



# Fucidin<sup>®</sup> Tablets

## MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

**Product Name** Fucidin<sup>®</sup> Tablets (sodium fusidate 250mg)

**Other Names** Not applicable

**Manufacturer's Product Code** 07247419 (36 x 250mg)

**Use** Fucidin<sup>®</sup> Tablets are an antibiotic used to treat infections in different parts of the body caused by bacteria.

**Supplier Name** CSL Limited (ABN 99 051 588 348)

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**Telephone** +61 03 9389 1911

**Emergency Telephone** 03 9389 1984 (24hr)

### 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

<i>Chemical Name:</i>	<i>CAS Number:</i>	<i>Proportion:</i>
Sodium Fusidate	751-94-0	50%
Other non-hazardous ingredients	-	up to 100%

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Eye** Hold eye open, wash with fresh running water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention in event of irritation.

**Swallowed** DO NOT induce vomiting. Wash out mouth thoroughly with water, if irritation or discomfort persists or if sensitive to sodium fusidate seek medical attention.

**Skin** Remove contaminated clothing. Wash affected areas thoroughly with soap and water. Seek medical attention in event of irritation.

**Inhaled** Remove to fresh air.

**Aggravated Medical Conditions** Individuals sensitive to sodium fusidate may exhibit allergic reactions – symptoms might include shortness of breath; swelling of the face, lips, tongue or other parts of the body; rash, itching or hives on the skin; nausea, vomiting or diarrhoea. Symptoms may be immediate or delayed.

**Advice To Doctor** Symptoms of an overdose may include stomach pain, heartburn or diarrhoea.

Treatment should be restricted to symptomatic and supportive measures. Dialysis is of no benefit, because the drug is not significantly dialysed.

Patient should be observed for at least 4 hours.

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## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Fire/Explosion Hazard** Toxic fumes may be emitted from fires involving this product and its packaging, therefore self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective equipment are recommended for fire fighters. Where possible, contain and collect fire-fighting water for later disposal.

**Fire Extinguishing Media**

- Waterspray
- Carbon dioxide (Co2)
- Powder
- Foam

**Hazchem Code** None allocated.

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Minor Spills**

- Wear safety glasses.
- Clean up spill immediately.
- Place spilled material in clean, dry, sealed container for disposal.
- Wash area with copious amounts of water.

**Major Spills**

- Wear safety glasses.
- Collect residues and seal in labelled drums for disposal.
- Wash area with copious amounts of water.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

- Store below 30°C in dry conditions.
- Store as per Schedule 4 pharmaceutical.
- Limit all unnecessary personal contact.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Exposure Standards** No exposure limits set by NOHSC or ACGIH

**Engineering Controls** None under normal operating conditions.

**Personal Protection** Persons with previous history of significant allergy to sodium fusidate should avoid potential exposure to this material.

- Wear safety glasses if eye contact is possible.
- If dust is present wear a minimum P1 filter grade dust mask.

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.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Appearance</b>	White oval shaped tablet.
<b>Odour</b>	Odourless
<b>pH</b>	Not determined
<b>Boiling Point/Melting Point</b>	Not determined
<b>Vapour Pressure</b>	Not determined
<b>Vapour Density</b>	Not determined
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	Not determined
<b>Flashpoint</b>	Not determined
<b>Flammability Limits</b>	Not determined
<b>Solubility in Water</b>	Soluble

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

<b>Reactivity</b>	Not known to be incompatible with other materials.
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under anticipated storage and handling conditions (refer section 7).
<b>Decomposition Products</b>	Not determined

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

<b>Eye</b>	May cause irritation following direct contact.
<b>Swallowed</b>	In non-allergic individuals large doses are generally non-toxic. Individuals sensitive to fusidic acid may exhibit allergic reactions – symptoms might include shortness of breath; swelling of the face, lips, tongue or other parts of the body; rash, itching or hives on the skin; nausea, vomiting or diarrhoea. Symptoms may be immediate or delayed.
<b>Skin</b>	May cause mild irritation.
<b>Inhaled</b>	Not an expected route of exposure unless dust is present from crushed tablets. May cause irritation. Individuals sensitive to sodium fusidate may exhibit allergic reactions (see Acute: Swallowed).
<b>Chronic Health Effects</b>	Prolonged ingestion of high doses may produce jaundice and other abnormalities of liver function.
<b>Toxicity Data</b>	
<i>Acute toxicity</i>	LD50 (oral, rat) = 3000mg/kg for pure sodium fusidate

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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

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### 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

- In accordance with state land and waste management authority.
- Dispose via a licensed waste facility.

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### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

<b>UN Number</b>	None allocated
<b>DG Class</b>	None allocated
<b>Subsidiary Risk</b>	None allocated
<b>Packing Group</b>	None allocated
<b>Hazchem Code</b>	None allocated

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### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

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### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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**Abbreviations**

NOHSC	-	National Occupational Health and Safety Commission (please note NOHSC information can be sourced from <a href="http://www.ascc.gov.au">www.ascc.gov.au</a> )
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
LD50	-	Calculated dose causing death to 50% of an entire defined population of experimental animals.

**Contact Point**

Company Contact:	+61 3 9389 1984 (24hr)
Australian Poisons Information Centre, 24 hour service:	13 11 26
Australian Police, Fire Brigade or Ambulance:	000

New Zealand Poisons Information Centre, 24 hour service:	(03) 4747 000
New Zealand Police, Fire Brigade or Ambulance:	111

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