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Section 1 - Identification

Product Name Mercuric chloride

Product Code	ACR42393, AJA311, AJA312, ALF010808, ALF012274, FSBM/2800, FSBM/2850
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Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.

Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

Classification under Work Safe New Zealand

- 6.1A - Substances that are acutely toxic (Oral)
- 6.1A - Substances that are acutely toxic (Dermal)
- 8.2B - Substances that are corrosive to dermal tissue
- 8.3A - Substances that are corrosive to ocular tissue
- 6.6B - Substances that are suspected human mutagens
- 6.8B - Substances that are suspected human reproductive or developmental toxicants
- 6.9A - Substances that are toxic to human target organs or systems
- 9.1A - Substances that are very ecotoxic in the aquatic environment
- 6.9B - Substances that are harmful to human target organs or systems
- 9.3A - Substances that are very ecotoxic to terrestrial vertebrates

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GHS Classification

Physical hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Health hazards

Acute Oral Toxicity	Category 1
Acute Dermal Toxicity	Category 1
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 1 B
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Germ Cell Mutagenicity	Category 2
Reproductive Toxicity	Category 2

Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)

Category 1

Environmental hazardsAcute aquatic toxicity
Chronic aquatic toxicityCategory 1
Category 1**Label Elements**

Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

H300 - Fatal if swallowed
 H310 - Fatal in contact with skin
 H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
 H341 - Suspected of causing genetic defects if inhaled
 H361 - Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child
 H372 - Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure
 H400 - Very toxic to aquatic life
 H410 - Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects
 H431 - Very toxic to terrestrial vertebrates

Precautionary Statements

P273 - Avoid release to the environment
 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
 P262 - Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing
 P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
 P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
 P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
 P281 - Use personal protective equipment as required
 P391 - Collect spillage
 P303 + P361 + P353 - IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower
 P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing
 P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
 P310 - Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician
 P330 - Rinse mouth
 P331 - Do NOT induce vomiting
 P363 - Wash contaminated clothing before reuse
 P403 + P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed
 P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

Other information

No information available

Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Mercuric chloride	7487-94-7	>95

Section 4 - First Aid Measures

Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.
Ingestion	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
Eye Contact	In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes.
General Advice	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
Self-Protection of the First Aider	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.
First Aid Facilities	Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.
Most important symptoms and effects	Causes burns by all exposure routes. . Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes.

Special protective equipment and precautions for fire fighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

Emergency procedures

Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. 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. Avoid dust formation.

Reference to Other Sections

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

Precautions for Safe Handling

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. Do not breathe (dust, vapor, mist, gas). Avoid dust formation.

Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Corrosives area.

AS/NZS 2243.10:2004, Safety in laboratories - Storage of chemicals

Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

Exposure limits

The product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established.

Biological limit values

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

Engineering Measures

Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

Personal protective equipment

Eye Protection

Goggles (Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye protectors for Industrial applications)

Hand Protection

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	AUS/NZ Standard	Glove comments
Natural rubber, Nitrile rubber, Neoprene, PVC.	See manufacturers recommendations	-	AS/NZS 2161.1	(minimum requirement)

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

Skin and body protection

Long sleeved clothing

Respiratory Protection

Use an AS/NZS 1716 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced. To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained in line with AS/NZS 1715 on the use and maintenance of respiratory protective devices

Recommended Filter type: Recommended half mask:-

Particulates filter conforming to EN 143 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)
Particle filtering: EN149:2001 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)
When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

Environmental exposure controls

No information available.

Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	White	
Physical State	Solid	
Odor	No information available	
Odor Threshold	No data available	
pH	3.3	
Melting Point/Range	277 °C / 530.6 °F	
Softening Point	No data available	
Boiling Point/Range	Not applicable	
Flash Point	Not applicable	Method - No information available
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable	Solid
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available	
Explosion Limits	No data available	
Vapor Pressure	No data available	
Vapor Density	Not applicable	Solid
Specific Gravity / Density	No data available	
Bulk Density	No data available	
Water Solubility	Moderately soluble	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Autoignition Temperature	Not applicable	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
Viscosity	Not applicable	Solid
Explosive Properties	No information available	
Oxidizing Properties	No information available	
Other information		
Molecular Formula	HgCl ₂	
Molecular Weight	271.5	

Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products, Excess heat.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	None under normal use conditions.
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

Section 11 - Toxicological Information**Information on Toxicological Effects****Product Information****(a) acute toxicity;**

Oral	Category 1
Dermal	Category 1
Inhalation	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Mercuric chloride	25.9 mg/kg (Rat) 1 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 = 41 mg/kg (Rabbit) LD50 = 41 mg/kg (Rat)	

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(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Category 1 B

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 1

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;
 Respiratory No data available
 Skin No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; Category 2

(f) carcinogenicity; No data available

There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

(g) reproductive toxicity; Category 2

(h) STOT-single exposure; No data available

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; Category 1

Target Organs No information available.

(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable
 Solid

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation

Section 12 - Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity effects Contains no substances known to be hazardous to the environment or that are not degradable in waste water treatment plants.

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Mercuric chloride	LC50: 5.933 - 10.34 mg/L, 96h static (Poecilia reticulata) LC50: = 0.041 mg/L, 96h (Poecilia reticulata) LC50: 0.1 - 0.182 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Pimephales promelas) LC50: = 0.155 mg/L, 96h (Pimephales promelas) LC50: 0.096 - 0.133 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 0.014 - 0.019 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: 0.02 - 0.26 mg/L, 96h static (Cyprinus carpio) LC50: = 4.425 mg/L, 96h (Cyprinus carpio) LC50: = 0.4 mg/L, 96h semi-static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: 0.13 - 0.19 mg/L, 96h static (Oncorhynchus mykiss)	EC50=0.0015mg/L 48 h EC50=0.012mg/L >48 h		

Persistence and Degradability No information available

Degradability Not relevant for inorganic substances.

Bioaccumulative Potential No information available

Mobility	No information available.
Endocrine Disruptor Information	This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors
Persistent Organic Pollutant	This product does not contain any known or suspected substance
Ozone Depletion Potential	This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Waste from Residues/Unused Products	Do not allow into drains or watercourses or dispose of where ground or surface waters may be affected. Wastes, including emptied containers, are controlled wastes and should be disposed of in accordance with all federal, E.P.A., state and local regulations. Assure conformity with all applicable regulations.
Contaminated Packaging	Empty remaining contents. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Do not re-use empty containers.
Other Information	Disposal agencies or waste contractors must comply with the New Zealand Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Regulations .

Section 14 - Transport Information

IMDG/IMO

UN-No	UN1624
Proper Shipping Name	MERCURIC CHLORIDE
Hazard Class	6.1
Subsidiary Hazard Class	P
Packing Group	II

Component	IMDG Marine Pollutant
Mercuric chloride 7487-94-7 (>95)	IMDG regulated marine pollutant (UN1624) IMDG regulated marine pollutant (UN2025) IMDG regulated marine pollutant (Listed in the index, listed under Mercuric compounds)

NZS 5433:2012

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Hazard Class	6.1
Packing Group	II
IATA	

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Environmental hazards	No hazards identified
Special Precautions	No special precautions required
Additional information	None known

Section 15 - Regulatory Information

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

Component	HSNO Approval Number
Mercuric chloride	HSR004545

International Inventories

X = listed

Component	NZIoC	AICS	EINECS	ELINCS	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ENCS	IECSC	KECL
Mercuric chloride	X	X	231-299-8	-	X	X	-	X	X	X	KE-23121
Component	New Zealand Ozone Depleting Substances listing		Australian Ozone Depleting substance listings		Ozone Depletion Potential	Persistent Organic Pollutant			IMDG Marine Pollutant		
Mercuric chloride									IMDG regulated marine pollutant (UN1624) IMDG regulated marine pollutant (UN2025) IMDG regulated marine pollutant (Listed in the index, listed under Mercuric compounds)		

Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements Shown below are details of specific prohibition/notifications or licencing requirements when they apply.

Section 16 - Other Information

This safety data sheet complies with the requirements of WorkSafe New Zealand Regulations

Legend

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances	NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory	EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances
DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List	ENCS - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances
IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances	KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances
PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances	CAS - Chemical Abstracts Service
TWA - Time Weighted Average	ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)
IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer	IMO/IMDG - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
ICAO/IATA - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association	ADG Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail
MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships	OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
NZS 5433:2012 - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land	LC50 - Lethal Concentration 50%
LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%	ATE - Acute Toxicity Estimate
EC50 - Effective Concentration 50%	RPE - Respiratory Protective Equipment
WEL - Workplace Exposure Limit	NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration
DNEL - Derived No Effect Level	BCF - Bioconcentration factor
POW - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water	PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic
vPvB - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative	
VOC (volatile organic compound)	

Key literature references and sources for data

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

Training Advice

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

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Revision Summary

Not applicable.

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