2-Hydroxyethylhydrazine

PRODUCT NAME
2-Hydroxyethylhydrazine

STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE

SYNONYMS
C2-H8-N2-O, HOCH2CH2NHNH2, "ethanol, 2-hydrazino-", 2-hydrazinoethanol, "hydroxyethyl hydrazine", beta-hydroxyethylhydrazine, N-(2-hydroxyethyl)hydrazine, BOH, Brombloom, Omaflora, "pesticide/ plant growth regulator"
Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

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CANADIAN WHMIS SYMBOLS

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

RISK
Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect.
Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.
Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.
Harmful to aquatic organisms.

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

SWALLOWED
■ Toxic effects may result from the accidental ingestion of the material; animal experiments indicate that ingestion of less than 40 gram may be fatal or may produce serious damage to the health of the individual.
■ In animals, hydrazine and its derivatives cause convulsions, nervous system changes, muscle spasms and seizures, fever, and other symptoms, and in severe cases, causes failure of breathing and death.

EYE
■ This material can cause eye irritation and damage in some persons.

SKIN
■ Skin contact with the material may produce toxic effects; systemic effects may result following absorption.
■ This material can cause inflammation of the skin on contact in some persons.
■ The material may accentuate any pre-existing dermatitis condition.
■ 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
■ Inhalation of aerosols (mists, fumes), generated by the material during the course of normal handling, may produce toxic effects; these may be fatal.
■ The material can cause respiratory irritation in some persons.
The body’s response to such irritation can cause further lung damage.
■ Inhalation of vapours may cause drowsiness and dizziness.
This may be accompanied by sleepiness, reduced alertness, loss of reflexes, lack of co-ordination, and vertigo.
■ Inhalation hazard is increased at higher temperatures.
■ Symptoms of inhalation of hydrazine (and some of its derivatives) may include nausea and headache.
Central nervous system (CNS) excitement may lead to convulsions, and, in severe cases, breathing stoppage and death.
■ Inhalation of high concentrations of gas/vapour causes lung irritation with coughing and nausea, central
nervous depression with headache and dizziness, slowing of reflexes, fatigue and inco-ordination.

**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.
- Substance accumulation, in the human body, may occur and may cause some concern following repeated or long-term occupational exposure.
- There is some evidence that inhaling this product is more likely to cause a sensitisation reaction in some persons compared to the general population.
- When given by mouth, hydrazine induced tumours in animal testing. A study of 423 men involved in the manufacture of hydrazine revealed three stomach, one prostate and one neurogenic cancer.
- Solutions of 0.015% 2-hydroxyethylhydrazine were given continuously in the drinking water of 6- and 5-week randombred Syrian golden hamsters and Swiss mice for the remainder of their lifetimes. In treated hamsters, 6% of the females and 10% of the males developed hepatomas, whereas amongst untreated controls the corresponding incidence was 0% in females and 1% in males. The substance did not increase the incidence of other tumours in hamsters nor did it result in a detectable tumourigenic effect in mice. Shimizu, H., and B. Toth. Journal of the National Cancer Institute, 52, 903-906, 1974

### Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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### Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

**SWALLOWED**
- IF SWALLOWED, REFER FOR MEDICAL ATTENTION, WHERE POSSIBLE, WITHOUT DELAY.
- For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.
- Urgent hospital treatment is likely to be needed.
- In the mean time, qualified first-aid personnel should treat the patient following observation and employing supportive measures as indicated by the patient's condition.

**EYE**
If this product comes in contact with the eyes
- Immediately hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water.
- Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.
- Continue flushing until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.
- Transport to hospital or doctor without delay.

**SKIN**
If skin or hair contact occurs
- Quickly but gently, wipe material off skin with a dry, clean cloth.
- Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.
- Wash skin and hair with running water. Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre.
- Transport to hospital, or doctor.

**INHALED**
- If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.
- Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.
- Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures.
- Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device,
or pocket mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN
■ Treat symptomatically.
In poisonings involving hydrazine
Correction of early hypoglycaemia, with large parenteral doses of pyridoxine appears to suppress convulsions and other neurological effects.
In man, hydrazine-induced hyperexcitability and coma may respond to massive doses of pyridoxine but there is no evidence that liver necrosis or damage can be prevented or corrected by this antidote.
GOSSELIN, SMITH & HODGE Clinical Toxicology of Commercial Products, 5th Ed.

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

FIRE FIGHTING
- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- Use fire fighting procedures suitable for surrounding area.

When any large container (including road and rail tankers) is involved in a fire, consider evacuation by 800 metres in all directions.

GENERAL FIRE HAZARDS/HAZARDOUS COMBUSTIBLE PRODUCTS
- Combustible.
- Slight fire hazard when exposed to heat or flame.
- Heating may cause expansion or decomposition leading to violent rupture of containers.
- On combustion, may emit toxic fumes of carbon monoxide (CO).
- Combustion products include carbon dioxide (CO2), nitrogen oxides (NOx), other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.
- May emit poisonous fumes.

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

Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

MINOR SPILLS
- Remove all ignition sources.
- Clean up all spills immediately.
- Avoid breathing vapours and contact with skin and eyes.
- Control personal contact by using protective equipment.

MAJOR SPILLS
- Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING
- DO NOT allow clothing wet with material to stay in contact with skin
- 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.

RECOMMENDED STORAGE METHODS
- Lined metal can, lined metal pail/ can.
- Plastic pail.
- Polyliner drum.
- Packing as recommended by manufacturer.

For low viscosity materials
- Drums and jerricans must be of the non-removable head type.
- Where a can is to be used as an inner package, the can must have a screwed enclosure.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS
- Store in original containers.
- Keep containers securely sealed.
- Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.
- Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.

Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE CONTROLS
The following materials had no OELs on our records
- 2-hydroxyethylhydrazine CAS109-84-2

PERSONAL PROTECTION

RESPIRATOR
- Type A Filter of sufficient capacity. (AS/NZS 1716 & 1715, EN 1432000 & 1492001, ANSI Z88 or national equivalent)

EYE
- Safety glasses with side shields.
- Chemical goggles.
- Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lens 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], [AS/NZS 1336 or national equivalent]

HANDS/FEET
- Wear chemical protective gloves, eg. PVC.
• Wear safety footwear or safety gumboots, eg. Rubber
Suitability and durability of glove type is dependent on usage. Important factors in the selection of gloves include
• frequency and duration of contact,
• chemical resistance of glove material,
• glove thickness and
dexterity
• Neoprene gloves
OTHER
• Overalls.
• Eyewash unit.
• Barrier cream.
• Skin cleansing cream.

ENGINEERING CONTROLS
Engineering controls are used to remove a hazard or place a barrier between the worker and the hazard. Well-designed engineering controls can be highly effective in protecting workers and will typically be independent of worker interactions to provide this high level of protection.
The basic types of engineering controls are
Process controls which involve changing the way a job activity or process is done to reduce the risk.
Enclosure and/or isolation of emission source which keeps a selected hazard "physically" away from the worker and ventilation that strategically "adds" and "removes" air in the work environment.

**Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES
Liquid.
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Toxic or noxious vapours/gas.

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APPEARANCE
Slightly viscous liquid; mixes with water and lower alcohols.

**Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY**

CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY
• Presence of incompatible materials.
• Product is considered stable.
• Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.

STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY
• 2-Hydroxyethylhydrazine
• is a reducing agent and organic base
• reacts violently with oxidisers, acids, maleic anhydride,
is incompatible with organic anhydrides, acrylates, alcohols, aldehydes, alkylene oxides, substituted allys, cellulose nitrate, cresols, caprolactam solution, 3-(3-cyano-1,2,4-oxadiazol-5-yl)-4-cyanofurazan-2(5)-oxide, epichlorohydrin, ethylene dichloride, isocyanates, ketones, glycols, nitrates, phenols, vinyl acetate

Incidents involving interaction of active oxidants and reducing agents, either by design or accident, are usually very energetic and examples of so-called redox reactions.

Avoid strong acids, acid chlorides, acid anhydrides and chloroformates.

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

Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

2-hydroxyethylhydrazine

TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

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

Asthma-like symptoms may continue for months or even years after exposure to the material ceases. This may be due to a non-allergenic condition known as reactive airways dysfunction syndrome (RADS) which can occur following exposure to high levels of highly irritating compound.

Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Harmful to aquatic organisms.
This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste.

Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal Instructions

All waste must be handled in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

- Containers may still present a chemical hazard/ danger when empty.
- Return to supplier for reuse/ recycling if possible.

Otherwise:

- If container can not be cleaned sufficiently well to ensure that residuals do not remain or if the container cannot be used to store the same product, then puncture containers, to prevent re-use, and bury at an authorised landfill.
- Where possible retain label warnings and MSDS and observe all notices pertaining to the product.

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. If it has been contaminated, it may be possible to reclaim the product by filtration, distillation or some other means. 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 or process equipment to enter drains.
- It may be necessary to collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.
- In all cases disposal to sewer may be subject to local laws and regulations and these should be considered first.
- Where in doubt contact the responsible authority.
- Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.
- Consult State Land Waste Authority for disposal.
- Bury or incinerate residue at an approved site.
- Recycle containers if possible, or dispose of in an authorised landfill.
## Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

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Hazardous materials descriptions and proper shipping names:
Toxic, liquids, organic, n.o.s.

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## Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

2-hydroxyethylhydrazine (CAS: 109-84-2) is found on the following regulatory lists:
*Canada Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)*, *US Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) - Chemical Substance Inventory*

## Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

**LIMITED EVIDENCE**

- Cumulative effects may result following exposure*.
- Possible respiratory sensitiser*.
- Vapours potentially cause drowsiness and dizziness*.

* (limited evidence).

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