GE Healthcare

SAFETY DATA SHEET

New Zealand

Section 1. Identification

Product name **ME29, 3.0 µm 50 mm, 100 pack**

Catalogue Number 10400714

Chemical name Nitrocellulose

Other means of identification Not available.

Product type Solid.

Identified uses

Use in laboratories

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Section 2. Hazards identification

HSNO Classification 4.1.1 - FLAMMABLE SOLIDS - Category B

This material is classified as hazardous according to criteria in the Hazardous Substances (Minimum Degrees of Hazard) Regulations 2001 and has been classified according to the Hazardous Substances (Classifications) Regulations 2001.

GHS label elements

Signal word Warning

Hazard statements Flammable solid.

Precautionary statements

Prevention Wear protective gloves. Wear eye or face protection. Keep away from ignition sources such as heat/ sparks/open flame. - No smoking.

Response Not applicable.

Storage Not applicable.

Disposal Not applicable.

Symbol

Other hazards which do not result in classification None known.

Section 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substance/mixture	Substance
Chemical name	Nitrocellulose
Other means of identification	Not available.

CAS number/other identifiers

CAS number	Not available.
EC number	Not available.
Product code	10400714

Ingredient name	%	CAS number
Nitrocellulose	90	9004-70-0

There are no additional ingredients present which, within the current knowledge of the supplier and in the concentrations applicable, are classified as hazardous to health or the environment and hence require reporting in this section.

Occupational exposure limits, if available, are listed in Section 8.

Section 4. First-aid measures

Description of necessary first aid measures

Inhalation	No special recommendations.
Ingestion	No special recommendations.
Skin contact	Wash with soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation develops.
Eye contact	In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water. Get medical attention if irritation occurs.

Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

Potential acute health effects

Inhalation	Exposure to decomposition products may cause a health hazard. Serious effects may be delayed following exposure.
Ingestion	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Skin contact	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Eye contact	No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Over-exposure signs/symptoms

Inhalation	No specific data.
Ingestion	No specific data.
Skin	No specific data.
Eyes	No specific data.

Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

Specific treatments	Not available.
Notes to physician	In case of inhalation of decomposition products in a fire, symptoms may be delayed. The exposed person may need to be kept under medical surveillance for 48 hours.
Protection of first-aiders	No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. It may be dangerous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

See toxicological information (Section 11)

Section 5. Fire-fighting measures

Extinguishing media

Suitable	Use dry chemical, CO_2, water spray (fog) or foam.
Not suitable	Do not use water jet.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	Flammable solid.
Hazardous thermal decomposition products	Decomposition products may include the following materials: nitrogen oxides
Hazchem code	Not available.
Special precautions for fire-fighters	Promptly isolate the scene by removing all persons from the vicinity of the incident if there is a fire. No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Move containers from fire area if this can be done without risk. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters	Fire-fighters should wear appropriate protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) with a full face-piece operated in positive pressure mode.

Section 6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures	No action shall be taken involving any personal risk or without suitable training. Evacuate surrounding areas. Keep unnecessary and unprotected personnel from entering. Do not touch or walk through spilt material. Shut off all ignition sources. No flares, smoking or flames in hazard area. Provide adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8).
Environmental precautions	No special recommendations.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Small spill	Eliminate all ignition sources. Vacuum or sweep up material and place in a designated, labelled waste container.
Large spill	Eliminate all ignition sources. Vacuum or sweep up material and place in a designated, labelled waste container.

Section 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling	Put on appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Eating, drinking and smoking should be prohibited in areas where this material is handled, stored and processed. Workers should wash hands and face before eating, drinking and smoking. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. Do not ingest. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Use only with adequate ventilation. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Do not enter storage areas and confined spaces unless adequately ventilated. Keep in the original container or an approved alternative made from a compatible material, kept tightly closed when not in use. Store and use away from heat, sparks, open flame or any other ignition source. Use explosion-proof electrical (ventilating, lighting and material handling) equipment. Use only non-sparking tools. Empty containers retain product residue and can be hazardous. Do not reuse container.
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities	Store in accordance with local regulations. Store in a segregated and approved area. Store in original container protected from direct sunlight in a dry, cool and well-ventilated area, away from incompatible materials (see Section 10) and food and drink. Eliminate all ignition sources. Separate from oxidizing materials. Keep container tightly closed and sealed until ready for use. Containers that have been opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Do not store in unlabelled containers. Use appropriate containment to avoid environmental contamination.

Section 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Control parameters

Occupational exposure limits

None.

Appropriate engineering controls	No special ventilation requirements.
Environmental exposure controls	No special recommendations.

Individual protection measures

Hygiene measures	Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling chemical products, before eating, smoking and using the lavatory and at the end of the working period. Appropriate techniques should be used to remove potentially contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.
Respiratory protection	A respirator is not needed under normal and intended conditions of product use.
Hand protection	Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Considering the parameters specified by the glove manufacturer, check during use that the gloves are still retaining their protective properties. It should be noted that the time to breakthrough for any glove material may be different for different glove manufacturers. In the case of mixtures, consisting of several substances, the protection time of the gloves cannot be accurately estimated.
Eye protection	Safety eyewear complying with an approved standard should be used when a risk assessment indicates this is necessary to avoid exposure to liquid splashes, mists, gases or dusts. If contact is possible, the following protection should be worn, unless the assessment indicates a higher degree of protection: safety glasses with side-shields.
Skin protection	Personal protective equipment for the body should be selected based on the task being performed and the risks involved and should be approved by a specialist before handling this product. When there is a risk of ignition from static electricity, wear anti-static protective clothing. For the greatest protection from static discharges, clothing should include anti-static overalls, boots and gloves.

Section 9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance	
Physical state	Solid.
Colour	Not available.
Odour	Odourless.
Odour threshold	Not available.
pH	Not applicable.
Melting point	Not available.
Boiling point	Not available.
Flash point	Not available.
Burning rate	Not available.
Burning time	Not available.
Evaporation rate	Not available.
Flammability (solid, gas)	Product becomes a 'Flammable Solid category 2' after removing the membrane from the package. If the product is still in it's original packaging it is not a 'Flammable Solid category 2'.
Lower and upper explosive (flammable) limits	Not available.
Vapour pressure	0 kPa (0 mm Hg) [room temperature]
Vapour density	Not available.
Relative density	Not available.
Solubility	Insoluble in the following materials: cold water.
Solubility in water	Not applicable.
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/ water	Not available.
Auto-ignition temperature	>160°C (>320°F)
Decomposition temperature	Not available.
SADT	Not available.
Viscosity	Dynamic (room temperature): Not applicable. Kinematic (room temperature): Not applicable.
Aerosol product	
Type of aerosol	Not applicable.
Heat of combustion	Not available.
Ignition distance	Not applicable.
Enclosed space ignition - Time equivalent	Not applicable.
Enclosed space ignition - Deflagration density	Not applicable.
Flame height	Not applicable.
Flame duration	Not applicable.

Section 10. Stability and reactivity

Chemical stability	The product is stable.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous reactions will not occur.
Conditions to avoid	Avoid all possible sources of ignition (spark or flame).
Incompatible materials	Reactive or incompatible with the following materials: oxidizing materials
Hazardous decomposition products	Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

Section 11. Toxicological information

Information on the likely routes of exposure

Inhalation	Exposure to decomposition products may cause a health hazard. Serious effects may be delayed following exposure.
Ingestion	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Skin contact	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Eye contact	No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

Inhalation	No specific data.
Ingestion	No specific data.
Skin contact	No specific data.
Eye contact	No specific data.

Delayed and immediate effects and also chronic effects from short and long term exposure

Acute toxicity

Not available.

Conclusion/Summary	Not toxic.

Irritation/Corrosion

Not available.

Sensitisation

Not available.

Potential chronic health effects

General	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Inhalation	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Ingestion	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Skin contact	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Eye contact	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Carcinogenicity	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Mutagenicity	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Teratogenicity	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Developmental effects	No known significant effects or critical hazards.
Fertility effects	No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Chronic toxicity

Not available.

Conclusion/Summary	Not toxic.

Carcinogenicity

Not available.

Mutagenicity

Not available.

Teratogenicity

Not available.

Reproductive toxicity

Not available.

Specific target organ toxicity

Not available.

Aspiration hazard

Not available.

Numerical measures of toxicity

Acute toxicity estimates

Not available.

Section 12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Aquatic and terrestrial toxicity

Not available.

Conclusion/Summary No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Persistence/degradability

Not available.

Bioaccumulative potential

Not available.

Mobility in soil

Soil/water partition coefficient (K_{OC}) Not available.

Other adverse effects No known significant effects or critical hazards.

Section 13. Disposal considerations

Disposal methods The generation of waste should be avoided or minimised wherever possible. Disposal of this product, solutions and any by-products should at all times comply with the requirements of environmental protection and waste disposal legislation and any regional local authority requirements. Dispose of surplus and non-recyclable products via a licensed waste disposal contractor. Waste should not be disposed of untreated to the sewer unless fully compliant with the requirements of all authorities with jurisdiction. Waste packaging should be recycled. Incineration or landfill should only be considered when recycling is not feasible. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe way. Care should be taken when handling emptied containers that have not been cleaned or rinsed out. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. Avoid dispersal of spilt material and runoff and contact with soil, waterways, drains and sewers.

Section 14. Transport information

Regulatory information	UN number	Proper shipping name	Classes	PG*
New Zealand Class	Not regulated.	-	-	-
ADG Class	Not regulated.	-	-	-
UN Class	Not regulated.	-	-	-
ADR/RID Class	Not regulated.	-	-	-
IATA Class	Not regulated.	-	-	-

Remarks

The product is not regulated as Dangerous Goods for transport according to a expert opinion by BAM (Bundesanstalt für Materialforschung and -prüfung) with number 2.2-91/15-E on 12 May 2015.
"The above named nitrocellulose membrane filters (in form of round filters, pre-cut parts and curved parts) do not fulfill the criteria of Class 1 'Explosives' and the division 4.1 'Flammable Solids' of RID/ADR (GGVSE), IMDG-Code (GGVSee) and the ICAO-Technical Instructions."

IMDG Class	Not regulated.	-	-	-

PG* : Packing group

Section 15. Regulatory information

New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC)	All components are listed or exempted.
HSNO Approval Number	HSR001491
HSNO Group Standard	Not available.
HSNO Classification	4.1.1 - FLAMMABLE SOLIDS - Category B
Australia inventory (AICS)	All components are listed or exempted.
Safety, health and environmental regulations specific for the product	No known specific national and/or regional regulations applicable to this product (including its ingredients).

Section 16. Other information

History

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Key to abbreviations	ADN = European Provisions concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterway ADR = The European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road ATE = Acute Toxicity Estimate BCF = Bioconcentration Factor GHS = Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals IATA = International Air Transport Association IBC = Intermediate Bulk Container IMDG = International Maritime Dangerous Goods LogPow = logarithm of the octanol/water partition coefficient MARPOL 73/78 = International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution From Ships, 1973 as modified by the Protocol of 1978. ("Marpol" = marine pollution) RID = The Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail UN = United Nations
References	Not available.

Indicates information that has changed from previously issued version.

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