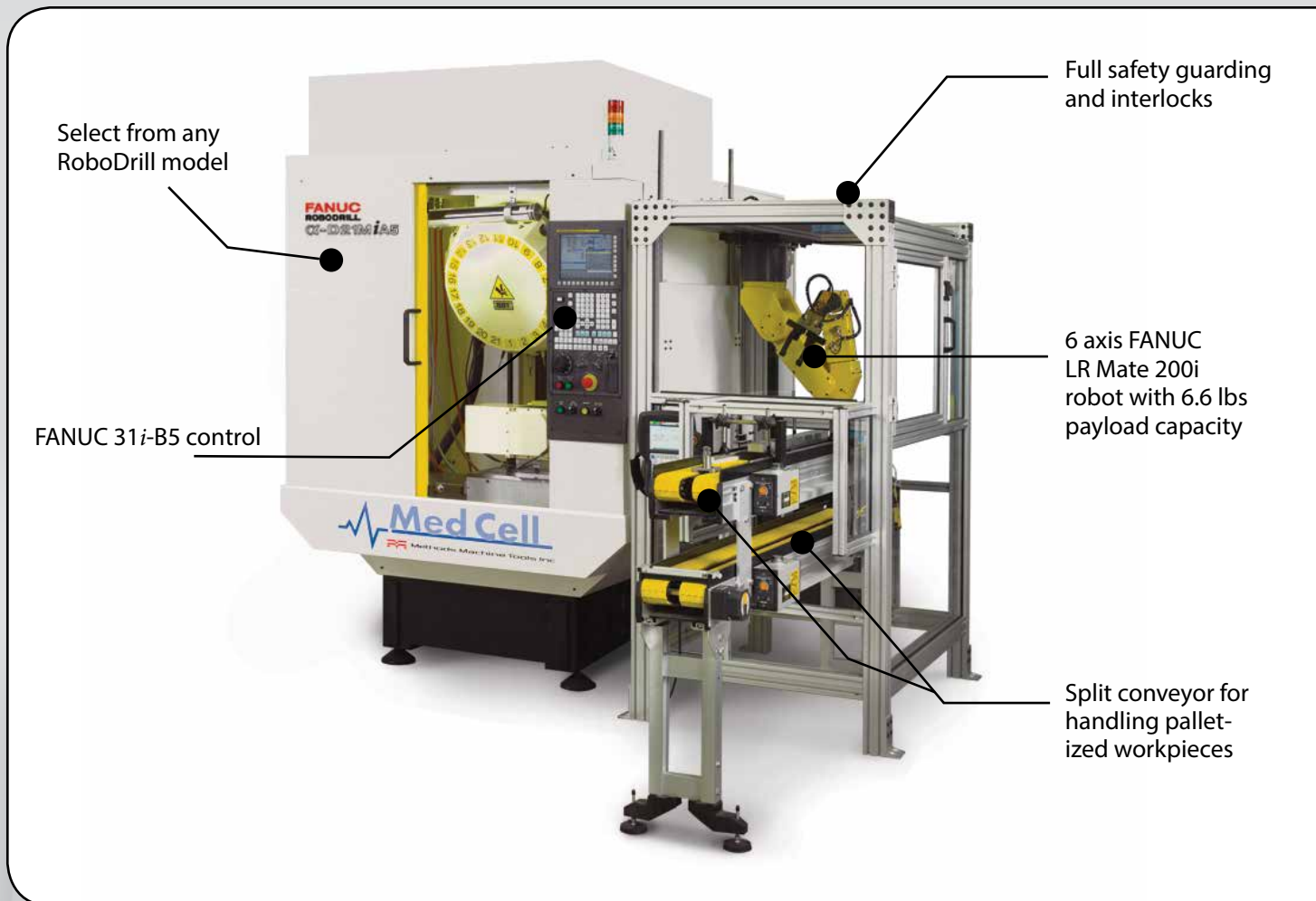
**AUTOMATED SOLUTIONS FOR SMALL AND MEDIUM VOLUMES**

# ROBODRILL



Economical, Superbly Accurate 5-Axis Medical Automation

STANDARD FEATURES



## iPendant™

- Intuitive multi-window displays and flyout menus
- Multiple program editing
- Integrated help & diagnostics

## MedCell

- Available on all model RoboDrills
- Robot interface and robot side auto door
- Robot safety guarding with safety interlock
- Inbound conveyor: 60" long
- Outbound conveyor: 72" long
- 1 Pneumatic double-acting valve for workholding
- Chip management system: Flush and air blow (does not include chip conveyor)
- 1 air nozzle for part blow off
- Tsudakoma RTT-111-CA 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> axis rotary table with built-in pneumatic pallet clamping system
- System designed to handle 70mm square pallets (3R, Hirshmann, Erowa), pallets not included
- Triple alarm light

### FANUC LR Mate 200i Robot

- Axes: 6
- Payload (at wrist): 6.61 pounds
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- Teaching pendant: Color graphics
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- Standard robot workcell documentation
- On-site robot training (operation and maintenance)

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- JobShop Cell compressed air: 90 PSI



Compact integrated 5-axis table with palletized workholding

## AUTOMATED PALLET LOADING 5 AXIS MACHINING

# PC2 PALLET CHANGER

The flexibility of a stand alone machine with the productivity of a pallet shuttle.

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## STANDARD FEATURES

- Alpha numeric keypad
- 1,000 registerable programs
- 54 work offsets
- RS 232
- 3 axis simultaneous machining
- 31i-B5 Nano CNC system
- Ultra precise 16,000,000 pulse/rev encoders
- AI Contour Control I
- Thermal growth compensation
- Part program storage: 1280 meters
- Tool compensation memory C
- Helical Interpolation
- Rigid Tapping 5,000/8,000 RPM
- Thread milling
- High Speed Reverse Tapping
- "Quick" Tap recovery system
- Custom macro B
- Canned cycles for drilling
- Coordinate system rotation
- Coordinate system setting
- Simultaneous ATC / table positioning
- On screen display of spindle 'rpm' and 'load' meters

FANUC  
CNC 31i-B5

Achieve high speed rigid tapping with FANUC Serial Servo Bus communication. 1000 block look-ahead, 0.4 millisecond bps



Specification	Unit	PC2	Specification	Unit	PC2
<b>TRAVEL</b>			<b>FEEDRATE</b>		
X axis travel	in	27.6	X axis rapid traverse	in / min	2,125
Y axis travel	in	15.7	Y axis rapid traverse	in / min	2,125
Z axis travel	in	13	Z axis rapid traverse	in / min	2,125
Spindle to table	in	17.5	Contouring (optional)	in / min	1,181 (2,362)
<b>TABLE/PALLET (PC2)</b>			Acceleration	G	1.5
Table size	in	33.5 x 16.1	<b>ATC</b>		
Pallet size	in	27.5 x 15.4	ATC type	-	21 station turret
Pallet load capacity	lbs	220	Maximum tool weight	lbs	4.4 / 6.6
Pallet change time	sec	7	Maximum tool length	in	9.8
Pallet change Repeatability X/Y/Z	in	±.00022	Maximum tool diameter	in	3.14
<b>SPINDLE</b>			Tool to tool change time	sec	1.1 / 1.6
Spindle taper	-	BIG-PLUS BBT-30	<b>DIMENSIONS/WEIGHT</b>		
Spindle option #1	hp /rpm	* 18.7/10,000	Floor space w/ pallet changer (W /D/H)	in	116 x 80 x 93
Spindle option #2	hp /rpm	* 34.8/24,000	Weight w/ pallet changer	lbs	5,540
<b>CONTROL</b>					
FANUC	-		31i-B5		

\* 1 min rating

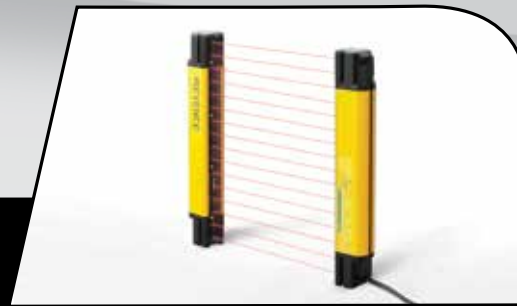
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## OPTIONAL FEATURES

- Rotary tables & indexers
- Pneumatic fixturing
- Robotic loading
- Methods turnkeys



2-pallet shuttle design



Light curtain option

# TWIN PALLET CHANGER 30 TAPER VMC

# TrodeMaster

The smart choice for high precision 3D graphite machining.

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## STANDARD FEATURES

- Torit DFO 2-2 1,000 cfm graphite dust collector
- Alpha numeric keypad
- 1,000 registerable programs
- 54 work offsets
- RS 232
- 3 axis simultaneous machining
- 31i-B5 Nano CNC system
- Ultra precise 16,000,000 pulse/rev encoders
- AI Contour Control II & high speed processor
- Thermal growth compensation
- Rigid tapping up to 8,000 rpm
- Part program storage: 1280 meters
- Tool compensation memory C
- Helical interpolation
- Ethernet
- Fast data server w/1GB program storage
- Nano smoothing
- Jerk control
- 1,000 block look ahead w/.04 millisecond response time
- Renishaw NC-4 laser tool measurement



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CNC 31i-B5

Achieve high speed rigid tapping with FANUC Serial Servo Bus communication. 1000 block look-ahead, 0.4 millisecond bps

All models available in Short Bed, Medium Bed, and Long Bed.

FANUC 31i-B5 Nano control with ultra precise 16 million pulse/rev encoders

Integrated 1000 CFM Torit Downflo® Oval dust collector provides up to 25% more filtration capacity than other same-sized cartridge collectors.



24000 rpm 30 taper BIG-PLUS® spindle

Specification	Unit	TrodeMaster α-D21SiA5	TrodeMaster α-D21MiA5	TrodeMaster α-D21LiA5	Specification	Unit	TrodeMaster
<b>TRAVEL</b>					<b>SPINDLES</b>		
X axis	in	11.8	19.7	27.6	Spindle taper	-	BIG-PLUS BBT-30
Y axis	in	11.8	15.7	15.7	Spindle (24000 rpm)	HP	* 34.8
Z axis	in	13	13	13	Torque	in-lbs	25.8
Spindle to table	in	5.9 ~ 18.9	5.9 ~ 18.9	5.9 ~ 18.9	<b>FEEDRATE</b>		
<b>TABLE SIZE</b>					X axis rapids	in/min	2,125
Table size	in	24.8 x 13	25.6 x 15.7	33.5 x 16.1	Y axis rapids	in/min	2,125
Table capacity	lbs	440	660	660	Z axis rapids	in/min	2,125
<b>DIMENSIONS/WEIGHT w/o DUST COLLECTOR</b>					Contouring	in/min	2,362
(Width/depth/height)	in	39 x 87 x 94	62 x 87 x 94	83 x 87 x 94	Acceleration	G	1.5
Machine weight	lbs	4,290	4,400	4,620	<b>ATC</b>		
Tool-tool change time	sec	0.9 / 1.1			ATC type	-	14/21 station turret
Chip-chip change time	sec	1.6 / 2.1			Max. tool wgt.	lbs	4.4 / 6.6
Max. tool length	in	9.8			Max. total tool wgt.	lbs	33 / 48
Maximum Tool Dia.	in	3.14			Tool to tool chg time	sec	0.9 / 1.1
<b>CONTROL</b>					Chip to chip chg time	sec	1.6 / 2.1
FANUC	-	31i-B5			Max. tool length	in	9.8

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## OPTIONAL FEATURES

- Rotary tables & indexers
- Robotic loading
- 4 & 5 axis simultaneous machining
- Methods turnkeys

## COMPACT COST EFFECTIVE ELECTRODE MANUFACTURING

**1000 CFM Downflo® OVAL DUST COLLECTOR** ■ **24000 RPM SPINDLE**

\* 1 min rating



BIG-PLUS 24,000 rpm spindle and 0.9-second tool changer



Full Torit dust collection system

# ROBODRILL Options.

## FANUC DDR / DDR-T

The FANUC DDR is a full fourth-axis table designed specifically to complement the speed and versatility of the RoboDrill. Capable of 200 RPM, the FANUC DDR can unclamp, rotate 180°, and reclamp in less than 0.3 seconds.

Virtually backlash-free, the DDR's direct drive motor has no gears to wear out or sustain damage. If bumped, it can be easily tuned to original specifications.

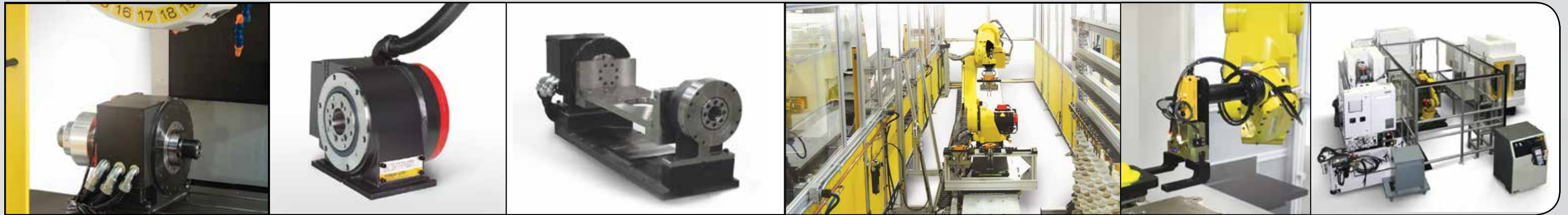
A true milling fourth axis, the DDR has a part loading capacity of 220 lb and 369 ft-lb of torque, enough to handle even the most difficult applications.

With its unique combination of speed, strength, and reliability, the DDR is ideal for small volume job shops or OEMs making millions of parts. Priced at thousands of dollars less than comparable fourth-axis tables, it is an exceptional value.



## ROBOTICS

- Certified FANUC Robotics Integrator
- Custom end-of-arm tooling
- On-site robotics training



## SIMULTANEOUS 4 OR 5 AXIS MACHINING

(1) or (2) additional axis control can be added to the Fanuc 31i-B5 to enable simultaneous contour machining. Utilizing an optional Fanuc DDR direct drive rotary table, or conventional 4<sup>th</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> axis rotary tables, the RoboDrill becomes a high speed 4/5-axis VMC.



Additional axis control



SpiderCool programmable flush

## MORE ROBODRILL OPTIONS



Coolant through spindle



Chip conveyor



Auto door



Part probe



Laser tool setter



High pressure coolant system

## COMPLETE TURNKEY SYSTEMS

With 50 years of experience, Methods can engineer a turnkey solution to your production demands. Starting with an in-depth analysis of your company's machining goals, problems, and quality control requirements, Methods will provide not only a machine, but a total package of tool research and selection, part programming, fixturing, robotic or automated loading, and machine customization.



Drag and drop cell management



Integrated vision systems



Palletized raw material workholding



Overhead rail mounted robots



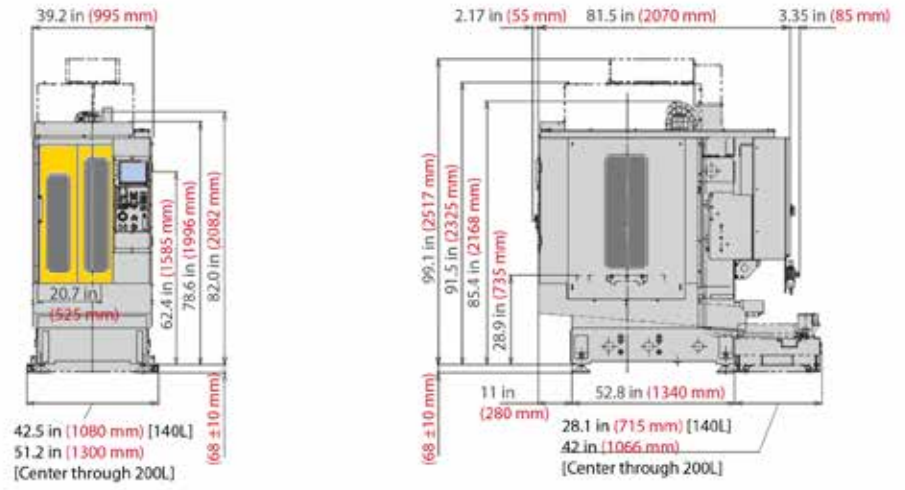
Workpiece carriers

## AUTOMATION CAPABILITIES

- Integrated vision systems
- Automated part inspection
- Remote monitoring systems
- Customized tooling and workholding
- Customized in-feed and out-feed conveyor systems



# α-D21SiA5

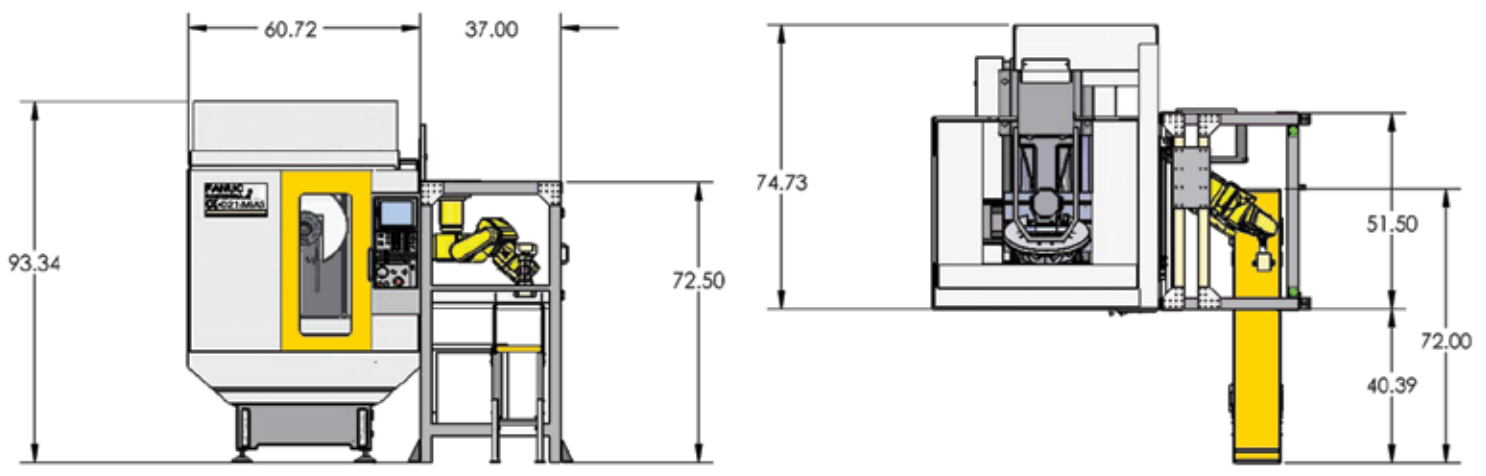
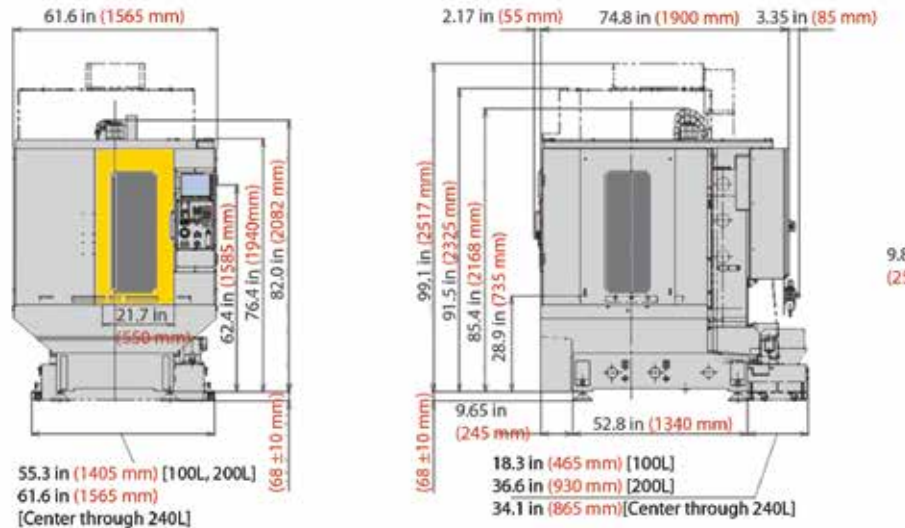


# ROBODRILL Dimensions

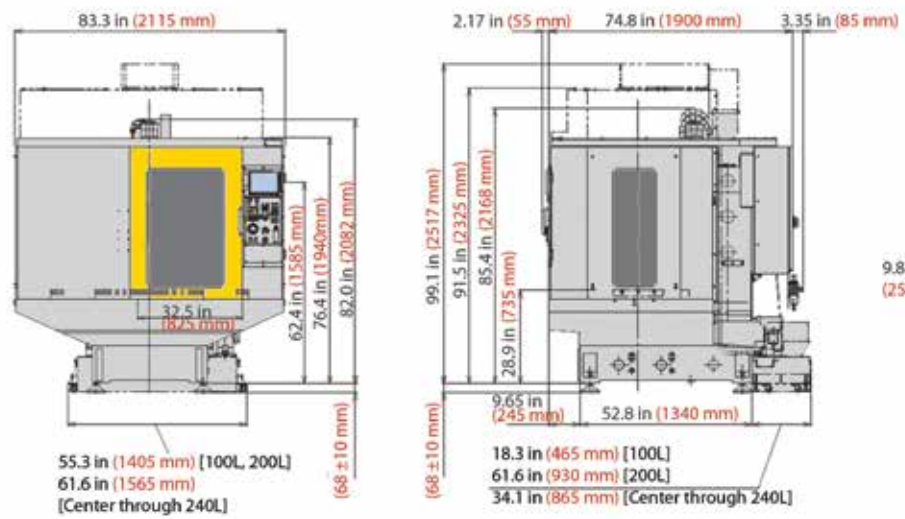
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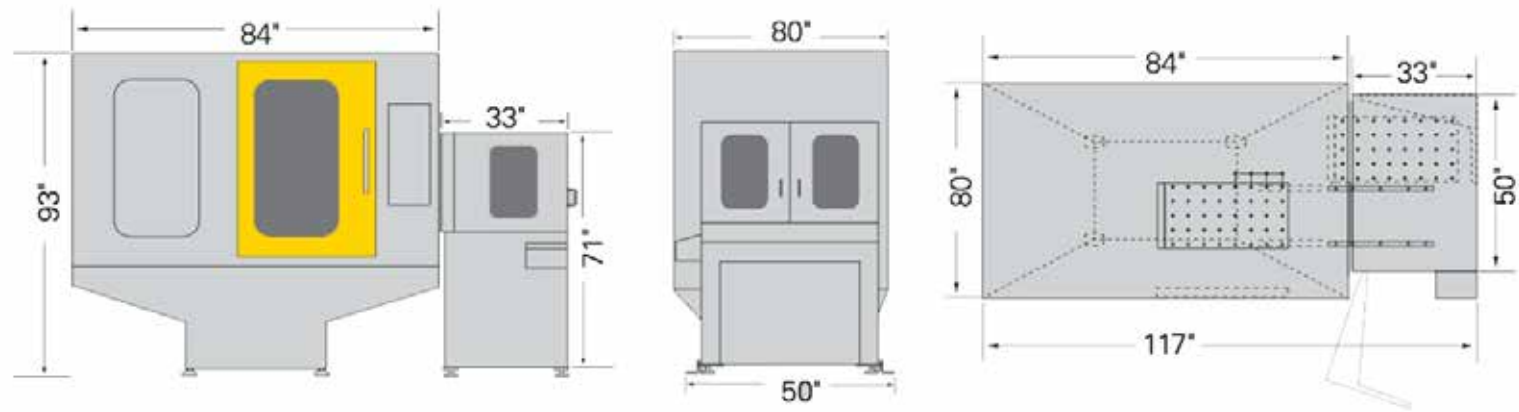
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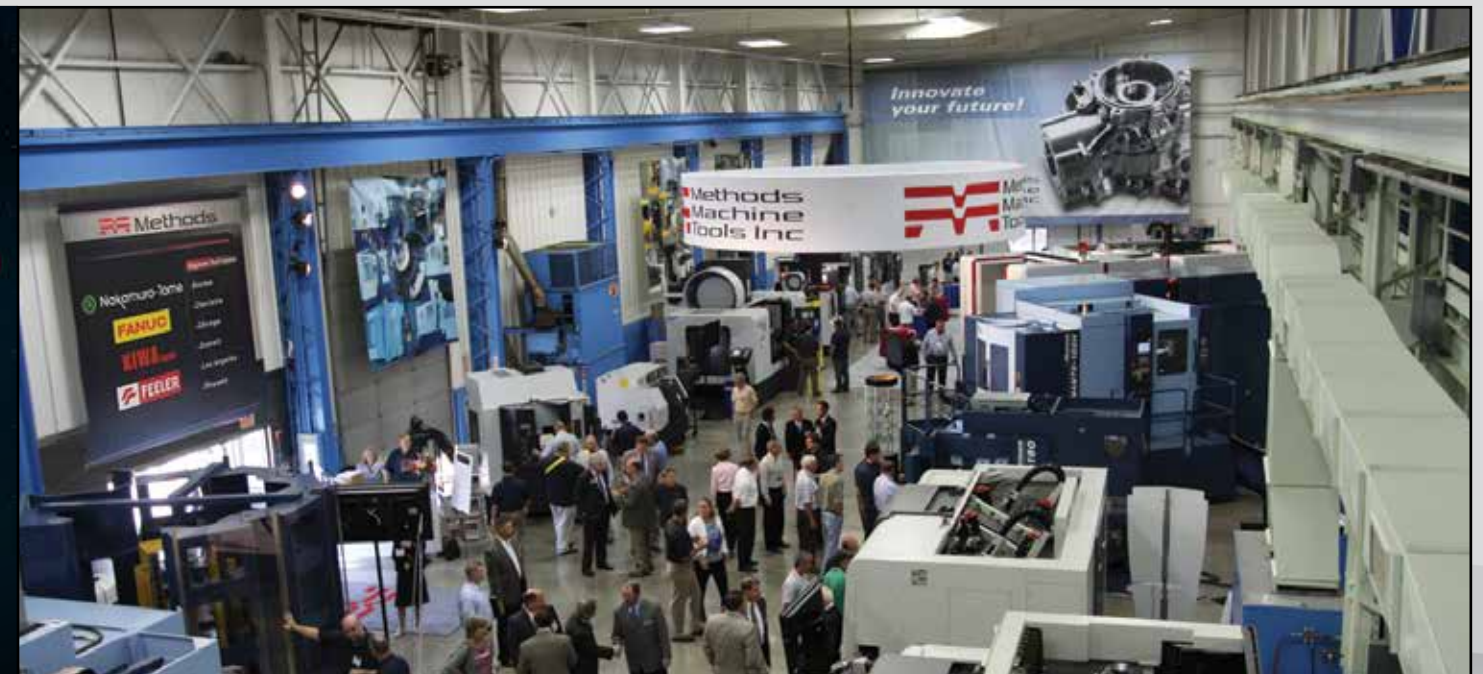
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# PC2



THE POWER OF PRODUCTIVITY - THE POWER TO MOVE YOUR BUSINESS FORWARD...



**Methods** Machine Tools has provided innovative productive solutions to manufacturing technology for over fifty years. Strategically located throughout North America, our Methods team is more than 300 strong, and has installed more than 29,000 machines. Today, Methods' solutions are at the heart of some of the most advanced automated metalworking operations in North America.

Methods has built an excellent reputation as the leading supplier of precision machine tools, closely partnering with machine manufacturers and end-user customers. With an unrivaled combination of leading machine technology, application expertise, and service, we've given manufacturers the ability to consistently obtain highly productive, profitable operations and quality parts.

Our partners include Nakamura-Tome for multi-tasking turning centers, FANUC for drilling and wire EDM, FEELER for machining centers, turning centers, bridge and boring mills, Exeron for EDM die sinking, and Kiwa-Japan for expandable horizontal machining centers. Methods also has dozens of other lead suppliers for automation, tooling, fixtures, and quality control.

## Partners in Productivity

Tech Center - Sudbury, MA



**FANUC** has been relentless in machining research and development since 1956, when it began developing NCs. Since then, FANUC technology has built a worldwide reputation as a leader in the CNC and robotic manufacturing revolution. The FANUC product lineup includes their renown CNCs, RoboDrills, RoboCut EDMs, servo motors, and robotic arms. Their unmatched quality has earned them an excellent reputation throughout the world, including Japan, Europe, and other Asian countries, where FANUC has invested in an expansive customer service network of highly skilled, experienced engineers trained to assist customers with all of their maintenance needs.

# AUTOMATE YOUR ROBODRILL



**FANUC**  
 AND  
**Methods**  
*Partners in Productivity*



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