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SAFETY DATA SHEET

Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.

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

Product identifier

Product Name Methyl formate
Product Code SC-215347

Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

For research use only. Not intended for diagnostic or therapeutic use.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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Emergency telephone number

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

Classification

Acute toxicity - Oral	Category 4
Acute toxicity - Inhalation (Dusts/Mists)	Category 4
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Flammable liquids	Category 1

Label elements

Signal word	Danger
Hazard statements	HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED HARMFUL IF INHALED Causes serious eye irritation May cause respiratory irritation. May cause drowsiness or dizziness EXTREMELY FLAMMABLE LIQUID AND VAPOR

Symbols/Pictograms





Precautionary Statements - Prevention

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. — No smoking
 Keep container tightly closed
 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment
 Use only non-sparking tools
 Take precautionary measures against static discharge
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
 Keep cool

Precautionary Statements - Response

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention
 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention
 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower
 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing
 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell
 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell
 Rinse mouth

Precautionary Statements - Storage

In case of fire: Use CO₂, dry chemical, or foam for extinction
 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed
 Store locked up

Precautionary Statements - Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

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Not applicable

Other Information

Other hazards

May be harmful in contact with skin. May be harmful if inhaled.

NFPA	Health hazards	2
	Flammability	4
	Instability	0
	Physical and chemical properties	-



HMIS	Health hazards	2
	Flammability	4
	Physical hazards	0
	Personal protection	X

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

CAS No 107-31-3
 Molecular Weight 60.05
 Formula C₂H₄O₂

Chemical Name	CAS No	weight-%	Oral LD50	dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
Methyl formate	107-31-3	>98	-	> 5 g/kg (Rabbit)	= 5200 mg/m ³ (Rat) 4 h

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

First Aid Measures



General advice	Immediate medical attention is required. In case of accident or unwellness, seek medical advice immediately (show directions for use or safety data sheet if possible). If symptoms persist, call a physician.
Eye contact	Immediately flush with plenty of water. After initial flushing, remove any contact lenses and continue flushing for at least 15 minutes. Keep eye wide open while rinsing. If symptoms persist, call a physician.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. If skin irritation persists, call a physician. Immediate medical attention is not required. Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes.
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. Call a physician. If breathing is irregular or stopped, administer artificial respiration. Avoid direct contact with skin. Use barrier to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Artificial respiration and/or oxygen may be necessary. Immediate medical attention is not required. Move to fresh air in case of accidental inhalation of vapors. If symptoms persist, call a physician.
Ingestion	Rinse mouth. Drink plenty of water. If symptoms persist, call a physician. Do NOT induce vomiting. Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Call a physician.
Self-protection of the first aider	Remove all sources of ignition. Use personal protective equipment as required.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms No information available.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Note to physicians Treat symptomatically.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable Extinguishing Media

Suitable Extinguishing Media Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media None.

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Specific hazards arising from the chemical Flash back possible over considerable distance.

Hazardous combustion products Carbon oxides.

Explosion data

Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact No information available.

Sensitivity to Static Discharge No information available.

Protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

Protective equipment and precautions for firefighters As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Use personal protective equipment as required. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.

Environmental precautions



Environmental precautions Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Prevent product from entering drains. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.
 Methods for cleaning up Pick up and transfer to properly labeled containers. Dam up. Soak up with inert absorbent material (e.g. sand, silica gel, acid binder, universal binder, sawdust). Soak up with inert absorbent material.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Take necessary action to avoid static electricity discharge (which might cause ignition of organic vapors). Keep away from heat, sparks, flame and other sources of ignition (i.e., pilot lights, electric motors and static electricity). Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. All equipment used when handling the product must be grounded. Use with local exhaust ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage Conditions Keep tightly closed in a dry and cool place. Keep in properly labeled containers. Keep in an area equipped with sprinklers. Keep containers tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place. May form explosive peroxides. Store at 4 °C.
 Incompatible materials None known based on information supplied.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Control parameters

Exposure Guidelines
 Other Information Vacated limits revoked by the Court of Appeals decision in AFL-CIO v. OSHA, 965 F.2d 962 (11th Cir., 1992).

Chemical Name	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Methyl formate 107-31-3	STEL: 150 ppm TWA: 100 ppm	TWA: 100 ppm TWA: 250 mg/m ³ (vacated) TWA: 100 ppm (vacated) TWA: 250 mg/m ³ (vacated) STEL: 150 ppm (vacated) STEL: 375 mg/m ³	IDLH: 4500 ppm TWA: 100 ppm TWA: 250 mg/m ³ STEL: 150 ppm STEL: 375 mg/m ³

NIOSH IDLH *Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health*

Appropriate engineering controls

Engineering Controls Showers
 Eyewash stations
 Ventilation systems

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles). Tight sealing safety goggles. Face protection shield.
 Skin and Body Protection Wear protective gloves and protective clothing.
 Respiratory protection If exposure limits are exceeded or irritation is experienced, NIOSH/MSHA approved respiratory protection should be worn. Positive-pressure supplied air respirators may be required for high airborne contaminant concentrations. Respiratory protection must be provided in accordance with current local regulations.



General Hygiene Considerations When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing is recommended.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State liquid
 Appearance No information available
 Odor No information available

Property	Values
pH	No information available
Melting point/freezing point	No information available
Boiling point	32 °C
Flash point	-19 °C CC (closed cup)
Density	0.974 g/cm ³
Evaporation rate	No information available
Upper flammability limits	23%
Lower flammability limit	5%
Vapor pressure	476.2
Vapor density	No information available
Specific gravity	No information available
Water solubility	No information available
Solubility in other solvents	No information available
Partition coefficient	-0.21
Autoignition temperature	No information available
Decomposition temperature	No information available
Kinematic viscosity	No information available
Explosive properties	No information available
Oxidizing properties	No information available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity Not applicable
 Chemical stability May form explosive peroxides.
 Possibility of Hazardous Reactions None under normal processing.
 Hazardous polymerization No information available.
 Conditions to avoid Heat, flames and sparks.
 Incompatible materials Strong oxidizing agents.
 Hazardous Decomposition Products Carbon oxides.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation No data available.
 Eye contact No data available.
 Skin Contact No data available.
 Ingestion No data available.

Information on toxicological effects

Symptoms No information available.

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Chronic Toxicity Avoid repeated exposure.
 Target Organ Effects Central nervous system, Eyes, Respiratory system.



Numerical measures of toxicity - Product Information

Unknown acute toxicity No information available
 The following values are calculated based on chapter 3.1 of the GHS document
 ATEmix (oral) 500 mg/kg
 ATEmix (dermal) 5000 mg/kg
 ATEmix (inhalation-dust/mist) 1.5 mg/l
 ATEmix (inhalation-vapor) 5200 mg/l

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life

Chemical Name	Algae/aquatic plants	Fish	Toxicity to Microorganisms	Crustacea
Methyl formate 107-31-3	190: 96 h Desmodesmus subspicatus mg/L EC50 240: 72 h Desmodesmus subspicatus mg/L EC50	-	-	500: 48 h Daphnia magna mg/L EC50

0% of the mixture consists of components(s) of unknown hazards to the aquatic environment.

Persistence and degradability No information available.
 Bioaccumulation No information available.
 Mobility No information available.

Chemical Name	Partition coefficient
Methyl formate 107-31-3	-0.21

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal of wastes Disposal should be in accordance with applicable regional, national and local laws and regulations.
 Contaminated packaging Do not reuse container.
 Other Information Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used.
 California Hazardous Waste Status This product contains one or more substances that are listed with the State of California as a hazardous waste.

Chemical Name	California Hazardous Waste Status
Methyl formate 107-31-3	Toxic Ignitable

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT
 UN/ID no UN1243
 Hazard Class 3
 Packing Group I
 Proper shipping name Methyl formate
 Description UN1243, Methyl formate, 3, I
 Emergency Response Guide Number 129

IMDG



UN/ID no UN1243
 Hazard Class 3
 Packing Group I
 Proper shipping name Methyl formate
 Description UN1243, Methyl formate, 3, I, (-19°C c.c.)
 Special Provisions T11, TP2
 EmS-No F-E, S-D

IATA

UN/ID no UN1243
 Hazard Class 3
 Packing Group I
 Proper shipping name Methyl formate
 Description UN1243, Methyl formate, 3, I

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

International Inventories

All of the components in the product are on the following inventory lists

TSCA (United States): Canada (DSL/NDSL) Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP) Australia (AICS) South Korea (KECL): China (IECSC)
 ENCS (Japan): Philippines (PICCS)

Chemical Name	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	ENCS	IECSC	KECL	PICCS	AICS
Methyl formate	X	X	-	X	-	X	X	X	X	X

X - Listed

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances/European List of Notified Chemical Substances

ENCS - Japan Existing and New Chemical Substances

IECSC - China Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

US Federal Regulations

SARA 313

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product does not contain any chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372.

SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

Acute health hazard Yes
 Chronic Health Hazard No
 Fire hazard Yes
 Sudden release of pressure hazard No
 Reactive hazard No

CWA (Clean Water Act)

This product does not contain any substances regulated as pollutants pursuant to the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 122.21 and 40 CFR 122.42).

US State Regulations

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

Chemical Name	New Jersey	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
Methyl formate 107-31-3	X	X	X



16. OTHER INFORMATION

Revision note

No information available

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