

# ***Dow Corning*<sup>®</sup> ST-Cyclomethicone 56-NF**

## **FEATURES & BENEFITS**

- Volatile siloxane
- Excellent spreading
- Non-occlusive
- Non-greasy
- Leave non-oily residue
- Imparts soft smooth feel on the skin
- Solvent
- Non-cooling effect on skin

## **COMPOSITION**

- Cyclopentasiloxane (D5) and Cyclohexasiloxane (D6)
- INCI name: Cyclopentasiloxane and Cyclohexasiloxane
- CAS number: 541-02-6, 540-97-6

## **REGULATORY SUPPORT**

Dow Corning can provide the following information

- Letter of Authorization to Drug Master File maintained with the United States Food and Drug Administration (U.S. FDA)
- Technical File based on ICH CTD (International Conference on Harmonization Common Technical Document) format
- Product Regulatory Information
- Elemental Impurities
- Summary of Health Data

Excipient for pharmaceutical applications

## **APPLICATIONS**

- *Dow Corning*<sup>®</sup> ST-Cyclomethicone 56-NF is commonly used as a base fluid in topical formulations because of its volatility, spreading and sensory benefits – namely their smooth, dry and non-greasy feel on the skin.
- *Dow Corning* ST-Cyclomethicone 56-NF is currently used in a range of dermatological treatments and pharmaceutical applications, such as creams and gels, and in medicated treatments for skin and scalp applications.

## **TYPICAL PROPERTIES**

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<b>Property</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Result</b>
Appearance		Colorless liquid
Viscosity at 25°C (77°F)	mm <sup>2</sup> /s	6.0
Specific gravity at 25°C (77°F)		0.96
Refractive index at 25°C (77°F)		1.398
Flash point (Closed cup)	°C (°F)	77 (171)
Surface tension	mN/m	20.8

## **DESCRIPTION**

*Dow Corning* ST-Cyclomethicone 56-NF is a clear, colorless, volatile blend of cyclopentasiloxane (D5) and cyclohexasiloxane (D6).

## **SPECIFIC TESTING**

- Infrared identification on each batch
- Elemental impurity testing according to <232> and ICH Q3D guideline for metal impurities, every 2 years

## **HOW TO USE**

- *Dow Corning* ST-Cyclomethicone 56-NF may be used alone or blended with other silicone or organic excipients to provide a base for variety of formulations.

- *Dow Corning* ST-Cyclomethicone 56-NF features good solubility in most anhydrous alcohols and in many solvents commonly used in pharmaceutical applications.
- Unlike other volatile carriers used in the pharmaceutical industry, volatile silicone fluids do not cool the skin when they evaporate. This is a consequence of their unusually low heat of vaporization.
- By using a blend of cyclomethicone types of different volatility, residence time of the silicone on the skin can be adapted.

## REGULATORY INFORMATION

*Dow Corning* Cyclomethicone 56-NF is produced at the Dow Corning Carrollton plant in Carrollton, Kentucky and further tested and packaged at the Dow Corning Healthcare Industries Materials Site (HIMS) in Hemlock, Michigan. The HIMS facility is dedicated to the production of silicone materials for healthcare applications. The Healthcare Industries Materials Site is registered as a drug establishment with the United States Food and Drug Administration. The site registration number is 1816403. The site quality system for pharmaceutical excipients utilizes principle of current Good Manufacturing Practices for Bulk Pharmaceutical Products. Both the Dow Corning Carrollton and Hemlock facilities are registered as part of Dow Corning's global quality system according to ISO 9001:2008.

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## HANDLING PRECAUTIONS

Do not handle *Dow Corning* ST-Cyclomethicone 56-NF at temperatures above 77°C (177°F). As with any combustible material, containers should be kept tightly closed and away from heat, sparks, open flames and other sources of ignition.

**PRODUCT SAFETY INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR SAFE USE IS NOT INCLUDED IN THIS DOCUMENT. BEFORE HANDLING, READ PRODUCT**

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## USABLE LIFE AND STORAGE

When stored at or below 25°C (77°F) in original unopened containers *Dow Corning* ST-Cyclomethicone 56-NF has a usable life of 30 months from the date of production.

## PACKAGING INFORMATION

*Dow Corning* ST-Cyclomethicone 56-NF is available in pails and in drums.

Samples for *Dow Corning* ST-Cyclomethicone 56-NF are available in bottles.

## LIMITATIONS

This product is not tested for specific pharmaceutical use(s). Should you wish to use this product in a pharmaceutical application, please contact Dow Corning to discuss such potential use.

It remains the User's responsibility to ensure the safety, efficacy and legal and regulatory compliance in each relevant jurisdiction (including targeted geographic regions of manufacture and supply) of these materials for its intended uses. Dow Corning makes no representation concerning the suitability of these products for any particular medical or pharmaceutical application. Under no circumstances should these materials be considered for implantation into the human body for periods that exceed 30 days in duration.

## HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

To support customers in their product safety needs, Dow Corning has an extensive Product Stewardship organization and a team of Product Safety and Regulatory Compliance (PS&RC) specialists available in each area.

For further information, please see our website, [dowcorning.com](http://dowcorning.com) or consult your local Dow Corning representative.

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**Table 1: Compatibility Data**

Type of Material	10% <i>Dow Corning®</i> ST-Cyclomethicone 56-NF	50% <i>Dow Corning®</i> ST-Cyclomethicone 56-NF	90% <i>Dow Corning®</i> ST-Cyclomethicone 56-NF
<b>Alcohols and polyols</b>			
Ethanol	C	C	C
Isopropanol	C	C	C
Ethoxydiglycol	C	NC	NC
Glycerin	NC	NC	NC
Octyldodecanol	C	C	C
Propylene Glycol	NC	NC	NC
Squalane	C	C	C
<b>Esters</b>			
Caprylic/Capric Triglyceride	C	C	C
C12-C15 Alkyl Benzoate	C	C	C
Coco-Caprylate/Caprates	C	C	C
Diisopropyl Adipate	C	C	C
Isopropyl Myristate	C	C	C
Isopropyl Palmitate			
<b>Hydrocarbons</b>			
Mineral oil	C	C	C
Isododecane	C	C	C
Petrolatum	C	C	C
<b>Silicones</b>			
Hexamethyldisiloxane	C	C	C
Octamethyltrisiloxane	C	C	C
Dimethicone (20 cSt)	C	C	C
Dimethicone (100 cSt)	C	C	C
Dimethicone (350 cSt)	C	C	C
Dimethicone (1000 cSt)	C	C	C
Dimethicone (12,500 cSt)	C	C	C
Dimethicone and Dimethiconol	C	C	C
Hexamethyldisiloxane and Dimethiconol	C	C	C
<b>Glyceryl Esters</b>			
Apricot Kernel Oil PEG-6 Esters	C	C	C
<b>Alkoxyated Alcohol</b>			
PEG-15 Stearyl Ether	C	C	C
PEG 8	NC	NC	NC

C = Compatible, NC = Non Compatible (forms 2 phases)