



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

according to the Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

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Version 1.0

SECTION 1. Identification

Product identifier

Product number	109889
Product name	Buffer concentrate (boric acid/potassium chloride/sodium hydroxide), traceable to SRM of NIST and PTB for 500 ml buffer solution, pH 9.00 ± 0.02 (20°C) Titrisol®

Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses	Reagent for analysis
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Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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SECTION 2. Hazards identification

GHS-Labeling

Hazard Statements

OSHA Hazards

This material is considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

Other hazards

None known.

SECTION 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical nature	Aqueous alkaline solution.
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Hazardous ingredients

Chemical Name (Concentration)

CAS-No.

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orthoboric acid, sodium salt (1:n) (≥ 1 % - < 5 %)

13840-56-7

Boric acid (≥ 1 % - < 5 %)

10043-35-3

SECTION 4. First aid measures

Description of first-aid measures

Inhalation

After inhalation: fresh air.

Skin contact

After skin contact: wash off with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing.

Eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water with the eyelid held wide open. Call in ophthalmologist if necessary.

Ingestion

After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). Consult a physician.

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The following applies to boron compounds in general: resorption is followed by nausea and vomiting, agitation (>,<) spasms, CNS disorders, cardiovascular disorders.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No information available.

SECTION 5. Fire-fighting measures

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

Unsuitable extinguishing media

For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Not combustible.

Advice for firefighters

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

In the event of fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

Further information

Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

SECTION 6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

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Advice for non-emergency personnel: Do not breathe vapors, aerosols. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.

Advice for emergency responders: Protective equipment see section 8.

Environmental precautions

Do not empty into drains.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills.

Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10).

Take up with liquid-absorbent and neutralizing material (e.g. Chemizorb® OH⁻, Merck Art. No. 101596). Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.

SECTION 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Observe label precautions.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Tightly closed.

Storage temperature: no restrictions.

SECTION 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Exposure limit(s)

Ingredients

Basis	Value	Threshold limits	Remarks
<i>orthoboric acid, sodium salt (1:n) 13840-56-7</i>			
ACGIH	Time Weighted Average (TWA):	2 mg/m ³	Form of exposure: Inhalable fraction.
	Short Term Exposure Limit (STEL):	6 mg/m ³	Form of exposure: Inhalable fraction.
<i>Boric acid 10043-35-3</i>			
ACGIH	Time Weighted Average (TWA):	2 mg/m ³	Form of exposure: Inhalable fraction.
	Short Term Exposure Limit (STEL):	6 mg/m ³	Form of exposure: Inhalable fraction.

Engineering measures

Technical measures and appropriate working operations should be given priority over the use of personal protective equipment.

Individual protection measures

Protective clothing should be selected specifically for the workplace, depending on concentration and quantity of the hazardous substances handled. The chemical resistance of the protective equipment should be inquired at the respective supplier.

Hygiene measures

Change contaminated clothing. Wash hands after working with substance.

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Eye/face protection

Safety glasses

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.

Recommended:

full contact:

Glove material:	Nitrile rubber
Glove thickness:	0.11 mm
Break through time:	> 480 min

splash contact:

Glove material:	Nitrile rubber
Glove thickness:	0.11 mm
Break through time:	> 480 min

Other protective equipment:

protective clothing

Respiratory protection

required when vapors/aerosols are generated.

Use a properly fitted, air-purifying or air-fed respirator complying with an approved standard if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator.

SECTION 9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical state	liquid
Color	colorless
Odor	odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available.
pH	8.9 at 68 °F (20 °C)
Melting point	No information available.
Boiling point	No information available.
Flash point	No information available.
Evaporation rate	No information available.
Flammability (solid, gas)	not applicable
Lower explosion limit	No information available.

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Upper explosion limit	No information available.
Vapor pressure	No information available.
Relative vapor density	No information available.
Relative density	1.00 g/cm ³ at 68 °F (20 °C)
Water solubility	at 68 °F (20 °C) soluble
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	No information available.
Autoignition temperature	No information available.
Decomposition temperature	No information available.
Viscosity, dynamic	1.07 mPa.s at 68 °F (20 °C)

SECTION 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity

See below

Chemical stability

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .

Possibility of hazardous reactions

Because of low concentration of the dissolved substance(s): none; exception: the generally known reaction partners of water.

Conditions to avoid

no information available

Incompatible materials

no information available

Hazardous decomposition products

no information available

SECTION 11. Toxicological information

Information on toxicological effects

Likely route of exposure

Eye contact, Skin contact

Specific target organ systemic toxicity - single exposure

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Specific target organ systemic toxicity - repeated exposure

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Aspiration hazard

Regarding the available data the classification criteria are not fulfilled.

Carcinogenicity

IARC	No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.
OSHA	No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.
NTP	No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.
ACGIH	No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

Further information

Quantitative data on the toxicity of this product are not available.

Hazardous properties cannot be excluded, but are relatively improbable due to the low concentration of the dissolved substance(s).

Other information

The following applies to boron compounds in general: resorption is followed by nausea and vomiting, agitation(>,<) spasms, CNS disorders, cardiovascular disorders.

Further data:

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

SECTION 12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

No information available.

Persistence and degradability

No information available.

Bioaccumulative potential

No information available.

Mobility in soil

No information available.

Other adverse effects

Additional ecological information

Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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SECTION 13. Disposal considerations

The information presented only applies to the material as supplied. The identification based on characteristic(s) or listing may not apply if the material has been used or otherwise contaminated. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the toxicity and physical properties of the material generated to determine the proper waste identification and disposal methods in compliance with applicable regulations. Disposal should be in accordance with applicable regional, national and local laws and regulations.

SECTION 14. Transport information

Land transport (DOT)

Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

Air transport (IATA)

Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

Sea transport (IMDG)

Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

SECTION 15. Regulatory information

United States of America

OSHA Hazards

Teratogen

Reproductive hazard

This information is based on 29 CFR 1910.1200 criteria prior to adoption of the GHS, and may deviate from the GHS information on the label and in section 2.

SARA 311/312 Hazards

Chronic Health Hazard

US State Regulations

Massachusetts Right To Know

Remarks

No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

Pennsylvania Right To Know

Ingredients

water

Potassium chloride

New Jersey Right To Know

Ingredients

water

Potassium chloride

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Boric acid

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California Prop 65 Components

This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth, or any other reproductive defects.

Notification status

TSCA: On TSCA Inventory

DSL: All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL list.

SECTION 16. Other information

Training advice

Provide adequate information, instruction and training for operators.

Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet

Used abbreviations and acronyms can be looked up at www.wikipedia.org.

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