Diphenhydramine hydrochloride

Material Safety Data Sheet

Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT NAME
Diphenhydramine hydrochloride

STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE

NFPA

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SYNONYMS

Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

CHEMWATCH HAZARD RATINGS

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CANADIAN WHMIS SYMBOLS

Min/Nil=0
Low=1
Moderate=2
High=3
Extreme=4

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EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

RISK
Harmful if swallowed.
May cause SENSITIZATION by skin contact.
Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect.
Possible risk of harm to the unborn child.
Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.
Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

SWALLOWED
- Accidental ingestion of the material may be harmful; animal experiments indicate that ingestion of less than 150 gram may be fatal or may produce serious damage to the health of the individual.
- Systemic toxicity due to local anesthetics may be manifested by yawning, restlessness, excitement, ringing sound in the ear, nausea and vomiting. Early warning signs are numbness of the tongue and around the mouth region. Local anesthetics may affect the heart, depressing the heart muscle, dilating the peripheral blood vessels and causing low blood pressure and a slow heart rate.
- Serotonin syndrome (serious changes to how the brain, muscles and digestive system works due to high levels of serotonin in the body) may occur in therapy. Signs and symptoms of serotonin syndrome include
  - restlessness
  - fast heart beat
  - fast changes in blood pressure
  - diarrhoea and vomiting
  - nausea
  - hallucinations
  - increased body temperature
  - coma
  - loss of coordination
  - overactive reflexes

General side effects of serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) are mostly present during the first 1-4 weeks while the body adapts to the drug (with the exception of sexual side effects, which tend to occur later in treatment). In fact, it often takes 6-8 weeks for the drug to begin reaching its full potential (the slow onset is considered a downside to treatment with SSRIs). Almost all SSRIs are known to cause one or more of these symptoms:
  - anhedonia (inability to experience pleasure from normally pleasurable life events such as eating, exercise, and social or sexual interaction.)
  - nausea
  - drowsiness or somnolence
  - headache
  - clenching of teeth
  - extremely vivid and strange dreams
  - dizziness
  - changes in appetite
  - weight loss/gain (measured by a change in bodyweight of 7 pounds)
  - may result in a double risk of bone fractures and injuries
  - changes in sexual behaviour
  - increased feelings of depression and anxiety (which may sometimes provoke panic attacks)
  - tremors
  - autonomic dysfunction including orthostatic tension, increased or reduced sweating
  - akathisia (a syndrome characterised by unpleasant sensations of "inner" restlessess that manifests itself with an inability to sit still or remain motionless)
  - liver or renal impairment
  - thoughts of suicide
  - Photosensitivity (increased risk of sunburn) (Use protective clothing, such as long sleeves and hats, and sunscreen to decrease the risk of sunburn.)

Common gastrointestinal side effects include nausea, vomiting, and diarrhoea, which are brought about by the actions of serotonin on the gastrointestinal tract.

Most side effects usually disappear after the adaptation phase, when the antidepressive effects begin to show. However, despite being called general, the side effects and their durations are highly individual and drug-specific. Usually the treatment is begun with a small dose to see how the patient's body reacts to the drug, after that either the dose can be adjusted

Mania or hypomania is a possible side-effect. Users with some type of bipolar disorder are at a much higher risk, however SSRI-induced mania in patients previously diagnosed with unipolar depression can trigger a bipolar diagnosis.

Sexual dysfunction: SSRIs can cause various types of sexual such as anorgasmia, erectile dysfunction, and diminished libido. Initial studies
found that such side effects occur in less than 10% of patients, but since these studies relied on unprompted reporting, the frequency was probably underestimated. In more recent studies, doctors have specifically asked about sexual difficulties, and found that they are present in between 17% and 41% of patients. This dysfunction occasionally disappears without stopping the SSRI, and in most cases resolves after discontinuation. In some cases, however, it does not; this is known as Post SSRI Sexual Dysfunction (PSSD).

It is believed that sexual dysfunction is caused by an SSRI induced reduction in dopamine. Stimulation of postsynaptic 5-HT2 and 5-HT3 receptors decreases dopamine release from the Substantia nigra. Cardiovascular side effects are very rare with SSRI use, with a reported incidence of less than 0.0003 percent. SSRIs inhibit cardiac and vascular smooth, calcium and potassium channels and prolong QT intervals. However, a number of large studies of patients without known pre-existing heart disease have reported no EKG changes related to SSRI use. In overdose, fluoxetine has been reported to cause sinus tachycardia and myocardial infarction, junctional rhythms and trigeminy. Some authors have suggested electrocardiographic monitoring in patients with severe pre-existing cardiovascular disease who are taking SSRIs.

Discontinuation syndrome: SSRIs are addictive as discontinuing their use is known to produce both somatic and psychological withdrawal symptoms.

Suicidality and aggression: Similarly to other antidepressants, SSRIs can cause suicidality in children. A 2004 Food and Drug Administration (FDA) analysis of clinical trials on children with major depressive disorder found statistically significant increases of the risks of "possible suicidal ideation and suicidal behavior" by about 80%, and of agitation and hostility by about 130%. An additional analysis by the FDA also indicated a 1.5-fold increase of suicidality in the 18–24 age group. This resulted in a black box warning on SSRIs and other antidepressant medications regarding the increased risk of suicidality in patients younger than 24. In 2004, the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) in the United Kingdom judged fluoxetine (Prozac) to be the only antidepressant that offered a favorable risk-benefit ratio in children with depression, though it was also associated with a slight increase in the risk of self-harm and suicidal ideation.

Only two SSRIs are licensed for use with children in the UK, sertraline (Zoloft) and fluvoxamine (Luvox), and only for the treatment of obsessive-compulsive disorder. Fluoxetine, despite having a favorable risk-benefit ratio for use with depression in adolescents and children, is not licensed for this use.

Other studies on SSRIs and suicide among adolescents are equivocal; rates of suicide attempts in high-risk populations appear to be unaffected by SSRIs and SSRI prescriptions in adults. There is also evidence that the rates of suicide in children and adolescents are lower than in adults, though this evidence is correlational, and may represent reporting biases. The introduction of a warning regarding the association between SSRIs and suicide led to a decrease in prescriptions for the medications in 2003 and 2004, and these decreases in prescriptions were associated with an increase in actual number of teenage suicide.

Interaction with carbohydrate metabolism: Serotonin is also involved in regulation of carbohydrate metabolism. Few analyses of the role of SSRIs in treating depression cover the effects on carbohydrate metabolism from intervening in serotonin handling by the body.

Pregnancy: When taken by pregnant women, selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) cross the placenta and have the potential to affect the fetus. Sertraline and paroxetine have been associated with congenital malformations. Some evidence suggests that SSRIs are associated with neonatal complications such as neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS) and persistent pulmonary hypertension (PPHN). Neonatal abstinence syndrome is a withdrawal syndrome in newborn babies which has been documented in SSRI treatment. Persistent pulmonary hypertension (PPHN) is a serious and life-threatening, but rare, lung condition that occurs soon after birth of the newborn. Newborn babies with PPHN have high pressure in their lung blood vessels and are not able to get enough oxygen into their bloodstream. About 1 to 2 babies per 1000 babies born in the U.S. develop PPHN shortly after birth, and often they need intensive medical care. One study has found that PPHN is six times more common in babies whose mothers take an SSRI antidepressant after the 20th week of the pregnancy compared to babies whose mothers do not take an antidepressant.

Antimuscarinic agents (muscarinic antagonists) operate on the muscarinic acetylcholine receptors. The majority of anticholinergic drugs are antimuscarinics. Side-effects normally associated with antimuscarinic agents are generally reduced by preferred binding to gastric mucosa receptors.

The most common adverse events reported by patients receiving antimuscarinics are dry mouth, headache, constipation, vertigo/dizziness, and abdominal pain. Dry mouth, constipation, abnormal vision (accommodation abnormalities), urinary retention, and xerophthalmia are expected side effects of antimuscarinic agents.

When a significant amount of an anticholinergic is taken into the body, a toxic reaction known as acute anticholinergic syndrome may result. This may happen accidentally or intentionally as a consequence of recreational drug use. Anticholinergic drugs are usually considered the most commonly associated with pre-existing heart disease. There may be drying of the cornea, a burning sensation, excessive tears, sensitivity to light, swelling and redness of the conjunctiva and increased blinking. Absorption into the body can cause degeneration of the optic nerve, leading to blindness.

EYE

- This material can cause eye irritation and damage in some persons.
- Direct eye contact with local anesthetics may reduce sensation in the eyes and increase the risk of injury due to foreign bodies. There may be drying of the cornea, a burning sensation, excessive tears, sensitivity to light, swelling and redness of the conjunctiva and increased blinking. Absorption into the body can cause degeneration of the optic nerve, leading to blindness.
Anticholinergic eye drops can cause stinging, dryness, redness, itch, dilated pupils, and loss of focus with blurred vision. Pupil Reflexes may be lost or diminished for 3 days.

**SKIN**
- This material can cause inflammation of the skin on contact in some persons.
- The material may accentuate any pre-existing dermatitis condition.
- Repeated exposure may cause skin cracking, flaking or drying following normal handling and use.
- Skin contact with the material may damage the health of the individual; systemic effects may result following absorption.
- When applied to the skin, local anesthetics can cause burning, stinging, tenderness, redness, sloughing, blisters and tissue death. There may be skin eruptions caused by simultaneous exposure to light.
- This material is a photosensitizer. Certain individuals working with this substance may show allergic reaction of the skin under sunlight. This results in sensitivity to sunburn (may be severe) unless protective covering and 15+PF sunscreen are used. Responses may vary from sunburn-like effects to swelling and blistering lesions.
- Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material.
- Entry into the blood-stream, through, for example, cuts, abrasions or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects. Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected.

**INHALED**
- The material can cause respiratory irritation in some persons. The body's response to such irritation can cause further lung damage.
- Inhalation of dusts, generated by the material during the course of normal handling, may be damaging to the health of the individual.
- Inhalation of local anesthetics may result in upper respiratory tract effects including burning sensation, stinging, tenderness, swelling, sloughing, tissue necrosis and irritation. Systemic poisoning is characterized by lightheadedness, nervousness, apprehension, euphoria, confusion, dizziness, drowsiness, tinnitus, blurred or double vision, vomiting and sensations of heat, cold or numbness, twitching, tremors, convulsions, unconsciousness and respiratory depression and arrest. Cardiac arrest may result from cardiovascular collapse. Bradycardia, and hypotension may also be produced. Excessive application to mucous membranes has been associated with methemoglobinemia producing a cyanosis.
- The use of anticholinergic agents is associated with temporary impairment of vision. Anticholinergic agents produce peripheral antimuscarinic effects including an increase in heart rate, decreased production of saliva, sweat, and bronchial, nasal, gastric and intestinal secretions, decreased intestinal motility and inhibition of urination. Side effects associated with the use of anticholinergics include dryness of the mouth, with difficulty in swallowing and talking, thirst, dilation of the pupils (mydriasis), loss of accommodation (cycloplegia), and photophobia, flushing and dryness of the skin, transient bradycardia, followed by tachycardia with palpitations and arrhythmias, urinary urgency and difficulty of retention, and a reduction in tone and motility of the gastro-intestinal tract. Vomiting, giddiness and staggering and restrosternal pain may occur on occasion. Toxic doses may produce tachycardia, rapid respiration, hyperpyrexia and central nervous system stimulation characterised by restlessness, confusion, excitement, paranoid and psychotic reactions, hallucinations, delirium and occasionally, seizures and convulsions. A rash may be visible on the upper trunk or face. Central effects generally involve the stimulation of the medulla and higher cerebral centres which manifests themselves as a mild central vagal excitation, respiratory stimulation and depression of central motor mechanisms, particularly those associated with the extrapyramidal tract. Severe intoxication may produce central nervous system depression with ataxia, drowsiness, stupor, unconsciousness, coma, circulatory and respiratory system arrest, and death.
- Persons with impaired respiratory function, airway diseases and conditions such as emphysema or chronic bronchitis, may incur further disability if excessive concentrations of particulate are inhaled.

**CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS**
- There has been concern that this material can cause cancer or mutations, but there is not enough data to make an assessment.
- Long-term exposure to respiratory irritants may result in disease of the airways involving difficult breathing and related systemic problems.
- Skin contact with the material is more likely to cause a sensitization reaction in some persons compared to the general population.
- Results in experiments suggest that this material may cause disorders in the development of the embryo or fetus, even when no signs of poisoning show in the mother.
- Limited evidence suggests that repeated or long-term occupational exposure may produce cumulative health effects involving organs or biochemical systems.
- Repeated or prolonged exposure with local anesthetics may result in sensitization of skin, with the development of lesions, hives and edema.
- There may be anaphylactic reactions that may cause death. Prolonged eye contact may result in permanent clouding of the cornea with loss of vision, severe corneal inflammation and possible perforation.
- Prolonged exposure to anticholinergic agents may irritate the eyes, causing allergic lid reactions, conjunctivitis, swelling, excess blood flow to the eyes, and sensitivity to light. Increase in eye pressure may lead to closed angle glaucoma. There may be hypersensitivity shown by conjunctivitis, rash and eczema. Anticholinergics can also cause chronic constipation with blockage of the intestine by feces.
- Long term exposure to high dust concentrations may cause changes in lung function i.e. pneumoconiosis; caused by particles less than 0.5 micron penetrating and remaining in the lung. Prime symptom is breathlessness; lung shadows show on X-ray.
- Wide area external application of antihistamines can cause various side effects, including sensitization and eczema.
- There is a significant incidence of cleft palate and clefts with other defects in children whose mothers have taken diphenhydramine during pregnancy. [I. Saxen (letter), Lancet, 1974, 1, 407]
- Adverse reactions to diphenhydramine include dizziness, disturbed coordination, epigastric distress, urticaria, anaphylactic shock, chills, hypotension, palpitations, tachycardia (rapid heart-beat), extrasystoles, haemolytic anaemia, agranulocytosis, thrombocytopenia, fatigue, confusion, excitation, nervousness, tremor, irritability, insomnia, euphoria, paresthesia, blurred vision, diplopia, vertigo, acute labyrinthitis, neuritis, convulsions, anorexia, diaphrorea and early menses. [J.L. Verbrob, Br. J. clin Pract., 1968, 22, 229]

### Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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### Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES
other reported significant effects include coma, seizures, and worsening moderate overdoses. The most commonly reported severe effect following SSRI overdose is serotonin syndrome; serotonin toxicity is usually associated with very high overdoses or multiple drug ingestion. Other reported significant effects include coma, seizures, and cardiac toxicity.

Treatment for SSRI overdose is mainly based on symptomatic and supportive care. Medical care may be required for agitation, maintenance
of the airways, and treatment for serotonin syndrome. ECG monitoring is usually indicated to detect any cardiac abnormalities.

Supportive care includes:
- the control of agitation,
- the administration of serotonin antagonists (cyproheptadine or methysergide),
- the control of autonomic instability, and the control of hyperthermia.

The intensity of therapy depends on the severity of symptoms.
If the symptoms are mild, treatment may only consist of:
- discontinuation of the offending medication or medications,
- offering supportive measures,
- giving benzodiazepines for myoclonus, and waiting for the symptoms to resolve.

Moderate cases should have:
- all thermal and cardiorespiratory abnormalities corrected and
- can benefit from serotonin antagonists such as cyproheptadine.

Critically ill patients should receive the above therapies as well as:
- sedation, neuromuscular paralysis, and
- intubation with artificial ventilation.

Upon initiation of therapy and the discontinuation of serotonergic drugs most cases of serotonin syndrome resolve within 24 hours although delirium may persist for a number of days. Cases have reported muscle pain and weakness persisting for months although antidepressant withdrawal may contribute to ongoing features. Following appropriate medical management, serotonin syndrome is generally associated with a favorable prognosis.

**Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

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**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA**
- Water spray or fog.
- Foam.
- Dry chemical powder.
- BCF (where regulations permit).
- Carbon dioxide.

**FIRE FIGHTING**
- Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- Use water delivered as a fine spray to control fire and cool adjacent area.
- DO NOT approach containers suspected to be hot.
- Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.
- If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.
- Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.

**GENERAL FIRE HAZARDS/HAZARDOUS COMBUSTIBLE PRODUCTS**
- Combustible solid which burns but propagates flame with difficulty.
- Avoid generating dust, particularly clouds of dust in a confined or unventilated space as dusts may form an explosive mixture with air, and any source of ignition, i.e. flame or spark, will cause fire or explosion. Dust clouds generated by the fine grinding of the solid are a particular hazard; accumulations of fine dust may burn rapidly and fiercely if ignited.
- Dry dust can be charged electrostatically by turbulence, pneumatic transport, pouring, in exhaust ducts and during transport.
- Build-up of electrostatic charge may be prevented by bonding and grounding.
- Powder handling equipment such as dust collectors, dryers and mills may require additional protection measures such as explosion venting.

Combustion products include: carbon monoxide (CO), carbon dioxide (CO₂), hydrogen chloride, phosgene, nitrogen oxides (NOₓ), other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.

**FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY**
- Avoid contamination with oxidizing agents i.e. nitrates, oxidizing acids, chlorine bleaches, pool chlorine etc. as ignition may result.

**PERSONAL PROTECTION**
Glasses:
Chemical goggles.
Gloves:
Respirator:
Particulate
MINOR SPILLS

- Clean up waste regularly and abnormal spills immediately.
- Avoid breathing dust and contact with skin and eyes.
- Wear protective clothing, gloves, safety glasses and dust respirator.
- Use dry clean up procedures and avoid generating dust.
- Vacuum up or sweep up. NOTE: Vacuum cleaner must be fitted with an exhaust micro filter (HEPA type) (consider explosion-proof machines designed to be grounded during storage and use).
- DAMPEN with water to prevent dusting before sweeping.
- Place in suitable containers for disposal.

MAJOR SPILLS

- Environmental hazard - contain spillage.

PROTECTIVE ACTIONS FOR SPILL

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From IERG (Canada/Australia)


FOOTNOTES

1 PROTECTIVE ACTION ZONE is defined as the area in which people are at risk of harmful exposure. This zone assumes that random changes in wind direction confines the vapour plume to an area within 30 degrees on either side of the predominant wind direction, resulting in a crosswind protective action distance equal to the downwind protective action distance.

2 PROTECTIVE ACTIONS should be initiated to the extent possible, beginning with those closest to the spill and working away from the site in the downwind direction. Within the protective action zone a level of vapour concentration may exist resulting in nearly all unprotected persons becoming incapacitated and unable to take protective action and/or incurring serious or irreversible health effects.

3 INITIAL ISOLATION ZONE is determined as an area, including upwind of the incident, within which a high probability of localised wind reversal may expose nearly all persons without appropriate protection to life-threatening concentrations of the material.

4 SMALL SPILLS involve a leaking package of 200 litres (55 US gallons) or less, such as a drum (jerri can or box with inner containers). Larger packages leaking less than 200 litres and compressed gas leaking from a small cylinder are also considered "small spills". LARGE SPILLS involve many small leaking packages or a leaking package of greater than 200 litres, such as a cargo tank, portable tank or a "one-tonne" compressed gas cylinder.


6 IERG information is derived from CANUTEC - Transport Canada.

ACUTE EXPOSURE GUIDELINE LEVELS (AEGL) (in ppm)

AEGL 1: The airborne concentration of a substance above which it is predicted that the general population, including susceptible individuals, could experience notable discomfort, irritation, or certain asymptomatic nonsensory effects. However, the effects are not disabling and are transient and reversible upon cessation of exposure.

AEGL 2: The airborne concentration of a substance above which it is predicted that the general population, including susceptible individuals, could experience irreversible or other serious, long-lasting adverse health effects or an impaired ability to escape.

AEGL 3: The airborne concentration of a substance above which it is predicted...
that the general population, including susceptible individuals, could experience life-threatening health effects or death.

Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

- Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
- Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- Use in a well-ventilated area.
- Prevent concentration in hollows and sumps.
- DO NOT enter confined spaces until atmosphere has been checked.
- DO NOT allow material to contact humans, exposed food or food utensils.
- Avoid contact with incompatible materials.
- When handling, DO NOT eat, drink or smoke.
- Keep containers securely sealed when not in use.
- Avoid physical damage to containers.
- Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- Work clothes should be laundered separately.
- Launder contaminated clothing before re-use.
- Use good occupational work practice.
- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.
- Atmosphere should be regularly checked against established exposure standards to ensure safe working conditions are maintained.

Empty containers may contain residual dust which has the potential to accumulate following settling. Such dusts may explode in the presence of an appropriate ignition source.

- Do NOT cut, drill, grind or weld such containers.
- In addition ensure such activity is not performed near full, partially empty or empty containers without appropriate workplace safety authorisation or permit.

RECOMMENDED STORAGE METHODS

- Glass container.
- Polyethylene or polypropylene container.
- Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.

SAFE STORAGE WITH OTHER CLASSIFIED CHEMICALS

X: Must not be stored together
O: May be stored together with specific preventions
+: May be stored together

Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE CONTROLS

The following materials had no OELs on our records
- diphenhydramine hydrochloride: CAS:147-24-0

MATERIAL DATA

DIPHENHYDRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE:
- It is the goal of the ACGIH (and other Agencies) to recommend TLVs (or their equivalent) for all substances for which there is evidence of health effects at airborne concentrations encountered in the workplace.
- At this time no TLV has been established, even though this material may produce adverse health effects (as evidenced in animal experiments or clinical experience). Airborne concentrations must be maintained as low as is practically possible and occupational exposure must be kept to a minimum.
- NOTE: The ACGIH occupational exposure standard for Particles Not Otherwise Specified (P.N.O.S) does NOT apply.
- Sensory irritants are chemicals that produce temporary and undesirable side-effects on the eyes, nose or throat. Historically occupational exposure standards for these irritants have been based on observation of workers' responses to various airborne concentrations. Present day expectations require that nearly every individual should be protected against even minor sensory irritation and exposure standards are established using uncertainty factors or safety factors of 5 to 10 or more. On occasion animal no-observable-effect-levels (NOEL) are used to determine these limits where human results are unavailable. An additional approach, typically used by the TLV committee (USA) in
determining respiratory standards for this group of chemicals, has been to assign ceiling values (TLV C) to rapidly acting irritants and to assign short-term exposure limits (TLV STELs) when the weight of evidence from irritation, bioaccumulation and other endpoints combine to warrant such a limit. In contrast the MAK Commission (Germany) uses a five-category system based on intensive odour, local irritation, and elimination half-life. However this system is being replaced to be consistent with the European Union (EU) Scientific Committee for Occupational Exposure Limits (SCOEL); this is more closely allied to that of the USA.

OSHA (USA) concluded that exposure to sensory irritants can:
- cause inflammation
- cause increased susceptibility to other irritants and infectious agents
- lead to permanent injury or dysfunction
- permit greater absorption of hazardous substances and
- acclimate the worker to the irritant warning properties of these substances thus increasing the risk of overexposure.

Airborne particulate or vapor must be kept to levels as low as is practicably achievable given access to modern engineering controls and monitoring hardware. Biologically active compounds may produce idiosyncratic effects which are entirely unpredictable on the basis of literature searches and prior clinical experience (both recent and past).

PERSONAL PROTECTION

Consult your EHS staff for recommendations

EYE
- When handling very small quantities of the material eye protection may not be required.
- For laboratory, larger scale or bulk handling or where regular exposure in an occupational setting occurs:
  - Chemical goggles
  - Face shield. Full face shield may be required for supplementary but never for primary protection of eyes
  - Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lenses or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59]

HANDS/FEET
- NOTE: The material may produce skin sensitization in predisposed individuals. Care must be taken, when removing gloves and other protective equipment, to avoid all possible skin contact.
- Suitability and durability of glove type is dependent on usage. Important factors in the selection of gloves include: such as:
  - frequency and duration of contact,
  - chemical resistance of glove material,
  - glove thickness and
  - dexterity
- Select gloves tested to a relevant standard (e.g. Europe EN 374, US F739).
  - When prolonged or frequently repeated contact may occur, a glove with a protection class of 5 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 240 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended.
  - When only brief contact is expected, a glove with a protection class of 3 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 60 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended.
- Contaminated gloves should be replaced.
- Gloves must only be worn on clean hands. After using gloves, hands should be washed and dried thoroughly. Application of a non-perfumed moisturiser is recommended.
- Rubber gloves (nitrile or low-protein, powder-free latex). Employees allergic to latex gloves should use nitrile gloves in preference.
- Double gloving should be considered.
- PVC gloves.
- Protective shoe covers.
- Head covering.

Experience indicates that the following polymers are suitable as glove materials for protection against undissolved, dry solids, where abrasive particles are not present.
- polychloroprene
- nitrile rubber
- butyl rubber
- fluorocautouchuc
- polyvinyl chloride
- Gloves should be examined for wear and/ or degradation constantly.

OTHER
- For quantities up to 500 grams a laboratory coat may be suitable.
- For quantities up to 1 kilogram a disposable laboratory coat or coverall of low permeability is recommended. Coveralls should be buttoned
at collar and cuffs.

- For quantities over 1 kilogram and manufacturing operations, wear disposable coverall of low permeability and disposable shoe covers.
- For manufacturing operations, air-supplied full body suits may be required for the provision of advanced respiratory protection.
- Eye wash unit.
- Ensure there is ready access to an emergency shower.
- For Emergencies: Vinyl suit

**RESPIRATOR**

- Respirators may be necessary when engineering and administrative controls do not adequately prevent exposures.
- The decision to use respiratory protection should be based on professional judgment that takes into account toxicity information, exposure measurement data, and frequency and likelihood of the worker's exposure - ensure users are not subject to high thermal loads which may result in heat stress or distress due to personal protective equipment (powered, positive flow, full face apparatus may be an option).
- Published occupational exposure limits, where they exist, will assist in determining the adequacy of the selected respiratory . These may be government mandated or vendor recommended.
- Certified respirators will be useful for protecting workers from inhalation of particulates when properly selected and fit tested as part of a complete respiratory protection program.
- Use approved positive flow mask if significant quantities of dust becomes airborne.
- Try to avoid creating dust conditions.

**RESPIRATOR**

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* - Negative pressure demand ** - Continuous flow

Explanation of Respirator Codes:
- Class 1 low to medium absorption capacity filters.
- Class 2 medium absorption capacity filters.
- Class 3 high absorption capacity filters.
- PAPR Powered Air Purifying Respirator (positive pressure) cartridge.
- Type A for use against certain organic gases and vapors.
- Type B for use against certain inorganic gases and other acid gases and vapors.
- Type AX for use against low boiling point organic compounds (less than 65ºC).
- Type E for use against sulfur dioxide and other acid gases and vapors.
- Type K for use against ammonia and organic ammonia derivatives

Class P1 intended for use against mechanically generated particulates of sizes most commonly encountered in industry, e.g. asbestos, silica.
Class P2 intended for use against both mechanically and thermally generated particulates, e.g. metal fume.
Class P3 intended for use against all particulates containing highly toxic materials, e.g. beryllium.
The local concentration of material, quantity and conditions of use determine the type of personal protective equipment required.

Use appropriate NIOSH-certified respirator based on informed professional judgement. In conditions where no reasonable estimate of exposure can be made, assume the exposure is in a concentration IDLH and use NIOSH-certified full face pressure demand SCBA with a minimum service life of 30 minutes, or a combination full facepiece pressure demand SAR with auxiliary self-contained air supply. Respirators provided only for escape from IDLH atmospheres shall be NIOSH-certified for escape from the atmosphere in which they will be used.

**ENGINEERING CONTROLS**

- For potent pharmacological agents:
  - **Powders**
  - To prevent contamination and overexposure, no open handling of powder should be allowed.
  - Powder handling operations are to be done in a powders weighing hood, a glove box, or other equivalent ventilated containment system.
  - In situations where these ventilated containment hoods have not been installed, a non-ventilated enclosed containment hood should be used.
  - Pending changes resulting from additional air monitoring data, up to 300 mg can be handled outside of an enclosure provided that no grinding, crushing or other dust-generating process occurs.
  - An air-purifying respirator should be worn by all personnel in the immediate area in cases where non-ventilated containment is used, where significant amounts of material (e.g., more than 2 grams) are used, or where the material may become airborne (as through grinding, etc.).
  - Powder should be put into solution or a closed or covered container after handling.
  - If using a ventilated enclosure that has not been validated, wear a half-mask respirator equipped with HEPA cartridges until the enclosure is validated for use.

**Solutions Handling:**

- Solutions can be handled outside a containment system or without local exhaust ventilation during procedures with no potential for aerosolisation. If the procedures have a potential for aerosolisation, an air-purifying respirator is to be worn by all personnel in the immediate area.
- Solutions used for procedures where aerosolisation may occur (e.g., vortexing, pumping) are to be handled within a containment system or with local exhaust ventilation.
- In situations where this is not feasible (may include animal dosing), an air-purifying respirator is to be worn by all personnel in the immediate area. If using a ventilated enclosure that has not been validated, wear a half-mask respirator equipped with HEPA cartridges.
until the enclosure is validated for use.

- Ensure gloves are protective against solvents in use.
- Unless written procedures, specific to the workplace are available, the following is intended as a guide:
  - For Laboratory-scale handling of Substances assessed to be toxic by inhalation. Quantities of up to 25 grams may be handled in Class II biological safety cabinets *; Quantities of 25 grams to 1 kilogram may be handled in Class II biological safety cabinets or equivalent containment systems Quantities exceeding 1 kg may be handled either using specific containment, a hood or Class II biological safety cabinet*.
  - HEPA terminated local exhaust ventilation should be considered at point of generation of dust, fumes or vapors.
  - The need for respiratory protection should also be assessed where incidental or accidental exposure is anticipated. Dependent on levels of contamination, PAPR, full face air purifying devices with P2 or P3 filters or air supplied respirators should be evaluated. When handling: Quantities of up to 25 grams, an approved respirator with HEPA filters or cartridges should be considered Quantities of 25 grams to 1 kilogram, a half-face negative pressure, full negative pressure, or powered helmet-type air purifying respirator should be considered. Quantities in excess of 1 kilogram, a full face negative pressure, helmet-type air purifying, or supplied air respirator should be considered. Written procedures, specific to a particular workplace, may replace these recommendations

* For Class II Biological Safety Cabinets, Types B2 or B3 should be considered. Where only Class I, open fronted Cabinets are available, glove panels may be added, Laminar flow cabinets do not provide sufficient protection when handling these materials unless especially designed to do so.

### Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

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**APPEARANCE**

White or almost white, odourless, crystalline powder with bitter numbing taste; mixes with water (1:1), alcohol (1:2), acetone (1:50), chloroform (1:2). Slowly darkens on exposure to light.

### Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY

**CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY**

- Presence of incompatible materials.
- Product is considered stable.
- Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

**STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY**

- Avoid reaction with oxidizing agents.

For incompatible materials - refer to Section 7 - Handling and Storage.

### Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**DIPHENHYDRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE**

**TOXICITY AND IRRITATION**

- unless otherwise specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances.

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- Contact allergies quickly manifest themselves as contact eczema, more rarely as urticaria or Quincke's edema. The pathogenesis of contact eczema involves a cell-mediated (T lymphocytes) immune reaction of the delayed type. Other allergic skin reactions, e.g. contact
urticaria, involve antibody-mediated immune reactions. The significance of the contact allergen is not simply determined by its sensitization potential: the distribution of the substance and the opportunities for contact with it are equally important. A weakly sensitizing substance which is widely distributed can be a more important allergen than one with stronger sensitizing potential with which few individuals come into contact. From a clinical point of view, substances are noteworthy if they produce an allergic test reaction in more than 1% of the persons tested.

Asthma-like symptoms may continue for months or even years after exposure to the material ceases. This may be due to a non-allergic condition known as reactive airways dysfunction syndrome (RADS) which can occur following exposure to high levels of highly irritating compound. Key criteria for the diagnosis of RADS include the absence of preceding respiratory disease, in a non-atopic individual, with abrupt onset of persistent asthma-like symptoms within minutes to hours of a documented exposure to the irritant. A reversible airflow pattern, on spirometry, with the presence of moderate to severe bronchial hyperreactivity, with methacholine challenge testing and the lack of minimal lymphocytic inflammation, without eosinophilia, have also been included in the criteria for diagnosis of RADS. RADS (or asthma) following an irritating inhalation is an infrequent disorder with rates related to the concentration of and duration of exposure to the irritating substance. Industrial bronchitis, on the other hand, is a disorder that occurs as result of exposure due to high concentrations of irritating substance (often particulate in nature) and is completely reversible after exposure ceases. The disorder is characterised by dyspnea, cough and mucus production.

Exposure to the material for prolonged periods may cause physical defects in the developing embryo (teratogenesis). Equivocal tumorigen by RTECS criteria

Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Refer to data for ingredients, which follows:

DIPHENHYDRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE:

Marine Pollutant: Yes

- Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.
- DO NOT allow product to come in contact with surface waters or to intertidal areas below the mean water mark. Do not contaminate water when cleaning equipment or disposing of equipment wash-waters.
- Wastes resulting from use of the product must be disposed of on site or at approved waste sites.
- For selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs):
  - Selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs) are a major class of widely prescribed antidepressants and obsessive-compulsive regulators that includes Prozac, Zoloft, Luvox, and Paxil. The function of serotonin in a wide array of aquatic creatures could prove highly significant in any discussion of the importance of low levels of pharmaceuticals in the environment. The potential for dramatic physiologic effects on non-target species (such as invertebrates) by low (ppb) concentrations of pharmaceuticals is the subject of many studies. Serotonin is a biogenic amine common in both vertebrate and invertebrate nervous systems. SSRIs increase serotonin neurotransmission by inhibiting its reuptake at the synapses by inhibiting the transporter enzymes. In addition to playing a key role in mammalian neurotransmission, serotonin is involved in a wide array of physiologic regulatory roles in molluscs, among most other creatures. For bivalves, reproductive functions including spawning, oocyte maturation, and parturition are regulated by serotonin. Serotonin controls a wide spectrum of additional behaviors and reflexes in molluscs, including heartbeat rhythm, feeding/biting, swimming motor patterns, beating of cilia, and induction of larval metamorphosis. It also stimulates release of various neurohormones in crustaceans (hyperglycemic hormone, red pigment-dispersing hormone, neurodepressing hormone, and molt-inhibiting hormone) and ovarian maturation. It has long been known that serotonin at concentrations of 10-4 to 10-3 M (~0.18-1.8 g/L) induces spawning in bivalves. Some commercial farmers make use of this by adding serotonin to induce spawning. Prozac (fluoxetine) and Luvox (fluvoxamine) are the most potent inducers ever found, eliciting spawning behavior in zebra mussels at aqueous concentrations many orders of magnitude lower than serotonin. Fluoxetine elicited significant spawning in male mussels at concentrations of 10-7 M (~150 ug/L); females were an order of magnitude less sensitive at 10-6 M. Fluoxetine, with the potential of most potent of SSRIs, elicited significant spawning in male mussels, at 10-9 M (~0.318 ug/L); females were two orders of magnitude less sensitive, at 10-7 M. In males, spawning was complete in the first hour, while females were slower (within 2 hr). Paxil (paroxetine) was the least potent of these three SSRIs, eliciting male spawning, but to a lesser degree, at 10-6 M, and having no inducing effect on females at any concentration. It should be noted that the evidence is not clear whether these compounds are indeed acting as SSRIs, or via some other mechanisms. It is also unknown how these compounds are taken up by molluscs. In another study, fluvoxamine induces significant parturition in fingernail clams at 1 nM; 1 nM fluvoxamine also potentiated the effect of 10 uM 5-hydroxytryptophan (5-HT, a precursor of serotonin) by almost 5-fold. Paroxetine was less potent, requiring a concentration of 10 uM to effect significant parturition. In contrast, even at concentrations of 100 uM, fluoxetine displayed no effect, although it was capable at 5 uM of potentiating 5-HT at concentrations that were otherwise subthreshold. It is interesting that the order of potency in parturition in clams differs from the order for induction of spawning in mussels (above). This points to the complexity of considering any approach involving extrapolations from one species to another or from one drug to another within a given class. In crustaceans, fluoxetine significantly potentiates the effect of 5-HT in crayfish, enhancing the release of ovary-stimulating hormone, which results in larger oocytes with enhanced amounts of vitellin; any ecologic consequences of higher vitellin protein levels are unknown. Similarly, in fiddler crabs, fluoxetine at a dose of 125 nmol stimulates (through 5-HT) the production of gonad-stimulating hormone, which accelerates testicular maturation. It is clear that aquatic life can be exquisitely sensitive to at

Ecotoxicity

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Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal Instructions
All waste must be handled in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.
Puncture containers to prevent re-use and bury at an authorized landfill.
Legislation addressing waste disposal requirements may differ by country, state and/or territory. Each user must refer to laws operating in their area. In some areas, certain wastes must be tracked.
A Hierarchy of Controls seems to be common - the user should investigate:
- Reduction
- Reuse
- Recycling
- Disposal (if all else fails)
This material may be recycled if unused, or if it has not been contaminated so as to make it unsuitable for its intended use. Shelf life considerations should also be applied in making decisions of this type. Note that properties of a material may change in use, and recycling or reuse may not always be appropriate.
DO NOT allow wash water from cleaning equipment to enter drains. Collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.
- Recycle wherever possible.
- Consult manufacturer for recycling options or consult Waste Management Authority for disposal if no suitable treatment or disposal facility can be identified.
- Dispose of by: Burial in a licensed land-fill or Incineration in a licensed apparatus (after admixture with suitable combustible material)
- Decontaminate empty containers. Observe all label safeguards until containers are cleaned and destroyed.

Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

DOT:
Symbols: G
Hazard class or Division: 9
Identification Numbers: UN3077
PG: III
Label Codes: 9
Special provisions: 8, 146, 335, B54, IB8, IP3, N20, T1, TP33
Packaging: Exceptions: 155
Packaging: Non-bulk: 213
Packaging: Exceptions: 155
Quantity limitations: Passenger aircraft/rail: No limit
Vessel stowage: Location: A
Vessel stowage: Other: None

Hazardous materials descriptions and proper shipping names:
Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s

Air Transport IATA:
ICAO/IATA Class: 9
ICAO/IATA Subrisk: None
UN/ID Number: 3077
Packing Group: III
Special provisions: A97
Shipping Name: ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. *(CONTAINS DIPHENHYDRAMINE HYDROCHLORIDE)

Maritime Transport IMDG:
IMDG Class: 9
IMDG Subrisk: None
UN Number: 3077
Packing Group: III
EMS Number: F-A, S-F
Special provisions: 179 274 335 909
Limited Quantities: 5 kg
Marine Pollutant: Yes
Shipping Name: ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.(contains diphenhydramine hydrochloride)

Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION
REGULATIONS
diphenhydramine hydrochloride (CAS: 147-24-0) is found on the following regulatory lists;
"Canada Domestic Substances List (DSL)"

Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

LIMITED EVIDENCE
- Inhalation and/or skin contact may produce health damage*.
- Cumulative effects may result following exposure*.
- Repeated exposure potentially causes skin dryness and cracking*.

* (limited evidence).

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- The (M)SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

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