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

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**Material Name: Mefenamic Acid Suppositories** 

Trade Name: PONSTAN; PONTAL; PARKEMED; COSLAN

Chemical Family: Mixture

Intended Use: Pharmaceutical product used as non-steroidal, anti-inflammatory drug (nsaid)

## 2. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### **Hazardous**

Ingredient	CAS Number	<b>EU EINECS List</b>	%
Mefenamic Acid	61-68-7	200-513-1	10

Ingredient	CAS Number	<b>EU EINECS List</b>	%
Hard fat	Not assigned	Not listed	*

Additional Information: \* Proprietary

Ingredient(s) indicated as hazardous have been assessed under standards for workplace

safety.

## 3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

**Appearance:** White to cream white Suppository

Signal Word: WARNING

**Statement of Hazard:** Suspected of damaging the unborn child.

**Additional Hazard Information:** 

**Short Term:** May cause allergic reactions in susceptible individuals.

Long Term: Repeat-dose studies in animals have shown a potential to cause adverse effects on

gastrointestinal system, liver, kidneys, heart.

Known Clinical Effects: Adverse effects associated with the therapeutic use of mefenamic acid include serious

gastrointestinal toxicity such as bleeding, ulceration, and perforation and kidney toxicity. Dizziness, headaches, anemia, increased bleeding time, rashes, and liver effects have also been reported. Other nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) are known to impact

delivery, late fetal development, and lactation.

**EU Indication of danger:** Toxic to Reproduction; Category 3

**EU Hazard Symbols:** 

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EU Risk Phrases:

R63 - Possible risk of harm to the unborn child.

**Note:** This document has been prepared in accordance with standards for workplace safety, which

require the inclusion of all known hazards of the active substance or its intermediates 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.

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye Contact: Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. If

irritation occurs or persists, get medical attention.

**Skin Contact:** Remove contaminated clothing and wash exposed area with soap and water. Obtain medical

assistance if irritation occurs.

**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.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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

Hazardous Combustion Products: Emits toxic fumes of carbon monoxide and oxides of nitrogen.

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.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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General Handling: Use appropriate ventilation. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Wash thoroughly after

handling.

**Storage Conditions:** Store as directed by product packaging.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Mefenamic Acid** 

Pfizer OEL TWA-8 Hr: 3.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Analytical Method: Analytical method available for Mefenamic Acid. Contact Pfizer Inc for further information.

**Engineering Controls:** Engineering controls should be used as the primary means to control exposures.

**Personal Protective Equipment:** 

**Hands:** Wear impervious gloves if skin contact is possible.

Eyes: Not required under normal conditions of use. Wear safety glasses or goggles if eye contact is

possible.

**Skin:** Not required for the normal use of this product. Wear protective clothing when working with

large quantities.

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: Suppository Color: White to creamy-white

Molecular Formula: Mixture Molecular Weight: Mixture

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Stability:** Stable under normal conditions of use.

Conditions to Avoid: None known

**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 active ingredient.

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

**Mefenamic Acid** 

Mouse Oral LD50 525 mg/kg Rat Oral LD50 740 mg/kg Mouse IV LD50 96 mg/kg Rat IV LD50 112 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.

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

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**Mefenamic Acid** 

78 Week(s) Rat Oral 25 mg/kg/day NOEL Kidney, Gastrointestinal System

1 Year(s) Dog Oral 200 mg/kg/day LOAEL Kidney, Liver

2 Year(s) Monkey No route specified 200 mg/kg/day NOAEL Kidney, Liver, Gastrointestinal system, Heart

#### Reproduction & Development Toxicity: (Duration, Species, Route, Dose, End Point, Effect(s))

**Mefenamic Acid** 

Embryo / Fetal Development Mouse No route specified < 3500 mg/day LOEL Teratogenic Reproductive & Fertility Rat No route specified 8.75-17.5 g/day NOEL No effects at maximum dose

Embryo / Fetal Development Rat No route specified Not Teratogenic Embryo / Fetal Development Rabbit No route specified Not Teratogenic

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

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Environmental Overview:** Environmental properties have not been investigated. Releases to the environment should be

avoided.

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Disposal Procedures:** Dispose of waste in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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

# 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

EU Symbol: Xn

**EU Indication of danger:** Toxic to Reproduction; Category 3

**EU Risk Phrases:** 

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**EU Safety Phrases:** 

S36/37 - Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.

**OSHA Label:** 

**WARNING** 

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## **Canada - WHMIS: Classifications**

#### WHMIS hazard class:

Class D, Division 2, Subdivision A



**Mefenamic Acid** 

Australia (AICS): Present Standard for the Uniform Scheduling Schedule 2 for Drugs and Poisons: Schedule 4 **EU EINECS List** 200-513-1

# **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

Reasons for Revision: Updated Section 3 - Hazard Identification. Updated Section 4 - First Aid Measures. Updated

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures. Updated Section 7 - Handling and Storage. Updated Section 8 - Exposure Controls / Personal Protection. Updated Section 11 - Toxicology Information. Updated Section 12 - Ecological Information. Updated Section 13 - Disposal

Considerations. Updated Section 15 - Regulatory Information.

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