Material Safety Data Sheet

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Classified as Hazardous according to the criteria of EU Annex 1 and NOHSC.

1 - Product and Company Information

Product Name	GAMMA-BUTYROLACTONE, REAGENTPLUS(TM), >=99%
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2 - Composition/Information on Ingredients

Product Name	CAS #	EC no	Annex I Index Number
GAMMA-BUTYROLACTONE	96-48-0	202-509-5	None

Formula Molecular Weight 86.09 AMU Synonyms

C4H6O2

gamma-6480 * Agrisynth BLO * gamma-BL *

4-Butanolide * 1,2-Butanolide * 1,4-Butanolide *

Butyric acid, 4-hydroxy-, gamma-lactone * Butyric acid lactone * Butyrolactone * gamma-Butyrolactone * 4-Butyrolactone * Butyrylactone * Butyryl lactone * C-1070 *

4-Deoxytetronic acid * Dihydro-2(3H)-furanone *

4-Hydroxybutanoic acid lactone *

4-Hydroxybutanoic acid, gamma-lactone * gamma-Hydroxybutyric acid cyclic ester *

4-Hydroxybutyric acid lactone * 4-Hydroxybutyric acid, gamma-lactone * gamma-Hydroxybutyric acid

lactone * gamma-Hydroxybutyrolactone *

NCI-C55878 * 2-Oxolanone * Tetrahydro-2-furanone

3 - Hazards Identification

SPECIAL INDICATION OF HAZARDS TO HUMANS AND THE ENVIRONMENT Harmful if swallowed. Irritating to eyes.

4 - First Aid Measures

AFTER INHALATION

If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If breathing becomes difficult, call a physician.

AFTER SKIN CONTACT

In case of contact, immediately wash skin with soap and copious amounts of water.

AFTER EYE CONTACT

In case of contact with eyes, flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Assure adequate flushing by separating the eyelids with fingers. Call a physician.

AFTER INGESTION

If swallowed, wash out mouth with water provided person is conscious. Call a physician.

5 - Fire Fighting Measures

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

Suitable: Water spray. Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, or appropriate foam.

SPECIAL RISKS

Specific Hazard(s): Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions. Explosion Hazards: Vapor/air mixtures are explosive at high temperatures.

SPECIAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR FIREFIGHTERS

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes.

6 - Accidental Release Measures

PERSONAL PRECAUTION PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED IN CASE OF LEAK OR SPILL Evacuate area.

PROCEDURE(S) OF PERSONAL PRECAUTION(S)

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus, rubber boots, and heavy rubber gloves.

METHODS FOR CLEANING UP

Absorb on sand or vermiculite and place in closed containers for disposal. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete.

7 - Handling and Storage

HANDLING

Directions for Safe Handling: Do not breathe vapor. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

STORAGE

Conditions of Storage: Keep tightly closed.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Hygroscopic.

8 - Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Safety shower and eye bath. Mechanical exhaust required.

GENERAL HYGIENE MEASURES

Wash thoroughly after handling.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Respiratory Protection: Government approved respirator. Hand Protection: Compatible chemical-resistant gloves.

Eye Protection: Chemical safety goggles.

9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance Physical State: Clear liquid

Color: Colorless

Property Value At Temperature or Pressure

pH N/A

BP/BP Range 204 - 205 °C 760 mmHg

MP/MP Range -45 °C

Flash Point 98 °C Method: closed cup

Flammability N/A
Autoignition Temp 455 °C
Oxidizing Properties N/A
Explosive Properties N/A

Explosion Limits Lower: 1.4 % Upper: 16 %

Vapor Pressure 1.5 mmHg 20 °C

SG/Density 1.129 g/cm3
Partition Coefficient Log Kow: -0.57

Viscosity N/AVapor Density $3 \, q/1$ Saturated Vapor Conc. N/A Evaporation Rate N/ABulk Density N/A Decomposition Temp. N/ASolvent Content N/AWater Content N/ASurface Tension N/AConductivity N/AMiscellaneous Data N/ASolubility N/A

10 - Stability and Reactivity

STABILITY

Stable: Stable.

Conditions of Instability: Hygroscopic.

Materials to Avoid: Strong acids, Strong bases, Strong oxidizing

agents, Strong reducing agents, Zinc, Plastics.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Carbon monoxide, Carbon dioxide.

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION

Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur

11 - Toxicological Information

RTECS NUMBER: LU3500000

ACUTE TOXICITY

LD50

Oral

Rat

1540 mg/kg

Remarks: Behavioral: Altered sleep time (including change in

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righting reflex). Behavioral: Somnolence (general depressed
   activity). Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration: Respiratory depression.
   LC50
   Inhalation
   Rat
   > 5,100 \text{ mg/m}3
   4H
   T<sub>1</sub>D50
   Intraperitoneal
   Rat
   1 GM/KG
   Remarks: Behavioral:General anesthetic. Lungs, Thorax, or
   Respiration:Other changes.
   LD50
   Oral
   Mouse
   1460 mg/kg
   Remarks: Behavioral:General anesthetic. Behavioral:Somnolence
   (general depressed activity). Lungs, Thorax, or
   Respiration: Respiratory depression.
   T<sub>1</sub>D50
   Intraperitoneal
   Mouse
   1100 MG/KG
   Remarks: Behavioral:General anesthetic. Lungs, Thorax, or
   Respiration:Other changes.
   LD50
   Skin
   Guinea pig
   > 5000 \text{ mg/kg}
IRRITATION DATA
   Skin
   Rabbit
   0.5 \, \mathrm{ml}
   Remarks: Severe irritation effect
SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF EXPOSURE
   Inhalation may have an anesthetic effect on the central nervous
   system characterized by a loss of sensation. Preliminary
   excitement is the initial effect followed by relaxation, stupor,
   or sleep. Exposure can cause: Nausea, dizziness, and headache.
ROUTE OF EXPOSURE
   Skin Contact: May cause skin irritation.
   Skin Absorption: May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.
   Eye Contact: Causes eye irritation.
   Inhalation: May be harmful if inhaled. Material may be
   irritating to mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.
   Ingestion: Harmful if swallowed.
TARGET ORGAN INFORMATION
   Central nervous system.
CHRONIC EXPOSURE - CARCINOGEN
   Result: This product is or contains a component that is not
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classifiable as to its carcinogenicity based on its IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or EPA classification.

Mouse

Route of Application: Oral

Exposure Time: 2Y

Result: Tumorigenic: Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS

criteria. Endocrine: Adrenal cortex tumors.

Mouse

Route of Application: Skin

Exposure Time: 42W

Result: Tumorigenic: Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS

criteria. Skin and Appendages: Other: Tumors. Tumorigenic:Tumors

at site or application.

IARC CARCINOGEN LIST

Rating: Group 3

CHRONIC EXPOSURE - MUTAGEN

Hamster 25 MG/L

Cell Type: kidney

Morphological transformation.

Hamster 2580 MG/L

Cell Type: ovary Cytogenetic analysis

Hamster 4940 MG/L

Cell Type: ovary

Sister chromatid exchange

CHRONIC EXPOSURE - TERATOGEN

Species: Rat Dose: 500 MG/KG

Route of Application: Oral Exposure Time: (6-15D PREG)

Result: Effects on Embryo or Fetus: Fetotoxicity (except death,

e.g., stunted fetus).

CHRONIC EXPOSURE - REPRODUCTIVE HAZARD

Species: Rat Dose: 25 GM/KG

Route of Application: Oral Exposure Time: (20D MALE)

Result: Paternal Effects: Testes, epididymis, sperm duct.

12 - Ecological Information

ECOTOXICOLOGICAL EFFECTS

Test Type: LC50 Fish Species: Leuciscus idus

Time: 96 h

Value: > 220 mg/l

13 - Disposal Considerations

SUBSTANCE DISPOSAL

Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber. Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations.

14 - Transport Information

RID/ADR

Non-hazardous for road transport.

IMDG

Non-hazardous for sea transport.

IATA

Non-hazardous for air transport.

15 - Regulatory Information

CLASSIFICATION AND LABELING ACCORDING TO EU DIRECTIVES

INDICATION OF DANGER: Xn

Harmful.

R-PHRASES: 22 36

Harmful if swallowed. Irritating to eyes.

S-PHRASES: 26 36

In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Wear suitable protective clothing.

COUNTRY SPECIFIC INFORMATION

Germany

WGK: 1

SWITZERLAND

SWISS POISON CLASS: 4

16 - Other Information

WARRANTY

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