Poly(dimethylsiloxane)



Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT NAME

Poly(dimethylsiloxane)

STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE

CONSIDERED A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE ACCORDING TO OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200.



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SYNONYMS

(C2-H6-O-Si)n, "polydimethylsiloxane fluid", "dimethyl siloxane", "PMS 1.5", Ovol, "methyl silicone", poly(dimethylsiloxane), "GE SF97", SF96, poly(oxy(dimethylsilylene)), "Dow Corning", "DC 360 DC 200 DC 561 Fluid", "dimethyl silicone fluid", "PMS 154A", "200A 300", "AF 72 75", "dimethylpolysiloxane fluid", "Dow Corning DC Antifoam A", "siloxanes and silicones, di-methyl", "silicon fluid", "Syltherm 800", "GE Material A13F1", D5K3, "KO 08", "Silak M 10", "PNS 25", "Antifoam FD 62", "Union Carbide UC liquid G", Ceolat, Baros, "dimethicone 350", Simethicone, Delesan, Silain, "Gensil 150", XF-13-563, dimeticon, Aeropax, Siligaz, "Sab Simplex", Lefax, Bicolon, Meteorex, Mylocon, Silikon, "Silicone release L 45", Endo-Paractol, Polysilon, Mylicon, "Food additive 900"



CANADIAN WHMIS SYMBOLS

None

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW RISK

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

SWALLOWED

■ Silicone fluids do not have a high acute toxicity.

They may have a laxative effect and produce central nervous system depression.

High molecular weight material; on single acute exposure would be expected to pass through gastrointestinal tract with little change / absorption.

Occasionally accumulation of the solid material within the alimentary tract may result in formation of a bezoar (concretion), producing discomfort.

The material has NOT been classified as "harmful by ingestion".

This is because of the lack of corroborating animal or human evidence.

EYE

• There is some evidence to suggest that this material can causeeye irritation and damage in some persons.

Eye exposure to silicone fluids causes temporary irritation of the conjunctiva.

Injection into the specific structures of the eye, however, causes corneal scarring, permanent eye damage, allergic reactions and cataract, and may lead to blindness.

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.

Skin contact is not thought to have harmful health effects, however the material may still produce health damage following entry through wounds, lesions or abrasions.

There is some evidence to suggest that this material can cause inflammation of the skin on contact in some persons.

Low molecular weight silicone fluids may exhibit solvent action andmay produce skin irritation.

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.

■ Vapors of silicones are generally fairly well tolerated, however very high concentrations can cause death within minutes due to respiratory failure.

At high temperatures, the fumes and oxidation products can be irritating and toxic and can cause depression leading to death in very high doses.

Not normally a hazard due to non-volatile nature of product.

CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS

Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

NAME	CAS RN	%
poly(dimethyl siloxane)	9016-00-6	100

A mixture of trimethylsiloxy chain-stopped

poly(dimethyl-siloxanes)

Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

SWALLOWED

· Immediately give a glass of water. · First aid is not generally required. If in doubt, contact a Poisons Information Center or a doctor. **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.

SKIN

■ If skin contact occurs: · Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear · Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).

INHALED

· If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area. · Other measures are usually unnecessary.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

Treat symptomatically.

Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES			
Vapour Pressure (mmHG):	Negligible.		
Upper Explosive Limit (%):	Not available.		
Specific Gravity (water=1):	approx. 1 (see b		
Lower Explosive Limit (%):	Not available.		

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

· Foam.

· Dry chemical powder.

FIRE FIGHTING

· Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.

· Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.

GENERAL FIRE HAZARDS/HAZARDOUS COMBUSTIBLE PRODUCTS

· High temperature decomposition products include silicon dioxide, small amounts of formaldehyde, formic acid, acetic acid and traces of silicon polymers.

· These gases may ignite and, depending on circumstances, may cause the resin/polymer to ignite.

· An outer skin of silica may also form. Extinguishing of fire, beneath the skin, may be difficult.

- · Combustible.
- · Slight fire hazard when exposed to heat or flame.

Combustion products include: carbon dioxide (CO2), silicon dioxide (SiO2), other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material. May emit corrosive fumes.

CARE: Water in contact with hot liquid may cause foaming and a steam explosion with wide scattering of hot oil and possible severe burns. Foaming may cause overflow of containers and may result in possible fire.

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: Type A-P Filter of sufficient capacity

Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

MINOR SPILLS

- Slippery when spilt.
- Remove all ignition sources.
- · Clean up all spills immediately.
- MAJOR SPILLS
- \cdot Silicone fluids, even in small quantities, may present a slip hazard.
- · It may be necessary to rope off area and place warning signs around perimeter.
- \cdot Clean up area from spill, with suitable absorbant, as soon as practically possible.
- · Final cleaning may require use of steam, solvents or detergents.

Moderate hazard.

- · Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- · Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.

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.
- \cdot Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.

RECOMMENDED STORAGE METHODS

- · Metal can or drum
- · Packing as recommended by manufacturer.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

· 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 and foodstuff containers.
- · Protect containers against physical damage and check regularly for leaks.
- · Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.

Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE CONTROLS

The following materials had no OELs on our records • poly(dimethyl siloxane): CAS:9016-00-6

PERSONAL PROTECTION



RESPIRATOR

• type a-p filter of sufficient capacity. (AS/NZS 1716 & 1715, EN 143:2000 & 149:2001, ANSI Z88 or national equivalent)

- EYE
- · Safety glasses with side shields.
- · Chemical goggles.

HANDS/FEET

■ Wear chemical protective gloves, eg. PVC.

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.

OTHER

- · Overalls.
- · P.V.C. apron.
- · Barrier cream.
- · Skin cleansing cream.
- · Eye wash unit.

ENGINEERING CONTROLS

General exhaust is adequate under normal operating conditions. Local exhaust ventilation may be required in specific circumstances.

Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Liquid.			
State	Liquid	Molecular Weight	Not applicable.
Melting Range (°F)	<-58 (fluids).	Viscosity	Not Available
Boiling Range (°F)	>482 (degrades).	Solubility in water (g/L)	Partly Miscible
Flash Point (°F)	275- 635 (open)	pH (1% solution)	Not applicable.
Decomposition Temp (°F)	Not available.	pH (as supplied)	Not Applicable

Autoignition Temp (°F)	819- 896	Vapour Pressure (mmHG)	Negligible.
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not available.	Specific Gravity (water=1)	approx. 1 (see b
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not available.	Relative Vapor Density (air=1)	Not available.
Volatile Component (%vol)	0.5-10.0	Evaporation Rate	Not Applicable
VOC(regulatory)	lb/gall	VOC(actual)	lb/gall

APPEARANCE

Clear colourless oily liquid, translucent gum or white solid depending on composition and polymer size (chain length and degree of cross-linking). No odour. The fluid has a melting point however the gums do not. Silicone fluids and gums are soluble in most organic solvents such as the aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons, chlorinated hydrocarbons and higher alcohols. They are insoluble in methanol, ethylene glycol and water. Dielectric grades have been purified to optimize electrical properties. Some grades have been purified for use as pharmaceuticals. .. Some properties vary according to viscosity: Nominal viscosity, 25C (Cstk) 10 50 100 500 1000 100,000 specific gravity 0.940 0.962 0.968 0.970 0.971 0.977 pour point, C. -65 -55 -50 -50 -46 flash point, C. >163 >277 >304 >322 >322 >322 Mixes with toluene.

Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY

CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

 \cdot Silicone fluids are stable under normal storage conditions.

- · Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.
- · At temperatures > 150 C, silicones can slowly react with the oxygen in air.
- When heated > 300 C, silicones can slowly depolymerise to volatile siloxanes whether or not air is present.
- · Presence of incompatible materials.
- · Product is considered stable.

STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

Traces of benzene, a carcinogen, may form when silicones are heated in air above 230 degrees C. Concentrated acids and bases cause degradation of polymer. Boiling water may soften and weaken material.

Avoid reaction with oxidizing agents.

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

Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

POLY(DIMETHYL SILOXANE):

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

TOXICITY IRRITATION

Eye (rabbit): 100 mg/1h - mild.

For siloxanes:

Effects which based on the reviewed literature do not seem to be problematic are acute toxicity, irritant effects, sensitization and aenotoxicity.

Some studies indicate that some of the siloxanes may have endocrine disrupting properties, and reproductive effects have caused concern about the possible effects of the siloxanes on humans and the environment.

Only few siloxanes are described in the literature with regard to health effects, and it is therefore not possible to make broad conclusions and comparisons of the toxicity related to short-chained linear and cyclic siloxanes based on the present evaluation. Data are primarily found on the cyclic siloxanes D4 (octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane)

and D5 (decamethylcyclopentasiloxane) and the short-linear HMDS (hexamethyldisiloxane).

These three siloxanes have a relatively low order of acute toxicity by oral, dermal and inhalatory routes and do not require classification for this effect.

They are not found to be irritating to skin or eyes and are also not found sensitizing by skin contact. Data on respiratory sensitization have not been identified.

Subacute and subchronic toxicity studies show that the liver is the main target organ for D4 which also induces liver cell enzymes. This enzyme induction contributes to the elimination of the substance from the tissues. Primary target organ for D5 exposure by inhalation is the lung. D5 has an enzyme induction profile similar to that of D4. Subacute and subchronic inhalation of HMDS affect in particular the lungs and kidneys in rats.

None of the investigated siloxanes show any signs of genotoxic effects in vitro or in vivo. Preliminary results indicate that D5 has a potential carcinogenic effect.

D4 is considered to impair fertility in rats by inhalation and is classified as a substance toxic to reproduction in category 3 with the risk phrase R62 ('Possible risk of impaired fertility').

The results of a study to screen for oestrogen activity indicate that D4 has very weak oestrogenic and antioestrogenic activity and is a partial agonist (enhances the effect of the estrogen). It is not uncommon for compounds that are weakly

oestrogenic to also have antioestrogenic properties. Comparison of the oestrogenic potency of D4 relative to ethinyloestradiol (steroid

hormone) indicates that D4 is 585,000 times less potent than ethinyloestradiol in the rat stain Sprague- Dawley and 3.7 million times less potent than ethinyloestradiol in the Fisher-344 rat strain. Because of the lack of effects on other endpoints designated to assess oestrogenicity, the oestrogenicity as mode of action for the D4 reproductive effects has been questioned. An indirect mode of action causing a delay of the LH (luteinising hormone) surge necessary for optimal timing of ovulation has been suggested as the mechanism. Based on the reviewed information, the critical effects of the siloxanes are impaired fertility (D4) and potential carcinogenic effects (uterine tumours in females). Furthermore there seem to be some effects on various organs following

repeated exposures, the liver (D4), kidney (HMDS) and lung (D5 and HMDS) being the target organs.

A possible oestrogenic effect contributing to the reproductive toxicity of D4 is debated. There seems however to be some indication that this toxicity may be caused by another mechanism than oestrogen activity.

NOTE: Tumorigenic in rats : Neoplastic by RTECS criteria.

Product subject to review for use in body implants

Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

No data

Ecotoxicity

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air	Bioaccumulation	Mobility
poly(dimethyl siloxane)	No Data Availab	le No Data Available	eLOW	

GESAMP/EHS COMPOSITE LIST - GESAMP Hazard Profiles

Legend: EHS=EHS Number (EHS=GESAMP Working Group on the Evaluation of the Hazards of Harmful Substances Carried by Ships) NRT=Net Register Tonnage, A1a=Bioaccumulation log Pow, A1b=Bioaccumulation BCF, A1=Bioaccumulation, A2=Biodegradation, B1=Acuteaquatic toxicity LC/ECIC50 (mg/l), B2=Chronic aquatic toxicity NOEC (mg/l), C1=Acute mammalian oral toxicity LD50 (mg/kg), C2=Acutemammalian dermal toxicity LD50 (mg/kg), C3=Acute mammalian inhalation toxicity LC50 (mg/kg), D1=Skin irritation & corrosion, D2=Eye irritation& corrosion, D3=Long-term health effects, E1=Tainting, E2=Physical effects on wildlife & benthic habitats, E3=Interference with coastal amenities, For column A2: R=Readily biodegradable, NR=Not readily biodegradable. For column D3: C=Carcinogen, M=Mutagenic, R=Reprotoxic, S=Sensitising, A=Aspiration hazard, T=Target organ systemic toxicity, L=Lunginjury,

N=Neurotoxic, I=Immunotoxic. For column E1: NT=Not tainting (tested), T=Tainting test positive. For column E2: Fp=Persistent floater, F=Floater, S=Sinking substances. The numerical scales start from 0 (no hazard), while higher numbers reflect increasing hazard. (GESAMP/EHS Composite List of Hazard Profiles - Hazard evaluation of substances transported by ships)

Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal Instructions

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

| 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 equipment to enter drains. Collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.

· Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.

· Consult Waste Management Authority for disposal.

Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

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

Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

LIMITED EVIDENCE

May produce discomfort of the eyes and skin*.

* (limited evidence).

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