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- add an alternative for a chamfer shaped with $\approx 45^\circ$ in [Figure 1](#);
- add a 3R format in [Table 1](#).

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Introduction

The purpose of this document is to specify the dimensions, capacities, form and requirements of glass vials intended for medical use. Containers made from glass tubing are considered to be suitable for the packaging and storage of injectable preparations until they are administered for medicinal purposes. Such containers may be made from different types of glass which can affect the chemical resistance properties; e.g., those made from borosilicate glass will have a very high level of chemical resistance whereas others made from soda-lime glass will have a lower, but adequate, chemical resistance for the purpose for which they are intended. The chemical resistance of the internal surface of containers made from soda-lime glass can be improved by means of a treatment during production aimed at producing a chemical resistance equal to that of those made from borosilicate glass for single use. This level of chemical resistance is maintained as long as the interior surface is not destroyed by chemical attack, in which case it is reduced to that of untreated soda-lime glass.

Because containers may be made from different types of glass and because it is the chemical behaviour of the internal surface which is important when they are filled with injectable preparations, it is essential to specify test procedures by which this performance can be measured. The procedures recommended in this document permit this performance, based on the hydrolytic resistance to be measured and, from the result of measurement, it is possible to classify containers into their correct category. The procedure also allows containers to be tested and to determine, after an intermediate stage, whether the hydrolytic resistance is produced by the composition of the glass as a material or by a treatment of the internal surface.