

# Safety Data Sheet

## Methylene Blue Staining Solution

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### Section 1 Product Description

**Product Name:** Methylene Blue Staining Solution  
**Recommended Use:** Science education applications  
**Synonyms:** Methylene Blue Stain  
**Distributor:** Carolina Biological Supply Company  
2700 York Road, Burlington, NC 27215  
1-800-227-1150  
**Chemical Information:** 800-227-1150 (8am-5pm (ET) M-F)  
**Chemtrec:** 800-424-9300 (Transportation Spill Response 24 hours)

### Section 2 Hazard Identification

Classification of the chemical in accordance with paragraph (d) of §1910.1200;

**DANGER**



Flammable liquid and vapor. May cause cancer. May cause damage to organs. Harmful to aquatic life.

**GHS Classification:**

Carcinogenicity Category 1A, Flammable Liquid Category 3, Hazardous to the aquatic environment - Acute Category 3

**Other Safety Precautions:**

IF exposed or if you feel unwell: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.  
IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention.

### Section 3 Composition / Information on Ingredients

<u>Chemical Name</u>	<u>CAS #</u>	<u>%</u>
Water	7732-18-5	76.02
Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	21.48
Isopropyl Alcohol	67-63-0	1.2
Methanol	67-56-1	1.08
Methylene Blue Chloride	61-73-4	0.23

### Section 4 First Aid Measures

**Emergency and First Aid Procedures**

**Inhalation:** In case of accident by inhalation: remove casualty to fresh air and keep at rest.  
**Eyes:** In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.  
**Skin Contact:** After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water.  
**Ingestion:** If swallowed, do not induce vomiting: seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label.

### Section 5 Firefighting Procedures

**Extinguishing Media:** Use media suitable to extinguish surrounding fire.  
**Fire Fighting Methods and Protection:** Firefighters should wear full protective equipment and NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus.  
**Fire and/or Explosion Hazards:** Fire or excessive heat may produce hazardous decomposition products.  
**Hazardous Combustion Products:** Carbon dioxide, Carbon monoxide

### Section 6 Spill or Leak Procedures

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## Steps to Take in Case Material Is Released or Spilled:

No health affects expected from the clean-up of this material if contact can be avoided. Follow personal protective equipment recommendations found in Section 8 of this (M)SDS. Ventilate the contaminated area. Evaporation of volatile substances can lead to the displacement of air creating an environment that can cause asphyxiation. Isolate area. Keep unnecessary personnel away. Ventilate the area by opening door and/or turning on fans and blowers. Use an inert absorbent such as sand or vermiculite. Place in properly labeled closed container.

## Section 7 Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Obtain special instructions before use. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. – No smoking. Keep container tightly closed. Ground/bond container and receiving equipment. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/.../ equipment. Use only non-sparking tools. Take precautionary measures against static discharge. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Avoid release to the environment. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Use personal protective equipment as required.

**Storage:** Keep container tightly closed. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool. Store locked up. Keep container tightly closed in a cool, well-ventilated place.

**Storage Code:** Green - general chemical storage

## Section 8 Protection Information

Chemical Name	ACGIH		OSHA PEL	
	(TWA)	(STEL)	(TWA)	(STEL)
Ethyl alcohol	N/A	1000 ppm STEL	1000 ppm TWA; 1900 mg/m3 TWA	N/A
Isopropyl Alcohol	200 ppm TWA	400 ppm STEL	400 ppm TWA; 980 mg/m3 TWA	N/A
Methanol	200 ppm TWA	250 ppm STEL	200 ppm TWA; 260 mg/m3 TWA	N/A
Methylene Blue Chloride	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

### Control Parameters

**Engineering Measures:** No exposure limits exist for the constituents of this product. General room ventilation might be required to maintain operator comfort under normal conditions of use.

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):** Lab coat, apron, eye wash, safety shower.

**Respiratory Protection:** No respiratory protection required under normal conditions of use.

**Respirator Type(s):** None required where adequate ventilation is provided. If airborne concentrations are above the applicable exposure limits, use NIOSH/MSHA approved respiratory protection.

**Eye Protection:** Wear chemical splash goggles when handling this product. Have an eye wash station available.

**Skin Protection:** Avoid skin contact by wearing chemically resistant gloves, an apron and other protective equipment depending upon conditions of use. Inspect gloves for chemical break-through and replace at regular intervals. Clean protective equipment regularly. Wash hands and other exposed areas with mild soap and water before eating, drinking, and when leaving work.

**Gloves:** Nitrile

## Section 9 Physical Data

**Formula:** See Section 3

**Molecular Weight:** No data available

**Appearance:** Colorless Blue Liquid

**Odor:** Mild Alcohol Odor

**Odor Threshold:** No data available

**pH:** No data available

**Melting Point:** -114 C

**Boiling Point:** No data available

**Flash Point:** No data available

**Flammable Limits in Air:** No data available

**Vapor Pressure:** No data available

**Evaporation Rate (BuAc=1):** No data available

**Vapor Density (Air=1):** No data available

**Specific Gravity:** < 1

**Solubility in Water:** Soluble

**Log Pow (calculated):** No data available

**Autoignition Temperature:** No data available

**Decomposition Temperature:** No data available

**Viscosity:** No data available

**Percent Volatile by Volume:** No data available

## Section 10 Reactivity Data

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<b>Reactivity:</b>	Not generally reactive under normal conditions.
<b>Chemical Stability:</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid:</b>	Temperatures above flash point in combination with sparks, open flames, or other sources of ignition.
<b>Incompatible Materials:</b>	Water-reactive materials, Strong oxidizing agents, Acids, Strong reducing agents, Magnesium
<b>Hazardous Polymerization:</b>	Will not occur

## Section 11 Toxicity Data

<b>Routes of Entry</b>	Inhalation, ingestion, eye or skin contact.
<b>Symptoms (Acute):</b>	Dizziness, Depressed Activity, Eye disorders, Central Nervous System Depression
<b>Delayed Effects:</b>	No data available

### Acute Toxicity:

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
Water	7732-18-5	Oral LD50 Rat 90000 mg/kg		
Isopropyl Alcohol	67-63-0	Oral LD50 Rat 5045 mg/kg Oral LD50 Mouse 3600 mg/kg		INHALATION LC50 Rat 16000 ppm
Methanol	67-56-1	Oral LD50 Mouse 7300 mg/kg		INHALATION LC50 Rat 64000 ppm
Methylene Blue Chloride	61-73-4	Oral LD50 Rat 1180 mg/kg Oral LD50 Mouse 3500 mg/kg		

### Carcinogenicity:

Chemical Name	CAS Number	IARC	NTP	OSHA
Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	Listed	Listed	Listed
Isopropyl Alcohol	67-63-0	Listed	Not listed	Not listed
Methanol	67-56-1	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Methylene Blue Chloride	61-73-4	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

### Chronic Effects:

<b>Mutagenicity:</b>	No evidence of a mutagenic effect.
<b>Teratogenicity:</b>	No evidence of a teratogenic effect (birth defect).
<b>Sensitization:</b>	No evidence of a sensitization effect.
<b>Reproductive:</b>	No evidence of negative reproductive effects.
<b>Target Organ Effects:</b>	
<b>Acute:</b>	Eyes, Blood
<b>Chronic:</b>	Eyes, Blood

## Section 12 Ecological Data

<b>Overview:</b>	This material is not expected to be harmful to the ecology.
<b>Mobility:</b>	No data
<b>Persistence:</b>	Biodegradation, Adsorbs to soil.
<b>Bioaccumulation:</b>	No data
<b>Degradability:</b>	No data
<b>Other Adverse Effects:</b>	No data

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Eco Toxicity
Water	7732-18-5	No data available

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Ethyl alcohol	64-17-5	96 HR LC50 PIMEPHALES PROMELAS > 100 MG/L [STATIC] 48 HR EC50 DAPHNIA MAGNA 2 MG/L [STATIC] 24 HR EC50 DAPHNIA MAGNA 10800 MG/L
Isopropyl Alcohol	67-63-0	48 HR LC50 DAPHNIA MAGNA 9268 - 14221 MG/L 96 HR LC50 LEPOMIS MACROCHIRUS > 1400000 µG/L 96 HR LC50 PIMEPHALES PROMELAS 11130 MG/L [STATIC] 48 HR EC50 DAPHNIA MAGNA 13299 MG/L
Methanol	67-56-1	72 HR EC50 DESMODESMUS SUBSPICATUS > 1000 MG/L 96 HR EC50 DESMODESMUS SUBSPICATUS > 1000 MG/L 96 HR LC50 PIMEPHALES PROMELAS > 100 MG/L [STATIC]

## Section 13

## Disposal Information

**Disposal Methods:** Dispose in accordance with all applicable Federal, State and Local regulations. Always contact a permitted waste disposer (TSD) to assure compliance.

**Waste Disposal Code(s):** Not Determined

## Section 14

## Transport Information

**Ground - DOT Proper Shipping Name:**  
Not regulated for transport by US DOT.

**Air - IATA Proper Shipping Name:**  
Not regulated for air transport by IATA.

## Section 15

## Regulatory Information

**TSCA Status:** All components in this product are on the TSCA Inventory.

Chemical Name	CAS Number	§ 313 Name	§ 304 RQ	CERCLA RQ	§ 302 TPQ	CAA 112(2) TQ
Isopropyl Alcohol	67-63-0	Isopropyl alcohol	No	No	No	No
Methanol	67-56-1	No	No	No	No	No
Methylene Blue Chloride	61-73-4	No	No	No	No	No

**California Prop 65:**



WARNING: Cancer and Reproductive Harm –  
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## Section 16

## Additional Information

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The information provided in this (Material) Safety Data Sheet represents a compilation of data drawn directly from various sources available to us. Carolina Biological Supply makes no representation or guarantee as to the suitability of this information to a particular application of the substance covered in the (Material) Safety Data Sheet.

## Glossary

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists	NTP	National Toxicology Program
CAS	Chemical Abstract Service Number	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
CERCLA	Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act	PEL	Permissible Exposure Limit
DOT	U.S. Department of Transportation	ppm	Parts per million
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
N/A	Not Available	SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
		TLV	Threshold Limit Value
		TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
		IDLH	Immediately dangerous to life and health