



KASTO UNIBLOC:  
Stacking Cradle Systems for every demand.



## Ahead of the competition by leaps and bounds. *UNIBLOC U* for multiple lifts.

Profitability and  
efficiency stored.

When highly dynamic and fully automatic bar storage systems are not economic, the Stacking Cradle System *UNIBLOC* is the ideal alternative. This simple but efficient unit is suited for the transport and storage of bar stock, sheet metal and other bulky goods and offers the optimum solution for all storage needs when small to medium access frequencies are required. Using just a small footprint, this system ensures, with its uncomplicated technology and easy material handling, fast access to the material as well as an economic restacking operation. The *KASTO UNIBLOC*-System is suited for material lengths from 3 – 24 m (approx. 10 – 80 feet).

Low cost, huge benefits.

The manual multiple lift spreader beam *UNIBLOC U* from *KASTO* accomplishes definitely more than conventional systems. The reason: With the *UNIBLOC U*, up to three stacking cradle pairs with a usable height of 400 mm (15.7") each can be transported at the same time. The patented gripper arms (DE 198 15689 C1, EP 0770564 B1) allow simultaneous restacking of up to three layers. No energy supply is necessary for the mechanical gripper function – only lift and lower movements of a crane are necessary for the locking and unlocking of the spreader beam. A control display shows that the stacking cradles are safely locked – and safety is an essential part of *KASTO*-quality. The advantages are obvious: An easier but faster restacking operation resulting in high turnover volume.

Simple, dual hoist cranes are all that is needed:  
The *UNIBLOC U* makes uncomplicated multiple restacking possible.







Designed for more profitability:  
The patented gripper arms allow safe multiple lifts.

**A successful system with  
several upgrade levels.**

The KASTO-Stacking Cradle Systems can be upgraded. The basic spreader beam *UNIBLOC E* completes our performance range. Due to its adaptor bolts with centering aid, the *UNIBLOC E* allows the lifting of two or three cradles per layer. The matching KASTO-transport cradles *UNIVERSAL* allow – even in the standard version – a trouble-free switch to the multiple lift spreader beam *UNIBLOC U* with all its advantages.

For an even higher storage volume and/or turnover frequency, the manual Stacking Cradle System *UNIBLOC U* can be upgraded at any time to a fully automatic system - the KASTO innovation: *UNIBLOC A*.



## Increased performance without any problems: The automatic *UNIBLOC A*.

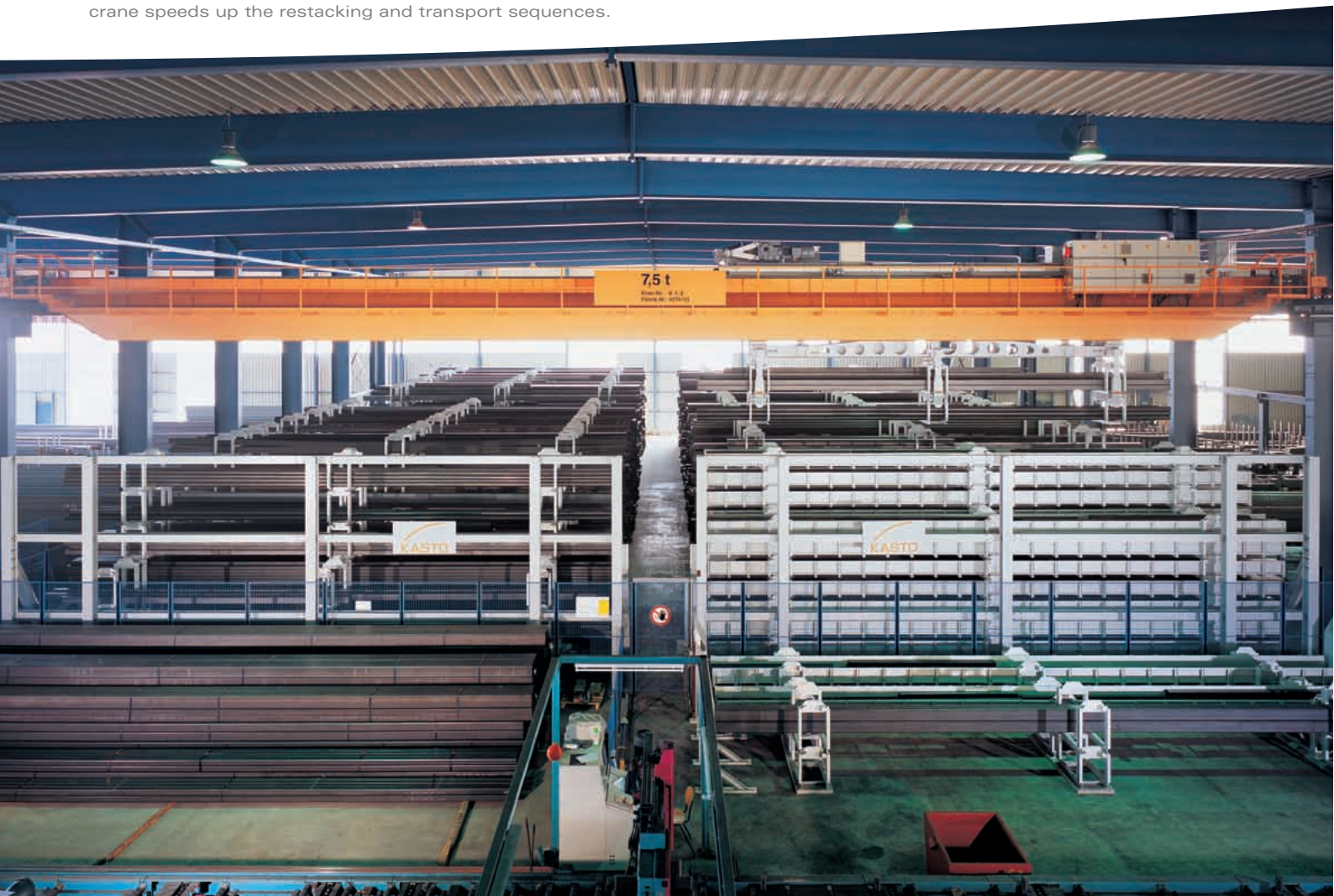
### Increasing speed automatically.

Even for high storage density and busy stacking operations, KASTO offers a competent solution: Automatic multiple stacking with the Stacking Cradle System *UNIBLOC A*. This innovation is available in two versions: (1) in connection with the KASTO-Gantry Crane, moving on the floor, or (2) with a sway-free automatic crane. Both alternatives lead to the same goal: A faster stacking operation.

### Guaranteed reliability and precision.

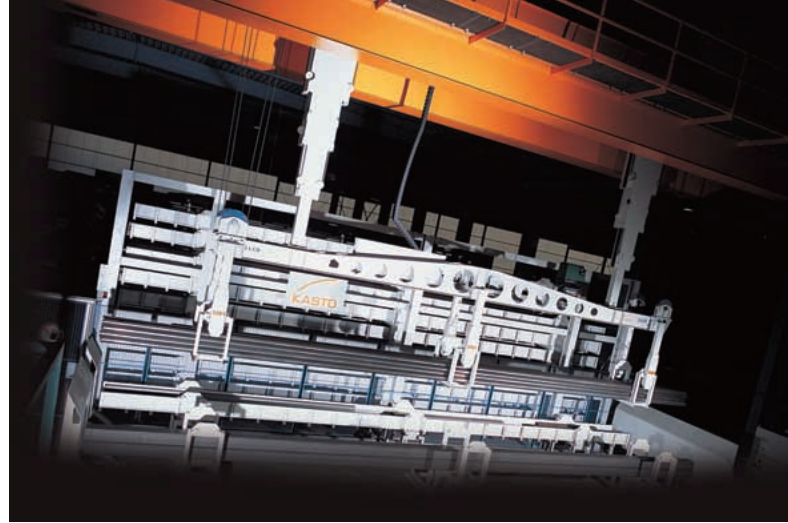
The *UNIBLOC A* is characterized by compact design and can lift and move up to three cradles on top of each other simultaneously for faster restacking and transport sequences. The automatic stacking cradle system has another technical advantage: The KASTO-Inventory Control Computer organizes material and storage location management and it stores, restacks and removes orders – optimizing thus entire work processes.

Automatic multiple restacking:  
The fully automatic KASTO-Stacking Cradle System *UNIBLOC A* with two shelf blocks. A sway-free automatic crane speeds up the restacking and transport sequences.





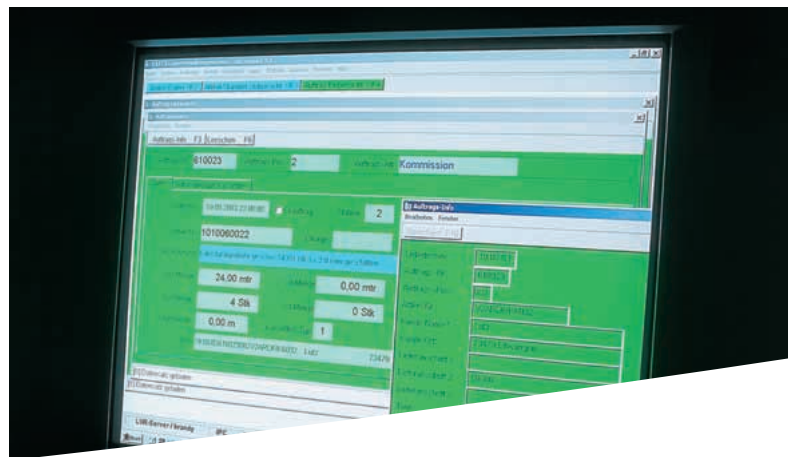
Fast transport: Multiple lift spreader beam with three adaptor pairs and telescopic guide while moving 2 storage layers.



Fast access: The input/output station with three deposit locations allows fast and comfortable storing or removing.



Flexible storage: Even remnants can be optimally stored by using stacking cradle cassettes.



Easy to understand display and simple operation: The practical KASTO-Inventory Control Computer is another advantage of the UNIBLOC A.

**All advantages summarized:**

The KASTO-Stacking Cradle System is simply the best solution for economic bar storage:

- Efficient work processes due to multiple lifts
- Enormous time savings due to transport of up to three layers simultaneously
- Accurate transport sequences due to automatic restacking
- Small floor space requirements due to vertical space utilization
- More profitability due to faster and easier access
- Unmanned, automatic storage optimization (i.e. during nights)
- Accurate and perpetual inventory
- System can be easily upgraded
- Bar Optimizer out of cutting lists (optional)

Attention: Manual, multiple lift UNIBLOC-Systems can be automated at a later date.



# Attracts success while storing: *UNIBLOC F* with magnet lift technology.

Simple principle with huge effect.

In order to handle steel and metals efficiently, KASTO offers a transport spreader beam with magnet lift technology. The magnet spreader beam *UNIBLOC F* is the ideal solution for safe and fast transport and removal of material that can be magnetized. Due to variable magnetic strengths, the design ensures that the material is always being removed in the right quantity – with no additional rearranging or extra storage.

Easy access to individual bars.

Material removal in the desired quantity. The electro-magnet, integrated into the spreader beam, allows direct access to individual “magnetizable” bars without changing the spreader beam. The important advantage: The *UNIBLOC F* is also equipped with the proven gripper technology for multiple lifts. The foldable gripper allows an effortless material access - even when higher towers of stacking cradles are stored closely side-by-side.

*UNIBLOC E*: The starter version regarding stacking cradles: Moving a KASTO-cradle type *UNIVERSAL*.



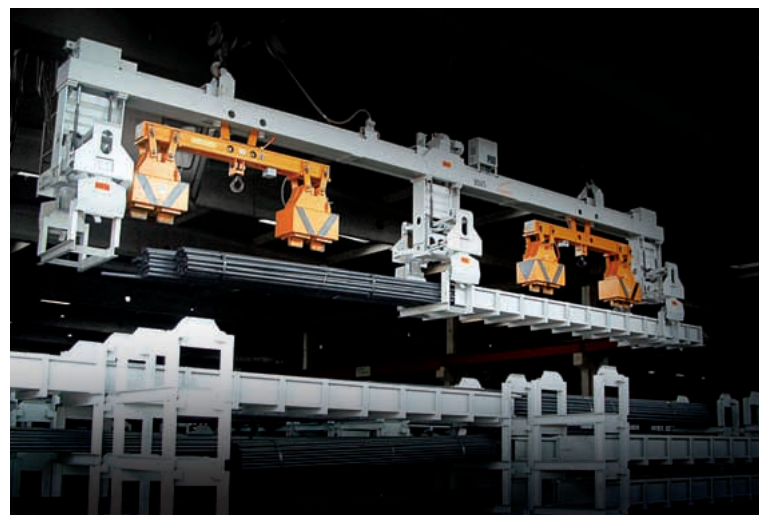
Universal: With the patented gripper technology, even customer-specific transport containers can be economically transported and restacked.



Magnetic: Stacking cradles can be safely manipulated with the *UNIBLOC F* magnet spreader beam.



After the gripper arms are folded up, individual bars can be picked up quickly and safely.

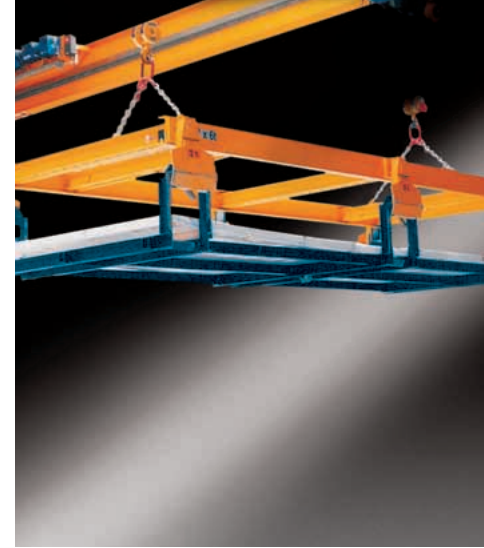




Transportation cradle *UNIVERSAL*: Can be moved via single or multiple lift spreader beam.



Transportation cradle *AUTOMATIC*: Optimally adapted to multiple and automatic spreader beams.



Transportation cradle *SHEET METAL*: To store sheet metal packages and plates in different formats.



Optical display of gripper function for safe and fast cradle handling.



Adaptable: The utilization of a telescopic transportation spreader beam allows moving of material with different lengths.



Versatile: The KASTO *UNIBLOC* Systems are not only designed for bar stock or sheet metal but the advantages and versatility of these systems are as convincing when storing cable drums or coils.

Always the appropriate solution:  
Elements of the KASTO-Stacking Cradle Systems.

All KASTO-Stacking Cradles are robustly and precisely built weldments. The open design allows easy access to the material, which in return results in significant time-savings. Besides the standard types *UNIVERSAL* and *AUTOMATIC*, KASTO also manufactures customized solutions or adapts the stacking cradle system to already existing containers.

Technical Data					
<i>UNIBLOC</i>		<i>Cradles</i>		<i>Transp. Spreader Beams</i>	
Load per storage location	6/9 t (13,200 / 19,800 lbs)	Usable load (per cradle)*	3 t (6.600 lbs)	Adaptor pairs*	2 / 3
Economic storage height	from 10 locations	Usable width (mm)* (inch)	570 / 770 / 870 / 1070 (22.4 / 30.3 / 34.3 / 42.1)	Max. usable load*	
Storage lengths	3 - 24 m (approx. 10 - 80 feet)	Usable height (mm)* (inch)	240 / 300 / 400 / 600 / 800 (9.4 / 11.8 / 15.7 / 23.6 / 31.5)	- single lift	6 / 9 t (13,200 / 19,800 lbs)
Max. system height	up to 5 m (up to 16.5 feet)	Max. stacking height (cradles)	14 / 12 / 10 / 7 / 5	- multiple lifts	12 t (26,400 lbs)
Qty. access p.h. (per OGC)	1 - 20	* other designs upon request			
Partially integrated saw possible	yes				
Fully integrated saw possible	no				
				Suited for magnet system	Optional
				Telescope to transport different lengths	Optional
				* other designs upon request	

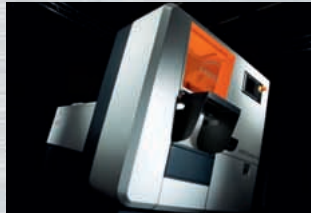


# The Complete KASTO Program: Economic Sawing and Storing of Metal.

## Expertise right down the line.

For over 160 years, KASTO has been recognized for quality and innovation, and offers a complete range of metal cutting saws, as well as storage and retrieval systems. Thanks to an ongoing development of new technologies and constant optimization process of machine concepts, KASTO has achieved the status of market leader in sawing and storing of metals.

## KASTO's Sawing Machines.



From the basic hacksaw to the high-performance automatic bandsaw capable of economically processing bar stock, blocks or plates of all grades, KASTO has the best solution for every challenge: Universal bandsaws and circular saws for light and medium applications, hacksaws employing the pushing-arching-cutting motion originated by KASTO, and production bandsaws and circular saws designed to cut medium to difficult materials.

## KASTO's Storage Systems.



Rapid access, optimum space utilization, clear and accurate view of stored inventory - KASTO storage systems' excellent features. And there's more! Fully automatic sawing centers, cantilever bar and sheet metal storage systems or cassette storage and commissioning systems, combined sawing and storage systems with integrated inventory control computers. As a one-source supplier, KASTO delivers the complete system, both hardware and software.

## KASTO's Service.



KASTO's comprehensive service program includes everything: from commissioning and training to maintenance support, service contracts, readily available spare parts and on-site service. KASTO's service incorporates individual consulting and immediate support with well-qualified teleservice. And of course, KASTO service is available worldwide.

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