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OPTICAL SORTING MACHINE

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OPTISCHE SORTIERMASCHINE

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[origin: EP4169628A1] An optical sorter including: an inspection part that is configured to perform optical inspection on granular objects transferred by transfer means; a judgment part that is configured to judge whether each granular object is a good article or a defective article based on the optical inspection performed by the inspection part; an ejector controller that includes multiple ejector nozzles and is configured to sort out the granular objects into the defective article and the good article by ejecting compressed air to the defective article from the ejector nozzles; and a sorting strength setting part that is capable of setting a sorting strength in the ejector controller, wherein the sorting strength is constituted of multiple sorting strength levels, and the sorting strength setting part is capable of presetting, for each of the sorting strength levels, multiple kinds of operation setting parameters that control an operation of the ejector nozzles.

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