

## OUR SOFTGEL CAPSULE <br> NEVER LOOKED SO GOOD!

Discover the world of possibilities this technology can offer to your brand.

## SOFTGEL OVERVIEW

## Softgels, a format that has continuosly reinvented itself

The softgel capsule has been on the market since the 19th century and throughout the years Patients \& Consumers have trusted its efficiency and convenience.

Because of its easy-to-swallow format, the softgel capsule has built a strong recognition in the prescription, consumer health and supplement market, making it consumers' preferred dosage form.

Consumers value the different advantages softgels have to offer, including the variety in shapes and sizes, making them easier to identify when taken and facilitate patient adherence to treatments.

The softgel capsule responds to vegetarian consumer's demands. Cultural, religious, or personal preference reasons lead consumers to follow different free from diets. Soft capsules made with non animal sources are available to satisfy consumers' needs.

Softgels deliver the benefits of the formulation without unpleasant experience due to the enteric coats reducing lingering aftertaste and reflux caused by some active ingredients.

Compliance increases with fewer doses and fixed dose combination technology in Softgels is ideal to respond to this.

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## Key Softgel Characteristics

O\%: Enhanced Bioavailability of
active ingredients

- Attractive physical
appearance
(D) Exact Dosing

폽 Extended Shelf Life

- Masks Unpleasant odors
and flavors
- Consumer preferred dosage form

Available in a variety of Colors, Shapes, Sizes and Clarity

## Key Softgel Applications



Pharmaceutical: Products for any type of indication (OTC and Rx).

Nutritional: Supplements, vitamins, concentrates and other natural products.

Cosmeceuticals: Cosmetic products that have medicinal properties.

# SOFTGEL DERIVATIONS 

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SM.ART
softgel

Unigel ${ }^{\text {TM }}$, the new smart softgel which lets multi-functional ingredients exist in one single dose.

This revolutionary form provides different configurations for fixed-dose combinations, such as a softgel within a softgel, one or two tablets within a softgel, granules within a softgel, or any combination of these to address challenges of multi-active formulations, offering unique prescription, OTC and nutraceutical products.

## Key Unigel ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ Advantages

$\Rightarrow$ Different Release Profiles available

- Permits the combination of different
- Combines multiple purpose ingredients in one form

Different Gelatin Formulations/Suitable for vegetarian and/or Vegan diets

Improves Patient/Consumers convenience and compliance

Diversifies Portfolio/Enables Brand Differentiation

- Clear look inside the capsule/ Physically Appealing

Discover our Chewable Softgel Platform Chewgels ${ }^{T M}$, chewable soft capsules as a solution and line extension to existing or new products. With new ingredients, special shapes and flavors, we can offer patients \& consumers a completely new sensory experience with a technology that offers great convenience and an even greater taste.

## Key Chewgels ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ Highlights

v Shell solubility and stability

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Within our chewgels the fill content may contain solutions, suspensions, pastes and emulsions assurance.

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Ability to select the right gelatin and appropriate excipients to hold the ingredients and the flavoring.

Lipid coating of the API for special taste masking applications.

## Key Chewgels ${ }^{\text {TM }}$

## Consumer Benefits

No water needed: Taken easily on the run without water or food.

Easy to swallow: Suitable for children or senior adults who often reject traditional dosage forms.

Fast effect: inmediate release and absorption in the mouth and

Great taste that consumers love and ensures an ongoing consumption.

## Verssaed 8.

 Meet our vegetarian softgel technology, Versagel ${ }^{\text {TM }}$, a versatile option for the encapsulation of high viscous, semisolid or high pH fill contents.Versagel ${ }^{T M}$ is a platform that has been built at Procaps from different standpoints such as: Formulation, R\&D, Process, Product and Experience.

# Key Versagel ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ Advantages 

스 More stable than proteins at extreme pH values and moderate ionic strengths


Ability to encapsulate high temperature fills

Ability to develop Modify
Release Options
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normally not compatible
They solve complex
formulation challenges.

## Key Versagel ${ }^{\text {mM }}$ Consumer Benefits

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Suited for consumers with dietary and religious or cultural restrictions.
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Ideal for consumers seeking products to fit their healthy lifestyles

Offers the same benefits as a Softgel Capsule:
a. Easy to Swallow
b. Odor and Taste Free
c. Consumer preferred dosage form


Non-GMO, Gluten Free, Vegetarian.

V Vegan Certifiable

## Enteric Coated SoftOels

Enteric Coated Softgels are the best way to stabilize acid-sensitive drug products. This is because the API is not delivered in the stomach and instead targets drug delivery in the small intestine, which is preferred to treat intestinal disease, improving tolerance and reducing aftertaste.

## Key Enteric Coated Softgel Characteristics



Resists absorption in the stomach
Improves Patient acceptance - avoiding
reflux in pregnant women
Masks Unpleasant odors and flavors

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Chemical stability: Oxygen and moisture protection barrier that prevents Omega acids oxidation and Oxidation / Hydrolysis of the vitamins

## Enteric Clear Softgels

Enteric-Clear Softgels use the Enteric-Coated Softgel method of stabilizing acid-sensitive drugs, but it has a patient-appealing aesthetic.

Consumers often prefer clear capsules over opaque and this design also means fewer steps in the development process, as no coating is necessary.

## Key Enteric Clear Softgel Advantages

\%\%: Greater Bioavailability.
嵓 Rapid Absorption
N No Fish Aftertaste
Less irritation of digestive or gastric mucosa, due to its absorption at the intestinal level.

Exact Dosing

- Physically Appealing
- Impossible to Counterfeit

Life-Cycle Management Extension



Key Stripegels Advantages

- Physically Appealing

Completely Customizable

- Brand Identification
\& New Customer Experience

As the leading manufacturer of softgel-related technologies, Softigel offers unparalleled custom capsule services. Design your very own Stripegels!



A soft gelatin capsule with twist-o cap allows access to a measured dose for topical and/or oral applications.

## Twist Oels

## Key Twistgels Advantages



## Key Vaogels Advantages

The softgel vaginal ovule or insert, Vaogels, was designed with mucoadhesive properties to facilitate retention of the product in the vagina and availability of the active ingredient in a site-specific manner.

*. Lipophilic Exipients for better vaginal adherence and efficacy

## Gentle and Non-Irritating

$A$ Stable until Inserted


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