



# Elastomeric Impression Materials





# Elastomeric impression materials

• Liquid polymers when mixed with a suitable catalyst are converted into solid rubber at room temperature.

## **Terminology:**

- <u>Polymerization:</u> chemical reaction that transforms small molecules into large polymer chains.
- Addition reaction: Polymerization reaction in which each polymer chain grows to maximum length in sequence and there is no by-product.
- <u>Condensation reaction:</u> Polymerization reaction in which the polymer chains all grow simultaneously and by-product is formed.
- <u>Cross-linking:</u> the reaction that links or joins polymer chain to form a network structure.

### Types of Elastomeric impression Materials

### I)According to Chemistry

Polysulphide

Polyether

Silicone

Additional polymerizing silicone

Condensation polymerizing silicone.

## II)According to Viscosity

The elastomeric impression materials are available in a range of viscosities, depending on the amount of filler that is incorporated

- □Light body or syringe consistency.
- ☐ Medium or regular body.
- ☐ Heavy body or tray consistency.
- ☐ Very heavy or putty consistency



### SUPPLIED AS:-

- All elastomers –two paste systems(base and catalyst)
- Putty consistency supplied in jars



- 1-Impressions of prepared teeth for fixed partial dentures.
- 2- Impression for removable partial dentures.
- 3- Impression of edentulous mouth for complete dentures.
- 4- Polyether is used for border molding of special tray.
- 5- For bite registration.



6- Silicon duplicating material is used for making refractory cast.







- First elastomeric impression to be introduced
- Available in low, medium and high consistencies



## Composition

Polysulfide polymer - 80 to 85%

Fillers - 16 to 18%

Titanium dioxide, zinc sulfate, copper carbonate or silica

BASE PASTE

Lead dioxide; 60 to 68%

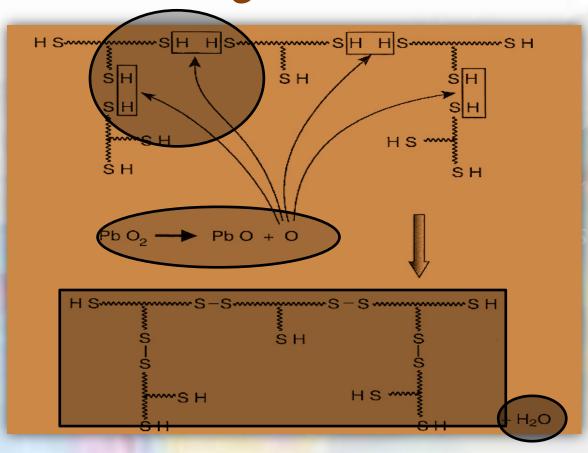
Dibutyl phthalate (30- 35 %)

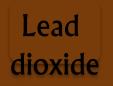
Sulfur. (3 %).

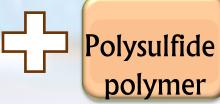
Other substances like (deodorant, and magnesium stearate (retarder) (2 %)..

**Catalyst PASTE** 

## Setting reaction













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## **Properties**

- Setting time: 12 min
- Good flexibility
- High tear strength
- Hydrophobic





- It has highest permanent deformation .among the elastomers, so pouring of the cast should be delayed by half an hour. Further delay is avoided to minimize curing shrinkage, and shrinkage from loss of byproduct (water).
- Require custom tray. The tray is painted with adhesive.

#### **DISADVANTAGES**

Unpleasant odor

High shrinkage on setting.

High amount of effort required for mixing.

Stains clothing & messy to work with

High permanent deformation.

## Polyether Rubber Impression Material



# Polyether

- Introduced in Germany in late 1967s
- Good mechanical properties and dimensional stability





## Composition

Poly ether polymer

Fillers; colloidal silica

Glycoether or phthalate; plasticizer

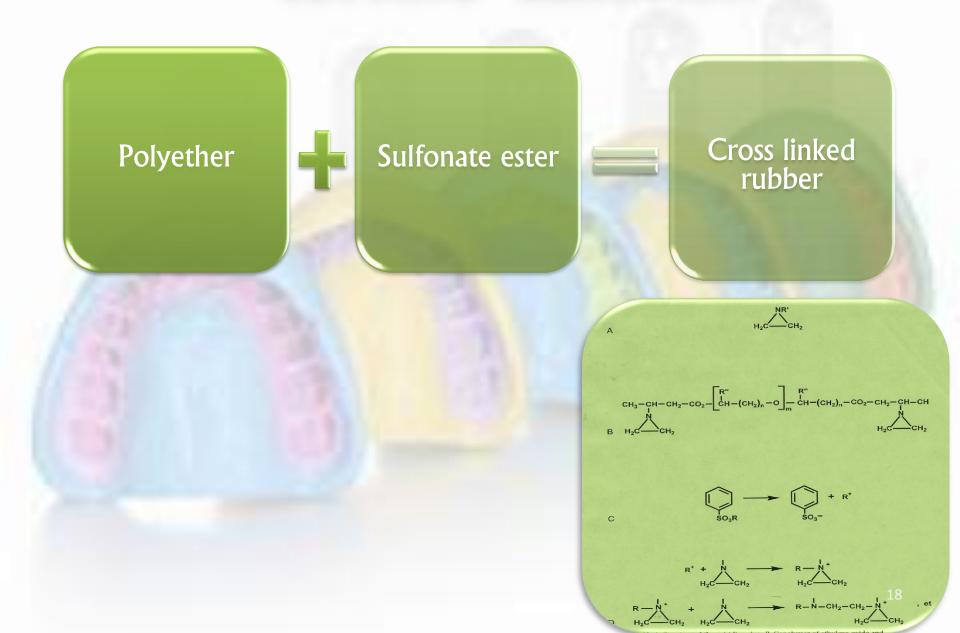
Base paste

Alkyl – aromatic sulfonate ester; cross linking agent

Fillers and plasticizers

Accelerator paste

### SETTING REACTION



### **PROPERTIES**

- 1. Pleasant odor and test.
- 2. The sulphonic ester may cause skin reaction.. direct skin contact should be avoided.
- 3. It is extremely stiff (flexibility 3 %). Its hardness is higher than polysulfide and increase with time. Care should be taken while separation of cast from impression to void any breakage.

### **PROPERTIES**

- 4-Setting time is around (3minutes), heat decrease setting time.
- 5-Dimensional stability is very good. Polymerizing shrinkage is low. The permanent deformation is low (1-2 %). The impression should not be stored in water or in humid climate, because polyether absorb water and can change dimension.
- 6-The tear strength is good
- 7-It is hydrophilic, so moisture in the impression field is not so critical. It has the best compatibility with stone.

#### **DISADVANTAGES**

It is expensive

The working time was short.

The material was very stiff.

# Silicones



### **Condensation Silicone**

 this was the earlier of the two silicone impression materials. It is also known as conventional silicone.

### **Available as:**

- 1- Light body.
- 2- Putty consistency.

### Application

Condensation silicon impression materials are commonly used for crown and bridge and occasionally for partial denture.

## Composition

Polydimethyl siloxane

Colloidal silica or metal oxide(filler) 35-75%

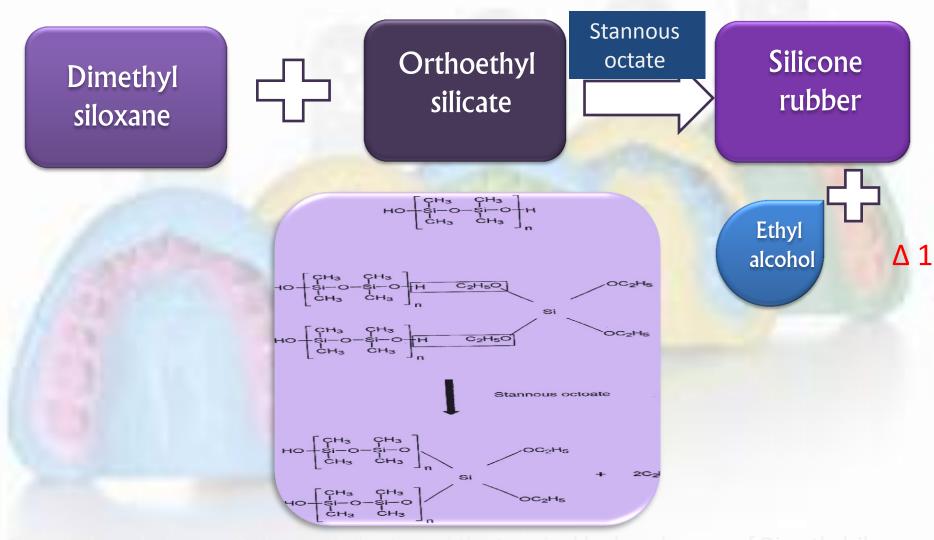
Color pigments

BASE PASTE

Ortho ethyl silicate-cross linking agent
Stannous octoate - catalyst

**Catalyst PASTE** 

### SETTING REACTION



to form a 3 Dimensional network



## properties



- Pleasant color and odor.
   Setting time: 6-8 min
- The ethyl alcohol formed evaporates gradually leading to shrinkage & instability. So a condensation silicone should be poured as soon as possible after removal

- Excellent reproduction of surface details.
- The tear strength is lower than polysulfide.
   It is stiffer and harder than polysulfide, care
   should be taken while removing the stone cast
   from the impression to avoid any breakage.
- It is hydrophobic.
- Direct skin contact should be avoided to prevent any allergic reactions.

## Addition silicone

Also known as polyvinyl siloxane

Has better properties than condensation silicones

Light Body - Catalyst

- Available in 4 consistencies
  - Light body
  - Medium body
  - Heavy body
  - Putty



## Composition



Poly methyl hydrogen siloxane

Other siloxane prepolymers

Fillers-

Base paste

Divinyl polysiloxane

- Other siloxane prepolymers

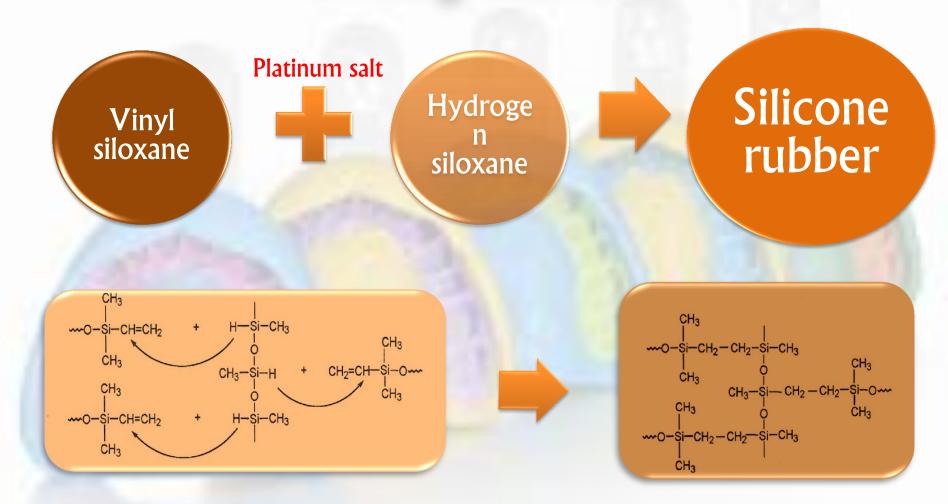
**Platinum salt: Catalyst** 

(Palladium (Hydrogen absorber)

- Retarders
- Fillers

Catalyst paste

## Setting reaction



groups and is cross linked with hydride

## **Properties**

- 1- Pleasant color and odor.
- 2- Direct skin contact should be avoided to prevent any allergic reactions.
- 3- Excellent reproduction of surface details.
- 4- Setting time is 5-9 minutes.
- 5- It has the best dimensional stability among the elastomers. It has low polymerizing shrinkage, and the lowest permanent deformation (0.05-0.3 %). The cast pouring should be delayed by 1-2 hours; because of hydrogen gas is liberated during polymerization, air bubbles will result.
- 6- It hydrophobic, so similar care should be taken while making the impression and pouring the wet stone. Some manufactures add a surfactant (detergent) to make it more hydrophilic.
- 7- It has low flexibility and it harder than polysulfide; care should be taken while removing the stone cast from the impression to avoid any breakage.

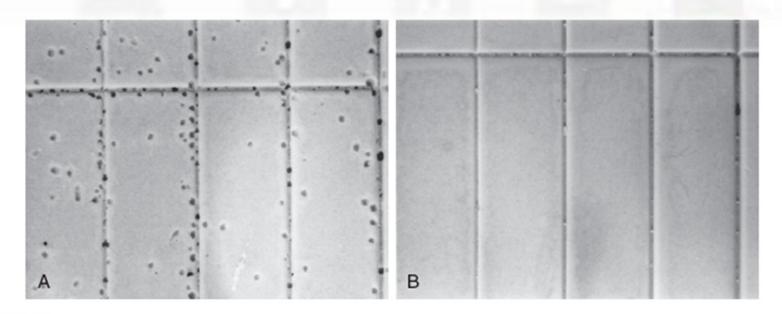


FIGURE 12.12 Addition-silicone impressions poured in high-strength stone at 15 minutes. A, Bubbles are caused by the release of hydrogen. B, No bubbles are apparent because palladium hydrogen absorber is included in the impression material.



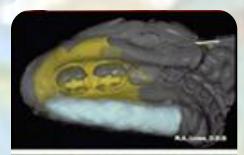
 8-Sulfur contamination from natural latex gloves inhibits the setting of addition silicone.

Prevention:-

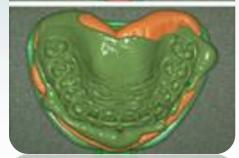
• - Use vinyl or nitrile gloves to eliminate the problem

# IMPRESSION TECHNIQUES









### Manipulation methods

Hand mixing

Static auto mixing

Dynamic mechanical mixing



#### 1-SINGLE MIX TECHNIQUE

• Tray used: spaced special tray.

• Viscosity used: regular body only.

#### Method

The paste is mixed and material is loaded onto the tray, the tray with material is seated over the impression area, the material is allowed to set.



#### SINGLE MIX TECHNIQUE

#### Only one mix is

Viscosity used: regular body only.

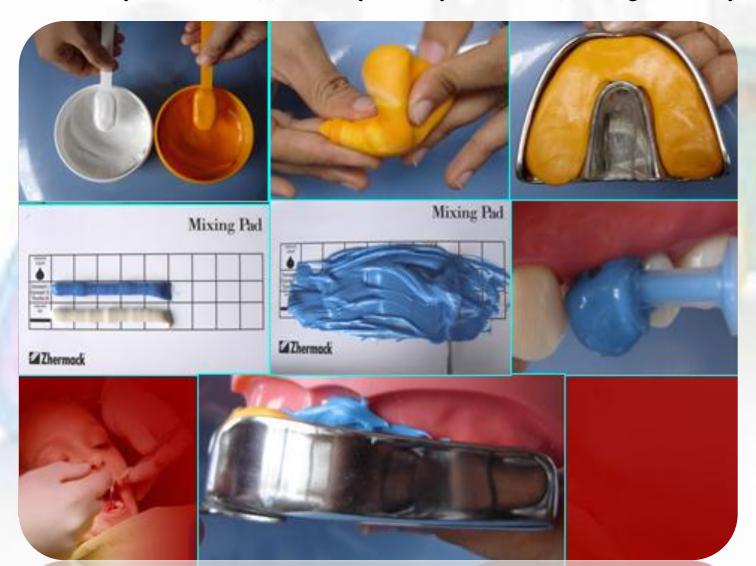
#### Method

The paste is mixed and material is loaded onto the tray, the tray with material is seated over the impression area, the material is allowed to set.



#### 2-Double mix technique-

- **Tray used**: spaced special tray.
  - Viscosity used: (a) heavy body and (b) light body.



# PUTTY-WASH TECHNIQUE







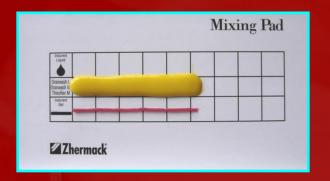








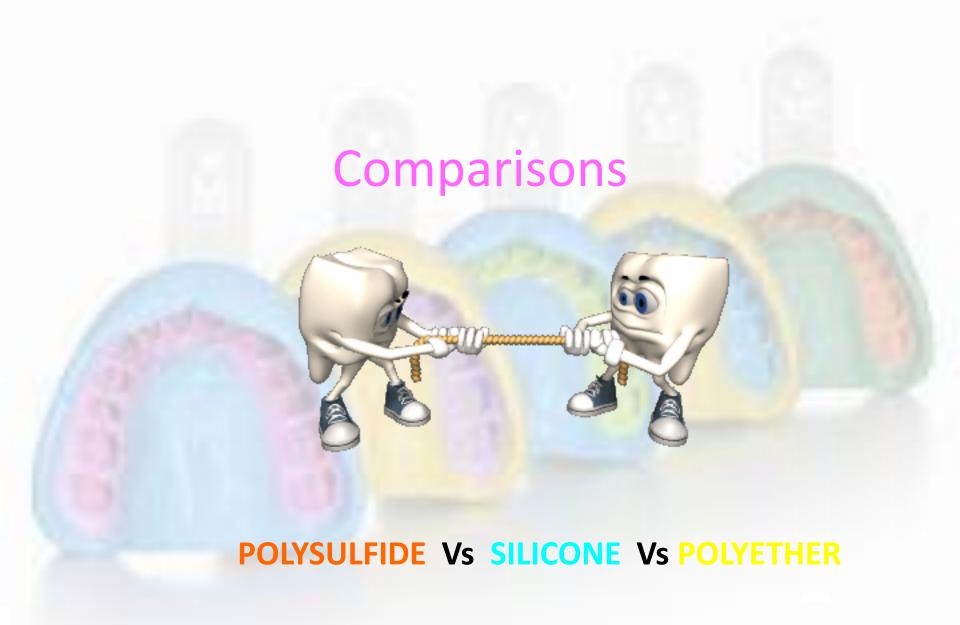




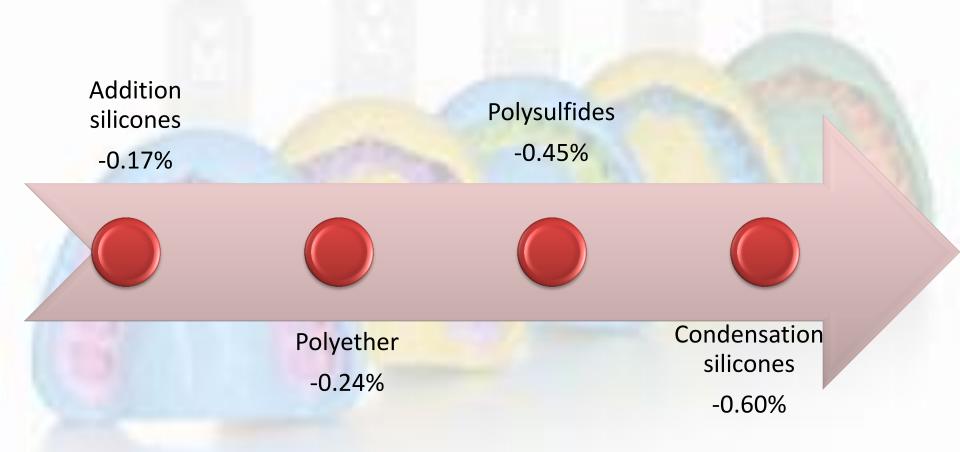




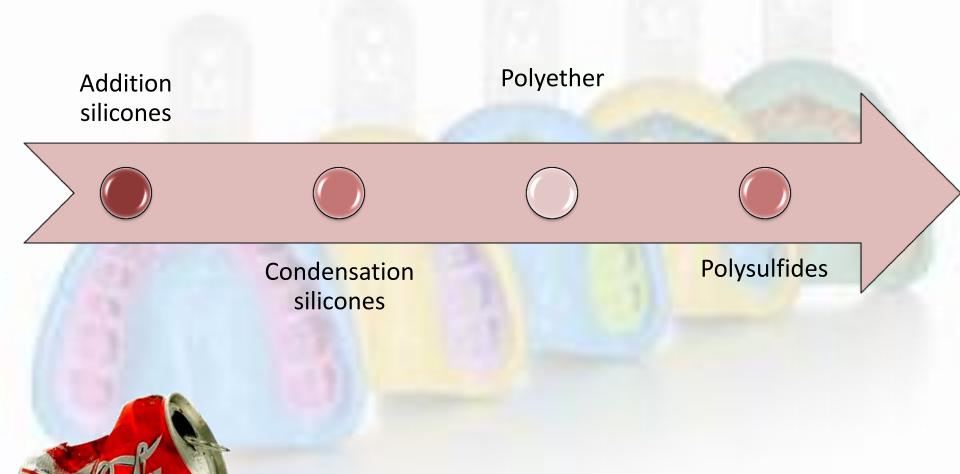


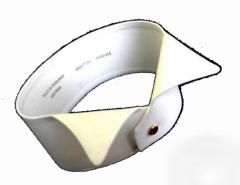


## Dimensional change

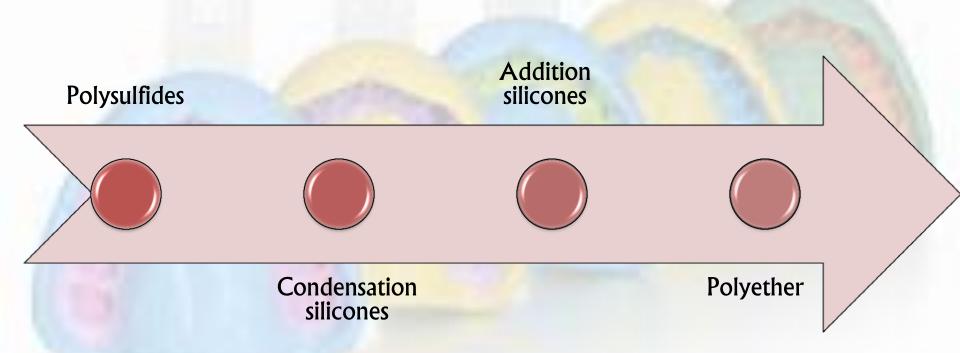


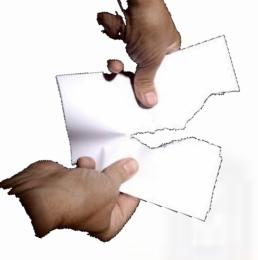
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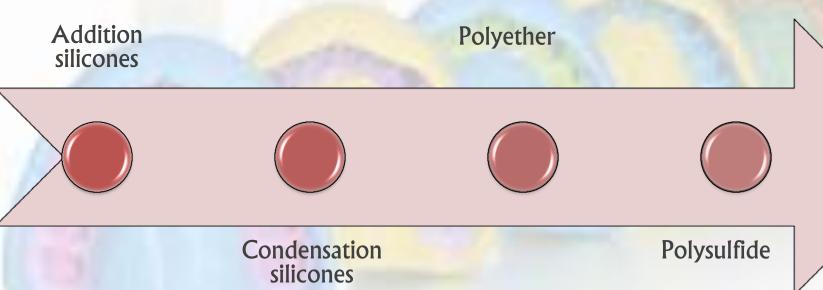


## **STIFFNESS**





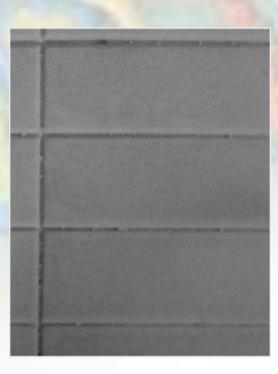
# **TEAR STRNGTH**



## Detail Reproduction:

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Compatible with gypsum.



## Properties

## Setting time

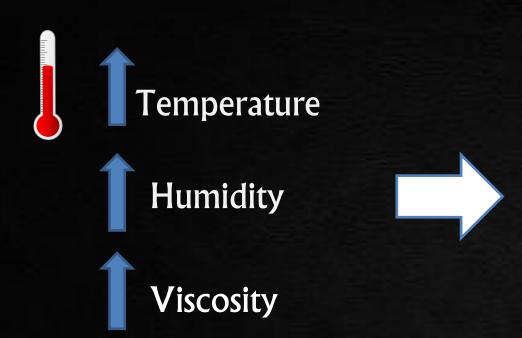
Polysulphide: longest S.T 7-10 min.

↓ Condensation silicone 6-8 min.

↓ Addition silicone 6-8 min.

↓ Polyethers 3-4.5 min.

### Factors affecting workingsetting time



Working and setting time



