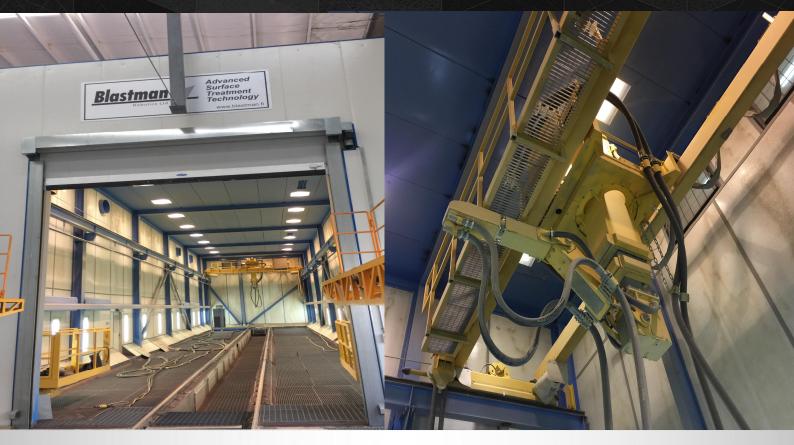
## **BLAST CLEANING OF PASSENGER COACHES**



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### **BACKGROUND**

CRRC Zhengzhou is a brand new rolling stock manufacturing base in China. Modern automatic technology is deeply applied into their each line of manufacturing.

Thanks to the previous successful Blastman deliveries among other CRRC subsidiaries and the basis of experience in automation the customer had a clear picture of the possibilities to use Blastman robots for blasting.

CRRC Zhengzhou Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of CRRC Qingdao Sifang Locomotive, is a nationally accredited high and new technical company, which mainly produce intercity cars and metro for the area in the middle of China.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

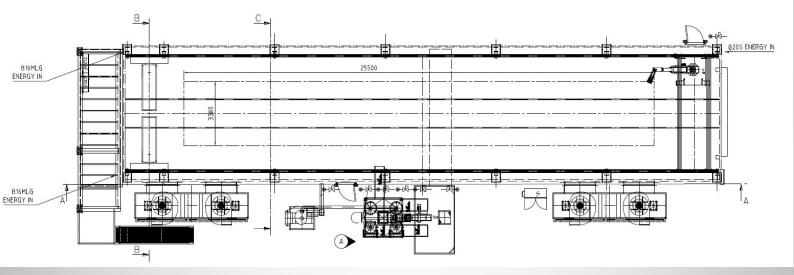
The requirement was to blast clean completely exterior surfaces and essential interior surfaces of various passenger coaches with given speed.



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#### **Advantages of Automated Blast Cleaning**

- considerable savings in production costs
- increased production capacity
- remarkable health and safety implications
- freedom to use any abrasive material
- desired surface cleanliness and roughness
- slight surface shaping by controlling the blast pressure
- working lifts and platforms not needed
- increased fatigue strength of specific welded joints



#### **Technical Information**

Nozzle diameter

Number of nozzles/robot

**Blasting pressure** 

Blasting rate
Abrasive

16 mm

2 7 bar

3 hours per car

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Degrees of freedom

Programming
Operation mode

Point-to-Point / Offline

Automatic

#### SOLUTION

The blast room is equipped with one Blastman B20S robot and B16MLG manlifts. The robot arm is equipped with two 16 mm blast nozzles.

The Blastman robot cleans both interior and exterior surfaces of various passenger coaches. Manlifts are used for inspection and occasional manual blasting.

Except robot, Blastman also delivered the abrasive handling system, ventilation, as well as the blast chamber.

#### **RESULTS**

CRRC Zhengzhou have achieved satisfied blasting quality result and capacity as what they expected by Blastman delivery.

Worth to highlight that most of robotic blasting programs were made by Blastman own offline programming tool, which dramatically shorten the overall time of programming and allows no car stands in the chamber while making programming.



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