



## Safety Data Sheet

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### 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

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Product	Methylene Blue			Code	33308
CAS#	HSNO#	UN #	DG Class/es	Packing group #	
61-73-4	HSR003661	-	-	-	

Recommended use : Laboratory Investigations

### 2: Hazards identification

#### Environmental Protection Authority (New Zealand)

Classification 6.4A Irritating to the eye  
Classification 9.1C (All) Harmful in the aquatic environment  
Classification 9.1C (F) Harmful in the aquatic environment

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category D)  
Skin irritation (Category A)  
Eye irritation (Category A)

#### GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

##### Hazard Pictogram



Signal Word : **Warning**

##### Hazard statement(s)

H302 Harmful if swallowed.  
H315 Causes skin irritation.  
H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

##### Precautionary statement(s)

###### Prevention

P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.  
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
P280 Wear protective gloves.

##### Response

P301 + P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell.  
P302 + P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.  
P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P321 Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).  
P330 Rinse mouth.  
P332 + P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.  
P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.  
P362 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

### Disposal

P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

### 2.3 Other hazards - none

## 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Substance / Mixture : Substance

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms : Tetramethylthionine chloride  
3,7-bis(Dimethylamino)phenazathionium chloride  
Basic Blue 9  
Formula : C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>3</sub>S.xH<sub>2</sub>O  
Molecular weight : 319.85 g/mol  
CAS-No. : 122965-43-9  
EC-No. : 200-515-2

### Hazardous ingredients

Component	Classification	Concentration
Methylthioninium chloride	6.1 D; 6.3 A; 6.4 A; H302, H315, H319	<= 100 %

## 4: First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first-aid measures

#### General advice

#### If inhaled

After inhalation: fresh air.

In case of skin contact

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.

In case of eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Remove contact lenses.

If swallowed

After swallowing immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). Consult a physician.

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

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

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

No data available

## 5: Firefighting measures

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Water Foam Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) Dry powder

### **Unsuitable extinguishing media**

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

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

Carbon oxides

Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)

Sulfur oxides

Hydrogen chloride gas

Combustible.

Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.

### **5.3 Advice for firefighters**

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

### **5.4 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.

## **6: Accidental release measures**

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

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Avoid inhalation of dusts. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.

For personal protection see section 8.

### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Do not let product enter drains.

### **6.3 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.

### **6.4 Reference to other sections**

For disposal see section 13.

## **7: Handling and storage**

### **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

For precautions see section 2.2.

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

#### **Storage conditions**

Tightly closed. Dry.

### **7.3 Specific end use(s)**

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

## **8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

### **8.1 Control parameters**

Ingredients with workplace control parameters

We are not aware of any national exposure limit.

### **8.2 Exposure controls**

#### **Appropriate engineering controls**

Change contaminated clothing. Preventive skin protection recommended. Wash hands

after working with substance.

### **Personal protective equipment**

#### **Eye/face protection**

Face shield and safety glasses. Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards.

#### **Skin protection**

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

#### **Body Protection**

Complete suit protecting against chemicals. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

#### **Respiratory protection**

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type or respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards.

## **9: Physical and chemical properties**

### **9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

<b>Appearance</b>	A dark greenish, almost odourless, hygroscopic crystalline powder with a metallic lustre.
<b>Melting Point</b>	190°C
<b>Boiling Point</b>	Not applicable
<b>Solubility in Water</b>	Soluble (1g/25mL).
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	1.23
<b>pH Value</b>	3-5 (1% aqueous solution)
<b>Vapour Pressure</b>	Not applicable
<b>Vapour Density (Air=1)</b>	Not applicable
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not flammable
<b>Flammability</b>	Not flammable. Decomposes on heating emitting toxic fumes.
<b>Auto-Ignition Temperature</b>	Not available
<b>Flammable Limits - Lower</b>	Not applicable

## **10: Stability and reactivity**

### **10.1 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.

### **10.2 Chemical stability**

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

### **10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions**

No data available

### **10.4 Conditions to avoid**

no information available

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

In the event of fire: see section 5

## 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

<b>Toxicology Information</b>	Acute toxicity: LD50 (Oral, Rat): 1180 mg/kg
<b>Inhalation</b>	May cause irritation to the respiratory tract. Overexposure to high concentrations of dust may have symptoms similar to those of ingestion.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Harmful if swallowed. Ingestion may cause irritation to the gastrointestinal system with nausea, abdominal pain, headache, mental confusion, profuse sweating and methemoglobinemia (deficient oxygenation of blood). Other symptoms of methemoglobinemia such as cyanosis (blueish discolouration of skin), lethargy, dizziness, fatigue, CNS depression and shock may be observed.
<b>Skin</b>	May be irritating in contact with skin. Can be absorbed through skin resulting in adverse systemic effects, similar to those of ingestion.
<b>Eye</b>	Irritating to eyes. May cause severe irritation in contact with eyes, resulting in inflammation, stinging and blurred vision. Prolonged contact may cause corneal damage.
<b>Chronic Effects</b>	May cause adverse reproductive effects. Chronic exposure to dust by inhalation may lead to respiratory disorders, or it may aggravate existing respiratory disorders such as emphysema and chronic bronchitis. Prolonged or repeated skin contact may lead to dermatitis in some individuals.
<b>Reproductive Toxicity</b>	Experimental animal studies showed that first trimester exposure to methylene blue may cause adverse reproductive effects.

## 12: Ecological information

### 12.1 Toxicity

No data available

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

No data available

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

### 12.6 Other adverse effects

No data available

## 13: Disposal considerations

### Waste Disposal

The spilled or waste material must be disposed of in accordance with relevant regulations.

**14: Transport Information Table**

		<b>ADR/RID – European packaging certification</b>	<b>IMDG International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code</b>	<b>IATA – DGR International Air Travel Association – Dangerous Goods Regulations</b>
14.1	<b>UN Number</b>	-	-	-
14.2	<b>UN Proper Shipping name</b>	Not dangerous goods	Not dangerous goods	Not dangerous goods
14.3	<b>Transport Hazard Class</b>	-	-	-
14.4	<b>Packaging group</b>	-	-	-
14.5	<b>Environmental Hazards</b>	No	No	No
14.6	<b>Special precautions for user</b>	none		
14.7	<b>Incompatible materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents		

**15: Regulatory information****15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

National regulatory information

HSNO Approval Code: HSR003661

HSNO Group Standard Approval: HSR002596 - Laboratory Chemicals and Reagent Kits  
Group Standard 2006

Tracking Required: not required, not required

Approved Handler Cert.: not required

**Notification status**

AICS : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

DSL : All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL

ENCS : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

ISHL : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

KECI : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

NZIoC : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

PICCS : On the inventory, or in compliance with the inventory

**16: Disclaimer**

The information above is believed to be accurate and represents the best information currently available to us. However, the information is not a guarantee expressed or implied, with respect to such information, and we assume no liability resulting from its use. Anyone using the chemical described here should ensure that he or she has the appropriate training and has the expertise and any equipment required for safe handling. If clarification or further information is required, please contact ECP Ltd or refer to the official handler of dangerous goods within your own company. The user should also make their own investigations to determine the suitability of the product for their particular purposes. In no event shall the company be liable for any claims, losses, or damages of any third party or for lost profits or any special, indirect, incidental, consequential, or exemplary damages howsoever arising, even if the company has been advised of the possibility of such damages.

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