

# LS-6943

## Optical thermoset

### DESCRIPTION

- Solvent-free, low viscosity, clear, two-part silicone elastomer
- Accelerated cure rate with heat
- Based on a dimethyl diphenyl silicone copolymer
- 10:1 Mix Ratio (Part A:B)

### APPLICATION

- For bonding, casting or injection molding of high performance optical components
- For applications requiring index matching at 1.43
- For applications requiring an operating temperature range of -115 to 260°C (-175 to 500°F)

### PROPERTIES

Typical Properties	Average Result	Metric Conv.	Standard	NT-TM
Uncured:				
Appearance	Transparent	-	ASTM D2090	002
Viscosity	5,400 cP	5,400 mPas	ASTM D1084, D2196	001
Cured: 60 min at 100°C (212°F)				
Specific Gravity	1.03	-	ASTM D792	003
Durometer, Type A	40	-	ASTM D2240	006
Tensile Strength	900 psi	6.2 MPa	ASTM D412	007
Elongation	120 %	-	ASTM D412	007
Refractive Index, 589 nm	1.43	-	ASTM D1747, D1218	018
Thermooptic Coefficient	-3.9 x10 <sup>-4</sup> /°C	-	-	-
Refractive Index vs. Wavelength	See chart	-	-	-
Optical Absorption vs. Wavelength	See chart	-	-	-

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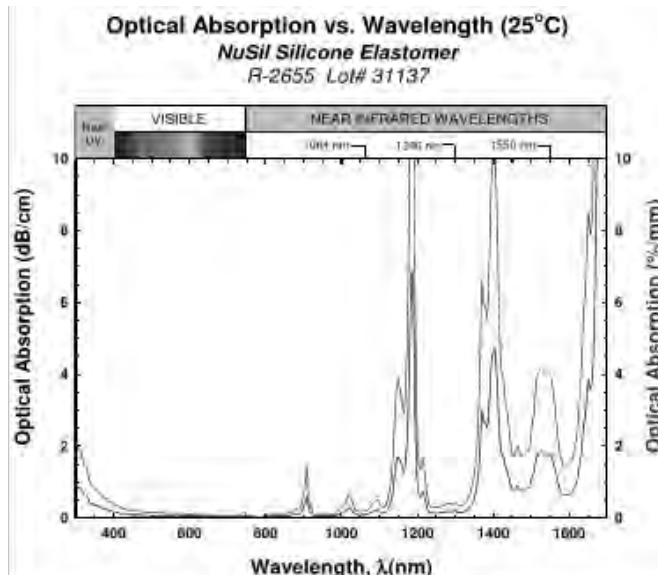
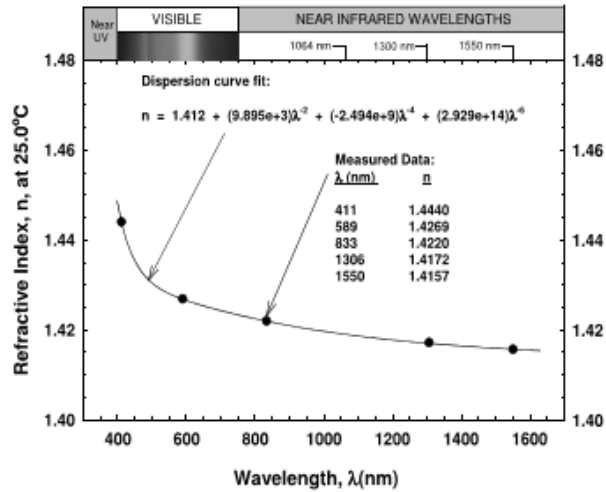
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ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES

Refractive Index vs. Wavelength (25°C)  
Lightspan Optical Thermoset

**Refractive Index vs. Wavelength (25°C)**  
**NuSil Silicone Elastomer**  
R-2655, Lot# 31137



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## ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE

Mix in a 10:1 ratio Part A to Part B by weight. Take care to minimize air entrapment during mixing.

Recommended mixing equipment: <https://synergymixers.com/>

#### Vacuum Deaeration

The assembly should self-deaerate due to the product's long room temperature work time and low viscosity, as long as no pockets of air are trapped beneath mechanical parts. If accelerated deaeration is required, the assembly may be vacuum deaerated using a pressure of 635 mmHg (25 in. Hg) or greater. Apply the vacuum while observing the uncured fluid for presence of bubble formation and increase vacuum slowly enough to avoid rapid foaming. Hold vacuum until bubbles at the fluid surface collapse and are no longer visible.



#### Cure Inhibition

LS-6943 cures in contact with most properly cleaned substrate materials including optical glasses, optical plastics, and photonic semiconductors. Adhesion to fluoroplastic substrates is generally poor but may be improved with chemical etching or plasma etching of the substrate. Substrates to avoid include certain butyl, nitrite, chlorinated, and EPDM elastomers, certain plastics with leachable plasticizers, and the cure residues of certain adhesives including UV-cured epoxies and amine-cured epoxies.

#### Substrate Preparation

Substrates should be free of dust, oil, and fingerprint soils. Clean substrates using suitable industrial techniques for cleaning electro-optics. If using hydrocarbon solvent cleaning (e.g. acetone, toluene), a final rinse with reagent grade isopropanol is recommended. If using aqueous detergent cleaning, multiple final rinses with de-ionized water or a single rinse with reagent grade isopropanol is recommended. Obtain improved gel adhesion to some substrates using suitable primers such as NuSil Technology LS-3200 series Optical Primers. Adhesion to fluoroplastic substrates is generally poor but may be improved with chemical etching or plasma etching of the substrate.

#### Packaging

50 Gram Kit  
1 Pint Kit (505 g)  
1 Gallon Kit (4.04 kg)  
5 Gallon Kit (20.2 kg)

#### Warranty

12 Months

#### Adjustable Cure Schedule

Product cures at a wide range of cure times and temperatures to accommodate different production needs. [Contact us](#) for details.

#### Clean-Up

Remove from surfaces by first wiping off excess gel with a suitable, dry, lint-free wipe and then by wiping down the surface with a lint-free wipe soaked with acetone. If the surface material is incompatible with acetone, use isopropanol. Complete the clean-up process with a final rinse with reagent grade isopropanol if removal of acetone residues is necessary. The user is responsible for compliance with all applicable regulations governing disposal of waste materials as indicated in the MSDS.

### OPERATING TEMPERATURE

The operating temperature range of a silicone in any application is dependent on many variables, including but not limited to: temperature, time of exposure, type of atmosphere, exposure of the material's surface to the atmosphere, and mechanical stress. In addition, a material's physical properties will vary at both the high and low end of the operating temperature range. This type of silicone typically remains flexible at extremely low temperatures and has been known to perform at -50°C (-58°F) as well as resist breakdown at elevated temperatures up to 200°C (392°F). The user is responsible to verify optical and mechanical performance of a material in a specific application.

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### SPECIFICATIONS

Do not use the properties shown in this technical profile as a basis for preparing specifications. Please [contact](#) us for assistance and recommendations in establishing particular specifications.

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## Silicone Cleaning & Removal

To ensure a safe and clean environment and to prevent contamination that could impact your silicone in the future, we recommend using the following products on the link below:

[PST- Silicone Cleaning and Removal](#)

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