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PRODUCT USE

Synthetic prostaglandin. The methyl analogue of prostagladin E2 with similar actions but with more prolonged action due to the presence of the methyl group which delays inactivation by dehydrogenation. Prostaglandin E2 is the most common of the biologically potent mammalian prostaglandins and is thought to regulate the sleep/wake cycle. Is also a mediator of the inflammatory response through an involvement in vasodilator actions of kinins such as bradykinin. Clinically, prostaglandin E2 is used as an oxytocic agent for the induction of labour, termination of pregnancy, missed abortion, hydatiform mole and foetal death in utero. It induces contraction of the uterine muscle. 15R-R-methylprostaglandin and its methyl derivative are also given by mouth to reduce gastric secretions in patients with gastric ulcer. Biological activities of prostaglandins include smooth muscle stimulation, small artery dilation, bronchial dilation, lowering of blood pressure, increases in ocular pressure, inhibition of gastric secretions, of lipolysis and aggregation of platelets, induction, autonomic neuro- transmission and dysmenorrhea. Individual prostaglandins vary greatly in their activity and potency with actions dependent both on animal species and the tissues upon which they act. Entirely opposite effects may ensue with very small structural changes in the molecule.

SYNONYMS

C21-H34-O5, "prosta-5, 13-dien-1-oic acid, 11, 15-dihydroxy-15-methyl-9-oxo-, (5Z, ", "11-alpha, 13E, 15R)-", "prosta-5, 13-dien-1-oic acid, 11, 15-dihydroxy-15-methyl-9-oxo-, (5Z, ", "11-alpha, 13E, 15R)-", "15(R)-methylprostaglandin E2", "(Z)-7-((1R, 2R, 3R)-3-hydroxy-2-((E)-(3R)-3-hydroxy-3-methyloct-1-", "enyl)-5-oxocyclopentyl)hept-5-enoic acid", "(Z)-7-((1R, 2R, 3R)-3-hydroxy-2-((E)-(3R)-3-hydroxy-3-methyloct-1-", "enyl)-5-oxocyclopentyl)hept-5-enoic acid", "autocoid/ eicosanoid/ prostanoic acid derivative", "oxytocic/ abortifacient"

Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

CANADIAN WHMIS SYMBOLS

None

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Hazard Alert Code Key: EXTREME HIGH MODERATE

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

RISK

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

SWALLOWED

■ Although ingestion is not thought to produce harmful effects, the material may still be damaging to the health of the individual following ingestion, especially where pre-existing organ (e.g. liver, kidney) damage is evident. Present definitions of harmful or toxic substances are generally based on doses producing mortality (death) rather than those producing morbidity (disease, ill-health). Gastrointestinal tract discomfort may produce nausea and vomiting. In an occupational setting however, ingestion of insignificant quantities is not thought to be cause for concern.

Considered an unlikely route of entry in commercial/industrial environments.

EYE

Although the material is not thought to be an irritant, direct contact with the eye may produce transient discomfort characterized by tearing or conjunctival redness (as with windburn).

SKIN

• The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects or skin irritation following contact (as classified using animal models). Nevertheless, good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable gloves be used in an occupational setting.

INHALED

■ The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects or irritation of the respiratory tract (as classified using animal models). Nevertheless, good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable control measures be used in an occupational setting.

■ 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.

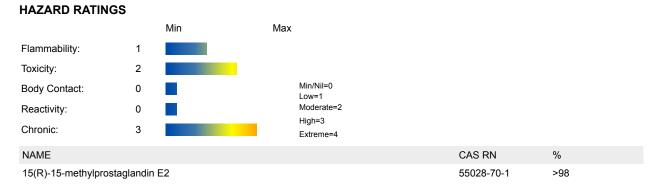
■ Prostaglandins are released by a wide range of stimuli and is related to a number of biological functions. They are implicated in inflammation and period pain. The main species, prostaglandin E2 (PGE2), is a regulator of sleep and inflammation; its effects vary with dose and include flushing, shivering, headache and dizziness, convulsions, and changes in brain waves. Effects of PGE1 include stoppages of breathing, low blood pressure, headaches, fever, changes in heart rate, swelling, electrolyte disturbances, cardiac arrest, diarrhea, convulsions and generalized blood clotting. Lesions of arteries and bone have been found in babies exposed to PGE1; PGF2? can cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, temporary cardiovascular symptoms including flushing, shivering, headache and dizziness, convulsions, and changes in brain waves. PGI2 can cause low blood pressure, increased heart rate, flushing, vomiting, stomach cramps, leg pain and high blood glucose. Aerosols containing PGE1 and PGE2 can cause cough, irritation of the throat, and headache. This is seen also in asthmatics inhaling PGI2.

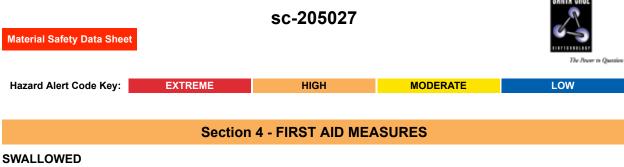
CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS

Principal routes of exposure are usually by skin contact/absorption and inhalation of generated dust.

No human exposure data available. For this reason health effects described are based on experience with chemically related materials. As with any chemical product, contact with unprotected bare skin; inhalation of vapor, mist or dust in work place atmosphere; or ingestion in any form, should be avoided by observing good occupational work practice.

Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS





- If poisoning occurs, contact a doctor or Poisons Information Center.
- If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting.
- If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration.
- Observe the patient carefully.
- Never give liquid to a person showing signs of being sleepy or with reduced awareness; i.e. becoming unconscious
- Give water to rinse out mouth, then provide liquid slowly and as much as casualty can comfortably drink.
- Seek medical advice.

EYE

- If this product comes in contact with the eyes:
- Wash out immediately with fresh 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.
- If pain persists or recurs seek medical attention.
- Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.

SKIN

- If skin contact occurs:
- Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear
- Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).
- Seek medical attention in event of irritation.

INHALED

- If dust is inhaled, remove from contaminated area.
- Encourage patient to blow nose to ensure clear passage of breathing.
- If irritation or discomfort persists seek medical attention.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

Treat symptomatically.

Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Upper Explosive Limit (%):	Not available.	
Specific Gravity (water=1):	Not available	
Lower Explosive Limit (%):	Not available	
Relative Vapor Density (air=1):	>1	

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

- Foam.
- Dry chemical powder.
- BCF (where regulations permit).
- Carbon dioxide.
- Water spray or fog Large fires only.

FIRE FIGHTING

- Use water delivered as a fine spray to control fire and cool adjacent area.
- Avoid spraying water onto liquid pools.
- 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.

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GENERAL FIRE HAZARDS/HAZARDOUS COMBUSTIBLE PRODUCTS

- Solid which exhibits difficult combustion or is difficult to ignite.
- 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).

FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

Avoid contamination with strong oxidizing agents as ignition may result.

PERSONAL PROTECTION

Glasses: Safety Glasses. Gloves: Respirator: Particulate

Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

MINOR SPILLS

- -
- Clean up all spills immediately.
- Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
- Wear impervious gloves and safety glasses.
- Use dry clean up procedures and avoid generating dust.
- Sweep up or vacuum up (consider explosion-proof machines designed to be grounded during storage and use).
- Place spilled material in clean, dry, sealable, labeled container.
- MAJOR SPILLS
- Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- 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.
- Stop leak if safe to do so.
- Contain spill with sand, earth or vermiculite.
- · Collect recoverable product into labeled containers for recycling.
- Neutralize/decontaminate residue.
- Collect solid residues and seal in labeled drums for disposal.
- Wash area and prevent runoff into drains.
- After clean up operations, decontaminate and launder all protective clothing and equipment before storing and re-using.
- If contamination of drains or waterways occurs, advise emergency services.

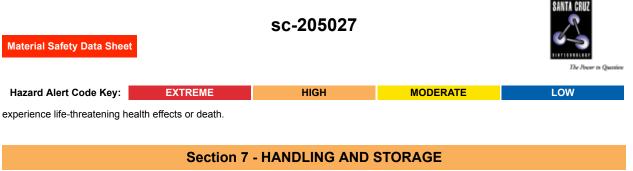
ACUTE EXPOSURE GUIDELINE LEVELS (AEGL) (in ppm)

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



PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

• Limit all unnecessary personal contact.

- Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- Use in a well-ventilated area.
- When handling DO NOT eat, drink or smoke.
- Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- Avoid physical damage to containers.
- Use good occupational work practice.
- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.

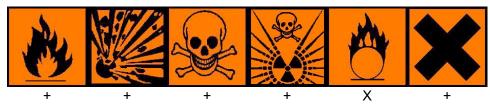
RECOMMENDED STORAGE METHODS

- - Polyethylene or polypropylene container.
- Packing as recommended by manufacturer
- Check all containers are clearly labeled and free from leaks.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

- Keep dry.
- Store in original containers.
- Keep containers securely sealed.
- No smoking, naked lights or ignition sources.
- Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.
- Store away from incompatible materials.
- Protect containers against physical damage.
- Check regularly for leaks.
- 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

Source	Material	TWA ppm	TWA mg/m³	STEL mg/m³	Peak ppm	Peak mg/m³	TWA F/CC	Notes
US - Oregon Permissible Exposure Limits (Z3)	15(R)-15-methylprostaglandin E2 (Inert or Nuisance Dust: (d) Total dust)		10					*

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US OSHA Permissible Exposure Levels (PELs) - Table Z3	15(R)-15-methylprostaglandin E or Nuisance Dust: (d) Respirab fraction)		5			
US OSHA Permissible Exposure Levels (PELs) - Table Z3	15(R)-15-methylprostaglandin E or Nuisance Dust: (d) Total dus	•	15			
US - Hawaii Air Contaminant Limits	15(R)-15-methylprostaglandin E (Particulates not other wise reg Total dust)		10			
US - Hawaii Air Contaminant Limits	15(R)-15-methylprostaglandin E (Particulates not other wise reg Respirable fraction)		5			
US - Oregon Permissible Exposure Limits (Z3)	15(R)-15-methylprostaglandin E or Nuisance Dust: (d) Respirabl fraction)	•	5			*
US - Tennessee Occupational Exposure Limits - Limits For Air Contaminants	15(R)-15-methylprostaglandin E (Particulates not otherwise regu Respirable fraction)		5			
US - Wyoming Toxic and Hazardous Substances Table Z1 Limits for Air Contaminants	15(R)-15-methylprostaglandin E (Particulates not otherwise regu (PNOR)(f)- Respirable fraction)	lated	5			
US - Michigan Exposure Limits for Air Contaminants	15(R)-15-methylprostaglandin E (Particulates not otherwise regu Respirable dust)		5			

MATERIAL DATA

15(R)-15-METHYLPROSTAGLANDIN E2:

• These "dusts" have little adverse effect on the lungs and do not produce toxic effects or organic disease. Although there is no dust which does not evoke some cellular response at sufficiently high concentrations, the cellular response caused by P.N.O.C.s has the following characteristics:

- the architecture of the air spaces remain intact,
- scar tissue (collagen) is not synthesised to any degree,
- tissue reaction is potentially reversible.
- Extensive concentrations of P.N.O.C.s may:
- seriously reduce visibility,
- cause unpleasant deposits in the eyes, ears and nasal passages,
- contribute to skin or mucous membrane injury by chemical or mechanical action, per se, or by the rigorous skin cleansing procedures necessary for their removal. [ACGIH]
- This limit does not apply:
- to brief exposures to higher concentrations
- nor does it apply to those substances that may cause physiological impairment at lower concentrations but for which a TLV has as yet to be determined.

This exposure standard applies to particles which

- are insoluble or poorly soluble* in water or, preferably, in aqueous lung fluid (if data is available) and
- have a low toxicity (i.e.. are not cytotoxic, genotoxic, or otherwise chemically reactive with lung tissue, and do not emit ionizing radiation, cause immune sensitization, or cause toxic effects other than by inflammation or by a mechanism of lung overload)

PERSONAL PROTECTION



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Consult your EHS staff for reco	ommendations			
EYE				
 Safety glasses. 				
 Safety glasses with side shi 	ields.			
 Chemical goggles. 				
 Contact lenses pose a spec 	cial hazard; soft lenses may ab	sorb irritants and all lenses c	oncentrate them.	
HANDS/FEET				
Wear general protective glov	es, e.g light weight rubber glo	oves.		
OTHER				
Overalls.				
 Impervious protective clothi Evolution unit 	ng			
Eyewash unit.				
RESPIRATOR				
Protection Factor	Half-Face Respirator	Full-Face Respirate	or Powered A	ir Respirator
10 x PEL	P1	-	PAPR-P1	
	Air-line*	-	-	
50 x PEL	Air-line**	P2	PAPR-P2	
100 x PEL	-	P3	-	
		Air-line*	-	
100+ x PEL	-	Air-line**	PAPR-P3	
* - Negative pressure demand Explanation of Respirator Code	es:			
Class 1 low to medium absorpt				
Class 2 medium absorption ca Class 3 high absorption capaci				
	espirator (positive pressure) ca	artridge.		
Type A for use against certain	organic gases and vapors.	Ū		
	piling point organic compounds			
	inorganic gases and other acid	•		
	ioxide and other acid gases an ia and organic ammonia deriva	•		
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ninimum service life of 30 mini	utes, or a combination full face		with auxiliary self-containe	a air suppiy. Respira

provided only for escape from IDLH atmospheres shall be NIOSH-certified for escape from the atmosphere in which they will be used.

ENGINEERING CONTROLS

■ General exhaust is adequate under normal operating conditions. If risk of overexposure exists, wear an approved respirator. Correct fit is essential to obtain adequate protection. Provide adequate ventilation in warehouse or closed storage areas. Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant.

Type of Contaminant:	Air Speed:
solvent, vapors, degreasing etc., evaporating from tank (in still air)	0.25-0.5 m/s (50-100 f/min)
aerosols, fumes from pouring operations, intermittent container filling, low speed conveyer transfers, welding, spray drift, plating acid fumes, pickling (released at low velocity into zone of active generation)	0.5-1 m/s (100-200 f/min.)
direct spray spray painting in shallow booths, drum filling, conveyer	

direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of 1-2.5 m/s (200-500 f/min) rapid air motion)

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grinding, abrasive blasting, tu dusts (released at high initial motion).		•	00-2000 f/min.)		
Within each range the approp	riate value depends on:				
Lower end of the range	Upper end of	Upper end of the range			
1: Room air currents minimal	1: Disturbing	1: Disturbing room air currents			
2: Contaminants of low toxicit	ty or of nuisance value only	2: Contamina	2: Contaminants of high toxicity		
3: Intermittent, low production	3: High produ	3: High production, heavy use			
4: Large hood or large air ma	ss in motion	4: Small hood	4: Small hood - local control only		

Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 1-2 m/s (200-400 f/min.) for extraction of solvents generated in a tank 2 meters distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used.

Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Solid. Does not mix with water.			
State	Divided solid	Molecular Weight	366.55
Melting Range (°F)	Not available	Boiling Range (°F)	Not available
Solubility in water (g/L)	Partly miscible	Flash Point (°F)	Not available
pH (1% solution)	Not applicable	Decomposition Temp (°F)	Not available.
pH (as supplied)	Not applicable	Autoignition Temp (°F)	Not available
Vapour Pressure (mmHG)	Negligible	Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not available.
Specific Gravity (water=1)	Not available	Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not available
Relative Vapor Density (air=1)	>1	Volatile Component (%vol)	Negligible
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable		

APPEARANCE

Powder; does not mix well with water. Prostaglandins are a family of biologically potent lipid derived from membrane phospholipids. They consist of a C20 unsaturated fatty acid containing a cyclopentane ring and are divided into types E, F, A, B, C based on functions on the cyclopentane ring. Numerical subscripts refer to the number of unsaturations in the side-chains whilst alpha and beta subscripts describe the configuration of ring substituents. It is thought that E1, E2, E3, F1alpha, F2alpha, and F3alpha are the primary structures as no one is derived from another in the living organism.

Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY

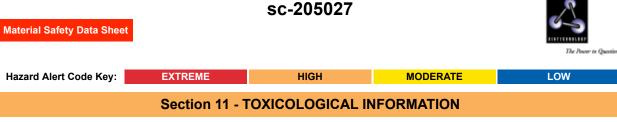
CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

- •
- 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.



15(R)-15-methylprostaglandin E2

TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

No significant acute toxicological data identified in literature search.

Effects on newborn, maternal effects recorded.

Exposure to the material for prolonged periods may cause physical defects in the developing embryo (teratogenesis).

Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Refer to data for ingredients, which follows: 15(R)-15-METHYLPROSTAGLANDIN E2:

Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal Instructions

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

- Consult manufacturer for recycling options and recycle where possible.
- Consult Waste Management Authority for disposal.
- Incinerate residue at an approved site.
- Recycle containers where possible, or dispose of in an authorized landfill.

Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS: DOT, IATA, IMDG

Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

15(R)-15-methylprostaglandin E2 (CAS: 55028-70-1) is found on the following regulatory lists;

"US - Hawaii Air Contaminant Limits", "US - Oregon Permissible Exposure Limits (Z3)", "US OSHA Permissible Exposure Levels (PELs) - Table Z3"

Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

LIMITED EVIDENCE

- Inhalation may produce health damage*.
- May be harmful to the fetus/ embryo*.
- * (limited evidence).

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■ Classification of the mixture and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

A list of reference resources used to assist the committee may be found at:

www.chemwatch.net/references.

• 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,



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