

**Q-Swab™ (Letheen Broth)**

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**SECTION 1: Identification****1.1 Product identifier**

Trade name **Q-Swab™ (Letheen Broth)**  
Product code(s) ASY0095, QS1200

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

Relevant identified uses Laboratory and analytical use

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

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**1.4 Emergency telephone number**

Emergency information service 1-888-494-4362  
This number is only available during the following  
office hours: Mon-Fri 08:00 AM - 05:00 PM

**SECTION 2: Hazard(s) identification****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture**

Classification acc. to OSHA "Hazard Communication Standard" (29 CFR 1910.1200)  
This mixture does not meet the criteria for classification.

**2.2 Label elements**

Labelling acc. to OSHA "Hazard Communication Standard" (29 CFR 1910.1200)  
not required

**2.3 Other hazards**

of no significance

**SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients****3.1 Substances**

Not relevant (mixture)





**3.2 Mixtures**

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### Description of the mixture

Name of substance	Identifier	Wt%	Classification acc. to GHS	Pictograms
Autoclaved RO Water	CAS No 7732-18-5	≥ 90		
Pyrogen Free Water	CAS No 7732-18-5	1 - < 3		
Sodium phosphate dibasic	CAS No 7558-79-4	0.1 - < 1	Acute Tox. 3 / H331	
Potassium phosphate mono-basic	CAS No 7778-77-0	< 0.1	Acute Tox. 3 / H331	
TWEEN® 80	CAS No 9005-65-6	< 0.1		
Proteose Peptone No3	CAS No 100209-45-8	< 0.1		
Casein Peptone	CAS No 91079-40-2	< 0.1		
Potassium Iodide	CAS No 7681-11-0	< 0.1		
Yeast Extract	CAS No 8013-01-2	< 0.1		
sodium hydrogensulfite	CAS No 7631-90-5	< 0.1	Acute Tox. 4 / H302	
Sodium Hydroxide	CAS No 1310-73-2	< 0.1	Skin Corr. 1A / H314 Eye Dam. 1 / H318	
RO Water	CAS No 7732-18-5	< 0.1		
Chlorhidric Acid (HCl)	CAS No 7647-01-0	< 0.1	Acute Tox. 3 / H331 Skin Corr. 1A / H314 Press. Gas C / H280	
Starch, Soluble	CAS No 9005-84-9	< 0.1		

For full text of abbreviations: see SECTION 16.

## SECTION 4: First-aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first-aid measures

#### General notes

Do not leave affected person unattended. Remove victim out of the danger area. Keep affected person warm, still and covered. Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical advice. In case of unconsciousness place person in the recovery position. Never give anything by mouth.

#### Following inhalation

If breathing is irregular or stopped, immediately seek medical assistance and start first aid actions. Provide fresh air.

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Following skin contact

Wash with plenty of soap and water.

Following eye contact

Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Irrigate copiously with clean, fresh water for at least 10 minutes, holding the eyelids apart.

Following ingestion

Rinse mouth with water (only if the person is conscious). Do NOT induce vomiting.

### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms and effects are not known to date.

### 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

none

## SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Water spray, BC-powder, Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

Unsuitable extinguishing media

Water jet

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Hazardous combustion products

Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

In case of fire and/or explosion do not breathe fumes. Coordinate firefighting measures to the fire surroundings. Do not allow firefighting water to enter drains or water courses. Collect contaminated firefighting water separately. Fight fire with normal precautions from a reasonable distance.

## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

For non-emergency personnel

Remove persons to safety.

For emergency responders

Wear breathing apparatus if exposed to vapors/dust/aerosols/gases.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Keep away from drains, surface and ground water. Retain contaminated washing water and dispose of it.

### 6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Advice on how to contain a spill

Covering of drains

Advice on how to clean up a spill

Wipe up with absorbent material (e.g. cloth, fleece). Collect spillage: sawdust, kieselgur (diatomite), sand, universal binder

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Appropriate containment techniques

Use of adsorbent materials.

Other information relating to spills and releases

Place in appropriate containers for disposal. Ventilate affected area.

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

Hazardous combustion products: see section 5. Personal protective equipment: see section 8. Incompatible materials: see section 10. Disposal considerations: see section 13.

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Recommendations

- Measures to prevent fire as well as aerosol and dust generation

Use local and general ventilation. Use only in well-ventilated areas.

Advice on general occupational hygiene

Wash hands after use. Do not eat, drink and smoke in work areas. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. Never keep food or drink in the vicinity of chemicals. Never place chemicals in containers that are normally used for food or drink. Keep away from food, drink and animal feedingstuffs.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Control of the effects

Protect against external exposure, such as  
frost

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

See section 16 for a general overview.

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1 Control parameters

Occupational exposure limit values (Workplace Exposure Limits)											
Country	Name of agent	CAS No	Identifier	TWA [ppm]	TWA [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	STEL [ppm]	STEL [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Ceiling-C [ppm]	Ceiling-C [mg/m <sup>3</sup> ]	Notation	Source
US	sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	REL						2		NIOSH REL
US	sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	TLV®						2		ACGIH® 2021
US	sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	PEL		2						29 CFR 1910.1000
US	sodium hydroxide (caustic soda)	1310-73-2	PEL (CA)						2		Cal/ OSHA PEL

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US	sodium bisulfite	7631-90-5	PEL (CA)		5						Ca/ OSHA PEL
US	sodium bisulfite	7631-90-5	REL		5 (10 h)						NIOSH REL
US	sodium bisulfite	7631-90-5	TLV®		5						ACGIH® 2021
US	hydrogen chloride	7647-01-0	REL					5	7		NIOSH REL
US	hydrogen chloride	7647-01-0	TLV®					2			ACGIH® 2021
US	hydrogen chloride	7647-01-0	PEL					5	7		29 CFR 1910.1000
US	hydrogen chloride (muriatic acid) (hydrochloric acid)	7647-01-0	PEL (CA)	0.3	0.45			2			Ca/ OSHA PEL

### Notation

Ceiling-C

STEL

TWA

ceiling value is a limit value above which exposure should not occur  
short-term exposure limit: a limit value above which exposure should not occur and which is related to a 15-minute period (unless otherwise specified)  
time-weighted average (long-term exposure limit): measured or calculated in relation to a reference period of 8 hours time-weighted average (unless otherwise specified)

Relevant DNELs of components of the mixture						
Name of substance	CAS No	Endpoint	Threshold level	Protection goal, route of exposure	Used in	Exposure time
Potassium phosphate monobasic	7778-77-0	DNEL	14.82 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	human, inhalatory	worker (industry)	chronic - systemic effects
Potassium Iodide	7681-11-0	DNEL	0.07 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	human, inhalatory	worker (industry)	chronic - systemic effects
Potassium Iodide	7681-11-0	DNEL	1 mg/kg bw/day	human, dermal	worker (industry)	chronic - systemic effects
Sodium Hydroxide	1310-73-2	DNEL	1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	human, inhalatory	worker (industry)	chronic - local effects
Clorhidric Acid (HCl)	7647-01-0	DNEL	8 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	human, inhalatory	worker (industry)	chronic - local effects
Clorhidric Acid (HCl)	7647-01-0	DNEL	15 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	human, inhalatory	worker (industry)	acute - local effects

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Relevant PNECs of components of the mixture						
Name of substance	CAS No	Endpoint	Threshold level	Organism	Environmental compartment	Exposure time
Potassium Iodide	7681-11-0	PNEC	0.007 mg/l	aquatic organisms	freshwater	short-term (single instance)
Potassium Iodide	7681-11-0	PNEC	0.007 mg/kg	aquatic organisms	freshwater sediment	short-term (single instance)

### 8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

General ventilation.

Individual protection measures (personal protective equipment)

Eye/face protection

Wear eye/face protection.

Skin protection

- Hand protection

Wear suitable gloves. Chemical protection gloves are suitable, which are tested according to EN 374. Check leak-tightness/impermeability prior to use. In the case of wanting to use the gloves again, clean them before taking off and air them well. For special purposes, it is recommended to check the resistance to chemicals of the protective gloves mentioned above together with the supplier of these gloves.

- Other protection measures

Take recovery periods for skin regeneration. Preventive skin protection (barrier creams/ointments) is recommended. Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

Respiratory protection

In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.

Environmental exposure controls

Use appropriate container to avoid environmental contamination. Keep away from drains, surface and ground water.

## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

#### Appearance

Physical state	liquid
Color	not determined
Particle	not relevant (liquid)
Odor	characteristic

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pH (value)	not determined
Melting point/freezing point	not determined
Initial boiling point and boiling range	not determined
Flash point	not determined
Evaporation rate	Not determined
Flammability (solid, gas)	not relevant, (fluid)
Vapor pressure	not determined
Density	not determined
Vapor density	this information is not available
Relative density	Information on this property is not available
Solubility(ies)	not determined

### Partition coefficient

- n-octanol/water (log KOW)	this information is not available
Auto-ignition temperature	not determined
Viscosity	not determined
Explosive properties	none
Oxidizing properties	none

### 9.2 Other information

Solvent content	99.85 %
Solid content	0.1506 %

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### SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

#### 10.1 Reactivity

Concerning incompatibility: see below "Conditions to avoid" and "Incompatible materials".

#### 10.2 Chemical stability

The material is stable under normal ambient and anticipated storage and handling conditions of temperature and pressure.

#### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No known hazardous reactions.

#### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

There are no specific conditions known which have to be avoided.

#### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Oxidizers

#### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Reasonably anticipated hazardous decomposition products produced as a result of use, storage, spill and heating are not known. Hazardous combustion products: see section 5.

### SECTION 11: Toxicological information

#### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Test data are not available for the complete mixture.

##### Classification procedure

The method for classification of the mixture is based on ingredients of the mixture (additivity formula).

##### Classification acc. to OSHA "Hazard Communication Standard" (29 CFR 1910.1200)

This mixture does not meet the criteria for classification.

##### Acute toxicity

Shall not be classified as acutely toxic.

##### Acute toxicity estimate (ATE) of components of the mixture

Name of substance	CAS No	Exposure route	ATE
Sodium phosphate dibasic	7558-79-4	inhalation: dust/mist	>0.83 mg <sub>I</sub> /4h
Potassium phosphate monobasic	7778-77-0	inhalation: dust/mist	>0.83 mg <sub>I</sub> /4h
sodium hydrogensulfite	7631-90-5	oral	500 mg/kg
Chlorhidric Acid (HCl)	7647-01-0	inhalation: gas	700 ppmV <sub>I</sub> /4h

##### Skin corrosion/irritation

Shall not be classified as corrosive/irritant to skin.

##### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Shall not be classified as seriously damaging to the eye or eye irritant.



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### Respiratory or skin sensitization

Shall not be classified as a respiratory or skin sensitizer.

### Germ cell mutagenicity

Shall not be classified as germ cell mutagenic.

### Carcinogenicity

Shall not be classified as carcinogenic.

#### IARC Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans

Name of substance	CAS No	Classification	Number
sodium hydrogensulfite		3	
Chlorhidric Acid (HCl)	7647-01-0	3	

#### Legend

3 Not classifiable as to carcinogenicity in humans

### Reproductive toxicity

Shall not be classified as a reproductive toxicant.

### Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (single exposure).

### Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (repeated exposure).

### Aspiration hazard

Shall not be classified as presenting an aspiration hazard.

## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### 12.1 Toxicity

Shall not be classified as hazardous to the aquatic environment.

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Data are not available.

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Data are not available.

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

Data are not available.

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Data are not available.

### 12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties

None of the ingredients are listed.

### 12.7 Other adverse effects

Data are not available.

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### SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

#### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

Sewage disposal-relevant information

Do not empty into drains. Avoid release to the environment. Refer to special instructions/safety data sheets.

Waste treatment of containers/packages

Completely emptied packages can be recycled. Handle contaminated packages in the same way as the substance itself.

#### Remarks

Please consider the relevant national or regional provisions. Waste shall be separated into the categories that can be handled separately by the local or national waste management facilities.

### SECTION 14: Transport information

- |      |   |   |
|------|---|---|
| 14.1 | <b>UN number</b>  | not subject to transport regulations                                  |
| 14.2 | <b>UN proper shipping name</b>  | not relevant  |
| 14.3 | <b>Transport hazard class(es)</b>   | not assigned  |
| 14.4 | <b>Packing group</b>  | not assigned  |
| 14.5 | <b>Environmental hazards</b>  | non-environmentally hazardous acc. to the dangerous goods regulations |
| 14.6 | <b>Special precautions for user</b>                                       |   |
|      |   | There is no additional information.                                   |
| 14.7 | <b>Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC Code</b> |   |
|      |   | The cargo is not intended to be carried in bulk.                      |

#### Information for each of the UN Model Regulations

##### **Transport of dangerous goods by road or rail (49 CFR US DOT) - Additional information**

Not subject to transport regulations.

##### **International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG) - Additional information**

Not subject to IMDG.

##### **International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO-IATA/DGR) - Additional information**

Not subject to ICAO-IATA.

### SECTION 15: Regulatory information

- #### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations specific for the product in question
- ##### National regulations (United States)

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### Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act (SARA TITLE III )

- The List of Extremely Hazardous Substances and Their Threshold Planning Quantities (EPCRA Section 302, 304)

The List of Extremely Hazardous Substances and Their Threshold Planning Quantities				
Name of substance	CAS No	Notes	Reportable quantity (pounds)	Threshold planning quantity (pounds)
Clorhidric Acid (HCl)	7647-01-0	f	5,000	500

**Legend**

f Chemical on the original list that does not meet toxicity criteria but because of its acute lethality, high production volume and known risk is considered chemical of concern ("Other chemicals"). (November 17, 1986, and February 15, 1990.)

- Specific Toxic Chemical Listings (EPCRA Section 313)

Toxics Release Inventory: Specific Toxic Chemical Listings			
Name of substance	CAS No	Remarks	Effective date
Clorhidric Acid (HCl)	7647-01-0	acid aerosols including mists, vapors, gas, fog, and other airborne forms of any particle size	1986-12-31

### Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA)

- List of Hazardous Substances and Reportable Quantities (CERCLA section 102a) (40 CFR 302.4)

Name of substance	CAS No	Remarks	Statutory code	Final RQ pounds (Kg)
Sodium Hydroxide	1310-73-2		1	1000 (454)
sodium hydrogensulfite	7631-90-5		1	5000 (2270)
Clorhidric Acid (HCl)	7647-01-0		1 3	5000 (2270)
Sodium phosphate dibasic	7558-79-4		1	5000 (2270)

**Legend**

1 "1" indicates that the statutory source is section 311(b)(2) of the Clean Water Act  
 3 "3" indicates that the source is section 112 of the Clean Air Act

### Clean Air Act

Name of substance	CAS No	Type of registration	Basis for listing	Threshold quantity (lbs)
Clorhidric Acid (HCl)	7647-01-0	Toxic substance	a	5000
Clorhidric Acid (HCl)	7647-01-0	Toxic substance	d	15000

**Legend**

a Mandated for listing by Congress.  
 d Toxicity of hydrogen chloride, potential to release hydrogen chloride, and history of accidents.

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### Right to Know Hazardous Substance List

#### - Hazardous Substance List (NJ-RTK)

Name of substance	CAS No	Remarks	Classifications
Sodium Hydroxide	1310-73-2		CO R1
sodium hydrogensulfite	7631-90-5		CO
Chlorhidric Acid (HCl)	7647-01-0		CO R1
Sodium phosphate dibasic	7558-79-4		

#### Legend

CO Corrosive  
R1 Reactive - First Degree

### California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA): Proposition 65 - Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1987

none of the ingredients are listed

### Industry or sector specific available guidance(s)

#### NPCA-HMIS® III

Hazardous Materials Identification System. American Coatings Association.

Category	Rating	Description
Chronic	/	none
Health	0	no significant risk to health
Flammability	1	material that must be preheated before ignition can occur
Physical hazard	0	material that is normally stable, even under fire conditions, and will not react with water, polymerize, decompose, condense, or self-react. Non-explosive
Personal protection	-	

#### NFPA® 704

National Fire Protection Association: Standard System for the Identification of the Hazards of Materials for Emergency Response (United States).

Category	Degree of hazard	Description
Flammability	1	material that must be preheated before ignition can occur
Health	0	material that, under emergency conditions, would offer no hazard beyond that of ordinary combustible material
Instability	0	material that is normally stable, even under fire conditions
Special hazard		

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Country	Inventory	Status
AU	AICS	not all ingredients are listed
CA	DSL	not all ingredients are listed
CN	IECSC	all ingredients are listed
EU	ECSI	all ingredients are listed
EU	REACH Reg.	not all ingredients are listed
JP	CSCL-ENCS	not all ingredients are listed
JP	ISHA-ENCS	not all ingredients are listed
KR	KECI	not all ingredients are listed
MX	INSQ	not all ingredients are listed
NZ	NZIoC	all ingredients are listed
PH	PICCS	all ingredients are listed
TR	CICR	not all ingredients are listed
TW	TCSI	all ingredients are listed
US	TSCA	not all ingredients are listed

#### Legend

AICS	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances
CICR	Chemical Inventory and Control Regulation
CSCL-ENCS	List of Existing and New Chemical Substances (CSCL-ENCS)
DSL	Domestic Substances List (DSL)
ECSI	EC Substance Inventory (EINECS, ELINCS, NLP)
IECSC	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China
INSQ	National Inventory of Chemical Substances
ISHA-ENCS	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ISHA-ENCS)
KECI	Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory
NZIoC	New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
PICCS	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)
REACH Reg.	REACH registered substances
TCSI	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory
TSCA	Toxic Substance Control Act

### 15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

Chemical safety assessments for substances in this mixture were not carried out.

## SECTION 16: Other information, including date of preparation or last revision

### Abbreviations and acronyms

Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
29 CFR 1910.1000	29 CFR 1910.1000, Tables Z-1, Z-2, Z-3 - Occupational Safety and Health Standards: Toxic and Hazardous Substances (permissible exposure limits)
49 CFR US DOT	49 CFR U.S. Department of Transportation

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Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
ACGIH® 2021	From ACGIH®, 2021 TLVs® and BEIs® Book. Copyright 2021. Reprinted with permission. Information on the proper use of the TLVs® and BEIs®: <a href="http://www.acgih.org/tlv-bei-guidelines/policies-procedures-presentations/tlv-bei-position-statement">http://www.acgih.org/tlv-bei-guidelines/policies-procedures-presentations/tlv-bei-position-statement</a>
Acute Tox.	Acute toxicity
ATE	Acute Toxicity Estimate
Cal/OSHA PEL	California Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/OSHA): Permissible Exposure Limits (PELs)
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service (service that maintains the most comprehensive list of chemical substances)
Ceiling-C	Ceiling value
DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (see IATA/DGR)
DNEL	Derived No-Effect Level
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances
ELINCS	European List of Notified Chemical Substances
Eye Dam.	Seriously damaging to the eye
Eye Irrit.	Irritant to the eye
GHS	"Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals" developed by the United Nations
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IATA/DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA)
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
MARPOL	International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (abbr. of "Marine Pollutant")
NIOSH REL	National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH): Recommended Exposure Limits (RELs)
NLP	No-Longer Polymer
NPCA-HMIS® III	National Paint and Coatings Association: Hazardous Materials Identification System - HMIS® III, Third Edition
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration (United States)
PBT	Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
PEL	Permissible exposure limit
PNEC	Predicted No-Effect Concentration
ppm	Parts per million
Press. Gas	Gas under pressure
RTECS	Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (database of NIOSH with toxicological information)
Skin Corr.	Corrosive to skin
Skin Irrit.	Irritant to skin

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Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
STEL	Short-term exposure limit
TLV®	Threshold Limit Values
TWA	Time-weighted average
vPvB	Very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

### Key literature references and sources for data

OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (HCS), 29 CFR 1910.1200.

Transport of dangerous goods by road or rail (49 CFR US DOT). International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG). Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA).

### Classification procedure

Physical and chemical properties: The classification is based on tested mixture.

Health hazards, Environmental hazards: The method for classification of the mixture is based on ingredients of the mixture (additivity formula).

### List of relevant phrases (code and full text as stated in section 2 and 3)

Code	Text
H280	Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H331	Toxic if inhaled.

### Disclaimer

This information is based upon the present state of our knowledge. This SDS has been compiled and is solely intended for this product.