

SAFETY DATA SHEET

Fixation Buffer

SECTION 1: Identification

1.1. Product identifier

Trade name

Fixation Buffer

Other names / Synonyms

22015: Fixation Buffer, 100 mL

Product no.

22015

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture

Use as laboratory reagent. For research use only. Not for food, drug, household, or cosmetic use.

Restricted to professional users.

Uses advised against

None known.

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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SDS date

10/21/2025

SDS Version

1.0

1.4. Emergency telephone number

In an emergency call 911

Alberta / Northwestern Territories (PADIS): 1-800-332-1414

British Columbia (DPIC): 1-800-567-8911

Manitoba: 1-855-7POISON (1-855-776-4766)

New Brunswick: 911

Nova Scotia / Prince Edward Island (IWK): 1-800-565-8161

Ontario (OPC): 1-800-268-9017

Québec (CAPQ): 1-800-463-5060

Saskatchewan (PADIS): 1-866-454-1212

Yukon Territory: (867) 393-8700

Transport emergencies: Call CANUTEC at 1-888-CAN-UTEC (226-8832), 613-996-6666 or *666 on a cellular phone (24 hours)

See also section 4 "First aid measures".

SECTION 2: Hazard(s) identification

Classified as hazardous according to Hazardous Products Regulation SOR/2015-17 (as amended by SOR/2022-272).

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Acute Tox. 4; H302, Harmful if swallowed.
Skin Sens. 1; H317, May cause an allergic skin reaction.
Eye Dam. 1; H318, Causes serious eye damage.
Muta. 2; H341, Suspected of causing genetic defects.
Carc. 1B; H350, May cause cancer.

2.2. Label elements

Hazard pictogram(s)



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

Harmful if swallowed. (H302)
May cause an allergic skin reaction. (H317)
Causes serious eye damage. (H318)
Suspected of causing genetic defects. (H341)
May cause cancer. (H350)

Precautionary statement(s)

General

Not applicable.

Prevention

Obtain special instructions before use. (P201)
Avoid breathing mist/vapour. (P261)
Wash hands and exposed skin thoroughly after handling. (P264)
Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. (P272)
Wear eye protection/face protection/protective gloves. (P280)

Response

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.
Continue rinsing. (P305+P351+P338)
IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention. (P308+P313)
Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. (P310)
If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention. (P333+P313)
Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. (P362+P364)

Storage

Not applicable.

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulation.
(P501)

Hazardous substances

formaldehyde ...%
methanol

Additional labelling

Restricted to professional users.

SECTION 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients

3.1. Substances

Not applicable. This product is a mixture.

3.2. Mixtures

Product/substance	Identifiers	% w/w	Classification	Note
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formaldehyde ...%	CAS No.: 50-00-0	<5%	Acute Tox. 3, H301 Acute Tox. 3, H311 Skin Corr. 1B, H314 (SCL: 25.00 %) Skin Irrit. 2, H315 (SCL: 5.00 %) Skin Sens. 1, H317 Eye Dam. 1, H318 Eye Irrit. 2, H319 (SCL: 5.00 %) Acute Tox. 3, H331 STOT SE 3, H336 (SCL: 5.00 %) Muta. 2, H341 Carc. 1B, H350
methanol	CAS No.: 67-56-1	1-2%	Flam. Liq. 2, H225 Acute Tox. 3, H301 Acute Tox. 3, H311 Acute Tox. 3, H331 STOT SE 1, H370 (SCL: 10.00 %) STOT SE 2, H371 (SCL: 3.00 %)

See full text of H-phrases in section 16. Occupational exposure limits are listed in section 8, if these are available.

Other information

No ingredients present at concentrations classified as harmful to health or the environment.

SECTION 4: First-aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

General information

If breathing is irregular, drowsiness, loss of consciousness or cramps: Call 911 and give immediate treatment (first aid).

Contact a doctor if in doubt about the injured person's condition or if the symptoms persist. Never give an unconscious person water or other drink.

Inhalation

Upon breathing difficulties or irritation of the respiratory tract: Bring the person into fresh air and stay with him/her.

Skin contact

Remove contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Ensure to wash exposed skin thoroughly with water and soap. Skin cleanser can be used. DO NOT use solvents or thinners.

If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

Eye contact

If in eyes: Flush eyes with plenty of water or salt water (20-30 °C) for at least 30 minutes and continue until irritation stops. Remove contact lenses. Make sure you flush under the upper and lower eyelids. Seek medical assistance immediately and continue flushing during transport.

Ingestion

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell.

Rinse mouth.

Burns

Not applicable.

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Sensitisation: This product contains substances, which may trigger allergic reaction upon dermal contact.

Manifestation of allergic reactions typically takes place within 12-72 hours after exposure.

The product contains substances that cause serious eye damage. Contact with these substances can cause irreversible effects on the eye / serious eye damage.

4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

IF exposed or concerned:
Get immediate medical advice/attention.

Information to medics

Bring this safety data sheet or the label from this product.

SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media: Alcohol-resistant foam, carbon dioxide, powder, water mist.
Unsuitable extinguishing media: Waterjets should not be used, since they can spread the fire.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Fire will result in dense smoke. Exposure to combustion products may harm your health. Closed containers, which are exposed to fire, should be cooled with water. Do not allow fire-extinguishing water to enter the sewage system and nearby surface waters.

If the product is exposed to high temperatures, e.g. in the event of fire, dangerous decomposition compounds are produced. These are:

Carbon oxides (CO / CO₂)

5.3. Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing to prevent contact. Upon direct exposure contact a poison centre in order to obtain further advice. See section 1 "Emergency telephone number".

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Avoid direct contact with spilled substances.
Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.
Contaminated areas may be slippery.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Avoid discharge to lakes, streams, sewers, etc. In the event of leakage to the surroundings, contact local environmental authorities.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Contain and collect spillage with non-combustible, absorbent material e.g. sand, earth, vermiculite or diatomaceous earth and place in container for disposal according to local regulations.
Wherever possible cleaning should be performed with normal cleaning agents. Avoid use of solvents.

6.4. Reference to other sections

See section 13 "Disposal considerations" on handling of waste.
See section 8 "Exposure controls/personal protection" for protective measures.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Avoid direct contact with the product.
Avoid contact during pregnancy and while nursing.
Smoking, drinking and consumption of food is not allowed in the work area.
See section 8 "Exposure controls/personal protection" for information on personal protection.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store locked up. A sign warning of toxic materials shall be affixed the room and cupboard containing the product(s).
Containers that have been opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

Recommended storage material

Always store in containers of the same material as the original container.

Storage conditions

Protect from light.
Room Temperature. For Biotium products where the label indicates room temperature or RT, this implies storage in ambient conditions between 20°C and 30°C.
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Incompatible materials

Strong acids, strong bases, strong oxidizing agents, and strong reducing agents.

7.3. Specific end use(s)

This product should only be used for applications quoted in section 1.2.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

ALBERTA

methanol

Long term exposure limit (8 hours) (ppm): 200

Long term exposure limit (8 hours) (mg/m³): 262

Short term exposure limit (15 minutes) (ppm): 250

Short term exposure limit (15 minutes) (mg/m³): 328

Annotations:

1 = Substance may be readily absorbed through intact skin.

Occupational Health and Safety Code 2009 Order, Alta Reg 87/2009 (revised in 2018)

BRITISH COLUMBIA

methanol

Time-Weighted Average Limit (TWA): 200 ppm

Short-Term Exposure Limit (STEL) / Ceiling Limit (C): 250 ppm

Annotations:

Skin = The substances contributes significantly to the overall exposure by the skin route.

OHS Regulation Part 5: Chemical Agents and Biological Agents.

ONTARIO

methanol

Time-Weighted Average Limit (TWA): 200 ppm

Short-Term Exposure Limit (STEL) / Ceiling Limit (C): 250 ppm

Annotations:

"Skin" = Danger of cutaneous absorption.

Regulation 833 (Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents) and Ontario Regulation 490/09 (Designated Substances)

QUEBEC

methanol

Long term exposure limit (8 hours) (ppm): 200

Long term exposure limit (8 hours) (mg/m³): 262

Annotations:

Pc = Potentially significant contribution to the overall exposure by the cutaneous route. The cutaneous route includes mucous membranes and the eyes.

Regulation respecting occupational health and safety (Chapter S-2.1, r. 13)

SASKATCHEWAN

methanol

Long term exposure limit (8 hours) (ppm): 200

Short term exposure limit (15 minutes) (ppm): 250

Annotations:

Skin = Potentially harmful after absorption through the skin or mucous membranes

The Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 2020, Chapter S15.1 Reg 10.

8.2. Exposure controls

Compliance with the given occupational exposure limits values should be controlled on a regular basis.

General recommendations

Smoking, drinking and consumption of food is not allowed in the work area.

Exposure scenarios

There are no exposure scenarios implemented for this product.

Exposure limits

Professional users are subjected to the legally set maximum concentrations for occupational exposure. See occupational hygiene limit values above.

Appropriate technical measures

Do not recirculate outlet air that contain the substances.

The formation of vapours must be kept at a minimum and below current limit values (see above). Installation of a local exhaust system if normal air flow in the work room is not sufficient is recommended. Ensure eyewash and emergency showers are clearly marked.

Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are located within easy reach.

Apply standard precautions during use of the product. Avoid inhalation of vapours.

Hygiene measures

In between use of the product and at the end of the working day all exposed areas of the body must be washed thoroughly. Pay special attention to hands, forearms and face.

Measures to avoid environmental exposure

Keep damming materials near the workplace. If possible, collect spillage during work.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Generally

Use only protective equipment with a recognized certification mark, e.g. the UL mark.

Respiratory Equipment

Type	Class	Colour	Standards	
Not required; except in case of aerosol formation.			N/A	

Skin protection

No specific requirements.

Hand protection

Material	Glove thickness (mm)	Breakthrough time (min.)	Standards	
Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.				

Eye protection

Type	Standards	
Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166. Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate	EN166	

Type	Standards
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government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).	
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SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state

Liquid

Colour

Clear

Odour

No data available.

Odour threshold (ppm)

No data available.

pH

No data available.

Density (g/cm³)

No data available.

Kinematic viscosity

No data available.

Particle characteristics

Does not apply to liquids.

Phase changes

Melting point/Freezing point (°C)

No data available.

Softening point/range (°F)

Does not apply to liquids.

Boiling point (°C)

No data available.

Vapour pressure

No data available.

Relative vapour density

No data available.

Decomposition temperature (°C)

No data available.

Data on fire and explosion hazards

Flash point (°C)

No data available.

Flammability (°C)

No data available.

Auto-ignition temperature (°C)

No data available.

Explosion limits (% v/v)

No data available.

Solubility

Solubility in water

Soluble in water

n-octanol/water coefficient (LogKow)

No data available.

Solubility in fat (g/L)

No data available.

9.2. Other information

Other physical and chemical parameters

No data available.

Oxidizing properties

No data available.

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

No data available.

10.2. Chemical stability

The product is stable under the conditions, noted in section 7 "Handling and storage".

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

None known.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Heat, flames and sparks.

10.5. Incompatible materials

Strong acids, strong bases, strong oxidizing agents, and strong reducing agents.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

Harmful if swallowed.

Skin corrosion/irritation

Based on available data for the mixture, the classification criteria are not met.

Serious eye damage/irritation

Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory sensitisation

Based on available data for the mixture, the classification criteria are not met.

Skin sensitisation

May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Germ cell mutagenicity

Suspected of causing genetic defects.

Carcinogenicity

May cause cancer.

Reproductive toxicity

Based on available data for the mixture, the classification criteria are not met.

STOT-single exposure

Based on available data for the mixture, the classification criteria are not met.

STOT-repeated exposure

Based on available data for the mixture, the classification criteria are not met.

Aspiration hazard

Based on available data for the mixture, the classification criteria are not met.

Long term effects

Carcinogenic effects: This product contains substances considered or proven to be carcinogenic. The carcinogenic effects may be triggered subsequent to exposure through inhalation, skin contact or ingestion.

The product contains substances that cause serious eye damage. Contact with these substances can cause irreversible effects on the eye / serious eye damage.

Other information

formaldehyde ...% has been classified by IARC as a group 1 carcinogen.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

Based on available data for the mixture, the classification criteria are not met.

12.2. Persistence and degradability

Based on available data for the mixture, the classification criteria are not met.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Based on available data for the mixture, the classification criteria are not met.

12.4. Mobility in soil

No data available.

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

This mixture/product does not contain any substances known to fulfil the criteria for PBT and vPvB classification.

12.6. Other adverse effects

None known.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

Waste treatment methods

methanol is listed with EPA Hazardous Waste Number: U154

Specific labelling

Contaminated packing

Packaging containing residues of the product must be disposed of similarly to the product.

SECTION 14: Transport information

	14.1 UN / ID	14.2 UN proper shipping name	14.3 Hazard class(es)	14.4 PG*	14.5 Env**	Other information:
TDG	-	-	-	-	-	-
IMDG	-	-	-	-	-	-
IATA	-	-	-	-	-	-

* Packing group

** Environmental hazards

Additional information

Not dangerous goods according to TDG, IATA and IMDG.

14.6. Special precautions for user

Not applicable.

14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of Marpol and the IBC Code

No data available.

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

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

15.2. Canadian lists

NDSL

None of the components are listed

DSL

methanol

15.4. Restrictions for application

Restricted to professional users.

People under the age of 18 shall not be exposed to this product.

Pregnant women and women breastfeeding must not be exposed to this product. The risk, and possible technical precautions or design of the workplace needed to eliminate exposure, must be considered.

15.5. Demands for specific education

No specific requirements.

Additional information

Not applicable.

15.7. Chemical safety assessment

No

Sources

Hazardous Products Regulation SOR/2015-17 (as amended by SOR/2022-272)

SECTION 16: Other information

Full text of H-phrases as mentioned in section 3

H225, Highly flammable liquid and vapour.
H301, Toxic if swallowed.
H311, Toxic in contact with skin.
H314, Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H315, Causes skin irritation.
H317, May cause an allergic skin reaction.
H318, Causes serious eye damage.
H319, Causes serious eye irritation.
H331, Toxic if inhaled.
H336, May cause drowsiness or dizziness.
H341, Suspected of causing genetic defects.
H350, May cause cancer.
H370, Causes damage to organs.
H371, May cause damage to organs.

The full text of identified uses as mentioned in section 1

None known.

Abbreviations and acronyms

ANSI = American National Standards Institute
ATE = Acute Toxicity Estimate
BCF = Bioconcentration Factor
CAS = Chemical Abstracts Service
DSL = Domestic Substances List
GHS = Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals
HHNOC = Health Hazards Not Otherwise Classified
IARC = International Agency for Research on Cancer
IATA = International Air Transport Association
IMDG = International Maritime Dangerous Goods
LogPow = logarithm of the octanol/water partition coefficient
MARPOL = International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution From Ships, 1973 as modified by the Protocol of 1978. ("Marpol" = marine pollution)
NDSL = Non-domestic substances list
OECD = Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
PBT = Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
PHNOC = Physical Hazards Not Otherwise Classified
RID = The Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail
SCL = A specific concentration limit.
SOR = Statutory Orders and Regulations
STEL = Short-term exposure limits
STOT-RE = Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure
STOT-SE = Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure
TDG = Transportation of Dangerous Goods
TWA = Time weighted average

UN = United Nations

UVBC = Unknown or variable composition, complex reaction products or of biological materials

VOC = Volatile Organic Compound

vPvB = Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

WHIMS = Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System

Additional information

The classification of the mixture in regard of health hazards is in accordance with the calculation methods given by WHMIS 2022

The information provided above is believed to be correct to our best knowledge, but does not purport to be all inclusive, and shall be used only as a guide. This material is sold for research purposes only and is not required to appear on the TSCA inventory. It is not intended for food, drug, household, agricultural or cosmetic use. Its use must be supervised by a technically qualified individual experienced in handling potentially hazardous chemicals. Biotium shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or contact with the above product.

The safety data sheet is validated by

Julianne Davis

Other

A change (in proportion to the last essential change (first cipher in SDS version, see section 1)) is marked with a triangle.

The information in this safety data sheet applies only to this specific product (mentioned in section 1) and is not necessarily correct for use with other chemicals/products.

It is recommended to hand over this safety data sheet to the actual user of the product. Information in this safety data sheet cannot be used as a product specification.

Country-language: CA-en