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Safety Data Sheet

Crude Glyerol (Glycerin)

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IDENTIFICATION

Synonyms 1,2,3-trihydroxypropane, 1,2,3-propanetriol, glycerin(e), glycyl alcohol

CAS # 56-81-5 Europe EC# 200-289-5

Material Use manufacture of resins, gums, inks, pharmaceuticals; humectant, etc.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

 In the U.S.A.
 Call CHEMTREC
 (800) 424-9300

 In Canada
 Call CANUTEC (collect)
 (613) 996-6666

II HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

GHS Class eye irritant
(Category) (2A)
Signal Words WARNING

Hazard Statements causes serious eye

irritation (H319)



GHS Precautionary Statements for Labelling

P262, P264 Do not get in eyes. Wash thoroughly after handling.

P280 Wear eye protection.

P305, P351, P338 Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present & easy to do. Continue rinsing.

III	COMPOSITION	CAS NUMBER	%	TLV ppm / mg/m ³	${ m LD}_{50}~(mg/kg) \ { m ORAL}$	LD ₅₀ (mg/kg) SKIN	LC ₅₀ ppm INHALATION
1,2,3-trihydroxypropane		56-81-5	70-90%	2.7 / 10	4090	>10,000	150
Water		7732-18-5	10-30%	none	90,000	not toxic	not toxic
Sodium Chloride (common "table salt")		7647-14-5	5-10%	none	>3000	>10,000	$>10,500 \text{mg/m}^3$
Methanol		67-56-1	< 0.1%	200/260 (skin)	5630	15,800	62,000

IV FIRST AID

SKIN: Wash with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and do not reuse until thoroughly laundered. Seek

medical help promptly if there is persistent itching or redness in the affected area.

EYES: Wash eyes with plenty of water, holding eyelids open. Seek medical assistance promptly if there is irritation. INHALATION: Remove from contaminated area promptly. **CAUTION: Rescuer must not endanger himself!** If victim's

breathing stops, administer artificial respiration and seek medical aid promptly.

INGESTION: Give plenty of water to dilute product. Do not induce vomiting. Keep victim quiet. If vomiting

occurs, lower victim's head below hips to prevent inhalation of vomited material. Seek medical help promptly.

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PLEASE ENSURE THAT THIS MSDS IS GIVEN TO, AND EXPLAINED TO PEOPLE USING THIS PRODUCT.

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V FLAMMABILITY & FIRE-FIGHTING

Flash Point 199°C / 390°F (closed cup)

Autoignition Temperature $370^{\circ}\text{C} / 698^{\circ}\text{F}^1$, $429^{\circ}\text{C} / 804^{\circ}\text{F}^1$ – decomposes at $290^{\circ}\text{C} / 554^{\circ}\text{F}$; autoignition of decomp. products

Flammable Limits not known

Combustion Products carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, smoke, acrolein, part oxidised hydrocarbon fragments alcohol foam best, dry chemical, water fog; water jet causes frothing; firefighters to wear SCBA

Static Discharge cannot accumulate a static charge

VI ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Leak Precaution dyke to control spillage and prevent environmental contamination

Handling Spill recover free liquid with suitable pumps; absorb residue on an inert sorbent, sweep, shovel & store in

closed containers for disposal

VII HANDLING & STORAGE

Glycerol absorbs moisture from air. Store and use in a dry environment, away from oxidising agents. Never cut, drill, weld or grind on this container, empty or full. Always replace drum, pail or IBC cap prior to moving the container!

Avoid generating or breathing product mist. If product mist forms in use, install adequate ventilation to clear workplace air. Avoid prolonged contact with skin & wash work clothes frequently. An eye bath should be available near the workplace.

VIII EXPOSURE CONTROL & PERSONAL PROTECTION

ACGIH PEL-TWA 10mg/m³ (total dust), 5mg/m³ (respirable fraction) ACGIH STEL not listed OSHA PEL-T-TWA 15mg/m³ (total dust), 5mg/m³ (respirable fraction) OSHA STEL not listed

Ventilation no special mechanical ventilation required

Hands no special protective gloves required – butyl & neoprene are impervious; other types also protect

Eyes safety glasses with side shields – *always protect eyes!*

Clothing no special protective clothing required

IX PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

NOTE: for Flash Point, Autoignition Temp, & Flammable Limits see Part 5.

Odour & Appearance clear, amber/brownish, somewhat viscous liquid with a fatty odour

Odour Threshold not known Vapour Pressure as for water

Evaporation Rate (*Butyl Acetate* = 1) only the moisture content is volatile

Vapour Density (air = 1) 3.2 (glycerol), 0.6 (water)

Decomposition Temperature 290°C / 554°F – may polymerize above 150°C/300°F

Boiling Point not known – water content begins to boil above 100°C/212°F

Melting Point $<0^{\circ}\text{C}/<32^{\circ}\text{F}$ - water & salt content depress the freezing point of glycerol

Specific Gravity 1.26 (20/20°C) Water Solubility complete

- in other solvents alcohols, glycols; insoluble in hydrocarbons, chlorinated hydrocarbons and ethers

 $Log \; P_{o/w} \; (\textit{Octanol/H}_2\textit{O Partition Coefficient}) \; \text{-} 2.6 \; (\textit{glycerol only})$

Viscosity ~20centipoise (20°C/68°C)

pH 5-7.5

Conversion Factor 1ppm = 3.76mg/m³ (glycerol only)
Molecular Weight 92grams per mole (glycerol only)

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X REACTIVITY

Dangerously Reactive With strong oxidising agents (chromium trioxide, potassium chlorate, or potassium permanganate)

may cause an explosion

Also Reactive With acetic anhydride

Chemical Stability stable, but may polymerise above 150°C/300°F; decomposition above 290°C/554°F

Decomposes in Presence of high temperatures

Decomposition Products toxic acrolein fumes may form on thermal decomposition

Mechanical Impact not sensitive

XI TOXICITY INFORMATION

i. ACUTE EXPOSURE

Skin Contact softens skin; not irritating¹

Skin Absorption slight, no toxic effects likely by this route

Eye Contact may be mildly irritating; "not irritating" $(2 \text{ reports})^1$, "slightly irritating" $(2 \text{ reports})^1 - \text{glycerol only}$

mist may be slightly irritating but expected to cause no damage

Inhalation little to no effect; very large doses – ½ litre – may damage red cells & cause bloody urine – brief

Ingestion effect because glycerol is very rapidly metabolised – not a route of industrial exposure

12,600 & 27,000¹, 27,200mg/kg (rat), 4090, 23,000¹ & 38,000mg/kg (mouse), 27,000mg/kg

LD₅₀ (oral) (rabbit), 7750 & 10,000-11,500mg/kg (guinea pig)¹

 LD_{50} (skin) >10,000, 21,900 & 23,000mg/kg (rabbit), 56,880mg/kg (guinea pig)¹

 LC_{50} (inhalation) 38ppm/143mg/m³ (rat), 2750mg/m³ (rat – achieved by bubbling through 200°C glycerol)¹

(Very low vapour pressure plus high viscosity makes exposure to glycerol by inhalation highly unlikely.)

ii. CHRONIC EXPOSURE

General little to no effect Sensitising not a sensitiser¹

Carcinogen/Tumorigen not known to be a tumorigen or a carcinogen in humans or animals¹

Reproductive Effect no known effect on humans or animals¹

Mutagen not known to be a mutagen or teratogen in humans or animals¹

Synergistic With not known

NOAEL (reproduction) 2000mg/kg/day (rat – two generations)¹

XII ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Bioaccumulation readily metabolised (biological ½-life 30-40 min); cannot bioaccumulate

Biodegradation biodegrades readily & *very* rapidly in the presence of oxygen; 94% & 98% in 24hours¹
Abiotic Degradation reacts with atmospheric hydroxyl (OH) radicals; its estimated ½-life in air is 7 hr

Mobility in soil, water water soluble; moves readily through soil & the water column; rapid biodegradation limits movement

Aquatic Toxicity data below indicates extremely low aquatic toxicity

LC₅₀ (Fish 96 hr) 54,000¹, 51,000-57,000mg/litre (Oncorhynchus mykiss), >10,000mg/litre (Leuciscus idus & Idus idus, 48hr)

885mg/litre (Pimephelas promelas)¹

EC₅₀ (Crustacea, 48hr) 1995mg/litre (Daphnia magna)¹, >10,000mg/litre (Daphnia magna – 24 hours)¹

TGK 5% (Crustacea, 48hr) >10,000mg/litre (Chilomonas paramecium & Uronema parduczi)

EC₅₀ (Algae) 46,000mg/litre (Braciomonas submarina) – but some algae grow better with glycerol...
TGK 3%* (Algae) >10,000mg/litre (Scenedesmus quadricauda)¹, 2900mg/litre (Microcistis aeruginosa)¹

TGK 5%* (Flagellates) >10,000mg/litre (Chilomonas paramecium & Uronema parduczi), 3200mg/litre (Enterosyphon sulcatum)

EC₀ (Bacteria) >10,000mg/litre (Pseudomonas putida)¹ – not an EC₅₀, but an EC₀; no inhibition seen

TGK 3%* (Bacteria) >10,000mg/litre (Pseudomonas putida)

TGK is the threshold concentration for 3% or 5% decrease in optical density.

Sodium Chloride is not biodegradable & does not degrade abiotically. Its aquatic toxicity is due entirely to osmotic pressure. Essentially aquatic life adapted to fresh water is killed as salt water removes moisture from (dehydrates) the living cells.



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DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS XIII

Waste Disposal

do not flush to sewer; mix with flammable waste, incinerate in approved facility with flue gas monitoring & scrubbing; local regulations may permit disposal in sanitary landfill; biological treatment is an excellent option

Containers

Drums should be reused. Recondition and pressure test by a licensed reconditioner prior to re-use.

Pails must be vented and thoroughly dried prior to crushing and recycling.

IBCs (intermediate bulk containers): polyethylene bottle must be pressure tested & recertified at 30 months. Replace at 60 months (5 years). Steel containers must be inspected, pressure tested & recertified every 5 years.

Warning: never cut, drill, weld or grind on or near this container, even if empty.

TRANSPORT INFORMATION

USA 49 CFR & Canada TDG IATA & IMDG

Product Identification Number

UN / IATA/ IMDG- not regulated for transport Shipping Name not regulated for transport Classification not regulated for transport Marine Pollution not a marine pollutant

ERAP Required No Reportable Quantity (RQ) none

$\mathbf{X}\mathbf{V}$ REGULATIONS

Canada DSL on inventory U.S.A. TSCA **ACTIVE Europe EINECS** on inventory

This very common substance is on most national chemical inventories.

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Physical Hazards 9	Chemical Hazards
□Explosive	☐Acute toxicity (any route of exposure)
□Flammable	☐Skin corrosion or irritation
□Oxidizer (liquid, solid or gas)	⊠Serious eye damage or eye irritation
□Self-reactive	☐Respiratory or skin sensitization
□Pyrophoric (liquid or solid)	☐Germ cell mutagenicity
□Pyrophoric Gas	☐ Carcinogenicity
□Self-heating	☐Reproductive toxicity
□Organic peroxide	☐Specific target organ toxicity (single or repeated ex.)
□Corrosive to metal	☐Aspiration hazard
☐Gas under pressure (compressed gas)	☐Simple Asphyxiant
☐ In contact with water emits flammable gas	☐ Hazard Not Otherwise Classified
□Combustible Dust	
Hazard Not Otherwise Not Otherwise Class	sified

U.S.A. Regulations:

Allowable Tolerances: Residues resulting from the use of the following substances as either an inert or an active ingredient in a pesticide chemical formulation, including antimicrobial pesticide chemicals, are exempted from the requirement of a tolerance under FFDCA section 408, if such use is in accordance with good agricultural or manufacturing practices. Glycerin is included on this list.

OSHA Standards: Permissible Exposure Limit: Table Z-1 8-hr Time Weighted Avg; 15 mg/cu m. /Mist, total dust/ Permissible Exposure Limit: Table Z-1 8-hr Time Weighted Avg; 5 mg/cu m. /Mist, respirable fraction/ Vacated 1989 OSHA PEL TWA 10 mg/cu m is still enforced in some states. /Mist, total/ Vacated 1989 OSHA PEL TWA 5 mg/cu m is still enforced in some states. /Mist, resp

endations: NIOSH concluded that the documentation cited by OSHA was inadequate to support the proposed PEL (as an 8 hour TWA) of 10 mg/cu m for glycerine (mist).

Threshold Limit Values: 8 hr Time Weighted Avg (TWA): 10 mg/cu m. /Glycerin mist/ Excursion Limit Recommendation: Excursions in worker exposure levels may exceed 3 times the TLV-TWA for no more than a total of 30 minutes during a work day, and under no circumstances should they exceed 5 times the TLV-TWA, provided that the TLV-TWA is not exceeded. /Glycerin mist/ 2011 Notice of Intended Changes: These substances, with their corresponding values and notations, comprise those for which (1) a limit is proposed for the first time, (2) a change in the Adopted value is proposed, (3) retention as an NIC is proposed, or (4) withdrawal of the Documentation and adopted TLV is proposed. In each case, the proposals should be considered trial values during the period they are on the NIC. These proposals were ratified by the ACGIH Board of Directors and will remain on the NIC for approximately one year following this ratification. If the Committee neither finds nor receives any substantive data that changes its scientific opinion regarding an NIC TLV, the Committee may then approve its recommendation to the ACGIH Board of Directors for adoption. If the Committee finds or receives substantive data that change its scientific opinion regarding an NIC TLV, the Committee may change its recommendation to the ACGIH Board of Directors for the matter to be either retained on or withdrawn from the NIC. Substance: Glycerin, mist (56-81-5); Withdraw adopted Documentation and TLV

Atmospheric Standards: This action promulgates standards of performance for equipment leaks of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) in the Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturing Industry (SOCMI). The intended effect of these standards is to require all newly constructed, modified, and reconstructed SOCMI process units to use the best demonstrated system of continuous emission reduction for equipment leaks of VOC, considering costs, non air quality health and environmental impact and energy requirements. Glycerol is produced, as an intermediate or a final product, by process units covered under this subpa

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FIFRA Requirements: Residues resulting from the use of the following substances as either an inert or an active ingredient in a pesticide chemical formulation, including antimicrobial pesticide chemicals, are exempted from the requirement of a tolerance under FFDCA section 498, if such use is in accordance with good agricultural or manufacturing practices. Glycerin is included on this list. As the federal pesticide law FIFRA directs, EPA is conducting a comprehensive review of older pesticides to consider their health and environmental effects and make decisions about their future use. Under this pesticide reregistration program, EPA examines health and safety data for pesticide active ingredients initially registered before November 1, 1984, and determines whether they are eligible for reregistration. In addition, all pesticides must meet the new safety standard of the Food Quality Protection Act of 1996. Pesticides for which EPA had not issued Registration Standards prior to the effective date of FIFRA, as amended in 1988, were divided into three lists based upon their potential for human exposure and other factors, with List B containing pesticides of greater concern and List D pesticides of less concern. Glycerol is found on List D. Case No: 4044; Case Status: No products containing the pesticide are actively registered... The case /is characterized/ as "cancelled." Under FIFRA, pesticide producers may voluntarily cancel their registered products. EPA also may cancel pesticide registrations if registrants fail to pay required fees or make/meet certain reregistration commitments, or if EPA reaches findings of unreasonable adverse effects; Active ingredient (Al): Glycerol; Al Status: The active ingredient is onlonger contained in any registered pesticide products... "Cancelled."

FDA Requirements: Substances migrating to food from paper and paperboard products used in food packaging that are generally recognized as safe for their intended use, within the meaning of section 409 of the Act: Glycerin is included on this list. Glycerin used as a multiple purpose GRAS food substance in food for human consumption is generally recognized as safe when used in accordance with good manufacturing practice. Glycerin used as a general purpose food additive in animal drugs, feeds, and related products is generally recognized as safe when used in accordance with good manufacturing or feeding practice.

XVI OTHER INFORMATION

Date of Preparation December 2001

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With data from Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS - USA), Hazardous Substance Data Base (HSDB - USA), Cheminfo (CCOHS - Canada), OSHA website, European Chemicals Agency (EChA) dossiers & other sources (below if used), as required as t page of SDS

(1) European Chemicals Agency (EChA) dossier on Glycerol: http://echa.europa.eu/registration-dossier/-/registered-dossier/14481/1