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# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

**Product Identifier** 

Material Name: Methylprednisolone Sodium Succinate for Injection, USP

Trade Name: Solu-Medrol; Solu-Medrone; Solu-Moderin

Chemical Family: Mixture

Relevant Identified Uses of the Substance or Mixture and Uses Advised Against

Intended Use: Pharmaceutical product used as anti-inflammatory

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### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

# **Classification of the Substance or Mixture**

**GHS - Classification** 

Reproductive Toxicity: Category 1A

Specific target organ systemic toxicity (repeated exposure): Category 2

**US OSHA Specific - Classification** 

Physical Hazard: Combustible Dust

**EU Classification:** 

EU Indication of danger: Toxic to reproduction: Category 1

Harmful

EU Risk Phrases:

R61 - May cause harm to the unborn child.

R48/22 - Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure if swallowed.

**Label Elements** 

Signal Word: Danger

Hazard Statements: H373 - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure H360D - May

damage the unborn child

May form combustible dust concentrations in air

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**Precautionary Statements:** P201 - Obtain special instructions before use

P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

P260 - Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray P281 - Use personal protective equipment as required

P308 + P313 - IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice

P314 - Get medical attention/advice if you feel unwell

P405 - Store locked up

P501 - Dispose of contents/container in accordance with all local and national regulations



Other Hazards
Australian Hazard Classification
(NOHSC):

No data available

Hazardous Substance. Non-Dangerous Goods.

Note:

This document has been prepared in accordance with standards for workplace safety, which requires the inclusion of all known hazards of the product or its ingredients regardless of the potential risk. The precautionary statements and warning included may not apply in all cases. Your needs may vary depending upon the potential for exposure in your workplace.

# 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### Hazardous

Ingredient	CAS Number	EU EINECS/ELINCS List	EU Classification	GHS Classification	%
Benzyl Alcohol	100-51-6	202-859-9	Xn; R20/22	Acute Tox.4 (H302)	<1.0
				Acute Tox.4 (H332)	
Methylprednisolone Sodium Succinate	2375-03-3	219-156-8	Repr.Cat.1;R61	Repr. 1A (H360D)	67-87
			Xn;R48/22	STOT RE 2 (H373)	

Ingredient	CAS Number	EU EINECS/ELINCS List	EU Classification	GHS Classification	%
Sodium phosphate, monobasic	7558-80-7	231-449-2	Not Listed	Not Listed	*
Sodium phosphate, dibasic	7558-79-4	231-448-7	Not Listed	Not Listed	*
Lactose	63-42-3	200-559-2	Not Listed	Not Listed	*

Additional Information: \* Proprietary

Ingredient(s) indicated as hazardous have been assessed under standards for workplace

safety.

In accordance with 29 CFR 1910.1200, the exact percentage composition of this mixture has

been withheld as a trade secret.

For the full text of the R phrases and CLP/GHS abbreviations mentioned in this Section, see Section 16

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# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Description of First Aid Measures** 

**Eye Contact:** Flush with water while holding eyelids open for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention

immediately.

**Skin Contact:** Remove contaminated clothing. Flush area with large amounts of water. Use soap. Seek

medical attention.

**Ingestion:** Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Wash out mouth with water. Do not

induce vomiting unless directed by medical personnel. Seek medical attention immediately.

**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air and keep patient at rest. Seek medical attention immediately.

Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Both Acute and Delayed

Symptoms and Effects of For information on potential signs and symptoms of exposure, See Section 2 - Hazards

**Exposure:** Identification and/or Section 11 - Toxicological Information.

Medical Conditions None known

Aggravated by Exposure:

Indication of the Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment Needed

Notes to Physician: None

# 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Extinguishing Media:** Extinguish fires with CO2, extinguishing powder, foam, or water.

Special Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture

**Hazardous Combustion** Formation of toxic gases is possible during heating or fire.

**Products:** 

Fire / Explosion Hazards: Fine particles (such as dust and mists) may fuel fires/explosions.

Advice for Fire-Fighters

During all fire fighting activities, wear appropriate protective equipment, including self-contained breathing apparatus.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

## Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Personnel involved in clean-up should wear appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Minimize exposure.

## **Environmental Precautions**

Place waste in an appropriately labeled, sealed container for disposal. Care should be taken to avoid environmental release.

### Methods and Material for Containment and Cleaning Up

Measures for Cleaning / Contain the source of spill if it is safe to do so. Collect spilled material by a method that

Collecting: controls dust generation. A damp cloth or a filtered vacuum should be used to clean spills of

dry solids. Clean spill area thoroughly.

**Additional Consideration for** 

Large Spills:

Non-essential personnel should be evacuated from affected area. Report emergency situations immediately. Clean up operations should only be undertaken by trained personnel.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

# **Precautions for Safe Handling**

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# 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Avoid breathing dust. When handling, use appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Wash thoroughly after handling. Releases to the environment should be avoided. Review and implement appropriate technical and procedural waste water and waste disposal measures to prevent occupational exposure or environmental releases. Potential points of process emissions of this material to the atmosphere should be controlled with dust collectors, HEPA filtration systems or other equivalent controls.

Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities

Storage Conditions: Store as directed by product packaging.

Specific end use(s): Pharmaceutical drug product

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Control Parameters**

Refer to available public information for specific member state Occupational Exposure Limits.

**Benzyl Alcohol** 

 Bulgaria OEL - TWA
 5.0 mg/m³

 Czech Republic OEL - TWA
 40 mg/m³

 Finland OEL - TWA
 10 ppm

 Latvia OEL - TWA
 5 mg/m³

 Lithuania OEL - TWA
 5 mg/m³

 Poland OEL - TWA
 240 mg/m³

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Pfizer OEL TWA-8 Hr: 4 μg/m³, Skin

**Exposure Controls** 

**Engineering Controls:** Engineering controls should be used as the primary means to control exposures. General

room ventilation is adequate unless the process generates dust, mist or fumes. Keep airborne

contamination levels below the exposure limits listed above in this section.

Personal Protective Refer to applicable national standards and regulations in the selection and use of personal

**Equipment:** protective equipment (PPE).

Hands: Impervious gloves are recommended if skin contact with drug product is possible and for bulk

processing operations.

**Eyes:** Wear safety glasses or goggles if eye contact is possible.

Skin: Impervious protective clothing is recommended if skin contact with drug product is possible and

for bulk processing operations.

Respiratory protection: If the applicable Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL) is exceeded, wear an appropriate

respirator with a protection factor sufficient to control exposures to below the OEL.

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State: Powder Color: White

Odor: No data available. Odor Threshold: No data available.

Molecular Formula: Mixture Molecular Weight: Mixture

Solvent Solubility:
Water Solubility:
Solubility:
Solubility:
Soluble: Water
PH:
No data available.
Melting/Freezing Point (°C):
No data available.
No data available.
No data available.

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# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Partition Coefficient: (Method, pH, Endpoint, Value)

Sodium phosphate, dibasic

No data available

Sodium phosphate, monobasic

No data available

Lactose

No data available

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No data available Methylprednisolone

Predicted 7.4 Log D 1.99

**Benzyl Alcohol** No data available

**Decomposition Temperature (°C):** No data available.

**Evaporation Rate (Gram/s):** No data available Vapor Pressure (kPa): No data available Vapor Density (g/ml): No data available **Relative Density:** No data available Viscosity: No data available

Flammablity:

Autoignition Temperature (Solid) (°C): No data available Flammability (Solids): No data available Flash Point (Liquid) (°C): No data available Upper Explosive Limits (Liquid) (% by Vol.): No data available Lower Explosive Limits (Liquid) (% by Vol.): No data available

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity: No data available

Stable under normal conditions of use. **Chemical Stability:** 

**Possibility of Hazardous Reactions** 

**Oxidizing Properties:** No data available

**Conditions to Avoid:** Fine particles (such as dust and mists) may fuel fires/explosions. As a precautionary measure, keep away from strong oxidizers **Incompatible Materials:** 

No data available **Hazardous Decomposition** 

Products:

# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on Toxicological Effects

**General Information:** 

The information included in this section describes the potential hazards of various forms of the active ingredients. The remaining information describes the potential hazards of the individual

ingredients.

**Short Term:** May cause eye irritation (based on components). May be harmful if absorbed through the skin. Long Term:

Repeat-dose studies in animals have shown a potential to cause adverse effects on blood and

blood forming organs.

**Known Clinical Effects:** Adverse clinical reactions include the development of hypersensitivity and/or irritation leading

to rashes, itching, and burning. Clinical use has resulted in hormonal alterations. Drugs of this class may cause Cushing's syndrome, manifested by moon face, obesity, headache, acne, thirst, increased urination, impotence, menstrual irregularities, facial hair growth, and mental

changes.

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# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

## Acute Toxicity: (Species, Route, End Point, Dose)

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Rat Oral LD 50 > 5000 mg/kg
Rat Para-periosteal LD 50 718mg/kg
Mouse Intravenous LD 50 953mg/kg
Rat Intraperitoneal LD 50 512mg/kg
Mouse Intraperitoneal LD 50 902mg/kg

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Rat Oral LD 50 > 2000 mg/kg Mouse Oral LD 50 450mg/kg Rat Intraperitoneal LD 50 1000mg/kg Mouse Intraperitoneal LD 50 1409mg/kg Rat Subcutaneous LD 50 >3000mg/kg

### **Benzyl Alcohol**

Rat Oral LD50 1230 mg/kg
Rat Para-periosteal LD50 53mg/kg
Rat Inhalation LC50 >4.178mg/L

**Acute Toxicity Comments:** 

A greater than symbol (>) indicates that the toxicity endpoint being tested was not achievable

at the highest dose used in the test.

### Irritation / Sensitization: (Study Type, Species, Severity)

### Methylprednisolone

Skin Irritation Rabbit No effect
Eye Irritation Rabbit No effect

Skin Sensitization - GPMT Guinea Pig No effect

### **Benzyl Alcohol**

Eye Irritation Rabbit Severe Skin Irritation Rabbit Minimal Skin Irritation Guinea Pig Moderate

## Repeated Dose Toxicity: (Duration, Species, Route, Dose, End Point, Target Organ)

### Methylprednisolone

42 Day(s) Dog Oral 167 μg/kg/day LOAEL Adrenal gland

6 Week(s) Rat Subcutaneous 500 μg/kg/day LOAEL None identified

14 Week(s) Rat Subcutaneous 0.4 μg/kg/day NOAEL Blood forming organs, Adrenal gland 52 Week(s) Rat Subcutaneous 4 μg/kg/day NOAEL Blood forming organs Adrenal gland

# Reproduction & Developmental Toxicity: (Study Type, Species, Route, Dose, End Point, Effect(s))

## Methylprednisolone Sodium Succinate

Reproductive & Fertility Rat Subcutaneous 40 mg/kg/day LOAEL Fetotoxicity Embryo / Fetal Development Rat Subcutaneous 40 mg/kg/day LOAEL Teratogenic

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Reproductive & Fertility Rat Subcutaneous 0.004 mg/kg/day NOAEL Paternal toxicity Reproductive & Fertility Rat Subcutaneous 0.02 mg/kg/day LOAEL Fetotoxicity

Embryo / Fetal Development Rat Subcutaneous 1.0 mg/kg/day LOAEL Fetotoxicity, Teratogenic

Embryo / Fetal Development Mouse Intramuscular 330 mg/kg/day LOAEL Teratogenic Embryo / Fetal Development Rabbit Intramuscular 0.1 mg/kg/day LOAEL Teratogenic

## Genetic Toxicity: (Study Type, Cell Type/Organism, Result)

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Direct DNA Interaction Not applicable Negative In Vitro Cytogenetics Not applicable Negative

## Methylprednisolone

Bacterial Mutagenicity (Ames) Salmonella Negative
Unscheduled DNA Synthesis Rat Hepatocyte Negative

Mammalian Cell Mutagenicity Chinese Hamster Ovary (CHO) cells Negative

Direct DNA Interaction Negative

Carcinogen Status: None of the components of this formulation are listed as a carcinogen by IARC, NTP or OSHA.

# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Environmental Overview: Environmental properties have not been investigated. Releases to the environment should be

avoided.

**Toxicity:** 

Aquatic Toxicity: (Species, Method, End Point, Duration, Result)

## **Benzyl Alcohol**

Pimephales promelas (Fathead Minnow) EPA LC50 96 Hours 460 mg/L

Daphnia magna (Water Flea) OECD EC50 48 Hours 230 mg/L

Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (Green Alga) OECD EC50 72 Hours 500 mg/L

## **Benzyl Alcohol**

Daphnia magna (Water Flea) OECD 21 Day(s) EC50 66 mg/L Reproduction

Persistence and Degradability:

Biodegradation: (Method, Inoculum, Biodeg Study, Result, Endpoint, Duration, Classification)

Benzyl Alcohol

OECD Activated sludge Ready 92% After 14 Day(s) Ready

**Bio-accumulative Potential:** 

Partition Coefficient: (Method, pH, Endpoint, Value)

Methylprednisolone

Predicted 7.4 Log D 1.99

Mobility in Soil: No data available

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# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Waste Treatment Methods:** Dispose of waste in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations. Member State

specific and Community specific provisions must be considered. Considering the relevant known environmental and human health hazards of the material, review and implement appropriate technical and procedural waste water and waste disposal measures to prevent occupational exposure and environmental release. It is recommended that waste minimization be practiced. The best available technology should be utilized to prevent environmental

releases. This may include destructive techniques for waste and wastewater.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

The following refers to all modes of transportation unless specified below.

Not regulated for transport under USDOT, EUADR, IATA, or IMDG regulations.

# 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, Health and Environmental Regulations/Legislation Specific for the Substance or Mixture

Canada - WHMIS: Classifications WHMIS hazard class:

Class D, Division 2, Subdivision A



Benzyl Alcohol

**CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting** Not Listed **California Proposition 65** Not Listed Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b) Present Australia (AICS): Present **EU EINECS/ELINCS List** 202-859-9

Sodium phosphate, monobasic

**CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting** Not Listed **California Proposition 65** Not Listed Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b) Present Australia (AICS): Present **EU EINECS/ELINCS List** 231-449-2

Sodium phosphate, dibasic

**CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting** Not Listed

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# 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

CERCLA/SARA Hazardous Substances
and their Reportable Quantities:

California Proposition 65
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)

Australia (AICS):

Present
EU EINECS/ELINCS List

5000 lb
Not Listed
Not Listed
Present
231-448-7

#### Lactose

CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting

California Proposition 65

Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)

Australia (AICS):

REACH - Annex IV - Exemptions from the obligations of Register:

EU EINECS/ELINCS List

Not Listed

Not Listed

Present

Present

200-559-2

EU EINECS/ELINCS List

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CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting

California Proposition 65

Australia (AICS):

Present

EU EINECS/ELINCS List

219-156-8

# **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

## Text of R phrases and GHS Classification abbreviations mentioned in Section 3

Acute toxicity, oral-Cat.4; H302 - Harmful if swallowed Acute toxicity, inhalation-Cat.4; H332 - Harmful if inhaled

Specific target organ toxicity, repeated exposure-Cat.2; H373 - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure Reproductive toxicity-Cat.1A; H360D - May damage the unborn child

Xn - Harmful

Toxic to reproduction: Category 1

R61 - May cause harm to the unborn child. R20/22 - Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed.

R48/22 - Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure if swallowed.

**Data Sources:** Publicly available toxicity information. Pfizer proprietary drug development information. Safety

data sheets for individual ingredients.

**Reasons for Revision:** Updated Section 1 - Identification of the Substance/Preparation and the Company/Undertaking.

Updated Section 2 - Hazard Identification. Updated Section 3 - Composition / Information on Ingredients. Updated Section 4 - First Aid Measures. Updated Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures. Updated Section 7 - Handling and Storage. Updated Section 8 - Exposure Controls / Personal Protection. Updated Section 13 - Disposal Considerations. Updated Section 11 - Toxicology Information. Updated Section 12 - Ecological Information. Updated Section 16 -

Other Information.

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