



- **Chemical hazards:**
  - Frozen cell cultures may contain 5 to 10% (v/v) dimethyl sulphoxide (DMSO). DMSO may be harmful if in contact with skin or ingested and is irritating to eyes and the respiratory system. Avoid contact with skin, eyes, digestive, and respiratory systems if thawed. PPE is required.
- **Physical hazards:**
  - Frozen vials may be pressurized due to trapped liquid nitrogen, posing a risk of explosion upon warming, especially if shipped in a liquid nitrogen container. Wear protective equipment when handling such packages.

### Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP):

- Not considered a hazardous mixture. No hazard statements.

### 2.2. Label elements:

- **Hazard statements:** None.
- **Precautionary statements:** None.

### 2.3. Other hazards:

- **PBT and vPvB assessment:** No data available.

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## Section 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1. Substances:

- Not applicable.

### 3.2. Mixtures:

- **Description:** Various animal and human cell cultures at Biosafety Level 1 or 2. Frozen or growing cells are shipped in a yellow or pink liquid cell culture medium (pH 6-8) containing inorganic salts, vitamins, amino acids, carbohydrates, other nutrients, and phenol red dissolved in water. Frozen cultures may also contain 5-10% DMSO as a cryoprotectant.
- **Unit:** Cryovial (frozen liquid in a small plastic container) or flask (living cell culture in a plastic flask).
- **Hazardous ingredients:**

Non-Hazardous Ingredient(s)	Percentage (%)
Cell culture media, supplemented for freezing	60-80
FBS (Fetal Bovine Serum)	0-20
Cells	1

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## Section 4: First aid measures

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures:

- **Ingestion:**
  - Rinse the mouth with water.
  - If the person is unconscious, seek emergency medical attention.
  - Avoid inducing vomiting unless directed by a medical professional.
- **Inhalation:**

- If the person is unconscious, seek emergency medical attention.
- Remove the person to fresh air.
- **Skin contact:**
  - Wash off immediately with plenty of water and soap.
  - Remove all contaminated clothing.
- **Eye contact:**
  - Flush eyes immediately with water for 10-15 minutes.

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

- Refer to Section 11.

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

- No special treatment needed; treat symptomatically.
- If exposed or concerned: Report to your Safety Officer and seek medical advice immediately.

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### Section 5: Firefighting measures

#### 5.1. Extinguishing media:

- **Suitable extinguishing media:** Choose extinguishing media based on surrounding fire.
- **Unsuitable extinguishing media:** No data available.

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

- During a fire, irritating and toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition. The inhalation of such combustion products can have serious adverse effects on health.

#### 5.3. Advice for firefighters:

- Wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus.

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### Section 6: Accidental release measures

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

- **For non-emergency personnel:** Allow only well-trained experts wearing suitable protective clothing to remain in the field of accident.
- **For emergency responders:** Use personal protective equipment, including safety glasses, laboratory gloves, and appropriate laboratory clothing to prevent skin exposure. Do not open primary containers if not authorized.

#### 6.2. Environmental precautions:

- Dispose of the spillage and resulting waste according to applicable environmental regulations. Do not allow the product or resulting waste to enter sewers, soil, surface, or groundwater. Notify respective authorities in case of environmental pollution immediately.

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



**PNEC values:**

**Compartment Value Note(s)**

Freshwater No data No notes  
 Marine water No data No notes  
 Freshwater

sediment | No data | No notes | | Marine water sediment | No data | No notes | | Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) | No data | No notes | | Intermittent release | No data | No notes | | Secondary poisoning | No data | No notes | | Soil | No data | No notes |

**8.2. Exposure controls:**

- **Appropriate engineering controls:** In pursuance of work, proper foresight is needed to avoid spilling onto clothes and floors and to avoid contact with eyes and skin.
- **Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment:** Avoid contact with skin, eyes, and clothing. Keep away from food and drinks. Wash hands immediately after handling the product.
  - **Eye/face protection:** Use appropriate protective glasses (EN 166).
  - **Skin protection:**
    - **Hand protection:** Use appropriate protective gloves (EN 374).
    - **Other:** Wear a lab coat while handling the product.
  - **Respiratory protection:** Normally, no respiratory protective equipment is required. Use a fume hood to keep airborne concentrations low. No exposure limits are known. European Standard EN 149 must be followed whenever workplace conditions warrant respirator use.
  - **Thermal hazards:** No thermal hazards known.

**8.2.3. Environmental exposure controls:**

- No specific prescription. The requirements detailed in Section 8 assume skilled work under normal conditions and usage of the product for appropriate aims. If conditions differ from normal or work is carried out under extreme conditions, expert advice is necessary before deciding on further protective measures.

**Section 9: Physical and chemical properties**

**9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties:**

Parameter	Value / Test method / Remarks
Appearance	Frozen or liquid; no information available for cell cultures
Odour	No data*
Odour threshold	No data*
pH	No data*
Melting point/freezing point	No data*
Initial boiling point and boiling range	No data*
Flash point	No data*
Evaporation rate	No data*
Flammability (solid, gas)	No data*
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	No data*
Vapour pressure	No data*
Vapour density	No data*











