



MRS Agar

Safety Data Sheet

according to 29 CFR § 1910.1200, Hazard Communication Standard (HCS)
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SECTION 1 Identification

1.1. Product identifier

Product form : Mixture
Trade name : MRS Agar
Product code : NCM0190

1.2. Other means of identification

Part Number(s) : NCM0190|700004601|700004602

1.3. Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Use of the substance/mixture : Laboratory chemicals, Scientific research and development
Recommended use : Scientific research and development, Laboratory chemicals

1.4. Supplier's details

Neogen Corporation
620 Leshar Place
Lansing, Michigan 48912
United States of America
T 800.234.5333
sds@neogen.com - <https://www.neogen.com/>

1.5. Emergency phone number

Emergency number : 24 hours:
Medical: 1-800-498-5743 (U.S. and Canada) or 1-651-523-0318 (international)
Spill/CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300 (U.S. and Canada) or 1-703-527-3887 (international)

SECTION 2 Hazard Identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS US classification

Combustible dust

May form combustible dust concentrations in air [if small particles are generated during further processing, handling or by other means.].

Full text of H statements : see section 16

2.2. Label elements

GHS US labeling

Signal word (GHS US) : Warning
Hazard statements (GHS US) : CODU - May form combustible dust concentrations in air [if small particles are generated during further processing, handling or by other means.]

2.3. Hazards associated with known or reasonably anticipated uses

No additional information available

2.4. Hazards not otherwise classified

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2.5. Unknown acute toxicity

- 4.39% of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute toxicity (Oral)
- 34.34% of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute toxicity (Dermal)
- 34.34% of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute toxicity (Inhalation (Dust/Mist))

SECTION 3 Composition/information on ingredients

3.1. Substances

Not applicable

3.2. Mixtures

Name	Product identifier	%	GHS US classification
Citric acid	CAS-No.: 5949-29-1	1 – 5	Eye Irrit. 2A, H319 STOT SE 3, H335

Full text of hazard classes and H-statements : see section 16

SECTION 4 First aid measures

4.1. Description of necessary first-aid measures

- First-aid measures general : If you feel unwell, seek medical advice.
- First-aid measures after inhalation : Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
- First-aid measures after skin contact : Wash skin with plenty of water.
- First-aid measures after eye contact : Rinse eyes with water as a precaution.
- First-aid measures after ingestion : Call a poison center/doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
- Personal protection for first-aid responders. : First aid workers will be equipped with suitable personal protective equipment.

4.2. Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

- Symptoms/effects after inhalation : None under normal conditions. Dust of the product, if present, may cause respiratory irritation after an excessive inhalation exposure.
- Symptoms/effects after skin contact : None under normal conditions. Dust may cause irritation in skin folds or by contact in combination with tight clothing.
- Symptoms/effects after eye contact : None under normal conditions. Dust from this product may cause eye irritation.
- Symptoms/effects after ingestion : None under normal conditions.

4.3. Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

- Other medical advice or treatment : Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

5.1. Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

- Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray. Dry powder. Foam.
- Unsuitable extinguishing media : Do not use a heavy water stream.

5.2. Specific hazards arising from the chemical

- Fire hazard : May form combustible dust concentrations in air.
- Explosion hazard : No direct explosion hazard.
- Hazardous decomposition products in case of fire : Toxic fumes may be released.

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5.3. Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

- Firefighting instructions : Fight fire from safe distance and protected location. Do not enter fire area without proper protective equipment, including respiratory protection.
- Protection during firefighting : Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. Self-contained breathing apparatus. Complete protective clothing.

SECTION 6 Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

- General measures : Notify authorities if product enters sewers or public waters. Absorb spillage to prevent material-damage.

For non-emergency personnel

- Protective equipment : Wear recommended personal protective equipment.
- Emergency procedures : Ventilate spillage area.

For emergency responders

- Protective equipment : Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. For further information refer to section 8: "Exposure controls/personal protection".
- Emergency procedures : Evacuate unnecessary personnel.
- Environmental precautions : Avoid release to the environment.

6.2. Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

- For containment : Using a clean shovel, put the material in a dry container and cover without compressing it.
- Methods for cleaning up : Mechanically recover the product.
- Other information : Dispose of materials or solid residues at an authorized site.

For further information refer to section 13.

SECTION 7 Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

- Precautions for safe handling : Ensure good ventilation of the work station. Wear personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation.
- Hygiene measures : Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Always wash hands after handling the product.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including incompatibilities

- Technical measures : Keep in a cool, well-ventilated place away from heat.
- Storage conditions : Keep cool. Protect from sunlight.
- Storage temperature : 2 – 30 °C
- Packaging materials : Store always product in container of same material as original container.

SECTION 8 Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

No additional information available

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8.2. Appropriate engineering controls

Appropriate engineering controls : Ensure good ventilation of the work station.
Environmental exposure controls : Avoid release to the environment.

8.3. Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Personal protective equipment:

Wear recommended personal protective equipment.

Hand protection:
Protective gloves
Eye protection:
Safety glasses
Skin and body protection:
Wear suitable protective clothing
Respiratory protection:
In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment

Personal protective equipment symbol(s):



SECTION 9 Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state : Solid
Appearance : Powder.
Color : Beige
Odor : Characteristic
Odor threshold : No data available
pH : 5.6 – 5.8
Melting point : No data available
Freezing point : Not applicable
Boiling point : No data available
Flash point : Not applicable
Flammability (solid, gas) : Non flammable.
Vapor pressure : No data available
Relative vapor density at 20°C : No data available
Relative density : No data available
Solubility : Soluble in water.
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Pow) : No data available
Auto-ignition temperature : Not applicable
Decomposition temperature : No data available
Viscosity, kinematic : Not applicable
Explosion limits : Not applicable
Particle characteristics : No data available

9.2. Data relevant with regard to physical hazard classes (supplemental)

No additional information available

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SECTION 10 Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

The product is non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.

10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No dangerous reactions known under normal conditions of use.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Avoid dust formation. Heat. No flames, no sparks. Eliminate all sources of ignition.

10.5. Incompatible materials

No additional information available

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 (oral) : Not classified
Acute toxicity (dermal) : Not classified
Acute toxicity (inhalation) : Not classified

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Unknown acute toxicity (GHS US)	4.39% of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute toxicity (Oral) 34.34% of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute toxicity (Dermal) 34.34% of the mixture consists of ingredient(s) of unknown acute toxicity (Inhalation (Dust/Mist))

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
LD50 oral rat	5400 mg/kg Mouse, male and female; Test substance: Citric acid (OECD Test Guideline 401)
LD50 dermal rat	> 2000 mg/kg body weight (OECD 402: Acute Dermal Toxicity, 24 h, Rat, Male / female, Experimental value, Anhydrous form, Dermal, 14 day(s))
ATE US (oral)	5400 mg/kg body weight

Skin corrosion/irritation : Not classified
pH: 5.6 – 5.8

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
pH	1.8 (5 %, 25 °C)

Serious eye damage/irritation : Not classified
pH: 5.6 – 5.8

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
pH	1.8 (5 %, 25 °C)

Respiratory or skin sensitization : Not classified

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Germ cell mutagenicity	: Not classified
Carcinogenicity	: Not classified
Reproductive toxicity	: Not classified
STOT-single exposure	: Not classified

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
STOT-single exposure	May cause respiratory irritation.

STOT-repeated exposure	: Not classified
Aspiration hazard	: Not classified

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Viscosity, kinematic	Not applicable

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
Viscosity, kinematic	Not applicable (solid)

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Symptoms/effects after skin contact	: None under normal conditions. Dust may cause irritation in skin folds or by contact in combination with tight clothing.
Symptoms/effects after eye contact	: None under normal conditions. Dust from this product may cause eye irritation.
Symptoms/effects after ingestion	: None under normal conditions.

SECTION 12 Ecological information

12.1. Ecotoxicity

Ecology - general	: The product is not considered harmful to aquatic organisms or to cause long-term adverse effects in the environment.
Hazardous to the aquatic environment, short-term (acute)	: Not classified
Hazardous to the aquatic environment, long-term (chronic)	: Not classified

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
LC50 - Fish [1]	440 – 760 mg/l (Leuciscus idus melanotus, mortality; 48 h) (static test; OECD Test Guideline 203)
EC50 - Crustacea [1]	1535 mg/l (24 h, Daphnia magna, Static system, Fresh water, Experimental value, Anhydrous form)
EC50 96h - Algae [1]	1690000 mg/l Source: Ecological Structure Activity Relationships

12.2. Persistence and degradability

MRS Agar	
Persistence and degradability	Not rapidly degradable

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
Persistence and degradability	Biodegradable in the soil, Readily biodegradable in water.
Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD)	0.481 g O ₂ /g substance (Anhydrous form)
Biodegradation	97 % Related to: CO ₂ formation (% of the theoretical value).; Exposure Time: 28 d)(OECD Test Guideline 301B)

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12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Pow)	-1.6 (Anhydrous form, Experimental value)
Bioaccumulative potential	Not bioaccumulative.

12.4. Mobility in soil

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
Surface tension	No data available in the literature
Organic Carbon Normalized Adsorption Coefficient (Log Koc)	1 (log Koc, SRC PCKOCWIN v2.0, Calculated value)
Ecology - soil	Highly mobile in soil.

12.5. Other adverse effects

Ozone : Not classified
Fluorinated greenhouse gases : No

SECTION 13 Disposal considerations

Regional waste regulation : Disposal must be done according to official regulations.
Waste treatment methods : Dispose of contents/container in accordance with licensed collector's sorting instructions.
Sewage disposal recommendations : Disposal must be done according to official regulations.
Product/Packaging disposal recommendations : Comply with applicable regulations for solid waste disposal. Disposal must be done according to official regulations.
Additional information : Do not re-use empty containers.

SECTION 14 Transport information

In accordance with DOT / TDG / IMDG / IATA

DOT	TDG	IMDG	IATA
14.1. UN number			
Not regulated for transport			
14.2. Proper Shipping Name			
Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated
14.3. Transport hazard class(es)			
Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated
14.4. Packing group			
Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated
14.5. Environmental hazards			
Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated
No supplementary information available			

14.6. Transport in bulk

Not applicable

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14.7. Special precautions for user

DOT

Not regulated

TDG

Not regulated

IMDG

Not regulated

IATA

Not regulated

SECTION 15 Regulatory information

15.1. Federal regulations

All components of this product are exempt or present and listed as Active on the United States Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory, except for:

Citric acid	CAS-No. 5949-29-1	1 – 5%
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This product or mixture is not known to contain a toxic chemical or chemicals in excess of the applicable de minimis concentration as specified in 40 CFR §372.38(a) subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 and 40 CFR Part 372.

15.2. International regulations

No additional information available

15.3. State regulations

California Proposition 65 - This product does not contain any substances known to the state of California to cause cancer, developmental and/or reproductive harm

SECTION 16 Other information

according to 29 CFR § 1910.1200, Hazard Communication Standard (HCS)

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Full text of hazard classes and H-statements

H319	Causes serious eye irritation
H335	May cause respiratory irritation

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This information is based on our current knowledge and is intended to describe the product for the purposes of health, safety and environmental requirements only. It should not therefore be construed as guaranteeing any specific property of the product.