



# SAFETY DATA SHEET

This safety data sheet was created pursuant to the requirements of:  
US OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

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## 1. Identification

### Product identifier

**Product Name** Agarose, Chromosomal Grade

### Other means of identification

**Catalog Number(s)** 1620021

### Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

**Recommended use** Laboratory chemicals

**Restrictions on use** No information available

### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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**24 Hour Emergency Phone Number** CHEMTREC USA: 1 (800) 424-9300

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

### Classification of the substance or mixture

This product is not considered hazardous by the US OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 2024 (29 CFR 1910.1200).

### Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Not applicable

### Label elements

#### Hazard statements

This product is not considered hazardous by the US OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 2024 (29 CFR 1910.1200).

### Hazards classified under paragraph (d)(1)(ii) of 1910.1200

No information available.

### Other information

No information available.

### 3. Composition/information on ingredients

#### Substance

Chemical name	CAS No.	Weight-%	Trade secret
Agarose	9012-36-6	50 - 100	*

\*The exact percentage (concentration) of composition has been withheld as a trade secret.

### 4. First-aid measures

#### Description of first aid measures

Inhalation	Remove to fresh air.
Eye contact	Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids. Consult a physician.
Skin contact	Wash skin with soap and water.
Ingestion	Rinse mouth.

#### Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms	No information available.
Effects of Exposure	No information available.

#### Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Note to physicians	Treat symptomatically.
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### 5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	Do not scatter spilled material with high pressure water streams.
Specific hazards arising from the chemical	No information available.
Explosion data	
Sensitivity to mechanical impact	None.
Sensitivity to static discharge	None.
Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters	Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full firefighting turnout gear. Use personal protection equipment.

### 6. Accidental release measures

**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

**Personal precautions** Ensure adequate ventilation.

**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.

**Prevention of secondary hazards** Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations.

**7. Handling and storage****Precautions for safe handling**

**Advice on safe handling** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**General hygiene considerations** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

**Storage Conditions** Store according to product and label instructions.

**8. Exposure controls/personal protection****Working area parameters, subject to mandatory control (MAC or TSEL)**

**Exposure Limits** This product, as supplied, contains materials that do not have reportable occupational exposure limits or are not subject to the reporting requirements of the local jurisdiction.

**Biological occupational exposure limits** This product, as supplied, contains materials that do not have reportable biological exposure limits or are not subject to the reporting requirements of the local jurisdiction.

**Appropriate engineering controls**

**Engineering controls** Showers  
Eyewash stations  
Ventilation systems.

**Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment**

**Eye/face protection** Appropriate eye/face protection should be selected and used according to the chemical nature, hazards and use of this product and safety requirements of the local jurisdiction.

**Hand protection** Appropriate hand protection should be selected and used according to the chemical nature, hazards and use of this product and safety requirements of the local jurisdiction.

**Skin and body protection** Appropriate skin and body protection should be selected and used according to the chemical nature, hazards and use of this product and safety requirements of the local jurisdiction.

**Respiratory protection** Appropriate respiratory protection should be selected and used according to the chemical nature, hazards and use of this product and safety requirements of the local jurisdiction. If

exposure limits are exceeded or irritation is experienced, ventilation and evacuation may be required.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Powder
Physical state	Solid
Color	white
Odor (includes odor threshold)	Odorless

Property	Values	Remarks • Method
pH		None known
Melting point / freezing point	No data available	None known
Initial boiling point and boiling range	No data available	None known
Flash point	No data available	None known
Evaporation rate	No data available	None known
Flammability	No data available	None known
Flammability Limit in Air		None known
Upper flammability or explosive limits	No data available	
Lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available	
Vapor pressure	No data available	None known
Relative vapor density	No data available	None known
Relative density	No data available	None known
Water solubility	Insoluble in water	
Solubility(ies)	No data available	None known
Partition coefficient	No data available	None known
Autoignition temperature	No data available	None known
Decomposition temperature	No data available	None known
Kinematic viscosity	No data available	None known
Dynamic viscosity	No data available	None known

### Other information

## 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	No information available.
Chemical stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions	None under normal processing.
Conditions to avoid	None known based on information supplied.
Incompatible materials	None known based on information supplied.
Hazardous decomposition products	None known based on information supplied.

### Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation	Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available.
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Eye contact	Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available.
Skin contact	Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available.
Ingestion	Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available.

**Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics**

Symptoms	No information available.
Acute toxicity	No information available.
Numerical measures of toxicity	No information available.

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

Skin corrosion/irritation	No information available.
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	No information available.
Respiratory or skin sensitization	No information available.
Germ cell mutagenicity	No information available.
Carcinogenicity	No information available.
Reproductive toxicity	No information available.
STOT - single exposure	No information available.
STOT - repeated exposure	No information available.
Aspiration hazard	No information available.
Other adverse effects	No information available.
Interactive effects	No information available.

**12. Ecological information**

Ecotoxicity	The environmental impact of this product has not been fully investigated.
Persistence and degradability	No information available.
Bioaccumulation	There is no data for this product.

**Other adverse effects** No information available.

### 13. Disposal considerations

#### Disposal methods

**Waste from residues/unused products** Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Dispose of waste in accordance with environmental legislation.

**Contaminated packaging** Do not reuse empty containers.

### 14. Transport information

**DOT** Not regulated

**TDG** Not regulated

**MEX** Not regulated

**ICAO (air)** Not regulated

**IATA** Not regulated

**IMDG** Not regulated

### 15. Regulatory information

#### International Regulations

**The Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer** Not applicable

**The Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants** Not applicable

**The Rotterdam Convention** Not applicable

**International Inventories** Contact supplier for inventory compliance status

#### US Federal Regulations

##### **TSCA**

All chemical components are listed on the TSCA Inventory.

##### **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**

Should this product meet EPCRA 311/312 Tier reporting criteria at 40 CFR 370, refer to Section 2 of this SDS for appropriate classifications.

**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).

**CAA (Clean Air Act)**

This product does not contain any substances regulated as pollutants pursuant to Clean Air Act (CAA).

**CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355). There may be specific reporting requirements at the local, regional, or state level pertaining to releases of this material.

**US State Regulations****California Proposition 65**

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations**

This product does not contain any substances regulated under applicable state right-to-know regulations

**U.S. EPA Label Information**

**EPA Pesticide Registration Number** Not applicable

**16. Other information**

<b>NFPA</b>	<b>Health hazards</b> 0	<b>Flammability</b> 0	<b>Instability</b> 0	<b>Special hazards</b> -
<b>HMIS</b>	<b>Health hazards</b> 0	<b>Flammability</b> 0	<b>Physical hazards</b> 0	<b>Personal protection</b> -

**Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet****Legend**

<b>ADN</b>	Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways (Europe)
<b>ADR</b>	Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (Europe)
<b>ATE</b>	Acute Toxicity Estimate
<b>ASTM</b>	American Society for the Testing of Materials
<b>BEL</b>	Biological exposure limits
<b>bw</b>	Body weight
<b>Ceiling</b>	Maximum limit value
<b>CMR</b>	Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant
<b>DOT</b>	Department of Transportation (United States)
<b>EmS</b>	Emergency Schedule
<b>EPA</b>	Environmental Protection Agency
<b>GHS</b>	Globally Harmonized System
<b>HMIS</b>	Hazardous Materials Identification System
<b>IATA</b>	International Air Transport Association
<b>ICAO</b>	International Civil Aviation Organization
<b>IMDG</b>	International Maritime Dangerous Goods
<b>IMO</b>	International Maritime Organization
<b>ISO</b>	International Organization for Standardization
<b>LC50</b>	Lethal Concentration to 50% of a test population
<b>LD50</b>	Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose)
<b>MARPOL</b>	International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships
<b>NFPA</b>	National Fire Protection Association
<b>NIOSH</b>	National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

<b>n.o.s.</b> Not Otherwise Specified
<b>NOAEL</b> No Observed Adverse Effect Level
<b>OECD</b> Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
<b>OEL</b> Occupational exposure limits
<b>OSHA</b> Occupational Safety and Health Administration of the US Department of Labor
<b>PBT</b> Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance
<b>PMT</b> Persistent, Mobile and Toxic
<b>PPE</b> Personal protective equipment
<b>RID</b> Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail (Europe)
<b>SARA</b> Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
<b>SDS</b> Safety Data Sheet
<b>STEL</b> Short Term Exposure Limit
<b>STOT RE</b> Specific target organ toxicity - Repeated exposure
<b>STOT SE</b> Specific target organ toxicity - Single exposure
<b>TDG</b> Transport of Dangerous Goods (Canada)
<b>TSCA</b> Toxic Substances Control Act (United States)
<b>TWA</b> Time-Weighted Average
<b>UN</b> United Nations
<b>VOC</b> Volatile organic compounds
<b>vPvB</b> Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative
<b>vPvM</b> Very Persistent and Very Mobile
<b>Sk</b> Skin notation

**Key literature references and sources for data used to compile the SDS**

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)  
 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ChemView Database  
 European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)  
 Environmental Protection Agency  
 Acute Exposure Guideline Level(s) (AEGL(s))  
 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act  
 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency High Production Volume Chemicals  
 Food Research Journal  
 Hazardous Substance Database  
 International Uniform Chemical Information Database (IUCLID)  
 National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE)  
 Australia National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)  
 NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)  
 National Library of Medicine's ChemID Plus (NLM CIP)  
 National Library of Medicine's PubMed database (NLM PUBMED)  
 U.S. National Toxicology Program (NTP)  
 New Zealand's Chemical Classification and Information Database (CCID)  
 Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Environment, Health, and Safety Publications  
 Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development High Production Volume Chemicals Program  
 Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development Screening Information Data Set  
 World Health Organization

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