# SAFETY DATA SHEET (SDS)

# **Nutrient agar**

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## **Section 1: Product Identifier and Chemical Identity**

Product Identifier	
Product Name:	Nutrient agar
Product Codes:	MED3.10, MED3.20, MED3.30, MED20.30
Other means of identification:	
Chemical formula, alternative names:	Nutrient agar powder Nutrient agar plates Nutrient agar gel
Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use	
Recommended Use:	For laboratory use only.
Suppliers name, address and phone number	
Suppliers Name:	Southern Biological
Suppliers ABN:	94 630 703 810
Suppliers Address:	1/44 Rushdale Street Knoxfield Victoria 3180 Australia
Suppliers Phone No.:	1300 138 561
Suppliers Fax No.:	+613 9753 3896
Emergency Phone number (BH)	1300 138 561

### **Section 2: Hazard Identification**

Classification of the Hazardous Chemical	
Hazard Category	This product does not contain components classified as hazardous to health or the environment within the meaning of the GHS
Label elements	
Hazard Pictograms:	None
Signal Word:	None
Hazard Statements:	Low toxicity
Precautionary Statements:	Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Do not ingest.
Other Hazards	
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment:	PBT: Not applicable



VPvB: Not applicable
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## Section 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Ingredients			
Name	CAS	Proportion	Hazard Class
Non-hazardous components		100%	

### **Section 4: First Aid Measures**

General Information	
After Inhalation:	Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. If experiencing respiratory symptoms, call a doctor.
After skin contact:	Wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly. If skin irritation occurs, seek medical advice.
After eye contact:	Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
After swallowing:	If conscious, rinse out mouth with clean water and ingest 1 -2 glasses of water. Seek medical advice if necessary.
Information for doctor:	
Most important symptoms and effects both acute and delayed:	Treat symptomatically.
Indications of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed	No further relevant information available.

## **Section 5: Firefighting measures**

Extinguishing media	
Suitable extinguishing agents:	Use water spray, carbon dioxide fog, dry chemical, appropriate foam.
Special hazards arising for the substance or mixture:	No further relevant information available.
Advice for firefighters	
Protective equipment:	Do not enter the fire area without proper protective equipment including respiratory equipment.

### **Section 6: Accidental release measures**

General Information	
Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:	No health effects expected from the clean up of this material if contact can be avoided. Follow personal protective equipment recommendations found in Section 8 of this SDS.
Environmental precautions:	Prevent entry to sewers and public waters. Avoid release to the environment. Notify authorities if spill to sewers or public waters.
Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:	Dispose of contaminating material as waste according to item 13.



	Ensure adequate ventilation. In dehydrated form the powder may be swept or vacuumed up and collected into suitable containers. Wetting with a small amount of water is recommended to avoid raising dust. In liquid form the spill needs to be contained with absorbent material, e.g. paper, sand, diatomacheous earth depending on size of spill. Once material has been absorbed it may be removed to waste disposal system. Area may then be decontaminated and cleaned as necessary.
Reference to other sections:	See Section 7 for information on safe handling. See Section 8 for information on protective equipment. See Section 13 for disposal information.

## **Section 7: Handling and Storage**

General Information	
Precautions for safe handling:	Avoid ingestion and inhalation of dust and contact with skin, eyes or clothing (see Section 8). Wear PPE. Always wash hands after handling. Remove PPE before entering areas where food is consumed
Information about fire – and explosion protection:	No special measures required.
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities.	
Storage:	Store in cool dry area out of direct sunlight and incompatible materials. Keep containers closed when not in use. Store in suitably labelled containers.
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 container tightly sealed. Keep out of direct sunlight, below 25°C.
Specific end use(s):	Agar substrate for culturing bacteria

# Section 8: Exposure controls/personal protection.

General information	
Additional information about design of technical facilities:	No further data: see section 7
Control parameters:	
Ingredients with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace: none	
Additional information	The lists valid during the making were used as basis.
Exposure Controls:	
General protective and hygienic measures:	Use only in systems, processes and procedures in which effective ventilation has been provided.  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 eyes.
Respiratory protection:	Avoid dust formation. If using in an area with inadequate ventilation the use of local exhaust ventilation or fume hood conforming to AS



	2243 is recommended.
Clothing / Foot-wear and equipment	No special requirements.
Protection of hands:	PVC or rubber gloves
Eye protection:	Tightly sealed goggles
Skin protection:	Laboratory Coat

# Section 9: Physical and chemical properties

Appearance:	
Form:	Powder or gel
Colour:	Buff to brown
Odour:	Not determined
Odour Threshold:	Not determined
pH value:	$7.4 \pm 0.2$ (when prepared according to instructions)
Change in Condition:	
Melting point/Melting range:	Not determined
Boiling point/Boiling range:	Not determined
Flash point:	Not determined
Flammability (solid / gaseous)	Not determined
Ignition Temperature	
Decomposition temperature:	Not determined
Self-igniting:	Not determined
Danger of explosion:	Not determined
Explosion limits	
Lower:	Not determined
Upper:	Not determined
Vapour pressure:	Not determined
Density:	Not determined
General Info	
Relative density:	Not determined
Vapour density:	Not determined
Evaporation rate:	Not determined
Solubility in/ Miscibility with water:	Soluble
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):	Not determined
Viscosity:	Not determined
Other information:	Not determined



## Section 10: Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	
General	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:	None known
Incompatible materials:	None known
Hazardous decomposition products:	None known

# Section 11: Toxicological information

Information on toxicological effects	
General	Low toxicity
Primary irritant effect:	
Inhalation:	Inhalation of large amounts of dust may cause respiratory tract discomfort.
Skin contact:	May cause mild skin blemishing after prolonged or reated exposure in some individuals
Eye exposure:	May cause transient discomfort due to presence of dust particles in eye(s).
Ingestion:	Ingestion of large amounts may cause mild gastric disturbance.
Chronic Toxicity:	
General	Not classified

## Section 12. Ecological information

Toxicity	
Aquatic toxicity:	No data available



Persistence and degradability:	No further relevant information available.
Behaviour in environmental systems	
Bio-accumulative potential:	No further relevant information available.
Mobility in soil:	No further relevant information available.
Additional ecological information	
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment	PBT: Not applicable vPvB: Not applicable
Other adverse effects:	No further relevant information available.

## **Section 13. Ecological information**

Waste treatment methods	
Recommendation	Prevent this material from entering waterways, drains and sewers. Comply with official regulations.
Uncleaned packaging:	
Recommendation:	Disposal must be made according to official regulations.
Recommended cleansing agents:	Water, if necessary, together with cleansing agents.

## **Section 14. Transport information**

General	Not listed as a hazardous material.
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### **Section 15. Regulatory Information**

Safety health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture		
Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances:	Substances are listed.	
Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons	S6	
GHS label elements	None	
Chemical safety assessment:	A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.	

### **Section 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.

