



# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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Canada WHMIS 2015 which includes the amended Hazardous Products Act (HPA) and the Hazardous Products Regulation (HPR)

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## 1. Identification

### Product identifier

Product Name Background Reducer Concentrate

### Other means of identification

Catalog Number(s) 1610475, 1610476, 9704656

### 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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### Emergency telephone number

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

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

### Classification

Not classified

### Label elements

#### Hazard statements

Not classified.

### Other information

## 3. Composition/information on ingredients

**Substance**

Not applicable.

**Mixture**

The product contains no substances which at their given concentration, are considered to be hazardous to health

**4. First-aid measures****Description of first aid measures**

<b>General advice</b>	No hazards which require special first aid measures.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids. Consult a physician.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Wash skin with soap and water.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Rinse mouth thoroughly with water.

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

<b>Symptoms</b>	No information available.
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**Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

<b>Note to physicians</b>	Treat symptomatically.
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**5. Fire-fighting measures**

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
<b>Unsuitable extinguishing media</b>	No information available.
<b>Specific hazards arising from the chemical</b>	None known.
<b>Explosion data</b>	
<b>Sensitivity to mechanical impact</b>	None.
<b>Sensitivity to static discharge</b>	None.
<b>Special protective equipment for fire-fighters</b>	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**

<b>Personal precautions</b>	See section 8 for more information.
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**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.

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

Advice on safe handling	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.
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**Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Storage Conditions	Store according to product and label instructions.
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**8. Exposure controls/personal protection****Control parameters**

Exposure Limits	This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.
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**Appropriate engineering controls**

Engineering controls	Showers Eyewash stations Ventilation systems.
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**Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment**

Eye/face protection	Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).
Hand protection	Wear suitable gloves.
Skin and body protection	Wear suitable protective clothing.
Respiratory protection	No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions. If exposure limits are exceeded or irritation is experienced, ventilation and evacuation may be required.
General hygiene considerations	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**9. Physical and chemical properties****Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

Physical state	Liquid
Appearance	aqueous solution
Color	colorless
Odor	Odorless
Odor threshold	No information available

<u>Property</u>	<u>Values</u>	<u>Remarks • Method</u>
pH	8.8	

Melting point / freezing point	No data available	None known
Boiling point / boiling range	> 100 °C / 212 °F	
Flash point	No data available	None known
Evaporation rate	No data available	None known
Flammability (solid, gas)	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
Vapor density	No data available	None known
Relative density	No data available	None known
Water solubility	Miscible in water	
Solubility in other solvents	No data available	None known
Partition coefficient	No data available	None known
Autoignition temperature	No data available	None known
Decomposition temperature		None known
Kinematic viscosity	No data available	None known
Dynamic viscosity	No data available	None known
<b>Other information</b>		
Explosive properties	Not applicable.	
Oxidizing properties	Not applicable.	
Softening point	Not applicable	
Molecular weight	Not applicable	
VOC content	Not applicable	

## 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.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

#### Product Information

Inhalation	Specific test data for the substance or mixture is not available.
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.
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### Acute toxicity

**Numerical measures of toxicity****Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure**

<b>Skin corrosion/irritation</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Serious eye damage/eye irritation</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Respiratory or skin sensitization</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Germ cell mutagenicity</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Reproductive toxicity</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>STOT - single exposure</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>STOT - repeated exposure</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.

**12. Ecological information**

<b>Ecotoxicity</b>	The environmental impact of this product has not been fully investigated.
<b>Persistence and degradability</b>	No information available.
<b>Bioaccumulation</b>	No information available.
<b>Other adverse effects</b>	No information available.

**13. Disposal considerations****Waste treatment methods**

<b>Waste from residues/unused products</b>	Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Dispose of waste in accordance with environmental legislation.
<b>Contaminated packaging</b>	Do not reuse empty containers.

**14. Transport information**

<b><u>TDG</u></b>	Not regulated
<b><u>DOT</u></b>	Not regulated

## 15. Regulatory information

### Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

#### 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

## 16. Other information

<b>NFPA</b>	Health hazards 0	Flammability 0	Instability 0	Physical and chemical properties -
<b>HMIS</b>	Health hazards 0	Flammability 0	Physical hazards 0	Personal protection X

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

#### **Legend Section 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

TWA	TWA (time-weighted average)	STEL	STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit)
Ceiling	Maximum limit value	*	Skin designation

#### **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)  
 EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)  
 Acute Exposure Guideline Level(s) (AELG(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)  
 Japan GHS Classification  
 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)  
 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  
 RTECS (Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances)  
 World Health Organization

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