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Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT NAME

D3-CODEINE GLUCURONIDE[CODEINE GLUCURONIDE]

SYNONYMS

C24-H29-N-O9, "beta-D-glucopyranosiduronic acid, (5alpha, 6alpha)-7, 8-didehydro-4, 5-epoxy-3-methoxy-17-methylmorphinan-6-yl", "codeine-6-glucuronide (CAS RN: 20736-11-2)", codeine-3-glucuronide

PRODUCT NUMBERS

D694 D695

PRODUCT USE

■ Intermediate.

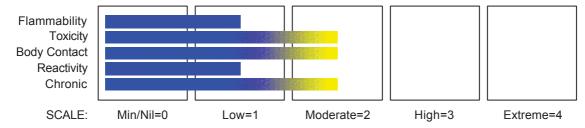
Metabolite of codeine. Codeine is considered a prodrug, since it is metabolised in vivo to the primary active compounds morphine and codeine-6-glucuronide (C6G). Roughly 5-10% of codeine will be converted to morphine, with the remainder either free, conjugated to form codeine-6-glucuronide (~70%), or converted to norcodeine (~10%) and hydromorphone (~1%). It is speculated that codeine-6-glucuronide is responsible for a large percentage of the analgesia of codeine

Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE. NON-DANGEROUS GOODS. According to NOHSC Criteria, and ADG Code.

CHEMWATCH HAZARD RATINGS



RISK

■ Danger of cumulative effects.

SAFETY

- · Do not breathe dust.
- · Avoid contact with skin.
- Use only in well ventilated areas.
- Keep container in a well ventilated place.

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Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

SWALLOWED

- IF SWALLOWED, REFER FOR MEDICAL ATTENTION, WHERE POSSIBLE, WITHOUT DELAY.
- For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.
- Urgent hospital treatment is likely to be needed.
- In the mean time, qualified first-aid personnel should treat the patient following observation and employing supportive measures as indicated by the patient's condition.
- If the services of a medical officer or medical doctor are readily available, the patient should be placed in his/her care and a copy of the MSDS should be provided. Further action will be the responsibility of the medical specialist.
- If medical attention is not available on the worksite or surroundings send the patient to a hospital together with a copy of the MSDS.
- Where medical attention is not immediately available or where the patient is more than 15 minutes from a hospital or unless instructed otherwise:
- INDUCE vomiting with fingers down the back of the throat, ONLY IF CONSCIOUS. Lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration.

NOTE: Wear a protective glove when inducing vomiting by mechanical means.

EYE

- If this product comes in contact with the eyes:
- · Wash out immediately with fresh running water.
- Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.
- Seek medical attention without delay; if pain persists or recurs seek medical attention.
- Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.

SKIN

- If skin contact occurs:
- Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.
- Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).
- Seek medical attention in event of irritation.

INHALED

- If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.
- · Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.
- Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures.
- Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary.
- · Transport to hospital, or doctor.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

■ Treat symptomatically for a narcotic analgesic.

A vigorous program of symptomatic and supportive therapy has saved many victims of poisoning. The single most important element in therapy is the correction of anoxia by all available means: the maintenance of a patent

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airway, the administration of oxygen, the use of artificial respiration, and the injection of specific narcotic antagonists such as nalorphine, levallorphan or naloxone promptly antagonises the respiratory depression, coma and hypotension from overdoses of morphine, codeine, all semi-synthetics and almost all synthetic narcotics.

GOSSELIN et al: Clinical Toxicology of Commercial Products.

In fully conscious patients, remove swallowed poison by thorough gastric lavage and emesis. The chances of removing a significant amount of the drug are better if treatment is started within the first two hours. If the patient is unconscious or depressed, emesis is contraindicated and the dangers of gastric lavage are not justified.

DREISBACH AND ROBERTSON: Handbook of Poisoning, Appleton & Lange.

Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

- · Water spray or fog.
- Foam.
- Dry chemical powder.
- BCF (where regulations permit).
- · Carbon dioxide.

FIRE FIGHTING

- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.
- Use water delivered as a fine spray to control fire and cool adjacent area.
- DO NOT approach containers suspected to be hot.
- Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.
- If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.
- Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.

FIRE/EXPLOSION HAZARD

- Combustible solid which burns but propagates flame with difficulty; it is estimated that most organic dusts are combustible (circa 70%) according to the circumstances under which the combustion process occurs, such materials may cause fires and / or dust explosions.
- Avoid generating dust, particularly clouds of dust in a confined or unventilated space as dusts may form an explosive mixture with air, and any source of ignition, i.e. flame or spark, will cause fire or explosion.
 Dust clouds generated by the fine grinding of the solid are a particular hazard; accumulations of fine dust (420 micron or less) may burn rapidly and fiercely if ignited particles exceeding this limit will generally not form flammable dust clouds.; once initiated, however, larger particles up to 1400 microns diameter will contribute to the propagation of an explosion.
- In the same way as gases and vapours, dusts in the form of a cloud are only ignitable over a range of
 concentrations; in principle, the concepts of lower explosive limit (LEL) and upper explosive limit
 (UEL).are applicable to dust clouds but only the LEL is of practical use; this is because of the inherent
 difficulty of achieving homogeneous dust clouds at high temperatures (for dusts the LEL is often called the
 "Minimum Explosible Concentration". MEC)
- A dust explosion may release of large quantities of gaseous products; this in turn creates a subsequent pressure rise of explosive force capable of damaging plant and buildings and injuring people.
- Usually the initial or primary explosion takes place in a confined space such as plant or machinery, and
 can be of sufficient force to damage or rupture the plant. If the shock wave from the primary explosion
 enters the surrounding area, it will disturb any settled dust layers, forming a second dust cloud, and
 often initiate a much larger secondary explosion. All large scale explosions have resulted from chain

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reactions of this type.

- Dry dust can be charged electrostatically by turbulence, pneumatic transport, pouring, in exhaust ducts and during transport.
- Build-up of electrostatic charge may be prevented by bonding and grounding.
- Powder handling equipment such as dust collectors, dryers and mills may require additional protection measures such as explosion venting.
- All movable parts coming in contact with this material should have a speed of less than 1-meter/sec
- A sudden release of statically charged materials from storage or process equipment, particularly at elevated temperatures and/ or pressure, may result in ignition especially in the absence of an apparent ignition source
- One important effect of the particulate nature of powders is that the surface area and surface structure
 (and often moisture content) can vary widely from sample to sample, depending of how the powder was
 manufactured and handled; this means that it is virtually impossible to use flammability data published in
 the literature for dusts (in contrast to that published for gases and vapours).
- Autoignition temperatures are often quoted for dust clouds (minimum ignition temperature (MIT)) and dust
 layers (layer ignition temperature (LIT)); LIT generally falls as the thickness of the layer increases.
 Combustion products include: carbon monoxide (CO), carbon dioxide (CO2), nitrogen oxides (NOx), other
 pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.
 May emit poisonous fumes.

May emit corrosive fumes.

FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

• Avoid contamination with oxidising agents i.e. nitrates, oxidising acids, chlorine bleaches, pool chlorine etc. as ignition may result.

HAZCHEM

None

Personal Protective Equipment

Gloves, boots (chemical resistant). Breathing apparatus.

Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

MINOR SPILLS

- · Clean up waste regularly and abnormal spills immediately.
- · Avoid breathing dust and contact with skin and eyes.
- Wear protective clothing, gloves, safety glasses and dust respirator.
- Use dry clean up procedures and avoid generating dust.
- Vacuum up or sweep up. NOTE: Vacuum cleaner must be fitted with an exhaust micro filter (HEPA type) (consider explosion-proof machines designed to be grounded during storage and use).
- Dampen with water to prevent dusting before sweeping.
- Place in suitable containers for disposal.

MAJOR SPILLS

- Moderate hazard.
- CAUTION: Advise personnel in area.
- Alert Emergency Services and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Control personal contact by wearing protective clothing.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water courses.
- · Recover product wherever possible.

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- IF DRY: Use dry clean up procedures and avoid generating dust. Collect residues and place in sealed plastic bags or other containers for disposal. IF WET: Vacuum/shovel up and place in labelled containers for disposal.
- ALWAYS: Wash area down with large amounts of water and prevent runoff into drains.
- If contamination of drains or waterways occurs, advise Emergency Services.

Collect all residues and recoverable product for recycling.

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the MSDS.

Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

- · Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
- · Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- · Use in a well-ventilated area.
- Prevent concentration in hollows and sumps.
- DO NOT enter confined spaces until atmosphere has been checked.
- DO NOT allow material to contact humans, exposed food or food utensils.
- Avoid contact with incompatible materials.
- When handling, DO NOT eat, drink or smoke.
- Keep containers securely sealed when not in use.
- · Avoid physical damage to containers.
- Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- Work clothes should be laundered separately. Launder contaminated clothing before re-use.
- · Use good occupational work practice.
- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.
- Atmosphere should be regularly checked against established exposure standards to ensure safe working conditions are maintained.

Empty containers may contain residual dust which has the potential to accumulate following settling. Such dusts may explode in the presence of an appropriate ignition source.

- Do NOT cut, drill, grind or weld such containers.
- In addition ensure such activity is not performed near full, partially empty or empty containers without appropriate workplace safety authorisation or permit.

SUITABLE CONTAINER

- Glass container is suitable for laboratory quantities.
- Packaging as recommended by manufacturer.
- Check that containers are clearly labelled.
- Tamper-proof containers.
- Polyethylene or polypropylene containers.
- · Metal drum with sealed plastic liner.

STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

· Avoid reaction with oxidising agents.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

- NOTE: Special security requirements may be mandated under Federal/State Regulation(s).
- · Store in original containers.
- Store in vault fitted with warning devices or detectors recommended by various Federal/State authorities.
- Store in vault used only for the purpose of storage of drugs of addiction.

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- Vault must be locked at all times except when the materials stored therein are required.
- · Keep storage area free from debris, wastes and combustibles.
- · Keep dry.
- · Keep containers securely sealed.
- · Protect containers against physical damage.
- · Check regularly for spills and leaks.

SAFE STORAGE WITH OTHER CLASSIFIED CHEMICALS













- +: May be stored together
- O: May be stored together with specific preventions
- X: Must not be stored together

Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE CONTROLS

The following materials had no OELs on our records

· codeine glucuronide:

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MATERIAL DATA

CODEINE GLUCURONIDE:

■ It is the goal of the ACGIH (and other Agencies) to recommend TLVs (or their equivalent) for all substances for which there is evidence of health effects at airborne concentrations encountered in the workplace. At this time no TLV has been established, even though this material may produce adverse health effects (as evidenced in animal experiments or clinical experience). Airborne concentrations must be maintained as low as is practically possible and occupational exposure must be kept to a minimum.

NOTE: The ACGIH occupational exposure standard for Particles Not Otherwise Specified (P.N.O.S) does NOT apply. Sensory irritants are chemicals that produce temporary and undesirable side-effects on the eyes, nose or throat. Historically occupational exposure standards for these irritants have been based on observation of workers' responses to various airborne concentrations. Present day expectations require that nearly every individual should be protected against even minor sensory irritation and exposure standards are established using uncertainty factors or safety factors of 5 to 10 or more. On occasion animal no-observable-effect-levels (NOEL) are used to determine these limits where human results are unavailable. An additional approach, typically used by the TLV committee (USA) in determining respiratory standards for this group of chemicals, has been to assign ceiling values (TLV C) to rapidly acting irritants and to assign short-term exposure limits (TLV STELs) when the weight of evidence from irritation, bioaccumulation and other endpoints combine to warrant such a limit. In contrast the MAK Commission (Germany) uses a five-category system based on intensive odour, local irritation, and elimination half-life. However this system is being replaced to be consistent with the European Union (EU) Scientific Committee for Occupational Exposure Limits (SCOEL); this is more closely allied to that of the USA.

OSHA (USA) concluded that exposure to sensory irritants can:

- cause inflammation
- cause increased susceptibility to other irritants and infectious agents
- · lead to permanent injury or dysfunction
- · permit greater absorption of hazardous substances and

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 acclimate the worker to the irritant warning properties of these substances thus increasing the risk of overexposure.

Airborne particulate or vapour must be kept to levels as low as is practicably achievable given access to modern engineering controls and monitoring hardware. Biologically active compounds may produce idiosyncratic effects which are entirely unpredictable on the basis of literature searches and prior clinical experience (both recent and past).

CEL TWA: 0.663 mg/m3; STEL: 1.991 mg/m3 based on anhyd. phosphate salt [Tas Alkaloids]

PERSONAL PROTECTION









EYE

- When handling very small quantities of the material eye protection may not be required.
- For laboratory, larger scale or bulk handling or where regular exposure in an occupational setting occurs:
- Chemical goggles
- Face shield. Full face shield may be required for supplementary but never for primary protection of eyes
- Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lens or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59].

HANDS/FEET

- Suitability and durability of glove type is dependent on usage. Important factors in the selection of gloves include: such as:
- frequency and duration of contact,
- chemical resistance of glove material,
- glove thickness and
- dexterity

Select gloves tested to a relevant standard (e.g. Europe EN 374, US F739).

- When prolonged or frequently repeated contact may occur, a glove with a protection class of 5 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 240 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended.
- When only brief contact is expected, a glove with a protection class of 3 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 60 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended.
- · Contaminated gloves should be replaced.

Gloves must only be worn on clean hands. After using gloves, hands should be washed and dried thoroughly. Application of a non-perfumed moisturiser is recommended.

- Rubber gloves (nitrile or low-protein, powder-free latex). Employees allergic to latex gloves should use nitrile gloves in preference.
- Double gloving should be considered.
- PVC gloves.

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· Protective shoe covers.

· Head covering.

Experience indicates that the following polymers are suitable as glove materials for protection against undissolved, dry solids, where abrasive particles are not present.

- polychloroprene
- nitrile rubber
- butyl rubber
- fluorocaoutchouc
- · polyvinyl chloride

Gloves should be examined for wear and/ or degradation constantly.

OTHER

- For quantities up to 500 grams a laboratory coat may be suitable.
- For quantities up to 1 kilogram a disposable laboratory coat or coverall of low permeability is recommended. Coveralls should be buttoned at collar and cuffs.
- For quantities over 1 kilogram and manufacturing operations, wear disposable coverall of low permeability and disposable shoe covers.
- For manufacturing operations, air-supplied full body suits may be required for the provision of advanced respiratory protection.
- · Eye wash unit.
- Ensure there is ready access to an emergency shower.
- For Emergencies: Vinyl suit.

RESPIRATOR

- Respirators may be necessary when engineering and administrative controls do not adequately prevent exposures.
- The decision to use respiratory protection should be based on professional judgment that takes into account toxicity information, exposure measurement data, and frequency and likelihood of the worker's exposure ensure users are not subject to high thermal loads which may result in heat stress or distress due to personal protective equipment (powered, positive flow, full face apparatus may be an option).
- Published occupational exposure limits, where they exist, will assist in determining the adequacy of the selected respiratory . These may be government mandated or vendor recommended.
- Certified respirators will be useful for protecting workers from inhalation of particulates when properly selected and fit tested as part of a complete respiratory protection program.
- Use approved positive flow mask if significant quantities of dust becomes airborne.
- Try to avoid creating dust conditions.

RESPIRATOR

Protection Factor	Half- Face Respirator	Full- Face Respirator	Powered Air Respirator
10 x ES	P1 Air- line*		PAPR- P1 -
50 x ES	Air- line**	P2	PAPR- P2
100 x ES	-	P3	-
		Air- line*	-
100+ x ES	-	Air- line**	PAPR- P3

^{* -} Negative pressure demand ** - Continuous flow.

The local concentration of material, quantity and conditions of use determine the type of personal protective equipment required. For further information consult site specific CHEMWATCH data (if available), or your Occupational Health and Safety Advisor.

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ENGINEERING CONTROLS

■ Enclosed local exhaust ventilation is required at points of dust, fume or vapour generation.

HEPA terminated local exhaust ventilation should be considered at point of generation of dust, fumes or vapours.

Barrier protection or laminar flow cabinets should be considered for laboratory scale handling.

When handling quantities up to 500 gram in either a standard laboratory with general dilution ventilation (e.g. 6-12 air changes per hour) is preferred. Quantities up to 1 kilogram may require a designated laboratory using fume hood, biological safety cabinet, or approved vented enclosures. Quantities exceeding 1 kilogram should be handled in a designated laboratory or containment laboratory using appropriate barrier/ containment technology.

Manufacturing and pilot plant operations require barrier/ containment and direct coupling technologies.

Barrier/ containment technology and direct coupling (totally enclosed processes that create a barrier between the equipment and the room) typically use double or split butterfly valves and hybrid unidirectional airflow/ local exhaust ventilation solutions (e.g. powder containment booths). Glove bags, isolator glove box systems are optional. HEPA filtration of exhaust from dry product handling areas is required.

Fume-hoods and other open-face containment devices are acceptable when face velocities of at least 1 m/s (200 feet/minute) are achieved. Partitions, barriers, and other partial containment technologies are required to prevent migration of the material to uncontrolled areas. For non-routine emergencies maximum local and general exhaust are necessary. Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant.

Type of Contaminant:

solvent, vapours, etc. evaporating from tank (in still air)

aerosols, fumes from pouring operations,

intermittent container filling, low speed conveyer transfers (released at low velocity

into zone of active generation)

direct spray, drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation

into zone of rapid air motion)

Air Speed:

0.25- 0.5 m/s (50- 100 f/min.)

0.5-1 m/s (100-200 f/min.)

1-2.5 m/s (200-500 f/min.)

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Lower end of the range

- 1: Room air currents minimal or favourable to
- 2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only.
- 3: Intermittent, low production.
- 4: Large hood or large air mass in motion

Upper end of the range

- 1: Disturbing room air currents
- 2: Contaminants of high toxicity
- 3: High production, heavy use
- 4: Small hood- local control only

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Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 1-2.5 m/s (200-500 f/min.) for extraction of gases discharged 2 meters distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used.

The need for respiratory protection should also be assessed where incidental or accidental exposure is anticipated: Dependent on levels of contamination, PAPR, full face air purifying devices with P2 or P3 filters or air supplied respirators should be evaluated.

The following protective devices are recommended where exposures exceed the recommended exposure control guidelines by factors of:

- 10; high efficiency particulate (HEPA) filters or cartridges
- 10-25; loose-fitting (Tyvek or helmet type) HEPA powered-air purifying respirator.
- 25-50; a full face-piece negative pressure respirator with HEPA filters
- 50-100; tight-fitting, full face-piece HEPA PAPR

100-1000; a hood-shroud HEPA PAPR or full face-piece supplied air respirator operated in pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

APPEARANCE

Off-white amorphous powder; does not mix well with water.

Flammability	Colour	Physical State	Odour	Miscibility
				with water
-	White	Solid	Slight	Miscible

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Solid.

Mixes with water.

State	Divided solid	Molecular Weight	475.49
Melting Range (°C)	Not Available	Viscosity	Not Applicable
Boiling Range (°C)	Not available.	Solubility in water (g/L)	Miscible
Flash Point (°C)	Not Available	pH (1% solution)	Not Available
Decomposition Temp (°C)	Not Available	pH (as supplied)	Not applicable
Autoignition Temp (°C)	Not available.	Vapour Pressure (kPa)	Not applicable.
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not available.	Specific Gravity (water=1)	Not Available
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not available.	Relative Vapour Density	Not applicable.
		(air=1)	

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Volatile Component (%vol)

Not applicable

Evaporation Rate

Not applicable

Section 10 - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

- Presence of incompatible materials.
- · Product is considered stable.
- · Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.
- · Presence of heat source and direct sunlight.

For incompatible materials - refer to Section 7 - Handling and Storage.

Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

SWALLOWED

■ Accidental ingestion of the material may be harmful; animal experiments indicate that ingestion of less than 150 gram may be fatal or may produce serious damage to the health of the individual. Morphine and other analgesics cause nausea, vomiting, constipation, drowsiness and confusion. Urination can be difficult, and the bowel and bile ducts can spasm. They also cause dry mouth, pin point pupils, sweating, flushing, vertigo, slow and shallow breathing, weak pulse, blue-grey skin (cyanosis), palpitations, low blood pressure, low temperature, restlessness, and mood changes. Acute toxic effects include lung swelling, spasticity, muscle twitching and unconsciousness. Increased pressure in the head may occur. Larger doses can cause depression of breathing and low blood pressure, with failure of circulation and deepening coma. Failure of breathing can cause death. As the analgesia (loss of sensation) wears off, sensitivity to pain is increased. Higher doses produce stiffening of the muscles and depression of the central nervous system; this can progress to stupor, sedation, unconsciousness and coma. The blood vessels may dilate, causing flushing of the face, neck and upper chest, and lowering of the blood pressure, resulting in fainting. Serious effects due to toxicity to the heart include high blood pressure, irregular heart rhythms, shock, acute heart failure and stoppage. Hypersensitive reactions can occur, producing rashes, itch, bleeding, and blistering. Digestive effects include constipation, impaction of the bowel with faeces and cramps. Urine movements may become less frequent. There may be liver abnormalities, and the liver may be enlarged and tender to touch. Codeine and its derivatives may produce acutely toxic effects including pin-point pupils, slow, shallow respiration, cyanosis, weak pulse, low blood pressure, gastrointestinal and/ or biliary tract spasm, and in some cases, pulmonary oedema, spasticity, twitching of the muscles and unconsciousness. Death from respiratory failure may occur within 2-4 hours after oral or subcutaneous administration or immediately after intravenous overdose. Large doses may produce convulsions.

EYE

■ Although the material is not thought to be an irritant (as classified by EC Directives), direct contact with the eye may cause transient discomfort characterised by tearing or conjunctival redness (as with windburn). Slight abrasive damage may also result. The material may produce foreign body irritation in certain individuals.

SKIN

■ There is some evidence to suggest that this material can cause inflammation of the skin on contact in some persons.

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Contact dermatitis has been reported with morphine and other narcoticanalgesics.

Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material.

Entry into the blood-stream, through, for example, cuts, abrasions or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects. Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected.

INHALED

■ The material is not thought to produce respiratory irritation (as classified by EC Directives using animal models). Nevertheless inhalation of dusts, or fumes, especially for prolonged periods, may produce respiratory discomfort and occasionally, distress.

Inhalation of dusts, generated by the material during the course of normal handling, may be damaging to the health of the individual.

Persons with impaired respiratory function, airway diseases and conditions such as emphysema or chronic bronchitis, may incur further disability if excessive concentrations of particulate are inhaled.

If prior damage to the circulatory or nervous systems has occurred or if kidney damage has been sustained, proper screenings should be conducted on individuals who may be exposed to further risk if handling and use of the material result

in excessive exposures.

Inhalation of large amounts of codeine and its derivatives may produce abundant haemorrhagic lung oedema, and can cause death.

CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS

■ Substance accumulation, in the human body, is likely and may cause some concern following repeated or long-term occupational exposure.

Chronic morphine poisoning or addiction causes pin-point pupils, rapid mood changes and poor social adaptation. As dependence and tolerance occurs, there is an overwhelming need to continue taking the drug or similar drugs and to increase the dose. Prolonged therapy or abuse may cause abnormal lung function, increased body temperature, and kidney failure. Withdrawal symptoms can last for months. Abrupt withdrawal of the opiates may produce yawning, dilated pupils, tears, runny nose, sneezing, muscle tremor, headache, weakness, sweating, anxiety, irritability, disturbed sleep or insomnia, restlessness, orgasm, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, loss of weight, diarrhoea, dehydration, increase in the number of white blood cells, bone pain, abdominal and muscle cramps, increase in heart rate, breathing rate and blood pressure, rise in temperature and gooseflesh and blood vessel dilation or constriction.

Long term exposure to high dust concentrations may cause changes in lung function i.e. pneumoconiosis; caused by particles less than 0.5 micron penetrating and remaining in the lung. Prime symptom is breathlessness; lung shadows show on X-ray.

Repeated or long-term exposure to codeine and its derivatives has been associated with fixed eruptions which may appear in one or several areas, endocarditis, protein in the urine, irregular heartbeat, lung abnormalities, tolerance, dependence, and addiction. A loss of all blood cells or of platelets or white cells may occur. Unborn children may develop tolerance and dependence, and may experience withdrawal. If the mother is exposed to codeine and simultaneously to other drugs, numerous birth defects have been reported in the infant

TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

CODEINE GLUCURONIDE:

■ unless otherwise specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances.

Nil reported

*[Sax]

**[Manufacturer]

■ WARNING: Abuse can lead to habituation. Subject to Federal and State Regulations. Narcotic Substance, Schedule I (UN).

No significant acute toxicological data identified in literature search.

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Centrally administered codeine glucuronide has been shown to exhibit antinociceptive properties with decreased immunosuppressive effects compared to codeine. Codeine-6-glucuronide was administered to rats, and its analgesic effect was compared to that of codeine. The concentrations of codeine and its metabolites in plasma and brain were also determined at the peak response time after administration of each compound. Receptor-binding studies with rat brain homogenates and affinity profiles were also determined. Intravenous administration of codeine-6-glucuronide resulted in approximately 60% of the analgesic response elicited by codeine itself. Analysis of plasma and brain showed that codeine-6-glucuronide is relatively stable in vivo, with only small amounts of morphine-6-glucuronide being detected in addition to unchanged codeine-6-glucuronide. The receptor affinity of codeine-6-glucuronide was similar to that of codeine. It is concluded that intravenously administered codeine-6-glucuronide possesses analgesic activity similar to that of codeine, and may have clinical benefit in the treatment of pain

Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

CODEINE GLUCURONIDE:

■ DO NOT discharge into sewer or waterways.

Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Containers may still present a chemical hazard/ danger when empty.
- Return to supplier for reuse/ recycling if possible.

Otherwise:

- If container can not be cleaned sufficiently well to ensure that residuals do not remain or if the container cannot be used to store the same product, then puncture containers, to prevent re-use, and bury at an authorised landfill.
- Where possible retain label warnings and MSDS and observe all notices pertaining to the product. Legislation addressing waste disposal requirements may differ by country, state and/ or territory. Each user must refer to laws operating in their area. In some areas, certain wastes must be tracked.
- A Hierarchy of Controls seems to be common the user should investigate:
- Reduction
- Reuse
- Recycling
- · Disposal (if all else fails)

This material may be recycled if unused, or if it has not been contaminated so as to make it unsuitable for its intended use. Shelf life considerations should also be applied in making decisions of this type. Note that properties of a material may change in use, and recycling or reuse may not always be appropriate.

- DO NOT allow wash water from cleaning or process equipment to enter drains.
- It may be necessary to collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.
- In all cases disposal to sewer may be subject to local laws and regulations and these should be considered first.
- · Where in doubt contact the responsible authority.

Valuable substance, hold all residues for recovery. Disposal of the material must be carried out in accordance with the requirements of the relevant Federal/State Act(s) or Code(s) regulating the disposal of Drugs of Addiction.

- Consult manufacturer/supplier for recycling options.
- Decontaminate empty containers with water; incinerate plastic bags.
- DO NOT reuse containers. Bury empty containers in an authorised landfill.

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- · Recycle wherever possible.
- Consult manufacturer for recycling options or consult local or regional waste management authority for disposal if no suitable treatment or disposal facility can be identified.
- Dispose of by: burial in a land-fill specifically licenced to accept chemical and / or pharmaceutical wastes or Incineration in a licenced apparatus (after admixture with suitable combustible material)
- Decontaminate empty containers. Observe all label safeguards until containers are cleaned and destroyed.

Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

HAZCHEM:

None (ADG7)

NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS: UN, IATA, IMDG

Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

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REGULATIONS

codeine glucuronide (CAS: 20736-11-2) is found on the following regulatory lists;

"Australia Narcotic Drugs Act - Schedule I Drugs"

Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

■ Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references

A list of reference resources used to assist the committee may be found at: www.chemwatch.net/references.

■ The (M)SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

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