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MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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SUBSTANCE IDENTIFICATION

CAS-NUMBER 9001-75-6

SUBSTANCE: **PEPSIN**

TRADE NAMES/SYNONYMS:
PEPSIN A; E.C. 3.4.1; E.C. 3.4.23.1; ELIXER LACTATE OF PEPSIN;
LACTATED PEPSIN; LACTATED PEPSIN ELIXER; PEPSIN FORTIOR; E.C. 3.4.4.1;
PEPSINUM; P-53;

CHEMICAL FAMILY: ENZYME

MOLECULAR FORMULA: VARIES

MOLECULAR WEIGHT: 34,500

CERCLA RATINGS (SCALE 0-3): HEALTH:U FIRE:O REACTIVITY:O PERSISTENCE:ONFPA RATINGS (SCALE 0-4): HEALTH:U FIRE:O REACTIVITY:O

COMPONENTS AND CONTAMINANTS

COMPONENT: PEPSIN

PERCENT: 100

OTHER CONTAMINANTS: NONE

EXPOSURE LIMITS: NO OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE LIMITS ESTABLISHED BY OSHA, ACCIH, OR NIOSH.

PHYSICAL DATA

DESCRIPTION: WHITE OR YELLOWISH TRANSLUCENT OR TRANSPARENT SCALES OR GRANULES, OR AN AMORPHOUS, SLIGHTLY HYGROSCOPIC POWDER OR SPONGY MASSES WITH A SLIGHTLY SALINE OR ACID TASTE. MELTING POINT: DECOMPOSES

SPECIFIC GRAVITY: NOT AVAILABLE PH: 4.5 SOLUBILITY IN WATER: SOLUBLE SOLVENT SOLUBILITY: INSOLUBLE IN ALCOHOL, CHLOROFORM AND ETHER.

FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA

FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD:
NEGLIGIBLE FIRE HAZARD WHEN EXPOSED TO HEAT OR FLAME.

FIREFIGHTING MEDIA: DRY CHEMICAL, CARBON DIOXIDE, WATER SPRAY OR FOAM

FOR LARGER FIRES, USE WATER SPRAY, FOG OR ALCOHOL FOAM

FIREFIGHTING: NO ACUTE HAZARD. MOVE CONTAINER FROM FIRE AREA IF POSSIBLE. AVOID BREATHING VAPORS OR DUSTS; KEEP UPWIND.

TOXICITY

PEPSIN:
MUTAGENIC DATA (RTEC); CARCINOGEN STATUS: NONE.
THERE IS INSUFFICIENT DATA TO FULLY QUANTIFY THE TOXICITY OF PEPSIN. ITS
DUSTS MAY CAUSE SKIN, EYE AND MUCOUS MEMBRANE IRRITATION.

HEALTH EFFECTS AND FIRST AID

INHALATION: PEPSIN:

ACUTE EXPOSURE- NO DATA AVAILABLE. DUSTS MAY CAUSE MUCOUS MEMBRANE IRRITATION. HOWEVER, OTHER PROTEOLYTIC ENZYMES HAVE CAUSED SEVERE ASTHMA-LIKE PULMONARY REACTIONS DUE TO ALLERGY OR IRRITATION.

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CHRONIC EXPOSURE- NO DATA AVAILABLE.

FIRST AID- REMOVE FROM EXPOSURE AREA TO FRESH AIR IMMEDIATELY, IF BREATHING HAS STOPPED, PERFORM ARTIFICIAL RESPIRATION, KEEP PERSON WARM AND AT REST. TREAT SYMPTOMATICALLY AND SUPPORTIVELY. GET MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY.

SKIN CONTACT:

ACUTE EXPOSURE- NO DATA AVAILABLE. EXCESSIVE CONTACT MAY CAUSE IRRITATION. CHRONIC EXPOSURE- NO DATA AVAILABLE.

FIRST AID- REMOVE CONTAMINATED CLOTHING AND SHOES IMMEDIATELY. WASH AFFECTED AREA WITH SOAP OR MILD DETERGENT AND LARGE AMOUNTS OF WATER UNTIL NO EVIDENCE OF CHEMICAL REMAINS (APPROXIMATELY 15-20 MINUTES). GET MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY.

EYE CONTACT: PEPSIN:

ACUTE EXPOSURE- NO DATA AVAILABLE. DUSTS MAY CAUSE IRRITATION. CHRONIC EXPOSURE- NO DATA AVAILABLE.

FIRST AID- WASH EYES IMMEDIATELY WITH LARGE AMOUNTS OF WATER OR NORMAL SALINE, OCCASIONALLY LIFTING UPPER AND LOWER LIDS, UNTIL NO EVIDENCE OF CHEMICAL REMAINS (APPROXIMATELY 15-20 MINUTES). GET MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY.

INGESTION:

ACUTE EXPOSURE- PEPSIN IS THE PRINCIPAL ENZYME OF GASTRIC JUICE. IT IS PROBABLY NON-TOXIC EXCEPT FOR AN OCCASIONAL ALLERGIC REACTION RESULTING IN A RASH. OTHER PROTECLYTIC ENZYMES HAVE CAUSED SEVERE ASTHMA-LIKE PULMONARY REACTIONS DUE TO ALLERGY OR IRRITATION.
CHRONIC EXPOSURE- NO DATA AVAILABLE.

FIRST AID- TREAT SYMPTOMATICALLY AND SUPPORTIVELY. GET MEDICAL ATTENTION IMMEDIATELY. IF VOMITING OCCURS, KEEP HEAD LOWER THAN HIPS TO PREVENT ASPIRATION.

ANTIDOTE: NO SPECIFIC ANTIDOTE. TREAT SYMPTOMATICALLY AND SUPPORTIVELY.

REACTIVITY

REACTIVITY: STABLE UNDER NORMAL TEMPERATURES AND PRESSURES.

INCOMPATIBILITIES:

PEPSIN: ALCOHOL: INCOMPATIBLE.

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DECOMPOSITION:
THERMAL DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS MAY INCLUDE TOXIC OXIDES OF CARBON.

POLYMERIZATION:
HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION HAS NOT BEEN REPORTED TO OCCUR UNDER NORMAL TEMPERATURES AND PRESSURES.

NONE REPORTED.

OCCUPATIONAL SPILL: SWEEP UP AND PLACE IN SUITABLE (FIBERBOARD) CONTAINERS FOR RECLAMATION OR LATER DISPOSAL.

PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

VENTILATION: PROVIDE LOCAL EXHAUST OR GENERAL DILUTION VENTILATION SYSTEM.

RESPIRATOR:
THE SPECIFIC RESPIRATOR SELECTED MUST BE BASED ON THE CONTAMINATION LEVELS
FOUND IN THE WORK PLACE, MUST NOT EXCEED THE WORKING LIMITS OF THE
RESPIRATOR AND BE JOINTLY APPROVED BY THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH AND THE MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH
ADMINISTRATION.

THE FOLLOWING RESPIRATORS ARE RECOMMENDED BASED ON THE DATA FOUND IN THE PHYSICAL DATA, HEALTH EFFECTS AND TOXICITY SECTIONS. THEY ARE RANKED IN ORDER FROM MINIMUM TO MAXIMUM RESPIRATORY PROTECTION:

CHEMICAL CARTRIDGE RESPIRATOR WITH FULL FACEPIECE AND ORGANIC VAPOR CARTRIDGE(S) IN COMBINATION WITH A DUST AND MIST FILTER.

CHEMICAL CARTRIDGE RESPIRATOR WITH FULL FACEPIECE AND ORGANIC VAPOR

- **PEPSIN** PAGE 03 OF 03 CARTRIDGE(S) IN COMBINATION WITH A HIGH-EFFICIENCY PARTICULATE FILTER.
- GAS MASK WITH ORGANIC VAPOR CANISTER (CHIN-STYLE OR FRONT- OR BACK-MOUNTED CANISTER) WITH A FULL FACEPIECE AND A HIGH-EFFICIENCY PARTICULATE FILTER.
- POWERED AIR-PURIFYING RESPIRATOR WITH TIGHT-FITTING FACEPIECE AND ORGANIC VAPOR CARTRIDGE(S) IN COMBINATION WITH A HIGH-EFFICIENCY PARTICULATE FILTER.
- TYPE 'C' SUPPLIED-AIR RESPIRATOR WITH A FULL FACEPIECE OPERATED IN PRESSURE-DEMAND OR OTHER POSITIVE PRESSURE MODE OR WITH A FULL FACEPIECE, HELMET OR HOOD OPERATED IN CONTINUOUS-FLOW MODE.
- SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS WITH A FULL FACEPIECE OPERATED IN PRESSURE-DEMAND OR OTHER POSITIVE PRESSURE MODE.
- FOR FIREFIGHTING AND OTHER IMMEDIATELY DANGEROUS TO LIFE OR HEALTH CONDITIONS:
 - SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS WITH FULL FACEPIECE OPERATED IN PRESSURE DEMAND OR OTHER POSITIVE PRESSURE MODE.
 - SUPPLIED-AIR RESPIRATOR WITH FULL FACEPIECE AND OPERATED IN PRESSURE DEMAND OR OTHER POSITIVE PRESSURE MODE IN COMBINATION WITH AN AUXILIARY SELF-CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS OPERATED IN PRESSURE-DEMAND OR OTHER POSITIVE PRESSURE MODE.

CLOTHING: EMPLOYEE MUST WEAR APPROPRIATE PROTECTIVE (IMPERVIOUS) CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT TO PREVENT REPEATED OR PROLONGED SKIN CONTACT WITH THIS SUBSTANCE.

GLOVES: EMPLOYEE MUST WEAR APPROPRIATE PROTECTIVE GLOVES TO PREVENT CONTACT WITH THIS SUBSTANCE.

EYE PROTECTION:

EMPLOYEE MUST WEAR SPLASH-PROOF OR DUST-RESISTANT SAFETY GOGGLES TO PREVENT EYE CONTACT WITH THIS SUBSTANCE, CONTACT LENSES SHOULD NOT BE WORN.

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