

# **VIALEX**<sup>TM</sup>

## PREMIUM TECHNOLOGY FOR SURFACE DURABILITY

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PREMIUM TECHNOLOGY FOR SURFACE DURABILITY

#### EFFECTS OF EXISTING VIAL CONVERTING

made out of high resistant borosil- change of the very first inner glass er the difficulty presented is that the icate glass tubing. Inherent to the layer. The surface areas where glass—structurally changed—inner surface converting process of glass vials are components sublimate become more areas are more susceptible to reacextremely high temperatures. Espe-silica rich and alkali depleted; the tions with the vial's contents, such as cially punctual heating temperatures, surface areas where glass compowhich can be detected in excess of up nents re-sublimate show sodium boto 1.200°C.

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Primary packaging glass vials are Both reactions result in a structural cess and product conditions. Howevrate deposits.

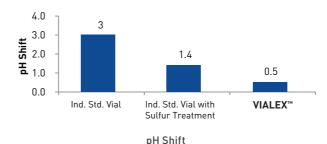
(typically 3-5 mm from the heel up). those effects varies based on pro-

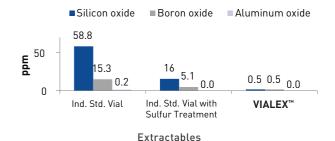
a drug product. Such reactions may lead to pH shift, increased extractable levels, and delamination in severe cases. The stability of the drug product is at risk, thus posing potential health uncertainties to patients that may even culminate in an expansive recall

## PROVEN TECHNOLOGY

### LIMITED pH SHIFT & REDUCTION OF EXTRACTABLES

VIALEX™ completely eliminates the need of ammonium sulfate treatment due to the limited shift in pH resulting from a significant reduction of borate deposits on the glass surface. This effect is supported by a strong reduction in the level of extractables, even after Terminal Sterilization (TS) which is a known risk factor in accelerating drug product and glass reactions.





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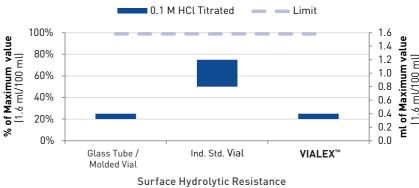
#### REINVENTING SURFACE DURABILITY

With patient safety at heart and the passion for continuous innovation and advancement in primary packaging quality, Nipro's Research and Development team in Japan developed the VIALEX™ technology.

VIALEX™ is able to reverse the surface effects from the converting process, resulting in a minimized risk of interaction between drug product and vial surface!

#### UNPRECEDENTED HYDROLYTIC RESISTANCE

Surface hydrolytic resistance testing reveals surface durability on par with the original glass tubing. Vials processed with VIALEX™ consistently perform <25% of the maximum limit as set forth by USP<660> and EP 3.2.1.



#### UNPARALLELED SURFACE QUALITY

- Decreased risk of delamination
- Reduced pH shift
- Minimized alkaline elution
- Unprecedented hydrolytic resistance
- Reduction of extractables

#### **EASY REPLACEMENT**

- No revalidation work required
- No sophisticated coatings
- No changes to glass formulation
- Full design liberty

#### **UNIQUE COMPLIANCE**

- No risk associated with statistical sampling

#### INDUSTRY STANDARD VIAL

Surface of converted vial showing effect resulting from reactions of sodium borate deposits and silica rich surface with Glycine. Note: Prior to cycle, vial was tested to be in full compliance with USP, FP, JP

 $\mathsf{VIALEX^{\mathsf{TM}}}\,\mathsf{surface}\;\mathsf{is}\;\mathsf{shown}\;\mathsf{to}\;\mathsf{exhibit}\;\mathsf{no}$ pitting or depleted areas

#### INCREASED SURFACE DURABILITY

Cross section testing exhibits a strong, durable surface with no detectable surface interaction.



2 ml - Cross Section WFI autoclaved for 4 hrs at 121°C (x20 k)