



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

according to the Global Harmonized System

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SECTION 1. Identification

Product identifier

Product number	115943
Product name	Methylene blue (C.I. 52015) for microscopy Certistain®

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

Identified uses	In vitro diagnostic reagent, 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 Classification

Acute toxicity, Category 4, Oral, H302

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

GHS-Labeling

Hazard pictograms



Signal Word
Warning

Hazard Statements

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Other hazards

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None known.

SECTION 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Formula	$C_{16}H_{18}ClN_3S \cdot x H_2O$ ($x=2-3$)	$C_{16}H_{18}ClN_3S \cdot x H_2O$ (Hill)
Molar mass	319.86 g/mol (anhydrous)	
Remarks	WHMIS hazardous composition: No ingredients are hazardous according to the CPR criteria.	

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.

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

We have no description of any toxic symptoms.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No information available.

SECTION 5. Fire-fighting measures

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Carbon dioxide (CO₂), Foam, Dry powder

Unsuitable extinguishing media

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

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Combustible material, Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapors possible in the event of fire.

Fire may cause evolution of:

Sulfur oxides, nitrogen oxides, Hydrogen chloride gas

Advice for firefighters

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Special protective equipment for fire-fighters

Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

Further information

Suppress (knock down) gases/vapors/mists with a water spray jet. 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

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Avoid substance contact. Avoid inhalation of dusts. Ensure adequate ventilation. 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 dry. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area. Avoid generation of dusts.

SECTION 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

Observe label precautions.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Tightly closed. Dry.

Store at +5°C to +30°C (+41°F to +86°F).

SECTION 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Exposure limit(s)

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

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. Application of skin- protective barrier cream recommended.

Wash hands after working with substance.

Eye/face protection

Safety glasses

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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.

Respiratory protection

required when dusts 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	solid
Color	dark blue
Odor	odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available.
pH	ca. 3 at 10 g/l 68 °F (20 °C)
Melting point	ca. 180 °C (decomposition)
Boiling point	No information available.
Flash point	No information available.
Evaporation rate	No information available.
Flammability (solid, gas)	No information available.
Lower explosion limit	No information available.
Upper explosion limit	No information available.
Vapor pressure	No information available.
Relative vapor density	No information available.
Relative density	No information available.
Water solubility	ca.50 g/l at 68 °F (20 °C)
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 5.85 (calculated) (Lit.)

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A remarkable bioaccumulation potential is expected (log Po/w >3).

Autoignition temperature No information available.

Decomposition temperature No information available.

Viscosity, dynamic No information available.

Explosive properties No information available.

Bulk density ca.400 - 600 kg/m³

SECTION 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity

The following applies in general to flammable organic substances and mixtures: in correspondingly fine distribution, when whirled up a dust explosion potential may generally be assumed.

Chemical stability

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

Possibility of hazardous reactions

Violent reactions possible with:

Strong oxidizing agents, Bases, Reducing agents, alkali compounds, iodides, potassium dichromate

Conditions to avoid

Strong heating (decomposition).

Incompatible materials

no information available

Hazardous decomposition products

in the event of fire: See section 5.

SECTION 11. Toxicological information

Information on toxicological effects

Likely route of exposure

Eye contact, Skin contact, Ingestion

Acute oral toxicity

LD50 rat: 1,180 mg/kg (anhydrous substance) (RTECS)

(anhydrous substance) (RTECS) absorption

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

After uptake of large quantities:

Irritation in the urinary tract.

Further data:

Other dangerous properties can not be excluded.

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

SECTION 12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Toxicity to fish

LC50 Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow): 45 mg/l; 96 h (anhydrous substance) (ECOTOX Database)

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates

EC50 Daphnia magna (Water flea): 2,260 mg/l; 48 h (anhydrous substance) (ECOTOX Database)

Persistence and degradability

No information available.

Bioaccumulative potential

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water

log Pow: 5.85
(calculated)
(Lit.)

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Mobility in soil

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Other adverse effects

Additional ecological information

Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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

Canada

WHMIS Classification

Not controlled under WHMIS (Canada).

This product has been classified according to the hazard criteria of the CPR and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

Notification status

TSCA: On TSCA Inventory

DSL:

Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

H302 Harmful if swallowed.

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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