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# New High-Volume FDM Material Box Increases Unattended Run Time for Stratasys' Fortus 3D Production Systems

*Xtend 500 Fortus Plus delivers more than five times the output of standard canisters*

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MINNEAPOLIS & REHOVOT, Israel--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- [Stratasys Ltd.](#) (Nasdaq:SSYS), a leading global provider of 3D printing and additive manufacturing solutions, introduced Xtend 500 Fortus Plus, a high-volume filament package for Fortus 3D Production Systems. To learn more about Xtend 500, visit the Stratasys booth in Hall 7 Stand A40 at [Hannover Messe](#) 2015, April 13-17 in Hannover, Germany.



Designed for reliable and unattended high-volume use, each [Xtend 500](#) box contains 500 cubic inches of FDM thermoplastic material, delivering more than five times the output of standard canisters. When two material boxes are loaded into a Fortus 3D Production System, users can expect up to 400 hours of unattended run time and up to 1,000 cubic inches of material use.

Xtend 500 gives users the freedom of fewer material changeovers, resulting in streamlined 3D production. This feature can also contribute to reduced operation costs. "For our customers, and 3D printing in general, developing a larger volume package is a huge step in navigating away from day-to-day 3D printer planning and operations," said Brendan Dillon, product manager for

Xtend 500 Fortus Plus is a new high-volume material box for Fortus 3D Production Systems, offering five times the output of

standard canisters. (Photo: Stratasys)

Stratasys. "More time can now be spent on designing parts

rather than wondering if the 3D printer is going to run out of material over the weekend."

By implementing Xtend 500, manufacturers with prototyping needs and service bureaus producing large parts will benefit from reduced material changeovers, as well as logistical savings in shipping and storage. Xtend 500 is available in [ABS-M30](#) (ivory and black) and [PC](#) and their respective support materials for the Fortus 450mc 3D Production System.

Owners of Fortus 360mc, 400mc and 900mc 3D Production Systems can also take advantage of Xtend 500 with a Fortus Plus system upgrade. Most system owners will benefit from streamlined logistics when they share material stock across systems.

For more information about [Xtend 500](#) and the Fortus Plus upgrade, contact a reseller or visit the Stratasys [website](#). Images are available by visiting the Stratasys [newsroom](#).

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