



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

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Material Name: Azithromycin dihydrate capsules

Trade Name: ZITHROMAX; AZENIL; AZITROCIN; ZETAMAX; ZITROMAX; ZITHROMAC
Chemical Family: Mixture
Intended Use: Pharmaceutical product used as antibiotic agent

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Appearance: 250 mg: Red, opaque, hard-gelatin capsules

Statement of Hazard: Non-hazardous in accordance with international standards for workplace safety.

Additional Hazard Information:
Short Term: Accidental ingestion may cause effects similar to those seen in clinical use. Individuals sensitive to this chemical or other materials in its chemical class may develop allergic reactions.

Known Clinical Effects: May cause effects similar to those seen in clinical use including transient diarrhea, nausea and abdominal pain.

EU Indication of danger: Not classified

Australian Hazard Classification (NOHSC): Non-Hazardous Substance. Non-Dangerous Goods.

Note: This document has been prepared in accordance with standards for workplace safety, which require the inclusion of all known hazards of the product or its ingredients regardless of the potential risk. The precautionary statements and warnings included may not apply in all cases. Your needs may vary depending upon the potential for exposure in your workplace.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Hazardous

Ingredient	CAS Number	EU EINECS/ELINCS List	EU Classification	%
Azithromycin dihydrate	117772-70-0	Not Listed	Not Listed	250 mg***
Sodium lauryl sulfate	151-21-3	205-788-1	Not Listed	*
Starch	9005-25-8	232-679-6	Not Listed	*
Magnesium stearate	557-04-0	209-150-3	Not Listed	*

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Ingredient	CAS Number	EU EINECS/ELINCS List	EU Classification	%
Lactose NF, anhydrous	63-42-3	200-559-2	Not Listed	*

Additional Information: * Proprietary
*** per tablet/capsule/lozenge/suppository
Ingredient(s) indicated as hazardous have been assessed under standards for workplace safety.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye Contact: Flush with water while holding eyelids open for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention immediately.

Skin Contact: Remove contaminated clothing. Flush area with large amounts of water. Use soap. Seek medical attention.

Ingestion: Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Wash out mouth with water. Do not induce vomiting unless directed by medical personnel. Seek medical attention immediately.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air and keep patient at rest. Seek medical attention immediately.

Symptoms and Effects of Exposure: For information on potential signs and symptoms of exposure, See Section 2 - Hazards Identification and/or Section 11 - Toxicological Information.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing Media: Use carbon dioxide, dry chemical, or water spray.

Hazardous Combustion Products: Formation of toxic gases is possible during heating or fire.

Fire Fighting Procedures: During all fire fighting activities, wear appropriate protective equipment, including self-contained breathing apparatus.

Fire / Explosion Hazards: Fine particles (such as dust and mists) may fuel fires/explosions.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Health and Safety Precautions: Personnel involved in clean-up should wear appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Minimize exposure.

Measures for Cleaning / Collecting: Contain the source of spill if it is safe to do so. Collect spilled material by a method that controls dust generation. A damp cloth or a filtered vacuum should be used to clean spills of dry solids. Clean spill area thoroughly.

Measures for Environmental Protections: Place waste in an appropriately labeled, sealed container for disposal. Care should be taken to avoid environmental release.

Additional Consideration for Large Spills: Non-essential personnel should be evacuated from affected area. Report emergency situations immediately. Clean up operations should only be undertaken by trained personnel.

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7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

General Handling: Minimize dust generation and accumulation. If tablets or capsules are crushed and/or broken, avoid breathing dust and avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. When handling, use appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Wash thoroughly after handling. Releases to the environment should be avoided. Review and implement appropriate technical and procedural waste water and waste disposal measures to prevent occupational exposure or environmental releases. Potential points of process emissions of this material to the atmosphere should be controlled with dust collectors, HEPA filtration systems or other equivalent controls.

Storage Conditions: Store as directed by product packaging.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Refer to available public information for specific member state Occupational Exposure Limits.

Azithromycin dihydrate	
Pfizer OEL TWA-8 Hr:	500µg/m ³
Sodium lauryl sulfate	
Pfizer OEL TWA-8 Hr:	0.3 mg/m ³
Starch	
ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TWA)	10 mg/m ³
Australia TWA	10 mg/m ³
Belgium OEL - TWA	10 mg/m ³
Bulgaria OEL - TWA	10.0 mg/m ³
Czech Republic OEL - TWA	4.0 mg/m ³
Greece OEL - TWA	10 mg/m ³
	5 mg/m ³
Ireland OEL - TWAs	10 mg/m ³
	4 mg/m ³
OSHA - Final PELs - TWAs:	15 mg/m ³
Portugal OEL - TWA	10 mg/m ³
Slovakia OEL - TWA	4 mg/m ³
Spain OEL - TWA	10 mg/m ³
Magnesium stearate	
ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TWA)	10 mg/m ³
Lithuania OEL - TWA	5 mg/m ³
Sweden OEL - TWAs	5 mg/m ³

Analytical Method: Analytical method available for Azithromycin dihydrate. Contact Pfizer Inc for further information.

Engineering Controls: Engineering controls should be used as the primary means to control exposures. General room ventilation is adequate unless the process generates dust, mist or fumes. Keep airborne contamination levels below the exposure limits listed above in this section.

Environmental Exposure Controls: Refer to specific Member State legislation for requirements under Community environmental legislation.

Personal Protective Equipment: Refer to applicable national standards and regulations in the selection and use of personal protective equipment (PPE).

Hands: Impervious gloves are recommended if skin contact with drug product is possible and for bulk processing operations.

Eyes: Wear safety glasses or goggles if eye contact is possible.

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8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Skin: Impervious protective clothing is recommended if skin contact with drug product is possible and for bulk processing operations.
Respiratory protection: If the applicable Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL) is exceeded, wear an appropriate respirator with a protection factor sufficient to control exposures to below the OEL.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State:	Capsule	Color:	Red
Molecular Formula:	Mixture	Molecular Weight:	Mixture

Polymerization: Will not occur

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability: Stable under normal conditions of use.
Conditions to Avoid: Fine particles (such as dust and mists) may fuel fires/explosions.
Incompatible Materials: As a precautionary measure, keep away from strong oxidizers

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

General Information: The information included in this section describes the potential hazards of the individual ingredients.

Acute Toxicity: (Species, Route, End Point, Dose)

Magnesium stearate

Rat Oral LD50 > 2000 mg/kg
Rat Inhalation LC50 > 2000 mg/m³

Sodium lauryl sulfate

Rat Oral LD50 1288 mg/kg

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Mouse (F) Oral LD50 4000 mg/kg
Mouse (M) Oral LD50 3000 mg/kg
Rat Oral LD50 > 2000 mg/kg

Acute Toxicity Comments: A greater than symbol (>) indicates that the toxicity endpoint being tested was not achievable at the highest dose used in the test.

Irritation / Sensitization: (Study Type, Species, Severity)

Sodium lauryl sulfate

Eye Irritation Rabbit Moderate
Skin Irritation Rabbit Mild Moderate
Skin Sensitization - GPMT Guinea Pig Negative
Skin Sensitization - LLNA Mouse Negative

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Antigenicity- Active anaphylaxis Guinea Pig Negative

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Antigenicity- Passive cutaneous anaphylaxis Rabbit Negative
Antigenicity- Passive cutaneous anaphylaxis Mouse Negative

Repeated Dose Toxicity: (Duration, Species, Route, Dose, End Point, Target Organ)

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6 Month(s)	Rat	Oral	10 mg/kg/day	LOEL	Liver
6 Month(s)	Dog	Oral	10 mg/kg/day	LOEL	Liver
1 Month(s)	Rat	Intravenous	5 mg/kg/day	NOEL	Liver
1 Month(s)	Dog	Intravenous	5 mg/kg/day	NOEL	Liver

Reproduction & Developmental Toxicity: (Study Type, Species, Route, Dose, End Point, Effect(s))

Azithromycin dihydrate

Reproductive & Fertility	Rat	Oral	10 mg/kg/day	NOEL	Fertility
Prenatal & Postnatal Development	Mouse	Oral	40 mg/kg/day	NOEL	Not Teratogenic
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Genetic Toxicity: (Study Type, Cell Type/Organism, Result)

Sodium lauryl sulfate

Bacterial Mutagenicity (Ames) *Salmonella* Negative

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Bacterial Mutagenicity (Ames) *Salmonella* Negative
In Vivo Cytogenetics Mouse Lymphoma Negative
In Vitro Cytogenetics Mouse Negative
In Vitro Cytogenetics Human Lymphocytes Negative

Carcinogen Status:

None of the components of this formulation are listed as a carcinogen by IARC, NTP or OSHA.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Environmental Overview: In the environment, the active ingredient in this formulation is expected to mainly reside in the aquatic environment and slowly degrade.

Mobility, Persistence and Degradability: Azithromycin half life < 28 days (Aerobic Biodegradation - Water)

Bioaccumulation and Toxicity: The active ingredient in this formulation has low potential to bioaccumulate and long-term adverse effects to aquatic organisms are not expected. See aquatic toxicity data, below.

Aquatic Toxicity: (Species, Method, End Point, Duration, Result)

Sodium lauryl sulfate

Oncorhynchus mykiss (Rainbow Trout) LC50 96 Hours 3.6 mg/L

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<i>Daphnia magna</i> (Water Flea)	OECD	EC50	48 Hours	120 mg/L
<i>Hyallela azteca</i> (Freshwater Amphipod)	OECD	LC50	96 Hours	> 120 mg/L
<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i> (Rainbow Trout)	OECD	LC50	96 Hours	> 84 mg/L
Green Algae	OECD	EC50	72 Hours	0.0037 mg/L

Aquatic Toxicity Comments: A greater than symbol (>) indicates that aquatic toxicity was not observed at the maximum dose tested.

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12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Bacterial Inhibition: (Inoculum, Method, End Point, Result)

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Aspergillus niger (Fungus) OECD MIC > 1000 mg/L

Trichoderma viride (Fungus) OECD MIC > 1000 mg/L

Clostridium perfringens (Bacterium) OECD MIC 2.0 mg/L

Bacillus subtilis (Bacterium) OECD MIC 2.0 mg/L

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Treatment Methods:

Dispose of waste in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations. Member State specific and Community specific provisions must be considered. Considering the relevant known environmental and human health hazards of the material, review and implement appropriate technical and procedural waste water and waste disposal measures to prevent occupational exposure and environmental release. It is recommended that waste minimization be practiced. The best available technology should be utilized to prevent environmental releases. This may include destructive techniques for waste and wastewater.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

The following refers to all modes of transportation unless specified below.

Not regulated for transport under USDOT, EUADR, IATA, or IMDG regulations.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

EU Indication of danger: Not classified

OSHA Label:

Non-hazardous in accordance with international standards for workplace safety.

Canada - WHMIS: Classifications

WHMIS hazard class:

None required

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the CPR and the MSDS contains all of the information required by the CPR.

Lactose NF, anhydrous

Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)

Present

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Australia (AICS):	Present
REACH - Annex IV - Exemptions from the obligations of Register:	Present
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	200-559-2
Sodium lauryl sulfate	
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present
Standard for the Uniform Scheduling for Drugs and Poisons:	Schedule 6
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	205-788-1
Starch	
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present
REACH - Annex IV - Exemptions from the obligations of Register:	Present
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	232-679-6
Magnesium stearate	
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	209-150-3

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Reasons for Revision: Updated Section 2 - Hazard Identification. Updated Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures. Updated Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures. Updated Section 8 - Exposure Controls / Personal Protection. Updated Section 4 - First Aid Measures. Updated Section 7 - Handling and Storage. Updated Section 11 - Toxicology Information. Updated Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties. Updated Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity. Updated Section 1 - Identification of the Substance/Preparation and the Company/Undertaking.

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