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Section I - Product Identification

Product: This product is a solution of crystal violet and ammonium oxalate in Reagent alcohol and water.

Intended Uses: This product is a stain used in bacteriology to distinguish between gram positive and gram negative bacteria.

Uses advised against: Not for drug use.

Country of origin: United States.

Manufacturer Identification

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Section II - Hazard Identification

This item is considered hazardous by 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Flammable liquid: Category 3 (H226). Flammable liquid and vapor.

Eye damage/eye irritation: Category 2A (H319). Causes serious eye irritation.

Acute toxicity (Oral): Category 4 (H302). Harmful if swallowed.

Acute toxicity (Inhalation): Category 4 (H332). Harmful if inhaled.

Acute toxicity (Dermal): Category 2 (H315). Harmful in contact with skin

Carcinogenicity: Category 2 (H351). Suspected of causing cancer.

Signal word: Warning

Hazard statements: Flammable liquid and vapor. Keep away from heat, sparks, open flames and hot surfaces. Keep container tightly closed. Use only non-sparking tools. Take precautions against static discharge. Wear protective clothes and eye protection. In case of skin contact immediately remove all contaminated clothing. Rinse with water or shower. In case of fire, use fire extinguishers approved for alcohol fires.

Precautionary statements

- P233 Keep container tightly closed.
- P240 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.
- P241 Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment.
- P242 Use only non-sparking tools.
- P243 Take precautions against static discharge.
- P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
- P264 Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
- P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
- P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
- P280 Wear protective clothes and eye protection.
- P405+P235 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.

Safety Ratings

Health: Hazardous **Flammability:** Flammable **Reactivity:** Stable **Contact:** Slight

Recommended safety equipment: safety goggles, lab coat and proper gloves

Storage: Keep cool, away from sources of ignition in a well ventilated area.

NFPA Ratings

Health = 2. Can cause temporary incapacitation or residual injury.

Flammability = 3. Can be ignited under almost all ambient temperatures.

Reactivity = 0. Stable.

Potential Health Effects

The toxicology of this compound has not been completely examined. It is presumed that the toxicity of this item is similar to other aliphatic alcohols. Inhalation or contact with ethanol may irritate or burn skin and eyes. crystal violet is a suspected carcinogen. Fire may produce irritating, corrosive and/or toxic gases. Vapors may cause dizziness or suffocation. Exposure to methanol vapor causes eye irritation, headache, fatigue and drowsiness. High concentrations can produce central nervous system depression and optic nerve damage. Can be absorbed through skin. Swallowing methanol may cause death or eye damage.

Inhalation: Alcohols are absorbed through the mucous membranes and will produce irritation as well as the same effects as ingestion.

Ingestion: Ingestion will produce CNS disturbance, dizziness, photophobia, headache, stupor, coma and death.

Skin contact: Alcohols are absorbed through the skin. Repeated contact causes defatting of the skin with resultant irritation and flaking.

Eye contact: May be irritating.

Chronic Exposure: Unknown.

Aggravation of preexisting conditions: Impaired kidney and liver function may be aggravated by exposure to alcohols. Preexisting eye, skin, and respiratory conditions may also be aggravated. Methanol has shown genetic toxicity in some animals.

Section III - Composition/Information on Components

Ingredients	CAS #	EC/List #	%
Ethanol	64-17-5	200-578-6	27% v/v
Isopropanol	67-63-0	200-661-7	1.5% v/v
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	200-659-6	1.5% v/v
Crystal Violet	548-62-9	208-953-6	4% w/v
Ammonium Oxalate	1113-38-8	214-202-3	0.8% w/v

Section IV - First Aid Measures

General Advice: Contact a doctor if symptoms persist

Inhalation: Remove from source of exposure and get medical attention for any breathing difficulty.

Ingestion: Do not induce vomiting. Aspiration of alcohol into the lungs may produce death. Get immediate medical attention even if symptoms improve.

Skin Contact: In case of skin contact, remove contaminated clothing and flush with water. Wash affected area with soap and water. Get medical advice if irritation develops.

Eye Contact: In case of eye contact, flush with water for at least 15 minutes and get medical attention.

Section V - Fire Fighting Measures

Fire Extinguishing Media: Alcohol foam, carbon dioxide or dry chemical. Water is ineffective against alcohol fires but may be used to cool adjacent containers.

Specific Hazards: Risk of vapor traveling to source of ignition and flashing back. Risk of exploding containers when heated. Vapor in air may form explosion risk.

Special information: Pyrolysis will release toxic carbon monoxide, formaldehyde and methanol.

Special protective gear and precautions: Self contained breathing apparatus and protective gear recommended.

Section VI - Accidental Release Measures

Use personal protective gear, remove all sources of ignition, absorb with a suitable absorbent and dispose. Take precautions against static ignition. Should not be released into the environment.

Section VII - Handling and Storage

P403+P233+P102; Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Store away from open flames or other sources of ignition. Keep out of reach of children.

Section VIII - Exposure Control/Personal Protection

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH	NIOSH IDLH
Ethanol	1000 ppm	1000 ppm	TWA:1000 ppm	3300 ppm
Isopropanol	400 ppm	400 ppm	TWA: 400 ppm	2000 ppm
Methyl alcohol	200 ppm (skin)	200 ppm (skin)	TWA: 200 ppm (skin)	6000 ppm
Crystal Violet	No Data	No Data	No Data	No Data
Ammonium Oxalate	No Data	No Data	No Data	No Data

Legend

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists.

OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health.

IDLH: Immediately dangerous to life or health.

Ventilation System: Local exhaust such as explosion proof chemical fume hoods are recommended. When required, Refer to the ACGIH document, "Industrial Ventilation, a Manual of Recommended Practices" for details about ventilation.

Personal Respirator: Usually not required. In case of emergency, or when exposure levels are unknown, use a positive pressure, full face piece, air supplied respirator.

Skin protection: Protective gloves are recommended as part of good laboratory practice.

Eye Protection: Laboratory safety goggles or similar products are not required but recommended as part of good laboratory practice.

Section IX - Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance and Odor: A clear purple liquid with a sweet odor.

Flash point: 29 °C (84 °F) TCC

Flammable Limits (for ethanol):

LEL 3% UEL 19%

Flammable Limits (for methanol):

LEL 6% UEL 36.5%

Flammable Limits (for isopropanol):

LEL 2% UEL 12%

Auto ignition temperature: No data

Boiling point range: No data

Decomposition temperature: No data

Melting point: No data

pH: Not applicable

Vapor pressure (mm Hg): unknown

Viscosity: No data

Boiling Point: 184 °F (85 °C)

Density: 1.01 g/ml @ 22.5 °C

Evaporation Rate (Water = 1): 1

Partition coefficient (n-Octanol/Water): No data

Solubility: Infinitely miscible with water

Vapor density (air = 1): 0.6

*Volatile organic carbon (VOC):*236 g/l

Section X - Stability and Reactivity

Stability: Stable under normal conditions.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Nothing unusual.

Hazardous polymerization: Will not occur.

Incompatibilities: Nothing unusual.

Conditions to avoid: heat, flame and sources of ignition.

Section XI - Toxicological Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Ethanol	1047 mg/kg (Rat)	20 ml/kg (Rat)	5,900 mg/m ³ /6 h (Rat)
Isopropanol	>4700 mg/kg (Rat)	13,000 mg/kg (Rabbit)	19,000 ppm/8h (Rat)
Methyl alcohol	5628 mg/kg (Rat)	15,800 mg/kg (Rabbit)	64,000 ppm/4h (Rat)
Crystal Violet	420 mg/kg (Rat)	No Data	No Data
Ammonium Oxalate	375 mg/kg (Rat)	No Data	No Data

Cancer lists

<u>Ingredient</u>	<u>Known Carcinogenicity?</u>	<u>NTP?</u>	<u>Anticipated?</u>	<u>IARC Category</u>
Ethanol	No	No	No	None
Methanol	No	No	No	3
Isopropanol	No	No	No	3
Crystal Violet	No	No	No	None
Ammonium Oxalate	No	No	No	None

Section XII - Ecological Information

Aliphatic alcohols evaporate quickly and are not expected to bioaccumulate. The material is removed from the air by dry and liquid adsorption. The half-life for ethanol in the atmosphere is one to ten days.

Environmental Fate: Biodegradable

Soil Mobility: Unknown

Environmental Toxicity: Low environmental toxicity.

Ethyl alcohol

Toxicity to freshwater fish (fathead minnow): LC50 = 14200 mg/l, 96 h

Toxicity to invertebrates (water flea): EC50 = 9268 mg/l, 48 h

Toxicity to freshwater algae (*Chlorella vulgaris*): EC50 = 275 mg/l, 72 h

Methanol

Toxicity to freshwater fish (blue gill): LC50 = 15,400 mg/l, 96 h

Toxicity to invertebrates (water flea): EC50 = 18,260 mg/l, 96 h

Toxicity to freshwater algae (*Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata*): EC50 = 22,000 mg/l, 72 h

Isopropanol

Toxicity to freshwater fish (blue gill): LC50 = 9640 mg/l, 96 h

Toxicity to invertebrates (water flea): EC50 = 1000 mg/l, 48 h

Toxicity to freshwater algae (*Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata*): EC50 = >1000 mg/l, 72 h

Crystal violet

Toxicity to freshwater fish (fathead minnow): LC50 = 0.13 mg/l, 96 h

Toxicity to invertebrates (water flea): EC50 = < 0.5 mg/l, 48 h

Toxicity to freshwater algae (green algae): EC50 = < 0.8 mg/l, 72 h

Ammonium oxalate

Toxicity to freshwater fish: No data.

Toxicity to invertebrates (water flea): > 33 mg/l, 48 h.

Toxicity to freshwater algae (green algae): EC50 = > 78 mg/l, 72 h

Section XIII - Disposal Considerations

Disposal at a licensed chemical disposal facility is the preferred disposal method. Usually not restricted but local governments can restrict the amounts of alcohol and other flammable liquids that may be flushed down the drain. The usual rule is that the effluent exiting the building must not be flammable. Dispose of contents and container in accord with all applicable regulations.

Section XIV - Transportation Information

Bottles smaller than 32 Fl. Oz. are eligible to be shipped under limited quantity exemptions [49 CFR section 173.150(b)(2), 173.150(C) and IATA Y341].

DOT

Proper shipping name: Ethanol solution UN1170 Hazard Class: 3

Packaging Group: II DOT Hazard Label: Flammable liquid

IATA

Proper shipping name: Ethanol solution UN1170 Hazard Class: 3

Packaging Group: II DOT Hazard Label: Flammable liquid

IMDG

Proper shipping name: Ethanol solution UN1170 Hazard Class: 3

Packaging Group: II DOT Hazard Label: Flammable liquid EMS-No: F-E, S-D

Section XV - Regulatory Information

Chemical Inventory Status

<i>Ingredient</i>	<i>TSCA</i>	<i>EC</i>
Ethanol	Yes	Yes
Methanol	Yes	Yes
Isopropanol	Yes	Yes
Crystal Violet	Yes	Yes
Ammonium Oxalate	Yes	Yes

Federal and State Regulations

<i>Ingredient</i>	<i>SARA 302</i>		<i>SARA 313</i>		<i>RCRA</i>	<i>TSCA</i>	<i>Ca. Prop 65</i>
	<i>RQ</i>	<i>TPQ</i>	<i>List</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>261.33</i>	<i>8(D)</i>	
Ethanol	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Isopropanol	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No
Methanol	No	No	Yes	No	U154	No	Yes
Crystal Violet	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Ammonium Oxalate	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

Chemical Weapons Convention: No TSCA 12(b): No CDTA: Yes

SARA 311/312

Acute: Yes
Chronic: No
Fire: Yes
Pressure: No
Reactivity: No

 This product contains methanol which is known to the state of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information go to www.P65warnings.ca.gov.

Section XVI - Other Information

This information is believed to be correct at the time of publication but is not guaranteed as such, nor does it purport to be all inclusive. Medical Chemical Corp. assumes no liability for the accuracy or completeness of the information. The user assumes all responsibility for compliance with federal, state and local laws.

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