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#### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Dexamethasone Formulation

Manufacturer or supplier's details

Company : MSD

Address : Briahnager - Off Pune Nagar Road

Wagholi - Pune - India 412 207

Telephone : +1-908-740-4000

Emergency telephone number: +1-908-423-6000

E-mail address : EHSDATASTEWARD@msd.com

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended use : Veterinary product Restrictions on use : Not applicable

## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### Manufacture, Storage and Import of Hazardous Chemicals Rules 1989

#### Classification

Not classified as hazardous according to criteria laid down in Part I of Schedule-1.

**GHS Classification** 

Reproductive toxicity : Category 1B

Long-term (chronic) aquatic

hazard

Category 3

**GHS** label elements

Hazard pictograms

Signal word : Danger

Hazard statements : H360D May damage the unborn child.

H412 Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statements : Prevention:

P203 Obtain, read and follow all safety instructions before use.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

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P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protec-

tion/ face protection.

Response:

P318 IF exposed or concerned, get medical advice.

P405 Store locked up.

Disposal:

P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste

disposal plant.

Other hazards which do not result in classification

None known.

#### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance / Mixture Mixture

Components

Chemical name	CAS-No.	Concentration (%	
		w/w)	
Benzyl alcohol	100-51-6	1.04	
Dexamethasone	50-02-2	0.3	

#### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General advice In the case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical ad-

vice immediately.

When symptoms persist or in all cases of doubt seek medical

advice.

If inhaled If inhaled, remove to fresh air.

Get medical attention.

In case of skin contact In case of contact, immediately flush skin with soap and plenty

of water.

Remove contaminated clothing and shoes.

Get medical attention. Wash clothing before reuse.

Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse.

Flush eyes with water as a precaution. In case of eye contact

Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

If swallowed, DO NOT induce vomiting. If swallowed

Get medical attention.

Rinse mouth thoroughly with water.

Most important symptoms

and effects, both acute and

delayed

May damage the unborn child.

Protection of first-aiders First Aid responders should pay attention to self-protection,

and use the recommended personal protective equipment when the potential for exposure exists (see section 8).

Treat symptomatically and supportively. Notes to physician

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Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray

Alcohol-resistant foam Carbon dioxide (CO2)

Dry chemical

Unsuitable extinguishing

media

None known.

Specific hazards during fire-

fighting

Exposure to combustion products may be a hazard to health.

Hazardous combustion prod: :

ucts

Carbon oxides

Metal oxides

Specific extinguishing meth-

ods

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local cir-

cumstances and the surrounding environment. Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

Remove undamaged containers from fire area if it is safe to do

SO.

Evacuate area.

Special protective equipment :

for firefighters

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

Use personal protective equipment.

#### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment.

Follow safe handling advice (see section 7) and personal pro-

tective equipment recommendations (see section 8).

Environmental precautions

Avoid release to the environment.

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

Prevent spreading over a wide area (e.g. by containment or oil

barriers).

Retain and dispose of contaminated wash water.

Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages

cannot be contained.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material.

For large spills, provide dyking or other appropriate containment to keep material from spreading. If dyked material can be pumped, store recovered material in appropriate container. Clean up remaining materials from spill with suitable absor-

bent.

Local or national regulations may apply to releases and disposal of this material, as well as those materials and items employed in the cleanup of releases. You will need to deter-

mine which regulations are applicable.

Sections 13 and 15 of this SDS provide information regarding

certain local or national requirements.

#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Technical measures : See Engineering measures under EXPOSURE

CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION section.

Local/Total ventilation : If sufficient ventilation is unavailable, use with local exhaust

ventilation.

Advice on safe handling : Do not get on skin or clothing.

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Do not breathe vapours or spray mist.

Do not swallow.

Avoid contact with eyes.

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice, based on the results of the workplace exposure as-

sessment

Keep container tightly closed.

Take care to prevent spills, waste and minimize release to the

environment.

Conditions for safe storage : Keep in properly labelled containers.

Store locked up. Keep tightly closed.

Store in accordance with the particular national regulations.

Materials to avoid : Do not store with the following product types:

Strong oxidizing agents

#### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value type (Form of exposure)	Control parameters / Permissible concentration	Basis	
Dexamethasone	50-02-2	TWA	10 μg/m3 (OEB 3)	Internal	
	Further information: Skin				
		Wipe limit	100 μg/100 cm <sup>2</sup>	Internal	

**Engineering measures**: Minimize workplace exposure concentrations.

If sufficient ventilation is unavailable, use with local exhaust

ventilation.

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection : If adequate local exhaust ventilation is not available or expo-

sure assessment demonstrates exposures outside the rec-

ommended guidelines, use respiratory protection. Combined particulates and organic vapour type

Filter type Hand protection

Material

a protootion

: Chemical-resistant gloves

Remarks : Choose gloves to protect hands against chemicals depending

on the concentration and quantity of the hazardous substance and specific to place of work. Breakthrough time is not determined for the product. Change gloves often! For special applications, we recommend clarifying the resistance to chemicals of the aforementioned protective gloves with the glove manufacturer. Wash hands before breaks and at the

end of workday.

Eye protection : Wear the following personal protective equipment:

Safety glasses

Skin and body protection : Select appropriate protective clothing based on chemical re-

sistance data and an assessment of the local exposure poten-

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Skin contact must be avoided by using impervious protective

clothing (gloves, aprons, boots, etc).

Hygiene measures : If exposure to chemical is likely during typical use, provide eye

flushing systems and safety showers close to the working

place.

When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use.

### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance : liquid

Colour : white to off-white

Odour : No data available

Odour Threshold : No data available

pH : 7.0 - 7.8

Melting point/freezing point : No data available

Initial boiling point and boiling

range

No data available

Flash point : No data available

Evaporation rate : No data available

Flammability (solid, gas) : Not applicable

Flammability (liquids) : No data available

Upper explosion limit / Upper

flammability limit

No data available

Lower explosion limit / Lower

flammability limit

No data available

Vapour pressure : No data available

Relative vapour density : No data available

Density : No data available

Solubility(ies)

Water solubility : No data available

Partition coefficient: n-

octanol/water

ent: n- : No data available

Auto-ignition temperature : No data available

Decomposition temperature : No data available

Viscosity

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Viscosity, kinematic : No data available

Explosive properties : Not explosive

Oxidizing properties : The substance or mixture is not classified as oxidizing.

Molecular weight : No data available

Particle size : No data available

### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity : Not classified as a reactivity hazard.
Chemical stability : Stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reac- : Can react with strong oxidizing agents.

tions

Conditions to avoid : None known.
Incompatible materials : Oxidizing agents

Hazardous decomposition

products

No hazardous decomposition products are known.

#### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on likely routes of : Inhalation

exposure Skin contact Ingestion

Eye contact

## **Acute toxicity**

Not classified based on available information.

**Product:** 

Acute oral toxicity : Acute toxicity estimate: > 5,000 mg/kg

Method: Calculation method

Acute inhalation toxicity : Acute toxicity estimate: > 10 mg/l

Exposure time: 4 h

Test atmosphere: dust/mist Method: Calculation method

## **Components:**

Benzyl alcohol:

Acute oral toxicity : LD50 (Rat): 1,620 mg/kg

Acute inhalation toxicity : LC50 (Rat): > 4.178 mg/l

Exposure time: 4 h

Test atmosphere: dust/mist

Method: OECD Test Guideline 403

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Acute oral toxicity : LD50 (Rat): > 2,000 mg/kg

LD50 (Mouse): > 6,500 mg/kg

Acute toxicity (other routes of : LD50 (Rat): 14 mg/kg

administration) Application Route: Subcutaneous

### Skin corrosion/irritation

Not classified based on available information.

## **Components:**

### Benzyl alcohol:

Species : Rabbit

Method : OECD Test Guideline 404

Result : No skin irritation

#### Dexamethasone:

Species : Rabbit

Result : Mild skin irritation

### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Not classified based on available information.

## **Components:**

#### Benzyl alcohol:

Species : Rabbit

Method : OECD Test Guideline 405

Result : Irritation to eyes, reversing within 21 days

#### Dexamethasone:

Species : Rabbit

Result : Mild eye irritation

### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

#### Skin sensitisation

Not classified based on available information.

### Respiratory sensitisation

Not classified based on available information.

## **Components:**

## Benzyl alcohol:

Test Type : Maximisation Test Exposure routes : Skin contact Species : Guinea pig

Method : OECD Test Guideline 406

Result : negative

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### Germ cell mutagenicity

Not classified based on available information.

### **Components:**

Benzyl alcohol:

Genotoxicity in vitro : Test Type: Bacterial reverse mutation assay (AMES)

Result: negative

Genotoxicity in vivo : Test Type: Mammalian erythrocyte micronucleus test (in vivo

cytogenetic assay) Species: Mouse

Application Route: Intraperitoneal injection

Result: negative

Dexamethasone:

Genotoxicity in vitro : Test Type: Bacterial reverse mutation assay (AMES)

Result: negative

Test Type: in vitro assay

Test system: mouse lymphoma cells

Result: negative

Genotoxicity in vivo : Test Type: Micronucleus test

Species: Mouse Application Route: Oral

Result: negative

## Carcinogenicity

Not classified based on available information.

### **Components:**

Benzyl alcohol:

Species : Mouse
Application Route : Ingestion
Exposure time : 103 weeks

Method : OECD Test Guideline 451

Result : negative

### Reproductive toxicity

May damage the unborn child.

## **Components:**

Benzyl alcohol:

Effects on fertility : Test Type: Fertility/early embryonic development

Species: Rat

Application Route: Ingestion

Result: negative

Remarks: Based on data from similar materials

Effects on foetal develop: Test Type: Embryo-foetal development

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ment Species: Mouse

**Application Route: Ingestion** 

Result: negative

Dexamethasone:

Effects on foetal develop-

ment

Test Type: Development

Species: Mouse

Application Route: Subcutaneous

Developmental Toxicity: LOAEL: 6 mg/kg body weight Result: Specific developmental abnormalities, Cleft palate

Species: Rabbit

Application Route: Intramuscular

Developmental Toxicity: NOAEL: 0.025 mg/kg body weight

Result: Specific developmental abnormalities

Species: Rabbit

Application Route: Intramuscular

Developmental Toxicity: LOAEL: >= 0.062 mg/kg body weight

Result: Specific developmental abnormalities

Species: Rat

Application Route: Subcutaneous

Developmental Toxicity: LOAEL: >= 0.02 mg/kg body weight

Result: Skeletal and visceral variations, Retardations

Reproductive toxicity - As-

sessment

May damage the unborn child.

## STOT - single exposure

Not classified based on available information.

#### STOT - repeated exposure

Not classified based on available information.

### **Components:**

#### Dexamethasone:

Exposure routes : Oral

Target Organs : Adrenal gland, Immune system, thymus gland

Assessment : May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated

exposure.

## Repeated dose toxicity

#### **Components:**

### Benzyl alcohol:

Species : Rat NOAEL : 1.072 mg/l

Application Route : inhalation (dust/mist/fume)

Exposure time : 28 Days

Method : OECD Test Guideline 412

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Dexamethasone:

Species : Rat

NOAEL : 0.0015 mg/kg

Application Route : Oral Exposure time : 7 d Target Organs : Liver

Remarks : Significant toxicity observed in testing

Species : Rat

LOAEL : 0.003 mg/kg

Application Route : Oral Exposure time : 90 d

Target Organs : Blood, Adrenal gland, thymus gland Remarks : Significant toxicity observed in testing

Species : Rat

LOAEL : 0.125 mg/kg

Application Route : Oral
Exposure time : 6 Weeks
Target Organs : Adrenal gland

Remarks : Significant toxicity observed in testing

Species : Rat
LOAEL : 0.4 mg/kg
Application Route : Oral
Exposure time : 3 Months

Target Organs : Immune system

Remarks : Significant toxicity observed in testing

Species : Dog
LOAEL : 8 mg/kg
Application Route : Oral
Exposure time : 3 Months
Target Organs : Immune system

Remarks : Significant toxicity observed in testing

#### **Aspiration toxicity**

Not classified based on available information.

### **Experience with human exposure**

#### Components:

Dexamethasone:

Ingestion : Target Organs: Immune system

Target Organs: Adrenal gland

Target Organs: Bone

Symptoms: muscle weakness

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#### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### **Ecotoxicity**

#### **Components:**

Benzyl alcohol:

Toxicity to fish : LC50 (Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow)): 460 mg/l

Exposure time: 96 h

Toxicity to daphnia and other :

aquatic invertebrates

EC50 (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 230 mg/l

Exposure time: 48 h

Method: OECD Test Guideline 202

Toxicity to algae/aquatic

plants

EC50 (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae)): 770

mg/l

Exposure time: 72 h

Method: OECD Test Guideline 201

NOEC (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae)): 310

ng/l

Exposure time: 72 h

Method: OECD Test Guideline 201

Toxicity to daphnia and other :

aquatic invertebrates (Chron-

ic toxicity)

NOEC: 51 mg/l Exposure time: 21 d

Species: Daphnia magna (Water flea)

Method: OECD Test Guideline 211

#### Dexamethasone:

Toxicity to daphnia and other :

aquatic invertebrates

EC50 (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): > 56 mg/l

Exposure time: 48 h

Method: OECD Test Guideline 202

Toxicity to algae/aquatic

plants

EC50 (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae)): > 9.2

mg/l

Exposure time: 72 h

Method: OECD Test Guideline 201

NOEC (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae)): 9.2

mg/l

Exposure time: 72 h

Method: OECD Test Guideline 201

Toxicity to microorganisms : EC50: > 1,000 mg/l

Exposure time: 3 h

Test Type: Respiration inhibition Method: OECD Test Guideline 209

NOEC: 1,000 mg/l Exposure time: 3 h

Test Type: Respiration inhibition Method: OECD Test Guideline 209

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Toxicity to fish (Chronic tox-

icity)

NOEC: 0.033 mg/l

Exposure time: 32 d

Species: Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow)

Method: OECD Test Guideline 210

M-Factor (Chronic aquatic

toxicity)

: 1

## Persistence and degradability

## **Components:**

Benzyl alcohol:

Biodegradability : Result: Readily biodegradable.

Biodegradation: 92 - 96 % Exposure time: 14 d

Dexamethasone:

Biodegradability : Result: Not readily biodegradable.

Biodegradation: 50 % Exposure time: 3.54 d

Method: OECD Test Guideline 314

## **Bioaccumulative potential**

### **Components:**

Benzyl alcohol:

Partition coefficient: n-

octanol/water

log Pow: 1.05

Dexamethasone:

Partition coefficient: n-

octanol/water

log Pow: 1.83

### Mobility in soil

No data available

#### Other adverse effects

No data available

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### **Disposal methods**

Waste from residues : Do not dispose of waste into sewer.

Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

Contaminated packaging : Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste han-

dling site for recycling or disposal.

If not otherwise specified: Dispose of as unused product.

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#### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### International Regulations

#### **UNRTDG**

Not regulated as a dangerous good

#### **IATA-DGR**

Not regulated as a dangerous good

#### **IMDG-Code**

Not regulated as a dangerous good

## Transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Not applicable for product as supplied.

### Special precautions for user

Not applicable

#### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

The components of this product are reported in the following inventories:

AICS : not determined

DSL : not determined

IECSC : not determined

## **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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**Further information** 

Sources of key data used to

compile the Safety Data

Sheet

Internal technical data, data from raw material SDSs, OECD eChem Portal search results and European Chemicals Agen-

cy, http://echa.europa.eu/

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## Full text of other abbreviations

AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ANTT - National Agency for Transport by Land of Brazil; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; ERG - Emergency Response Guide; GHS - Globally Harmonized System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA

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