



# News Release

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## **Parker MedLite™ FEP Medical Heat Shrink Tubing Offers Reduced Elongation in the Manufacture of Medical Catheters**

FORT WORTH, Texas – January 16, 2017 – The Parflex Division of Parker Hannifin Corporation, the global leader in motion and control technologies, announces its MedLite™ Medical Heat Shrink Tubing for catheter assemblies. MedLite™ FEP Medical Heat Shrink Tubing provides low length elongation for improved performance in the manufacture of medical catheters.

Unlike typical FEP heat shrink tubing, which often wrinkles, twists, or elongates by up to 20 percent when heated for shrinking, Parker's FEP Heat Shrink Tubing offers a uniform recovery and maximum elongation of 5 percent. The Parker product significantly limits the possibility of defects such as curling, pigtailling, marks, ridges, and thread effects. Limiting these defects can result in higher throughput and reduced production losses for catheter manufacturers.

Parker's FEP Heat Shrink Tubing is available for rapid delivery in off-the-shelf sizes, or custom solutions can be provided as continuous or custom-cut lengths. The product can also be ordered in colors, slit, with bar coding, logo/labeling, or laser marking.

“By specifying Parker's MedLite™ FEP Medical Heat Shrink Tubing, catheter manufacturers can realize an improvement in their operations,” according to Michael Allen, product sales manager for Parker's Parflex Division, which produces the heat shrink tubing. “The uniform recovery and minimal elongation combine to minimize defects that contributes to production disruption and losses.”

MedLite™ FEP Medical Heat Shrink Tubing is part of Parker's MedLite™ line of medical products that includes MedLite™ Thin Wall Liner for catheter manufacturing. Both products will be on display at MD&M West 2017 in Anaheim, California, February 7-9. Learn more at <http://solutions.parker.com/mdmwest>.

### **About Parker**

With annual sales of \$11 billion in fiscal year 2016, Parker Hannifin is the world's leading diversified manufacturer of motion and control technologies and systems, providing precision-engineered solutions for a wide variety of mobile, industrial and aerospace markets. The company has operations in 49 countries around the world. Parker has increased its annual dividends paid to shareholders for 60 consecutive fiscal years, among the top five longest-running dividend-increase records in the S&P 500 index. For more information, visit the company's website at [www.parker.com](http://www.parker.com), or its investor information website at [www.phstock.com](http://www.phstock.com).

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