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- Part 4: *Biological requirements and test methods*
- Part 5: *Functional requirements and testing*

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Foreword

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Introduction

Elastomeric or rubber closures for pharmaceutical use are used in combination with vials and many times in conjunction with piercing devices. There are three functional parameters which are important to the piercing process. These are: penetrability, fragmentation and self-sealing. The three functional tests described in this part of ISO 8871 can be used as a reference method for testing elastomeric closures that are pierced using injection needles made from metal. In addition, the container/closure seal integrity test can be used to verify the effectiveness of the sealing of a specific closure/vial combination.

Elastomeric parts for parenterals and for devices for pharmaceutical use —

Part 5: Functional requirements and testing

1 Scope

This part of ISO 8871 specifies requirements and test methods for functional parameters of elastomeric closures used in combination with vials and when pierced by an injection needle.

NOTE Functional testing with spikes is specified in ISO 8536-2 and in ISO 8536-6.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO 7864, *Sterile hypodermic needles for single use*

ISO 8362-1, *Injection containers and accessories — Part 1: Injection vials made of glass tubing*

ISO 8362-3, *Injection containers and accessories — Part 3: Aluminium caps for injection vials*

ISO 8362-4, *Injection containers and accessories — Part 4: Injection vials made of moulded glass*

ISO 8362-6, *Injection containers for injectables and accessories — Part 6: Caps made of aluminium-plastics combinations for injection vials*

3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

3.1

penetrability

force required for piercing an elastomeric closure

3.2

fragmentation

measure of the number of elastomeric particles which are generated by the piercing process

3.3

self-sealing

measure of the resealing efficiency of elastomeric closures following penetration and withdrawal of a needle

3.4 container closure seal integrity

measure for the effective sealing of a specific elastomeric closure/vial combination

4 Requirements

4.1 Penetrability

When tested in accordance with Annex A, the force required for piercing shall not be greater than 10 N for each closure.

4.2 Fragmentation

When tested in accordance with Annex B, the number of elastomeric fragments per 48 piercings visible with the naked eye shall not be greater than 5.

4.3 Self-sealing and container closure seal integrity

When tested in accordance with Annex C, none of the vials shall contain any trace of coloured solution when observed with the naked eye. This requirement applies to multidose containers only, i.e. containers which utilize elastomeric closures that are pierced multiple times.

Materials that meet the requirements are not required to undergo further testing in accordance with 4.4.

4.4 Container closure seal integrity

When tested in accordance with Annex D, none of the vials shall contain any trace of coloured solution when observed with the naked eye.

5 Preparation of elastomeric closures for testing

5.1 Sampling

The number of closures required for each test is:

— penetrability	10
— fragmentation	12
— self-sealing and container closure seal integrity	10
— container closure seal integrity	10

In practice, it is recommended that more than the minimum required number of closures be prepared for testing.

5.2 Cleaning

Closures shall be sterilized in the as-delivered condition. If samples from regular production cleaning processes are not available, the stoppers shall be cleaned in accordance with the following procedure.

Introduce an appropriate number of rubber closures in a suitable glass container, cover with particle-free water, boil for 5 min, then rinse five times with cold particle-free water.

5.3 Sterilization

Place the pretreated closures in a wide-necked flask and add enough of particle-free water to cover the closures. Cover the mouth of the flask with an inverted borosilicate-glass beaker or similar type closure. Heat in an autoclave so that a temperature of $(121 \pm 2) \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ is reached within 20 min to 30 min and maintain at this temperature for 30 min. At the end of the autoclave cycle, remove the flask from the autoclave. Decant the water and allow the closures to dry.

Other sterilization methods, e.g. gamma sterilization or ethylene oxide sterilization, can have an influence on the functional properties. Their impact on the functional properties should therefore be evaluated accordingly.