

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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Section 1 - Product and Company Information

Product Name FORMALDEHYDE, 37 WT. % SOLUTION IN
 WATER , A.C.S. REAGENT

Product Number 252549

Brand SIAL

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Section 2 - Composition/Information on Ingredient

Substance Name	CAS #	SARA 313
FORMALDEHYDE SOLUTION >35% (10-15% MEOH)	None	Yes

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FORMALDEHYDE	50-00-0	>= 35	Yes
METHANOL	67-56-1	>= 8 < 15	Yes
WATER	7732-18-5	<= 50	No

Formula CH2O

Section 3 - Hazards Identification

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

Toxic.

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HMIS RATING

HEALTH: 3*

FLAMMABILITY: 2

REACTIVITY: 2

NFPA RATING

HEALTH: 3

FLAMMABILITY: 2

REACTIVITY: 2

*additional chronic hazards present.

For additional information on toxicity, please refer to Section 11.

Section 4 - First Aid Measures

ORAL EXPOSURE

If swallowed, wash out mouth with water provided person is conscious. Call a physician immediately. Do not induce vomiting.

INHALATION EXPOSURE

If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.

DERMAL EXPOSURE

In case of skin contact, flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Call a physician.

EYE EXPOSURE

In case of contact with eyes, flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Assure adequate flushing by separating the eyelids with fingers. Call a physician.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

FLASH POINT

133 °F 56 °C Method: closed cup

EXPLOSION LIMITS

Lower: 7 % Upper: 70 %

AUTOIGNITION TEMP

420 °C

FLAMMABILITY

N/A

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

Suitable: Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, or appropriate foam.

FIREFIGHTING

Protective Equipment: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes.
Specific Hazard(s): Combustible liquid. Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions.

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED IN CASE OF LEAK OR SPILL

Evacuate area.

PROCEDURE(S) OF PERSONAL PRECAUTION(S)

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus, rubber boots, and heavy rubber gloves.

METHODS FOR CLEANING UP

Cover with dry lime or soda ash, pick up, keep in a closed container, and hold for waste disposal. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete.

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

Explosion Limits	Lower: 7 % Upper: 70 %
Flammability	N/A
Autoignition Temp	420 °C
Refractive Index	1.3765
Optical Rotation	N/A
Miscellaneous Data	N/A
Solubility	Solubility in Water:Complete

N/A = not available

Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

STABILITY

Stable: Stable.

Materials to Avoid: Strong oxidizing agents Incompatible with: aniline, phenol, isocyanates, anhydrides, Strong acids, Strong bases, Amines, Peroxides, Acid chlorides, Acid anhydrides, Alkali metals, Reducing agents.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Carbon monoxide, Carbon dioxide.

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION

Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

ROUTE OF EXPOSURE

Skin Contact: Causes burns.

Skin Absorption: Toxic if absorbed through skin. Readily absorbed through skin.

Eye Contact: Causes burns.

Inhalation: Toxic if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to the tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.

Ingestion: Toxic if swallowed.

SENSITIZATION

Skin: May cause allergic skin reaction.

TARGET ORGAN(S) OR SYSTEM(S)

Eyes. Heart. Kidneys. Liver.

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF EXPOSURE

Inhalation may result in spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx and bronchi, chemical pneumonitis, and pulmonary edema.

Symptoms of exposure may include burning sensation, coughing, wheezing, laryngitis, shortness of breath, headache, nausea, and vomiting. Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin.

Exposure can cause: To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated. May cause convulsions. Gastrointestinal disturbances. Coughing, chest pains, difficulty in breathing.

CHRONIC EXPOSURE - CARCINOGEN

Result: This is or contains a component that has been reported to be carcinogenic based on its IARC, OSHA, ACGIH, NTP, or EPA classification.

OSHA CARCINOGEN LIST

Rating: Known to be carcinogenic.

IARC CARCINOGEN LIST

Rating: Group 1 Group 1

ACGIH CARCINOGEN LIST

Rating: A2

IRIS/EPA CARCINOGEN LIST

Rating: Group B1

CHRONIC EXPOSURE - TERATOGEN

Result: Laboratory experiments have shown teratogenic effects.

CHRONIC EXPOSURE - MUTAGEN

Result: Laboratory experiments have shown mutagenic effects.

CHRONIC EXPOSURE - REPRODUCTIVE HAZARD

Result: Overexposure may cause reproductive disorder(s) based on tests with laboratory animals.

Section 12 - Ecological Information

N/A

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES AFFECTING ECOTOXICITY

BOD after 5 Days: 60 %

Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

APPROPRIATE METHOD OF DISPOSAL OF SUBSTANCE OR PREPARATION

Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations. This combustible material may be burned in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.

Section 14 - Transport Information

DOT

Proper Shipping Name: Formaldehyde, solutions, flammable
UN#: 1198
Class: 3
Packing Group: Packing Group III
Hazard Label: Flammable liquid
Hazard Label: Corrosive
PIH: Not PIH

IATA

Proper Shipping Name: Formaldehyde solution, flammable
IATA UN Number: 1198
Hazard Class: 3
Packing Group: III

Section 15 - Regulatory Information

EU ADDITIONAL CLASSIFICATION

Symbol of Danger: T
Indication of Danger: Toxic.
R: 23/24/25-34-39/23/24/25-40-43
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if swallowed. Causes burns. Toxic: danger of very serious irreversible effects through inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed. Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect. May cause sensitization by skin contact.

S: 26-36/37/39-45-51

Safety Statements: In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves, and eye/face protection. In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible). Use only in well ventilated areas.

US CLASSIFICATION AND LABEL TEXT

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UNITED STATES REGULATORY INFORMATION

SARA LISTED: Yes

NOTES: This product is or contains a component that is subject to SARA313 reporting requirements.

UNITED STATES - STATE REGULATORY INFORMATION

CALIFORNIA PROP - 65

California Prop - 65: This product is or contains chemical(s) known to the state of California to cause cancer.

CANADA REGULATORY INFORMATION

WHMIS Classification: This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the CPR, and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

DSL: No

NDSL: No

Section 16 - Other Information

DISCLAIMER

For R&D use only. Not for drug, household or other uses.

WARRANTY

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