

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name 1,1-Dimethylbiguanide hydrochloride

Cat No. : J63361

CAS No 1115-70-4
Synonyms Metformin hydrochloride

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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Emergency Telephone Number

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After normal business hours, call Carechem 24 at (866) 928-0789.

2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Acute oral toxicity	Category 4
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2

Label Elements

Signal Word

Warning

Hazard Statements

Harmful if swallowed

Causes serious eye irritation

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

Wear eye/face protection

Eyes

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention

Ingestion

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell

Rinse mouth

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None identified

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Metformin hydrochloride	1115-70-4	>95

4. First-aid measures

General Advice	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Most important symptoms and effects	None reasonably foreseeable.
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO ₂), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available

Flash Point	No information available
Method -	No information available
Autoignition Temperature	Not applicable
Explosion Limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO₂). Nitrogen oxides (NO_x). Hydrogen chloride gas.

Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

NFPA

Health
2

Flammability
1

Instability
1

Physical hazards
N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions	Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.
Environmental Precautions	Should not be released into the environment.
Methods for Containment and Clean Up	Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. Handling and storage

Handling	Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation.
Storage.	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Store under an inert atmosphere. Protect from moisture. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents. Water.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines	This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limit established by the region specific regulatory bodies.
Engineering Measures	Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.
Personal Protective Equipment	
Eye/face Protection	Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.
Skin and body protection	Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Respiratory Protection	No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.
Hygiene Measures	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Crystalline Powder Solid
Appearance	White
Odor	No information available
Odor Threshold	No information available
pH	Not applicable
Melting Point/Range	218 - 223 °C / 424.4 - 433.4 °F
Boiling Point/Range	No information available
Flash Point	No information available
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available
Flammability or explosive limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Vapor Pressure	No information available
Vapor Density	Not applicable
Specific Gravity	No information available
Solubility	No information available
Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water	No data available
Autoignition Temperature	Not applicable
Decomposition Temperature	No information available
Viscosity	Not applicable
Molecular Formula	C4 H11 N5 . Cl H
Molecular Weight	165.63

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	None known, based on information available
Stability	Hygroscopic.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products. Excess heat. Avoid dust formation. Exposure to moist air or water.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Water
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO ₂), Nitrogen oxides (NO _x), Hydrogen chloride gas
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Acute Toxicity

Product Information Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Metformin hydrochloride	LD50 = 1 g/kg (Rat)	Not listed	Not listed

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Irritation Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin

Sensitization No information available

Carcinogenicity The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Metformin hydrochloride	1115-70-4	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

Mutagenic Effects No information available

Reproductive Effects No information available.

Developmental Effects No information available.

Teratogenicity No information available.

STOT - single exposure None known

STOT - repeated exposure None known

Aspiration hazard No information available

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed No information available

Endocrine Disruptor Information No information available

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Metformin hydrochloride	Not listed	LC50: > 1000 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus)	Not listed	Not listed

Persistence and Degradability Persistence is unlikely

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility No information available.

Component	log Pow
Metformin hydrochloride	-3.5

13. Disposal considerations

Waste Disposal Methods Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

14. Transport information

DOT Not regulated

TDG Not regulated

IATA Not regulated

IMDG/IMO Not regulated

15. Regulatory information

United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Metformin hydrochloride	1115-70-4	-	-	-

Legend:

TSCA US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

'-' - Not Listed

TSCA - Per 40 CFR 751, Regulation of Certain Chemical Substances & Mixtures, Under TSCA Section 6(h) (PBT)

Not applicable

TSCA 12(b) - Notices of Export

Not applicable

International Inventories

China, X = listed, U.S.A. (TSCA), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Australia (AICS), Korea (KECL), China (IECSC), Japan (ENCS), Philippines (PICCS), Taiwan (TCSI), Japan (ISHL), New Zealand (NZIoC), Japan (ISHL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Metformin hydrochloride	1115-70-4	-	-	214-230-6	-	X	X	-	X	-

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)**U.S. Federal Regulations****SARA 313**

Not applicable

SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

See section 2 for more information

CWA (Clean Water Act)

Not applicable

Clean Air Act

Not applicable

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

Not applicable

CERCLA

Not applicable

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

Not applicable

U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ):

N

DOT Marine Pollutant

N

DOT Severe Marine Pollutant

N

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

Other International Regulations**Mexico - Grade**

No information available

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Not applicable

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) -	REACH (1907/2006) -	REACH Regulation (EC)
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		Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Metformin hydrochloride	1115-70-4	-	-	-

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Metformin hydrochloride	1115-70-4	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Metformin hydrochloride	1115-70-4	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

16. Other information

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