

PHAR 632 Solid Dosage Forms

"Powders, Granules & Granulation"

Objectives:

- 1. Understand the definitions, uses, characterization of different powders and granules.
- 2. Distinguish between different particle size determination methods.
- 3. Distinguish methods of particle size reduction: trituration (comminution) and levigation.
- 4. Distinguish methods of powders blending: spatulation, trituration, geometric dilution & tumbling.
- 5. Understand powder segregation and why does it happen? Distinguish eutectic, hygroscopic, deliquescent and efflorescent powders.
- 6. Understand method of effervescent granule preparation.
- 7. How are powders and granules prepared?
- 8. What is granulation and why is it an important in tablet manufacturing?

Reading Assignment:

The following pages are your reading from *Ansel's Pharmaceutical Dosage Form and Drug Delivery* for the next topic: **Powders and Granules. Chapter 6 and Chapter 8**

- 1. Read "Powders" Chapter 6, pages 214-217, pages 221-230.(Briefly look over Pharmacy Capsule 6.1 & 6.2)
- 2. Read "Granules" Chapter 6, pages 231-235. (Briefly read Pharmacy Capsule 6.3).
- 3. Read "Compressed Tablet Manufacture" from chapter 8: Wet granulation, Dry Granulation & Direct Compression" pages 276-282
- 4. The caption to Figure 6.2 is incorrect. What kind of blender is it?

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