

[April 28, 2008: Hyblade honoured with iF material award 2008](#)

At the Hannover Messe Industry 2008, the HyBlade axial fan was honoured with the iF material award.

The iF material award was conferred for the fourth time as part of the Hannover Messe Industry 2008. Throughout the world, iF awards are regarded as being among the most important design awards as they are drawn from more than 5,000 entries annually from competitors from nearly 50 countries.



From the 74 submissions for the iF material award 2008, jurors picked the best innovation, the new HyBlade® axial fan from ebm-papst, in the four categories of Materials and material applications, Products, Ideas, and Processes.

With HyBlade®, an innovative and currently one-of-a-kind hybrid structure, ebm-papst is revolutionizing the technology of axial fans. HyBlade® combines the stability of a high-strength aluminum alloy with the light weight and unlimited moldability of fiberglass-reinforced plastics. Substantially lighter weight and a fan geometry that can be adapted for optimum aerodynamics lend HyBlade® fans a significant increase in efficiency in applications. In addition, HyBlade® also makes an important contribution to resource conservation with its exemplary energy balance in manufacturing, transport, and recycling.

All prize winners were displayed in the special "material trends" exhibition at the Hannover Messe (Hall 5, Booth E50). In addition to that, they can be seen in the iF online exhibition: http://www.ifdesign.de/index_e/

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