

# Safety Data Sheet

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## 1 Identification

- **Product identifier**
- **Trade name:** Sodium Borate, 5% Aqueous
- **Article number:** 26123-05, 26602-03
- **Application of the substance / the mixture** Laboratory chemicals
- **Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**  
 Electron Microscopy Sciences  
 1560 Industry Road  
 USA-Hatfield, PA 19440  
 Tel: 215-412-8400 Fax: 215-412-8450  
 email: [sgkcck@aol.com](mailto:sgkcck@aol.com)  
[www.emsdiasum.com](http://www.emsdiasum.com)
- **Information department:** Product safety department
- **Emergency telephone number:**  
 ChemTrec 1-800-424-9300 Contract CCN7661  
 1-703-527-3887

## 2 Hazard(s) identification

- **Classification of the substance or mixture**



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Skin Irritation 2 H315 Causes skin irritation.

Eye Irritation 2 H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

- **Label elements**
- **GHS label elements** The product is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).
- **Hazard pictograms**



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- **Signal word** Warning
- **Hazard statements**  
 Causes skin irritation.  
 Causes serious eye irritation.
- **Precautionary statements**  
 Wash thoroughly after handling.  
 Wear protective gloves / eye protection / face protection.  
 If on skin: Wash with plenty of water.  
 Specific treatment (see on this label).  
 If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.  
 Continue rinsing.  
 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.  
 Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.  
 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

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- **Classification system:**

- **NFPA ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



- **HMIS-ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



- **Other hazards**

- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

- **PBT:** Not applicable.

- **vPvB:** Not applicable.

### 3 Composition/information on ingredients

- **Chemical characterization: Mixtures**

- **Description:** Mixture of the substances listed below with nonhazardous additions.

- **Dangerous components:**

Sodium Borax Solution 5g/l

&gt;2.5-≤10%

### 4 First-aid measures

- **Description of first aid measures**

- **After inhalation:** Supply fresh air; consult doctor in case of complaints.

- **After skin contact:** Generally the product does not irritate the skin.

- **After eye contact:**

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. If symptoms persist, consult a doctor.

- **After swallowing:** If symptoms persist consult doctor.

- **Information for doctor:**

- **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed** No further relevant information available.

- **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

No further relevant information available.

### 5 Fire-fighting measures

- **Extinguishing media**

- **Suitable extinguishing agents:** Use fire fighting measures that suit the environment.

- **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture** No further relevant information available.

- **Advice for firefighters**

- **Protective equipment:** No special measures required.

### 6 Accidental release measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures** Not required.

- **Environmental precautions:**

Dilute with plenty of water.

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*Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.*

**· Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**

*Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).*

*Ensure adequate ventilation.*

**· Reference to other sections**

*See Section 7 for information on safe handling.*

*See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.*

*See Section 13 for disposal information.*

**· Protective Action Criteria for Chemicals**

**· PAC-1:**

*Sodium Borax Solution 5g/l*

*6 mg/m<sup>3</sup>*

**· PAC-2:**

*Sodium Borax Solution 5g/l*

*190 mg/m<sup>3</sup>*

**· PAC-3:**

*Sodium Borax Solution 5g/l*

*1,100 mg/m<sup>3</sup>*

## 7 Handling and storage

**· Handling:**

**· Precautions for safe handling**

*Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.*

*Prevent formation of aerosols.*

**· Information about protection against explosions and fires:** *No special measures required.*

**· Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

**· Storage:**

**· Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** *No special requirements.*

**· Information about storage in one common storage facility:** *Not required.*

**· Further information about storage conditions:** *Keep receptacle tightly sealed.*

**· Specific end use(s)** *No further relevant information available.*

## 8 Exposure controls/personal protection

**· Additional information about design of technical systems:** *No further data; see item 7.*

**· Control parameters**

**· Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

**Sodium Borax Solution 5g/l**

REL Long-term value: 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

TLV Short-term value: 6\* mg/m<sup>3</sup>

Long-term value: 2\* mg/m<sup>3</sup>

\*as inhalable fraction, A4

**· Additional information:** *The lists that were valid during the creation were used as basis.*

**· Exposure controls**

**· Personal protective equipment:**

**· General protective and hygienic measures:**

*Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.*

*Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing.*

*Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.*

*Avoid contact with the eyes.*

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Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

· **Breathing equipment:**

In case of brief exposure or low pollution use respiratory filter device. In case of intensive or longer exposure use respiratory protective device that is independent of circulating air.

· **Protection of hands:**

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.

Due to missing tests no recommendation to the glove material can be given for the product/ the preparation/ the chemical mixture.

Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

· **Material of gloves**

The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer. As the product is a preparation of several substances, the resistance of the glove material can not be calculated in advance and has therefore to be checked prior to the application.

· **Penetration time of glove material**

The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.

· **Eye protection:**



Tightly sealed goggles

## 9 Physical and chemical properties

· **Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

· **General Information**

· **Appearance:**

|                          |                 |
|--------------------------|-----------------|
| · <b>Form:</b>           | Liquid          |
| · <b>Color:</b>          | Colorless       |
| · <b>Odor:</b>           | Odorless        |
| · <b>Odor threshold:</b> | Not determined. |

· **pH-value at 20 °C (68 °F):** 9.23-9.43

· **Change in condition**

|                                       |                 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| · <b>Melting point/Melting range:</b> | 0 °C (32 °F)    |
| · <b>Boiling point/Boiling range:</b> | 100 °C (212 °F) |

· **Flash point:** Not applicable.

· **Flammability (solid, gaseous):** Not flammable.

· **Decomposition temperature:** Not determined.

· **Auto igniting:** Product is not selfigniting.

· **Danger of explosion:** Product does not present an explosion hazard.

· **Explosion limits:**

|                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| · <b>Lower:</b> | Not determined. |
| · <b>Upper:</b> | Not determined. |

· **Vapor pressure at 20 °C (68 °F):** 23 hPa (17.3 mm Hg)

· **Density at 20 °C (68 °F):** 1 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (8.345 lbs/gal)

· **Relative density** Not determined.

· **Vapor density** Not determined.

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| · <b>Evaporation rate</b>                         | Not determined.                            |
| · <b>Solubility in / Miscibility with Water:</b>  | Fully miscible.                            |
| · <b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):</b> | Not determined.                            |
| · <b>Viscosity:</b>                               |  |
| <b>Dynamic:</b>                                   | Not determined.                            |
| <b>Kinematic:</b>                                 | Not determined.                            |
| · <b>Solvent content:</b>                         |  |
| <b>Water:</b>                                     | 95.0 %                                     |
| <b>VOC content:</b>                               | 0.00 %                                     |
|   | 0.0 g/l / 0.00 lb/gal                      |
| · <b>Solids content:</b>                          | 0.0 %                                      |
| · <b>Other information</b>                        | No further relevant information available. |

## 10 Stability and reactivity

- **Reactivity** No further relevant information available.
- **Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:** No decomposition if used according to specifications.
- **Possibility of hazardous reactions** No dangerous reactions known.
- **Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.
- **Incompatible materials:** No further relevant information available.
- **Hazardous decomposition products:** No dangerous decomposition products known.

## 11 Toxicological information

- **Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity:**
- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **on the skin:** No irritant effect.
- **on the eye:** Irritating effect.
- **Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.
- **Additional toxicological information:**  
The product shows the following dangers according to internally approved calculation methods for preparations:  
Irritant
- **Carcinogenic categories**

· **IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **NTP (National Toxicology Program)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

· **OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety Health Administration)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

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## 12 Ecological information

- **Toxicity**
- **Aquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.
- **Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.
- **Behavior in environmental systems:**
- **Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.
- **Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.
- **Additional ecological information:**
- **General notes:**  
*Water hazard class 1 (Self-assessment): slightly hazardous for water*  
*Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.*
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.
- **Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

## 13 Disposal considerations

- **Waste treatment methods**
- **Recommendation:**  
*Must not be disposed of together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.*
- **Uncleaned packagings:**
- **Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.
- **Recommended cleansing agent:** Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

## 14 Transport information

- |   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| · <b>UN-Number</b>  |                 |
| · <b>DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA</b>   | Void            |
| · <b>UN proper shipping name</b>  |                 |
| · <b>DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA</b>   | Void            |
| · <b>Transport hazard class(es)</b>   |                 |
| · <b>DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA</b>  |                 |
| · <b>Class</b>  | Void            |
| · <b>Packing group</b>  |                 |
| · <b>DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA</b>   | Void            |
| · <b>Environmental hazards:</b>   | Not applicable. |
| · <b>Special precautions for user</b>   | Not applicable. |
| · <b>Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code</b> | Not applicable. |
| · <b>UN "Model Regulation":</b>   | Void            |

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## 15 Regulatory information

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

No further relevant information available.

- **Sara**

- **Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act):**

All components have the value ACTIVE.

- **Hazardous Air Pollutants**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **Proposition 65**

- **Chemicals known to cause cancer:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **Carcinogenic categories**

- **EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)**

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- **TLV (Threshold Limit Value)**

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- **NIOSH-Ca (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **GHS label elements** The product is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).

- **Hazard pictograms**



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- **Signal word** Warning

- **Hazard statements**

Causes skin irritation.

Causes serious eye irritation.

- **Precautionary statements**

Wash thoroughly after handling.

Wear protective gloves / eye protection / face protection.

If on skin: Wash with plenty of water.

Specific treatment (see on this label).

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*If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.*

*If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.*

*Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.*

*If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.*

· **Chemical safety assessment:** *A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.*

### 16 Other information

*This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.*

· **Contact:**

· **Date of preparation / last revision** 10/20/2022 / -

· **Abbreviations and acronyms:**

*ADR: Accord relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par route (European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)*

*IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods*

*DOT: US Department of Transportation*

*IATA: International Air Transport Association*

*EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances*

*ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances*

*CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)*

*NFPA: National Fire Protection Association (USA)*

*HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)*

*VOC: Volatile Organic Compounds (USA, EU)*

*PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic*

*vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative*

*NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety*

*OSHA: Occupational Safety Health*

**TLV: Threshold Limit Value**

**PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit**

**REL: Recommended Exposure Limit**

**Skin Irritation 2: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 2**

**Eye Irritation 2: Serious eye damage/eye irritation – Category 2**