

Interferon Alfa-2b Solid Formulation

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Section 1: Identification

Interferon Alfa-2b Solid Formulation Product name

Manufacturer or supplier's details

Company : MSD

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Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Recommended use Pharmaceutical Restrictions on use Not applicable

Section 2: Hazard identification

GHS Classification

Reproductive toxicity : Category 1

repeated exposure

Specific target organ toxicity - : Category 2 (Blood, Bone marrow)

GHS label elements

Hazard pictograms

Signal word Danger

Hazard statements H360FD May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child.

H373 May cause damage to organs (Blood, Bone marrow)

through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Precautionary statements Prevention:

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.

P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protec-

tion/ face protection.



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Response:

P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/

attention.

Storage:

P405 Store locked up.

Disposal:

P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste

disposal plant.

Other hazards which do not result in classification

Dust contact with the eyes can lead to mechanical irritation.

May form explosive dust-air mixture during processing, handling or other means.

Section 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Substance / Mixture Mixture

Components

Chemical name	CAS-No.	Concentration (% w/w)
Interferon alfa-2b	98530-12-2	>= 1 -< 10

Section 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 plenty of water.

Remove contaminated clothing and shoes.

Get medical attention. Wash clothing before reuse.

Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse.

In case of eye contact If in eyes, rinse well with water.

Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

If swallowed If swallowed, DO NOT induce vomiting.

Get medical attention.

Rinse mouth thoroughly with water.

Most important symptoms

and effects, both acute and

delayed

Protection of first-aiders

May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child.

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated

exposure.

Dust contact with the eyes can lead to mechanical irritation.

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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Section 5: Fire-fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray

Alcohol-resistant foam Carbon dioxide (CO2) Dry chemical

Unsuitable extinguishing

media

Specific hazards during fire-

fighting

Avoid generating dust; fine dust dispersed in air in sufficient

concentrations, and in the presence of an ignition source is a

potential dust explosion hazard.

Exposure to combustion products may be a hazard to health.

Hazardous combustion prod- :

ucts

Carbon oxides

None known.

Nitrogen oxides (NOx)

Metal oxides

Phosphorus compounds Oxides of phosphorus Carbon dioxide (CO2)

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.

Section 6: Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emer-

gency 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. 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

Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable con-

tainer for disposal.

Avoid dispersal of dust in the air (i.e., clearing dust surfaces

with compressed air).

Dust deposits should not be allowed to accumulate on surfaces, as these may form an explosive mixture if they are released into the atmosphere in sufficient concentration. 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.



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Sections 13 and 15 of this SDS provide information regarding

certain local or national requirements.

Section 7: Handling and storage

Technical measures : Static electricity may accumulate and ignite suspended dust

causing an explosion.

Provide adequate precautions, such as electrical grounding

and bonding, or inert atmospheres.

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

ventilation.

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

Do not breathe dust.
Do not swallow.

Avoid contact with a

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.

Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Keep container closed when not in use. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.

Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

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

environment.

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.

The effective operation of a facility should include review of engineering controls, proper personal protective equipment, appropriate degowning and decontamination procedures, industrial hygiene monitoring, medical surveillance and the

use of administrative controls.

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

Section 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value type	Control parame-	Basis
		(Form of	ters / Permissible	
		exposure)	concentration	
Interferon alfa-2b	98530-12-2	TWA	0.2 μg/m3 (OEB	Internal
			5)	



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Wipe limit 2 μg/100 cm² Internal

Engineering measures : Use closed processing systems or containment technologies

to control at source (e.g., glove boxes/isolators) and to pre-

vent leakage of compounds into the workplace.

All engineering controls should be implemented by facility design and operated in accordance with GMP principles to

protect products, workers, and the environment.

No open handling permitted.

Totally enclosed processes and materials transport systems

are required.

Operations require the use of appropriate containment technology designed to prevent leakage of compounds into the

workplace.

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.

Filter type

: Particulates type

Hand protection

Material : Chemical-resistant gloves

Remarks : Consider double gloving.

Eye protection : Wear safety glasses with side shields or goggles.

If the work environment or activity involves dusty conditions,

mists or aerosols, wear the appropriate goggles.

Wear a faceshield or other full face protection if there is a potential for direct contact to the face with dusts, mists, or

aerosols.

Skin and body protection : Work uniform or laboratory coat.

Additional body garments should be used based upon the task being performed (e.g., sleevelets, apron, gauntlets, dis-

posable suits) to avoid exposed skin surfaces.

Use appropriate degowning techniques to remove potentially

contaminated clothing.

Section 9: Physical and chemical properties

Appearance : powder

Colour : White to light yellow

Odour : No data available

Odour Threshold : No data available

pH : No data available

Melting point/freezing point : No data available



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Initial boiling point and boiling :

range

No data available

Flash point : Not applicable

Evaporation rate : Not applicable

Flammability (solid, gas) : May form explosive dust-air mixture during processing, han-

dling or other means.

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 : Not applicable

Relative vapour density : Not applicable

Relative density : No data available

Density : No data available

Solubility(ies)

Water solubility : No data available

Partition coefficient: n-

octanol/water

Not applicable

Auto-ignition temperature : No data available

Decomposition temperature : No data available

Viscosity

Viscosity, kinematic : Not applicable

Explosive properties : Not explosive

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

Particle size : No data available

Section 10: Stability and reactivity

Reactivity : Not classified as a reactivity hazard. Chemical stability : Stable under normal conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reac-

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dling or other means.



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Can react with strong oxidizing agents.

Conditions to avoid : Heat, flames and sparks.

Avoid dust formation.

Incompatible materials

Hazardous decomposition

Oxidizing agents

products

No hazardous decomposition products are known.

Section 11: Toxicological information

Exposure routes : Inhalation

Skin contact Ingestion Eye contact

Acute toxicity

Not classified based on available information.

Skin corrosion/irritation

Not classified based on available information.

Components:

Interferon alfa-2b:

Species : Rat

Result : Skin irritation

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Not classified based on available information.

Components:

Interferon alfa-2b:

Species : Rabbit

Remarks : slight irritation

Respiratory or skin sensitisation

Skin sensitisation

Not classified based on available information.

Respiratory sensitisation

Not classified based on available information.

Chronic toxicity

Germ cell mutagenicity

Not classified based on available information.

Components:

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Genotoxicity in vitro : Test Type: Chromosome aberration test in vitro



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Result: negative

Test Type: Bacterial reverse mutation assay (AMES)

Result: negative

Genotoxicity in vivo : Test Type: Micronucleus test

Species: Mouse Result: negative

Remarks: Based on data from similar materials

Carcinogenicity

Not classified based on available information.

Reproductive toxicity

May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child.

Components:

Interferon alfa-2b:

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

Species: Monkey

Fertility: LOAEL: 3.8 µg/kg Result: menstrual irregularities

Remarks: Abortion

Effects on foetal develop-

ment

Test Type: Fertility/early embryonic development

Species: Monkey

Developmental Toxicity: LOAEL: 3.8 µg/kg body weight

Result: Embryolethal effects

Reproductive toxicity - As-

sessment

May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child.

STOT - single exposure

Not classified based on available information.

STOT - repeated exposure

May cause damage to organs (Blood, Bone marrow) through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Components:

Interferon alfa-2b:

Target Organs : Blood, Bone marrow

Assessment : May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated

exposure.

Repeated dose toxicity

Components:

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Species : Monkey NOAEL : 0.095 mg/kg



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Application Route : Intramuscular Exposure time : 1 Months

Remarks : No significant adverse effects were reported

Species : Rat

NOAEL : 0.38 mg/kg
Application Route : Subcutaneous
Exposure time : 3 Months

Remarks : No significant adverse effects were reported

Species : Mouse
NOAEL : 0.076 mg/kg
Application Route : Intraperitoneal

Exposure time : 9 d

Remarks : No significant adverse effects were reported

Species : Monkey
LOAEL : 0.38 mg/kg
Application Route : Intramuscular
Exposure time : 3 Months

Target Organs : Blood, Bone marrow

Remarks : Significant toxicity observed in testing

Aspiration toxicity

Not classified based on available information.

Experience with human exposure

Components:

Interferon alfa-2b:

Skin contact : Symptoms: The most common side effects are:, flu-like symp-

toms, Fever, chills, Fatigue

Section 12: Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

No data available

Persistence and degradability

No data available

Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

Mobility in soil

No data available

Other adverse effects

No data available



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Section 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.

Section 14: Transport information

International Regulations

UNRTDG

UN number : Not applicable
Proper shipping name : Not applicable
Class : Not applicable
Subsidiary risk : Not applicable
Packing group : Not applicable
Labels : Not applicable

IATA-DGR

UN/ID No. : Not applicable
Proper shipping name : Not applicable
Class : Not applicable
Subsidiary risk : Not applicable
Packing group : Not applicable
Labels : Not applicable
Packing instruction (cargo : Not applicable

aircraft)

Packing instruction (passen-

ger aircraft)

Not applicable

IMDG-Code

UN number Not applicable Proper shipping name Not applicable Class Not applicable Not applicable Subsidiary risk Packing group Not applicable Labels Not applicable **EmS Code** Not applicable Not applicable Marine pollutant

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable for product as supplied.

National Regulations

NZS 5433

UN number : Not applicable
Proper shipping name : Not applicable
Class : Not applicable
Subsidiary risk : Not applicable



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Packing group : Not applicable Labels : Not applicable Hazchem Code : Not applicable

Special precautions for user

Not applicable

Section 15: Regulatory information

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

HSNO Approval Number

HSR100425 Pharmaceutical Active Ingredients Group Standard

HSW Controls

Certified handler certificate not required.

Tracking hazardous substance not required.

Refer to the Health and Safety at Work (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2017, for further information.

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

AICS : not determined

DSL : not determined

IECSC : not determined

Section 16: Other information

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Further information

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Sources of key data used to compile the Safety Data

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

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

Date format : dd.mm.yyyy

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 - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and



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Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China: IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods: IMO - International Maritime Organization; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardization; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; Nch - Chilean Norm; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NOM - Official Mexican Norm; NTP - National Toxicology Program; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TDG - Transportation of Dangerous Goods; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative; WHMIS - Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System

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