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

Product Identifier

Material Name: Metronidazole Tablets

Trade Name: Flagyl
Chemical Family: Mixture

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

Intended Use: Pharmaceutical product used as antibiotic agent, antiprotozoal agent.

Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the Substance or Mixture

GHS - Classification

Reproductive Toxicity: Category 2
Carcinogenicity: Category 2

EU Classification:

EU Indication of danger: Carcinogenic: Category 3
Toxic to Reproduction: Category 3

EU Risk Phrases:

R40 - Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect
R63 - Possible risk of harm to the unborn child.

Label Elements

Signal Word: Warning
Hazard Statements: H351 - Suspected of causing cancer
H361d - Suspected of damaging the unborn child

Precautionary Statements: P201 - Obtain special instructions before use
P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood
P281 - Use personal protective equipment as required
P308 + P313 - IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice
P405 - Store locked up
P501 - Dispose of contents/container in accordance with all local and national regulations

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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	%
Metronidazole	443-48-1	207-136-1	Carc. Cat. 3, R40; Repr. Cat. 3, R63	Carc. 2, H351; Repr. 2, H361d	63.5
Microcrystalline cellulose	9004-34-6	232-674-9	Not Listed	Not Listed	*
Titanium dioxide	13463-67-7	236-675-5	Not Listed	Not Listed	*

Ingredient	CAS Number	EU EINECS/ELINCS List	EU Classification	GHS Classification	%
FD & C Blue No. 2, Aluminum lake	16521-38-3	240-589-3	Not Listed	Not Listed	*
Hydroxypropyl cellulose	9004-64-2	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed	*
Hydroxypropyl methylcellulose	9004-65-3	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed	*
Polyethylene glycol	25322-68-3	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed	*
Stearic acid	57-11-4	200-313-4	Not Listed	Not Listed	*

Additional Information:

* Proprietary
*** per tablet/capsule/lozenge/suppository
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

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.

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- 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 Exposure:** No data available
- Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure:** None known

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 Products: Formation of toxic gases is possible during heating or fire.

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

Minimize dust generation and accumulation. If tablets or capsules are crushed and/or broken, avoid breathing dust and avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. 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

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Storage Conditions: Store at room temperature in properly labeled containers. Keep away from heat, sparks and flames.

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.

Metronidazole

Netherlands OEL - TWA 0.00012 mg/m³

Microcrystalline cellulose

ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TWA) 10 mg/m³
Australia TWA 10 mg/m³
Belgium OEL - TWA 10 mg/m³
Estonia OEL - TWA 10 mg/m³
France OEL - TWA 10 mg/m³
Ireland OEL - TWAs 10 mg/m³
4 mg/m³
Latvia OEL - TWA 2 mg/m³
OSHA - Final PELs - TWAs: 15 mg/m³
Portugal OEL - TWA 10 mg/m³
Romania OEL - TWA 10 mg/m³
Russia OEL - TWA 6 mg/m³
Spain OEL - TWA 10 mg/m³
Switzerland OEL - TWAs 3 mg/m³
Vietnam OEL - TWAs 10 mg/m³
5 mg/m³

Polyethylene glycol

Austria OEL - MAKs 1000 mg/m³
Germany - TRGS 900 - TWAs 1000 mg/m³
Germany (DFG) - MAK 1000 mg/m³ average molecular weight 200-600
Slovakia OEL - TWA 1000 mg/m³
Slovenia OEL - TWA 1000 mg/m³
Switzerland OEL - TWAs 1000 ppm

Titanium dioxide

ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TWA) 10 mg/m³
ACGIH OELs - Notice of Intended Changes Listed
Australia TWA 10 mg/m³
Austria OEL - MAKs 5 mg/m³
Belgium OEL - TWA 10 mg/m³
Bulgaria OEL - TWA 10.0 mg/m³
Denmark OEL - TWA 6 mg/m³
Estonia OEL - TWA 5 mg/m³
France OEL - TWA 10 mg/m³
Greece OEL - TWA 10 mg/m³
5 mg/m³
Ireland OEL - TWAs 10 mg/m³
4 mg/m³
Latvia OEL - TWA 10 mg/m³
Lithuania OEL - TWA 5 mg/m³

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OSHA - Final PELs - TWAs:	15 mg/m ³
Poland OEL - TWA	10.0 mg/m ³
Portugal OEL - TWA	10 mg/m ³
Romania OEL - TWA	10 mg/m ³
Russia OEL - TWA	10 mg/m ³
Spain OEL - TWA	10 mg/m ³
Sweden OEL - TWAs	5 mg/m ³
Switzerland OEL - TWAs	3 mg/m ³
Vietnam OEL - TWAs	6 mg/m ³
	5 mg/m ³

The purpose of the Occupational Exposure Band (OEB) classification system is to separate substances into different Hazard categories when the available data are sufficient to do so, but inadequate to establish an Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL). The OEB given is based upon an analysis of all currently available data; as such, this value may be subject to revision when new information becomes available.

Metronidazole

Pfizer Occupational Exposure Band (OEB): OEB 2 (control exposure to the range of 100ug/m³ to < 1000ug/m³)

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 Equipment:

Refer to applicable national standards and regulations in the selection and use of personal 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 airborne exposures are within or exceed the Occupational Exposure Band (OEB) range, wear an appropriate respirator with a protection factor sufficient to control exposures to the bottom of the OEB range.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State:	Tablets	Color:	Blue
Odor:	No data available.	Odor Threshold:	No data available.
Molecular Formula:	Mixture	Molecular Weight:	Mixture

Solvent Solubility:	No data available
Water Solubility:	No data available
pH:	No data available.
Melting/Freezing Point (°C):	No data available
Boiling Point (°C):	No data available.
Partition Coefficient: (Method, pH, Endpoint, Value)	

Metronidazole

No data available

Polyethylene glycol

No data available

Microcrystalline cellulose

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No data available

Hydroxypropyl methylcellulose

No data available

Hydroxypropyl cellulose

No data available

Stearic acid

No data available

Titanium dioxide

No data available

FD & C Blue No. 2, Aluminum lake

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

Flammability:

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

Chemical Stability: Stable under normal conditions of use.

Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Oxidizing Properties: No data available

Conditions to Avoid: Fine particles (such as dust and mists) may fuel fires/explosions.

Incompatible Materials: As a precautionary measure, keep away from strong oxidizers

Hazardous Decomposition Products: No data available

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on Toxicological Effects

General Information: The information included in this section describes the potential hazards of the individual ingredients.

Long Term: Animal studies indicate that this material may cause adverse effects on the the developing fetus.

Known Clinical Effects: Clinical use of this drug has caused nausea, dizziness, and effects on blood forming organs.

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

Metronidazole

Rat Oral LD 50 3 g/kg

Mouse Oral LD 50 3800mg/kg

Mouse Intraperitoneal LD 50 870mg/kg

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Microcrystalline cellulose

Rat Oral LD50 > 5000 mg/kg
Rabbit Dermal LD50 > 2000 mg/kg

Hydroxypropyl methylcellulose

Rat Oral LD50 > 10,000 mg/kg

Stearic acid

Rat Oral LD50 > 4640 mg/kg
Rabbit Dermal LD50 > 5000mg/kg

Titanium dioxide

Rat Oral LD50 > 7500 mg/kg
Rat Subcutaneous LD50 50 mg/kg

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)

Metronidazole

Eye Irritation Rabbit No effect

Polyethylene glycol

Eye Irritation Rabbit Mild
Skin Irritation Rabbit Mild

Microcrystalline cellulose

Skin Irritation Rabbit Non-irritating
Eye Irritation Rabbit Non-irritating

Stearic acid

Skin Irritation Rabbit Moderate
Eye Irritation Rabbit Mild

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

Metronidazole

2 Year(s) Mouse Oral 600 mg/kg LOAEL
80 Week(s) Rat Oral 30 mg/kg LOAEL
34 Day(s) Rat Oral = 34 g/kg LOAEL Kidney, Ureter, Bladder
4 Month(s) Dog Oral 75 mg/kg LOAEL
1 Year(s) Non-human Primate Oral 150 mg/kg LOAEL

Stearic acid

30 Week(s) Rat Oral 300 ppm LOAEL Adipose tissue

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

Metronidazole

Reproductive & Fertility Rat Oral 400 mg/kg LOAEL Fertility
Reproductive & Fertility Rabbit Oral 200 mg/kg NOAEL Fertility, Developmental toxicity, Fetotoxicity

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Embryo / Fetal Development	Mouse	Intraperitoneal	9 mg/kg	LOAEL	Fetotoxicity
Embryo / Fetal Development	Rat	Oral	200 mg/kg	NOEL	Not Teratogenic
Embryo / Fetal Development	Mouse	Intraperitoneal	40 mg/kg	LOAEL	Fetotoxicity

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

Metronidazole

In Vitro Bacterial Mutagenicity (Ames) *Salmonella* Positive
In Vitro Sister Chromatid Exchange Hamster Negative
In Vivo Unscheduled DNA Synthesis Rabbit Negative
In Vivo Micronucleus Rat Negative
In Vitro Chromosome Aberration Human Lymphocytes Negative

Stearic acid

In Vitro Bacterial Mutagenicity (Ames) *Salmonella* Negative
Unscheduled DNA Synthesis *E. coli* Negative

Carcinogenicity: (Duration, Species, Route, Dose, End Point, Effect(s))

Metronidazole

Not specified Rat Oral Tumors
Not specified Mouse Oral Tumors

Stearic acid

26 Week(s) Rat Subcutaneous 0.5 mg/kg/week NOAEL Not carcinogenic
52 Week(s) Mouse Subcutaneous 0.05 mg/kg/week LOAEL Tumors

Carcinogen Status: See below

Metronidazole

IARC: Group 2B (Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans)
NTP: Reasonably Anticipated To Be A Human Carcinogen

Titanium dioxide

IARC: Group 2B (Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans)
OSHA: Listed

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Environmental Overview: The following information is available for the individual ingredients.

Toxicity:

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

Metronidazole

Mysidopsis bahia (Mysid Shrimp) OECD LC-50 96 Hours >180 mg/L
Cyprinodon variegatus (Sheepshead Minnow) OECD LC-50 96 Hours >1060 mg/L

Aquatic Toxicity Comments: A greater than (>) symbol indicates that acute ecotoxicity was not observed at the maximum solubility. Since the substance is insoluble in aqueous solutions above this concentration, an acute ecotoxicity value (i.e. LC/EC50) is not achievable.

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Persistence and Degradability: No data available
Bio-accumulative Potential: No data available
Mobility in Soil: No data available

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



FD & C Blue No. 2, Aluminum lake

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	240-589-3

Hydroxypropyl cellulose

CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting	Not Listed
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California Proposition 65	Not Listed
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	Not Listed
Hydroxypropyl methylcellulose	
CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting	Not Listed
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present
Standard for the Uniform Scheduling for Drugs and Poisons:	Schedule 4
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	Not Listed
Metronidazole	
CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting	Not Listed
California Proposition 65	carcinogen initial date 1/1/88
Australia (AICS):	Present
Standard for the Uniform Scheduling for Drugs and Poisons:	Schedule 4
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	207-136-1
Microcrystalline cellulose	
CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting	Not Listed
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present
REACH - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances:	Use restricted. See item 9[f]. powder
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	232-674-9
Polyethylene glycol	
CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting	Not Listed
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present
Standard for the Uniform Scheduling for Drugs and Poisons:	Schedule 3
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	Not Listed
Stearic acid	
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	200-313-4
Titanium dioxide	
CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting	Not Listed
California Proposition 65	carcinogen initial date 9/2/11 airborne, unbound particles of respirable size
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present

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EU EINECS/ELINCS List

236-675-5

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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

Carcinogenicity-Cat.2; H351 - Suspected of causing cancer
Reproductive toxicity-Cat.2; H361d - Suspected of damaging the unborn child

Carcinogenic: Category 3
Toxic to Reproduction: Category 3

R40 - Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect
R63 - Possible risk of harm to the unborn child.

Data Sources: Pfizer proprietary drug development information. Safety data sheets for individual ingredients.

Reasons for Revision: Updated Section 3 - Composition / Information on Ingredients. Updated Section 2 - Hazard Identification. Updated Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures. Updated Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures. Updated Section 8 - Exposure Controls / Personal Protection. Updated Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity. Updated Section 12 - Ecological Information. Updated Section 13 - Disposal Considerations. Updated Section 1 - Identification of the Substance/Preparation and the Company/Undertaking. Updated Section 7 - Handling and Storage. Updated Section 11 - Toxicology Information.

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Product Stewardship Hazard Communication

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