

## Safety Data Sheet

Diphtheria Toxin, Unnicked, from *Corynebacterium diphtheriae*  
Product #150

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Diphtheria Toxin, Unnicked, from *Corynebacterium diphtheriae*  
Product number : 150

#### 1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

#### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : List Biological Laboratories, Inc.  
540 Division Street  
Campbell, CA 95008-6906, USA  
  
Telephone : (408) 866-6363  
(800) 726-3213  
Fax : (408) 866-6364

#### 1.4 Emergency telephone number

24 Hour Emergency : 1 (800) 255-3924 ChemTel Domestic  
Phone # : +1 (813) 248-0585 ChemTel International  
ChemTel Customer # : MIS2844833

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

##### GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Skin irritation (Category 2), H315  
Eye irritation (Category 2), H320

#### 2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal Word

Warning

Hazard statement(s)

H302 Harmful if swallowed.  
H315 Causes skin irritation.  
H320 Causes eye irritation.  
H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statement(s)

P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/vapours/spray.  
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.  
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
P271 Use in a well-ventilated area.  
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing.  
P301 + P310 + P330 IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. Rinse mouth.  
P302 + P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
P304 + P340 + P313 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a

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| P305 + P351 + P338 | position comfortable to breathing. Get medical advice/attention.<br>IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes.<br>Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing. |
| P321               | Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).  |
| P332 + P313        | If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.   |
| P337 + P313        | If eye irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.  |
| P362               | Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.  |
| P233               | Keep container tightly closed.   |

- 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS**  
Biohazard. Handle as if capable of transmitting infectious agents.

### 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### 3.1 Mixtures

Synonym : DT

| Component  | CAS No.   | Percent (%) |
|--|-----------|-------------|
| Diphtheria Toxin   | N/A       | ~54         |
| Tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane, free base                           | 77-86-1   | ~21         |
| Tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane, hydrochloride salt                  | 1185-53-1 | ~17         |
| Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid disodium salt (Na <sub>2</sub> EDTA) | 6381-92-6 | ~8          |

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

**General advice**

Move affected person out of dangerous area. Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

**If inhaled**

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

**In case of skin contact**

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

**In case of eye contact**

Flush eyes with water as a precaution. Consult a physician.

**If swallowed**

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

#### 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labeling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11.

#### 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

### 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

#### 5.1 Extinguishing media

**Suitable extinguishing media**

Use extinguishing media appropriate to surrounding fire conditions.

#### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Not flammable or combustible.

### 5.3 Protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

Use an approved/certified respirator.

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear respiratory protection. Wear appropriate laboratory attire including lab coat, gloves and safety glasses. Nitrile gloves are recommended when handling lyophilized material. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust, vapours, mist or gas.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains.

### 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

In case of a spill or a release, take precautions to minimize worker exposure. For spills onto surface areas, the contaminated surface should be thoroughly sprayed or rinsed for at least five minutes with at least a 0.5% sodium hypochlorite solution, then wiped dry. Autoclaving may be applied to contaminated material which is in solution or to which the autoclave steam has access. Autoclaving at  $\geq 121^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,  $\geq 15$  psi in a validated cycle will render the product safe.

Hold all material for appropriate disposal as described in Section 13 DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Wear appropriate laboratory attire including lab coat, gloves and safety glasses. Nitrile gloves are recommended when handling lyophilized material. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Ensure adequate ventilation.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store at  $2 - 8^{\circ}\text{C}$  prior to reconstitution. Following reconstitution with water, unused toxin may be frozen in aliquots and stored at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Components with workplace control parameters

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

### 8.2 Exposure controls

#### Appropriate engineering controls

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

#### Personal protective equipment

##### Eyes

Wear safety goggles or glasses.

##### Skin

Handle with appropriate gloves. Wear nitrile gloves when handling the product in the lyophilized form. Wear appropriate laboratory clothing / lab coat.

##### Respiratory protection

Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards; or, ensure adequate ventilation using engineering controls, such as a biological safety cabinet.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

- a) Appearance
- b) Odor

Form: solid; Color: white  
Data not available

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| c) Odor threshold                               | Data not available      |
| d) pH   | Data not available      |
| e) Melting point / freezing point               | Data not available      |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | Data not available      |
| g) Flash point                                  | Data not available      |
| h) Evaporation rate                             | Data not available      |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas)                    | Data not available      |
| j) Upper/Lower flammability or explosive limits | Data not available      |
| k) Vapor pressure                               | Data not available      |
| l) Vapor density                                | Data not available      |
| m) Relative density                             | Data not available      |
| n) Solubility(ies)                              | Easily soluble in water |
| o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water       | Data not available      |
| p) Auto-ignition temperature                    | Data not available      |
| q) Decomposition temperature                    | Data not available      |
| r) Viscosity                                    | Data not available      |

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 Reactivity

No data available

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

No data available

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

No data available

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

No data available

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## 11. TOXICOLOGY INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical and toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

#### Acute toxicity

No data available

Inhalation: No data available

Dermal: No data available

Oral: No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

No data available

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

No data available

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

#### Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.  
OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

**Reproductive toxicity**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure**

No data available

**Additional Information**

Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

Fever, Headache

RTECS: XW5807200

LD<sub>50</sub> mice, 0.01 µg/kg iv; LD<sub>50</sub> hamster, 6.5 µg/kg ip

Toxicity Data Reference:

Gill, DM, Microbiol. Rev. **46**:86-94, 1982.

Estimated lethal amount for a 100 lb (45.5 kg) human – without treatment or vaccinations – extrapolated from animal studies: 4.55 µg im.

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Product is unlikely to cause a concern to the environment.

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Dispose of waste in accordance with appropriate federal, state and local regulations or applicable governmental requirements.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**IATA**

UN number: UN3462

Class: 6.1

Packing group: II

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**OSHA Hazards**

Irritant

**SARA**

Not subject to reporting requirements and there are no Threshold Planning Quantities for this product.

**WHMIS**

D3 Biohazardous Infectious Material

**Safety Phrases**

S22 – Do not breathe dust

S24/25 – Avoid contact with skin and eyes

S36/37/39 – Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection

**Risk Phrases**

R23/24/25 – Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed

**California Prop. 65 Components**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or any other reproductive harm.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

**NFPA Rating**

Health Hazard: 4  
Fire Hazard: 0  
Reactivity Hazard: 0

**HMIS Rating**

Health Hazard: 4  
Chronic Health Hazard: \*  
Flammability: 0  
Physical Hazard: 0

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CAUTION – Not fully tested. For research use only. Not for human use.

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