



Diphtheria Antitoxin

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

Product Name Diphtheria Antitoxin

Other Names *Corynebacterium diphtheriae* antitoxin

Manufacturer's Product Code 05075201

Use For the treatment of patients who are infected with Diphtheria. Adrenaline should always be readily available whenever the injection is given.

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Not classified as hazardous according to the criteria of NOHSC
Not classified as a dangerous good by the criteria of the ADG Code

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Name:	CAS number:	Proportion:
Equine plasma protein	-	≤17% w/v
Sodium Chloride	7647-14-5	0.8% w/v
Phenol	108-95-2	0.22% w/v
Water	-	up to 100%

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Accidental Injection Wash injection site with soap and water. If allergic reaction occurs seek immediate medical attention.

Eye Separate eyelids with fingers. Flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes.

Swallowed DO NOT induce vomiting. If exposed subject is fully conscious, wash out mouth with water and give plenty of water to drink. If hypersensitivity occurs, seek immediate medical attention.

Skin Remove contaminated clothing. Flush area with copious amounts of water.

First Aid Facilities Adrenaline should always be readily available whenever the injection is given.

Aggravated Medical Conditions In individuals hypersensitive to horse plasma protein, may precipitate an acute allergic reaction.

Symptoms and signs of anaphylaxis include pallor, rapid heart rate, shortness of breath, skin rash, hives, coughing, bronchospasm or loss of consciousness.

See product information leaflet for information regarding pre-existing conditions.

Advice To Doctor Treat symptomatically. Cases of anaphylaxis may require treatment with adrenaline, oxygen, intravenous steroids and airway management including intubation.

The sooner the onset of an allergic reaction, the more severe the reaction.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Fire/Explosion Hazard Non-combustible. Not considered a significant fire risk.

Fire Extinguishing Media No restrictions.

Hazchem Code None allocated.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Minor Spills

- Wear protective gloves and safety glasses.
- Remove broken glass.
- Clean up spill immediately using absorbent paper towels.
- Place spilled material in clean, dry, sealed container for disposal.
- Decontaminate area with 1% sodium hypochlorite in water.

Major Spills

- Wear protective gloves and safety glasses.
- Contain and absorb spills using earth, sand or inert absorbent.
- Remove broken glass.
- Collect residues and seal in labelled drums for disposal.
- Decontaminate area with 1% sodium hypochlorite in water.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

- Transport and store at 2 to 8 degrees C (do not freeze).
- Protect from light.
- Store as per Schedule 4 pharmaceutical.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Standards No exposure limits set by NOHSC or ACGIH

Engineering Controls None under normal operating conditions.

Personal Protection For good infection control, gloves should be worn when administering an injection.

The local concentration of material, quantity and conditions of use determine the type of personal protective equipment required. For further information, consult your Occupational Health and Safety Adviser.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance Light straw coloured solution in a glass vial.

Odour Slight odour

pH 6.2-7

Boiling Point/Melting Point Not determined

Vapour Pressure Not determined

Vapour Density Not determined

Specific Gravity 1.062

Flashpoint Not flammable

Flammability Limits Not flammable

Solubility in Water Miscible.

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity Not known to be incompatible with other materials.

Stability Stable under anticipated storage and handling conditions (refer section 7).

Decomposition Products Not determined

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Special Warning: When medicinal products prepared from animal plasma are administered, infectious diseases due to the transmission of infective agents cannot be totally excluded. This applies to pathogens of hitherto unknown origin. This possibility must always be considered and should be conveyed, whenever possible, to patients who may receive the product. Historically there have been no known recorded cases of transmission of viruses by this product.

Accidental Injection May cause redness at injection site. In individuals hypersensitive to horse plasma protein, may precipitate an acute allergic reaction.

Symptoms and signs of anaphylaxis include pallor, rapid heart rate, shortness of breath, skin rash, hives, coughing, bronchospasm or loss of consciousness.

See product information leaflet for information regarding pre-existing conditions.

Eye May cause irritation.

Swallowed May cause irritation of the gastro-intestinal tract. In hypersensitive individuals, may precipitate an acute allergic reaction (anaphylaxis). Severe allergic reactions will usually occur within the first few hours of ingestion, see Acute Health Effects: Accidental Injection.

Skin Nil in non-allergic individuals. May cause irritation in hypersensitive individuals.

Inhaled Not an expected route of exposure.

Chronic Health Effects Chronic or repeated exposure may produce reactions in persons sensitive to horse plasma proteins.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

- No data available.
- For good environmental practice avoid discharge to waterways.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

- In accordance with state land and waste management authority.
- Use an on site licensed incinerator, if permitted by licence. Alternatively, dispose via a licensed commercial incinerator.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN Number None allocated

DG Class None allocated

Subsidiary Risk None allocated

Packing Group None allocated

Hazchem Code None allocated

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Poisons Schedule Number Schedule 4 (S4) – Prescription only medicine

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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Abbreviations

- NOHSC – National Occupational Health and Safety Commission (please note NOHSC information can be sourced from www.ascc.gov.au)
- ACGIH – American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
- ADG Code – Australian Dangerous Goods Code
- UN Number – United Nations Number
- DG Class – Dangerous Goods Class
- CAS Number – Chemical Abstract Service Number

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