## **Cured Silicone Elastomers for Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Packaging Components**

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Proposed New Title: <668> Cured Silicone Elastomers for Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Packaging Components

Suggested audience: R&D scientists, contract research organizations, contract manufacturing organizations, Regulatory Affairs, QA/QC specialists

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**Background and objective(s):** The General Chapters—Packaging and Distribution Expert Committee will propose a new chapter, <668> Cured Silicone Elastomers for Pharmaceutical Manufacturing and Packaging Components, based on comments received from the Pharmaceutical Forum 45(2) [Mar.—Apr. 2019] publication of <665> Plastic Materials, Components, and Systems Used in the Manufacturing of Pharmaceutical Drug Products and Biopharmaceutical Drug Substances and Products.

**Description of scope and application:** This chapter would apply to cured silicone components such as tubing, gaskets, and O-rings that are used in manufacturing operations for drug substances and drug products, as well as silicone components for pharmaceutical packaging systems.

Preliminary outline:

- Biological Reactivity
- Identification
- Physicochemical Tests:
- Appearance
- Acidity or alkalinity
- Reducing Substances
- Substances soluble in hexane
- Phenylated compounds
- Mineral Oils
- Volatile matter
- Residual peroxides
- Platinum

Anticipated implementation timing: To be determined based on stakeholder feedback.

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