

Safety Data Sheet

According to Hazardous Products Regulation (SOR/2015-17)

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SECTION 1: Identification

Product identifier

Trade name/designation:	Prefilled 10% Neutral Buffered Formalin
Product No.:	16004-112, 16004-114, 16004-116, 16004-118, 16004-119, 16004-121
Synonyms:	none
CAS No.:	50-00-0
Other means of identification:	

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

Recommended use:	For Further Manufacturing Use Only
Uses advised against:	Not for Human or Animal Drug Use

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Supplier

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Preparation Information

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SECTION 2: Hazard identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Hazardous Products Regulation (SOR/2015-17)

Hazard classes and hazard categories	Hazard statements
Skin irritation, category 2	H315
Serious eye damage, category 1	H318
Germ cell mutagenicity, category 2	H341
Carcinogenicity, category 1B	H350
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure), category 1	H370
Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure), category 2	H373
Skin sensitization, category 1	H317

2.2 Label elements

Labelling in accordance with (SOR/2015-17)

Hazard pictograms



Signal word: Danger

Hazard statements	
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H341	Suspected of causing genetic defects.
H350	May cause cancer.
H370	Causes damage to organs.
H373	May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Precautionary statements	
P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water/...
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P308+P310	IF exposed or concerned: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.

Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)
none

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

not applicable

3.2 Mixtures

Hazardous ingredients GHS Classification in accordance with (SOR/2015-17)

Substance name	Concentration	Identifier	Hazard classes and hazard categories
Formaldehyde	3.5 - 5%	CAS No.: 50-00-0	Skin Corr. 1B - H314 Muta. 2 - H341 Carc. 1B - H350 STOT SE 3 - H335 Acute Tox. 3 - H301+H311+H331 Skin Sens. 1 - H317
Methanol	< 1.5%	CAS No.: 67-56-1	Flam. Liq. 2 - H225 Acute Tox. 3 - H301 Eye Irrit. 2 - H319 Repr. 1B - H360 STOT SE 2 - H371 STOT SE 3 - H336

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General information

When in doubt or if symptoms are observed, get medical advice. Change contaminated, saturated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Do not leave affected person unattended.

In case of inhalation

Remove casualty to fresh air and keep warm and at rest. Obtain medical attention if symptoms appear.

In case of skin contact

Gently wash with plenty of soap and water. In case of skin reactions, consult a physician.

After eye contact:

Rinse immediately carefully and thoroughly with eye-bath or water. Obtain medical attention if symptoms appear.

In case of ingestion

Rinse mouth thoroughly with water. Call a doctor if you feel unwell.

Self-protection of the first aider

First aider: Pay attention to self-protection!

4.2 Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling see respective section.

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No special information on medical attention and special treatment available.

SECTION 5: Fire fighting measures**5.1 Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing media**

This material is combustible, but will not ignite readily.
Co-ordinate fire-fighting measures to the fire surroundings.
Water.
Foam.
Alcohol resistant foam.
Dry extinguishing powder.

Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

Full water jet.

5.2 Specific hazards arising from the chemical

In case of fire may be liberated:
Carbon monoxide
Carbon dioxide (CO₂).

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Do not breathe gas/fume/vapor/spray.
Fight fire with normal precautions from a reasonable distance.

Additional information

no data available

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

For non-emergency personnel: Do not breathe dust. Use a dust mask if there is a lot of dust. Remove victim out of the danger area. Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Provide adequate ventilation.

6.2 Environmental precautions

No special environmental measures are necessary.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Take up mechanically, placing in appropriate containers for disposal. Rinse affected areas with water. Dispose according to legislation.

6.4 Additional information

Personal protection equipment (PPE): see section 8 Disposal information: see section 13

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Advices on safe handling

No special measures are necessary.

Measures to prevent fire, aerosol and dust generation

No special measures are necessary.

Measures required to protect the environment

No special measures are necessary.

Wash hands before breaks and after work. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Provide eye shower and label its location conspicuously.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Recommended storage temperature: 15-25 °C

Storage: Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container. Keep the packing dry and well sealed to prevent contamination and absorption of humidity. Keep away from heat. Packaging materials: Polyethylene Unsuitable materials and coatings of containers/equipment: No information available.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

Ingredient (Designation)	Source	Country	parameter	Limit value
Formaldehyde	CNESST	CA	VECD	3 (1) mg/m ³ - 2 (1) ppm
Methanol	CNESST	CA	VECD	328 mg/m ³ - 250 ppm
Methanol	CNESST	CA	VEMP	262 mg/m ³ - 200 ppm

8.2 Engineering controls

Appropriate engineering controls

Technical measures and the application of suitable work processes have priority over personal protection equipment. If handled uncovered, arrangements with local exhaust ventilation have to be used.

Personal protection equipment (PPE)

Wear suitable protective clothing. When handling with chemical substances, protective clothing must be worn.

Eye/face protection

Eye glasses with side protection

Skin protection

Wear suitable gloves. When handling with chemical substances, protective gloves must be worn. In the case of wanting to use the gloves again, clean them before taking off and air them well. Check leak tightness/impermeability prior to use.

By short-term hand contact

Suitable material:	NBR (Nitrile rubber)
Thickness of the glove material:	0,12 mm
Breakthrough time	240-480 min

By long-term hand contact

Suitable material:	NBR (Nitrile rubber)
Thickness of the glove material:	0,38 mm
Breakthrough time	-

Respiratory protection

Respiratory protection necessary at: aerosol or mist formation If exposure limits are exceeded or irritation is experienced, NIOSH approved respiratory protection should be worn.

Additional information

Wash hands before breaks and after work. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Provide eye shower and label its location conspicuously.

Environmental exposure controls

no data available

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

(a) Appearance	
Physical state:	liquid
Color:	colorless
(b) Odor:	no data available
(c) Odor threshold:	no data available

Safety relevant basic data

(d) pH:	6.8 - 7.2 (20 °C)
(e) Melting point/freezing point:	no data available
(f) Initial boiling point and boiling range:	no data available
(g) Flash point:	no data available
(h) Evaporation rate:	no data available
(i) Flammability (solid, gas):	not applicable
(j) Flammability or explosive limits	
Lower explosion limit:	no data available
Upper explosion limit:	no data available
(k) Vapor pressure:	no data available
(l) Vapor density:	no data available
(m) Density:	1.013 g/cm ³ (20 °C)
(n) Solubility(ies)	
Water solubility:	no data available
(o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water:	no data available
(p) Auto-ignition temperature:	no data available
(q) Decomposition temperature:	not applicable
(r) Viscosity	
Kinematic viscosity:	no data available
Dynamic viscosity:	no data available
(s) Explosive properties:	not applicable
(t) Oxidising properties:	not applicable
(u) Particle characteristics:	does not apply to liquids

9.2 Other information

Bulk density:	no data available
Refraction index:	no data available
Dissociation constant:	no data available
Surface tension:	no data available
Henry's Law Constant:	no data available

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

This material is non-reactive under normal conditions.

10.2 Chemical stability

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

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No further relevant information available.

10.4 Conditions to avoid

No further relevant information available.

10.5 Incompatible materials

No further relevant information available.

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

No known hazardous decomposition products.

Decomposition products in case of fire: see section 5.

10.7 Additional information

no data available

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute effects

Acute oral toxicity:

Formaldehyde - LD50: > 100 mg/kg - Rat - (CHP)

Formaldehyde - LD50: 640 mg/kg - Rat - (OECD 401)

Methanol - LDLo: > 143 mg/kg - Human - (RTECS)

Methanol - LD50: 1187 - 2769 mg/kg - Rat - (OECD 401)

Acute dermal toxicity:

Formaldehyde - LD50: > 270 mg/kg - Rabbit - (CHP)

Methanol - LD50: 17100 mg/kg - Rabbit - (ECHA)

Acute inhalation toxicity:

Formaldehyde - LC50: > 0.578 mg/l (4 h) - Rat - (CHP)

Formaldehyde - LC50: < 463 ppm (4 h) - Rat - (ECHA)

Methanol - TCLo: > 160 ppm (4 h) - Human

Methanol - LD50: 43700 mg/m³ (6 h) - Cat - (J Appl Toxicol 14(4): 309-313)

Irritant and corrosive effects:*Primary irritation to the skin:*

Causes skin irritation.

Irritation to eyes:

Causes serious eye damage.

Irritation to respiratory tract:

not applicable

Respiratory or skin sensitization

In case of skin contact: sensitizing

In case of inhalation: not sensitizing

STOT-single exposure

Causes damage to organs.

STOT-repeated exposure

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

CMR effects (carcinogenicity, mutagenicity and toxicity for reproduction)**Carcinogenicity**

May cause cancer.

Germ cell mutagenicity

Suspected of causing genetic defects.

Reproductive toxicity

No indications of human reproductive toxicity exist.

Aspiration hazard

not applicable

Other adverse effects

no data available

Additional information

no data available

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Ecotoxicity

Fish toxicity:

Formaldehyde - LC50: 52.5 mg/l (96 h)

Methanol - LC50: 24000 mg/l (96 h) - Poirier, S.H., M.L. Knuth, C.D. Anderson-Buchou, L.T. Brooke, A.R. Lima, and P.J. Shubat 1986. Comparative Toxicity of Methanol and N,N-Dimethylformamide to Freshwater Fish and Invertebrates. Bull.Environ.Contam.Toxicol. 37(4):615-621

Daphnia toxicity:

Formaldehyde - LC50: 1070 mg/l (48 h)

Formaldehyde - EC50: 14 mg/l (48 h)

Methanol - LC50: 3290 mg/l (48 h) - Guilhermino, L., T. Diamantino, M.C. Silva, and A.M.V.M. Soares 2000. Acute Toxicity Test with *Daphnia magna*: An Alternative to Mammals in the Prescreening of Chemical Toxicity?. *Ecotoxicol. Environ. Saf.* 46(3):357-362

Methanol - EC50: 24500 mg/l (48 h) - Randall, T.L., and P.V. Knopp 1980. Detoxification of Specific Organic Substances by Wet Oxidation. *J. Water Pollut. Control Fed.* 52(8):2117-2130

Algae toxicity:

Methanol - EC50: 22 000 mg/l (96 h) *Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata* - IUCLID

Bacteria toxicity:

no data available

12.2 Persistence and degradability

no data available

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water: no data available

12.4 Mobility in soil:

no data available

12.5 Results of PBT/vPvB assessment

not applicable

12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties

This product does not contain a substance that has endocrine disrupting properties with respect to the environment.

12.7 Other adverse effects

no data available

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Appropriate disposal / Product

Dispose according to legislation. Consult the appropriate local waste disposal expert about waste disposal. Waste requires monitoring.

Waste code product: no data available

Appropriate disposal / Package

Dispose according to legislation. Handle contaminated packages in the same way as the substance itself.

Additional information

no data available

SECTION 14: Transport information

Land transport (TDG)

No dangerous good in sense of this transport regulation.

Sea transport (IMDG)

No dangerous good in sense of this transport regulation.

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code
not relevant

Air transport (ICAO-TI / IATA-DGR)

No dangerous good in sense of this transport regulation.

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

Domestic Substance List:

SECTION 16: Other information

Abbreviations and acronyms

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
DOT - Department of Transportation
IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer
IATA-DGR - International Air Transport Association-Dangerous Goods Regulations
ICAO-TI - International Civil Aviation Organization-Technical Instructions
IMDG - International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods
LTV - Long Term Value
NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
NTP - National Toxicology Program
OSHA - Occupational Safety & Health Administration
PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
PEL - Permissible Exposure Limit
STV - Short Term Value
SVHC - Substances of Very High Concern
TDG - Transport of Dangerous Goods
TLV - Threshold Limit Value
vPvB - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

Key literature references and sources for data

This Safety Data Sheet has been prepared based on information available for public as TOXNET information, European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) substance dossier, papers from international cancer research institutes (IARC Monographs), U.S. National Toxicology Program data, U.S. Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Control (ATSDR), PubChem websites and SDS from our raw material manufacturers.

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Additional information

Indication of changes Review and revision of Sections 4, 5, 6, 7 and 10.

If you need an explanation of the change, contact the supplier (SDS@avantorsciences.com).

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