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#### **Section I - Product Identification**

A solution of wright's stain, giemsa stain and glycerin in methanol.

## **Section II - Hazards Identification**

Overview: Toxic by inhalation absorption or ingestion. Can not be made nontoxic. Methanol is a cumulative poison and death has been reported for ingestion of less than 30 milliliters. Causes CNS depression, headache, intoxication, dilation of the pupils, convulsions nausea, and dizziness. Unconsciousness and death may result. Methanol intoxication may produce visual disturbances and blindness.

### **Safety Ratings**

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

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

Storage: Room Temperature away from sources of ignition.

NFPA Ratings

Health = 2 Flammability = 4 Reactivity = 1

#### **Potential Health Effects**

The toxicology of this compound have not been completely examined. It is presumed that the toxicity of this item is similar to other aliphatic alcohols.

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

Ingestion: Inhalation 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#	OSHA Pel	ACGIH TLV	Other Limits	%
Methyl alcohol	67-56-1	200 ppm (TWA)	200 ppm (TWA)		90% v/v
Glycerin	56-81-5	5 mg/m³ (mist)	TWA 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup>		10 % v/v
Wright's stain	68988-92-1				0.25% w/v
Giemsa stain	51811-82-6				0.025% w/v

#### **Section IV - First Aid Measures**

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

*Ingestion*: Do not induce vomiting if patient is unconscious or extremely drowsy. Otherwise, administer 2 glasses of water and induce vomiting. 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

Flash point: 12°C (54°F) TCC

Flammable Limits: LEL: 6.0, UEL: 36.5

Explosion: Not Normally an explosion hazard.

Fire Extinguishing Media: Alcohol type foam, carbon dioxide or dry chemical. Water is ineffective against alcohol fires but

may be used to cool adjacent containers.

Special information: Pyrolysis will release toxic oxides such as carbon monoxide.

#### Section VI - Accidental Release Measures

Remove all sources of ignition, absorb with a suitable absorbent (such as paper towels) and dispose.

### Section VII - Handling and Storage

Store in a closed container, away from open flames or other sources of ignition.

#### Section VIII - Exposure Control/Personal Protection

Airborne Exposure Limits: See section III.

Ventilation System: Usually not required. 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 not required but 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

Boiling Point: 64°C (147°F)

Density: 0.85 g/ml

Vapor pressure (mm Hg): 98 @ 19°CEvaporation Rate (Methanol = 1): 1Vapor Density (air = 1): 1.1Solubility: Mostly miscible with water

Appearance and Odor: An opaque purple solution with the characteristic odor of methanol.

#### Section X - Stability and Reactivity

Stability: Freezes only at very low temperature.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Nothing unusual.

Hazardous polymerization: Will not occur.

Incompatibilities: Oxidixers.

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

#### Section XI - Toxicological Information

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<u>Ingredient</u>	Known Carcinogenicity?	NTP?	Anticipated?	IARC Category
Giemsa stain	no	no	no	none
Glycerin	no	no	no	none
Methanol	no	no	no	none
Wright's stain	no	no	no	none

### **Section XII - Ecological Information**

Environmental Fate: Biodegradable. Environmental Toxicity: None expected.

Methanol evaporates quickly and is not expected to bioaccumulate. The material is removed from the air by dry and liquid adsorption.

## **Section XIII - Disposal Considerations**

The preferred disposal method is incineration. Localities may restrict the amounts of alcohols that may be flushed down the drain. Insure compliance with all government regulations.

### **Section XIV - Transportation Information**

DOT Shipping name: Methyl alcohol Hazard Class: 3 Packaging Group II
DOT Hazard Label: Flammable liquid DOT Identification Number: UN1230

Bottles smaller than 32 Fl. Oz. are eligible to be shipped under ORM-D or limited quantity exemptions [49 CFR section

173.150(b)(2) and 173.150(C)].

### **Section XV - Regulatory Information**

## **Chemical Inventory Status**

<u>Ingredient</u>	<u>TSCA</u>	<u>EC</u>	
Giemsa stain	Yes	Yes	
Glycerin	Yes	Yes	
Methanol	Yes	Yes	
Wright's stain	Yes	Yes	

### Federal, State and International Regulations

<u>SARA 302</u>		<u>SARA 313</u>		<u>RCRA</u> <u>TSCA</u>			
<u>RQ</u>	<u>TPQ</u>	<u>List</u>	<u>Category</u>	<u>261.33</u>	<u>8(D)</u>	Ca. Prop 65	
No	No	No	No	No	No	No	
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Chemical Weapons Convention: No TSCA 12(b): No CDTA: Yes

SARA 311/312: Acute: Yes, Chronic: Yes

#### **Section XVI - Other Information**

This information is believed to be correct but is not waranteed as such, nor does it purport to be all inclusive.

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