








# Material Safety Data Sheet

HAZARD WARNINGS	RISK PHRASES	PROTECTIVE CLOTHING
  	<p>Flammable material; avoid heat and sources of ignition.            Harmful compound, minimize exposure.            Irritating to skin, eyes, and the respiratory system.            Hygroscopic -- keep container tightly sealed.  <b>MUTAGEN. MINIMIZE EXPOSURE.</b>  <b>POSSIBLE CARCINOGEN. MINIMIZE EXPOSURE.</b></p>	   

Section I. Chemical Product and Company Identification	
Chemical Name	<b>Methyl Red - Methylene Blue Solution (Ethanol Soln.)</b> [mixed Indicator]
Catalog Number	M0161
Synonym	Methylene Blue - Methyl Red Solution
Chemical Formula	
CAS Number	493-52-7 (Methyl Red) 61-73-4 (Methylene Blue) 64-17-5 (Ethanol)
Supplier	TCI America 9211 N. Harbortgate St. Portland OR 1-800-423-8616
In case of Emergency Call	<b>Chemtrec®</b> <b>(800) 424-9300 (U.S.)</b> <b>(703) 527-3887 (International)</b>

Section II. Composition and Information on Ingredients				
Chemical Name	CAS Number	Percent (%)	TLV/PEL	Toxicology Data
Methyl Red - Methylene Blue Solution (Ethanol Soln.) <small>[mixed Indicator]</small>	493-52-7 (Methyl Red) 61-73-4 (Methylene Blue) 64-17-5 (Ethanol)	Not available.	This chemical is classified as a possible carcinogen. There is no acceptable exposure limit for a carcinogen. This compound is classified as a mutagen. There is no acceptable exposure limit for a mutagen.	(Methylene Blue) Rat LD <sub>50</sub> (oral) 1180 mg/kg Rat LD <sub>50</sub> (intraperitoneal) 180 mg/kg Rat LD <sub>50</sub> (intravenous) 190 mg/kg (Ethanol) Rat LD <sub>50</sub> (oral) 7060 mg/kg Mouse LD <sub>50</sub> (oral) 3450 mg/kg Rat LD <sub>50</sub> (inhalation) 20000 ppm/10H

Section III. Hazards Identification	
Acute Health Effects	Harmful if ingested or inhaled. Minimize exposure to this material. Severe overexposure can result in injury or death. Irritating to eyes and skin on contact. Inhalation causes irritation of the lungs and respiratory system. Inflammation of the eye is characterized by redness, watering, and itching. Skin inflammation is characterized by itching, scaling, reddening, or, occasionally, blistering. Follow safe industrial hygiene practices and always wear proper protective equipment when handling this compound.
Chronic Health Effects	<p><b>CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Not available.  <b>MUTAGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Not available.  <b>TERATOGENIC EFFECTS</b> : Tumorigenic effects.            (Methyl Red)            Rat TDLo Oral 12 gm/kg for 57 weeks continuous  <b>TOXIC EFFECTS:</b>            Tumorigenic - Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria            Liver - Tumors            (Ethanol)            Mouse TD Oral 400 gm/kg for 57 weeks intermittent  <b>TOXIC EFFECTS:</b>            Tumorigenic - Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria            Gastrointestinal - Tumors            Mouse TDLo Oral 320 mg/kg for 50 weeks intermittent  <b>TOXIC EFFECTS:</b>            Tumorigenic - Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria            Liver - Tumors            Blood - Lymphomas including Hodgkin's disease            Mouse TDLo Rectal 120 gm/kg for 18 weeks intermittent  <b>TOXIC EFFECTS:</b>            Tumorigenic - Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria            Gastrointestinal - Tumors            Liver - Tumors  <b>DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY:</b> Reproductive effects.            (Methylene Blue)            Rat TDLo Oral 2500 m/kg, female 1-22 days of pregnancy  <b>TOXIC EFFECTS:</b>            Effects on Fertility - Post-implantation mortality            Mouse TDLo Subcutaneous 35 mg/kg, female 8 days of pregnancy  <b>TOXIC EFFECTS:</b>            Specific Developmental Abnormalities - Musculoskeletal system            Specific Developmental Abnormalities - Urogenital system            Mouse TDLo Subcutaneous 50 mg/kg, female 8 days of pregnancy  <b>TOXIC EFFECTS:</b>            Effects on Embryo or Fetus - Fetotoxicity            Specific Developmental Abnormalities - Craniofacial</p>

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(Ethanol)  
 Rat TDLo Intraperitoneal 600 mg/kg, female 8-15 days of pregnancy  
 TOXIC EFFECTS:  
 Effects on Fertility - Post-implantation mortality  
 Effects on Embryo or Fetus - Extra embryonic structures  
 Effects on Embryo or Fetus - Fetotoxicity  
 Rat TDLo Oral 135 gm/kg, female 1 day of pregnancy to 7 days after birth  
 TOXIC EFFECTS:  
 Effects on Newborn - Behavioral  
 Effects on Newborn - Physical  
 Rat TDLo Oral 47 mg/kg, female 1-21 days of pregnancy  
 TOXIC EFFECTS:  
 Specific Developmental Abnormalities - Endocrine system  
 Effects on Newborn - Delayed effects  
 Repeated or prolonged exposure to this compound is not known to aggravate existing medical conditions.

**Section IV. First Aid Measures**

Eye Contact	Check for and remove any contact lenses. In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
Skin Contact	In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse. Get medical attention.
Inhalation	If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If breathing is difficult, oxygen can be administered. Seek medical attention if respiration problems do not improve.
Ingestion	INDUCE VOMITING by sticking finger in throat. Lower the head so that the vomit will not reenter the mouth and throat. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Examine the lips and mouth to ascertain whether the tissues are damaged, a possible indication that the toxic material was ingested; the absence of such signs, however, is not conclusive.

**Section V. Fire and Explosion Data**

Flammability	Flammable.	Auto-Ignition	363 °C (685.4 °F) (Ethanol)
Flash Points	13 to 17 °C (55.4 to 62.6 °F).	Flammable Limits	LOWER: 3.3% UPPER: 19% (Ethanol)
Combustion Products	These products are toxic carbon oxides (CO, CO <sub>2</sub> ), nitrogen oxides (NO, NO <sub>2</sub> ), sulfur oxides (SO <sub>2</sub> , SO <sub>3</sub> ...), halogenated compounds. WARNING: Highly toxic HCl gas is produced during combustion.		
Fire Hazards	Not available.		
Explosion Hazards	Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available. Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.		
Fire Fighting Media and Instructions	Flammable liquid. SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder. LARGE FIRE: Use alcohol foam, water spray or fog. Consult with local fire authorities before attempting large scale fire-fighting operations.		


**Section VI. Accidental Release Measures**

Spill Cleanup Instructions	Flammable material. Harmful material. Irritating material. Hygroscopic material. Mutagenic material. Possibly carcinogenic material. Keep away from heat. Mechanical exhaust required. Stop leak if without risk. Absorb with DRY earth, sand or other non-combustible material. DO NOT touch spilled material. Prevent entry into sewers, basements or confined areas; dike if needed. Consult federal, state, and/or local authorities for assistance on disposal.
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**Section VII. Handling and Storage**

Handling and Storage Information	FLAMMABLE. HARMFUL. IRRITANT. HYGROSCOPIC. MUTAGEN. POSSIBLE CARCINOGEN. Keep away from heat. Mechanical exhaust required. Avoid excessive heat and light. Do not breathe gas/fumes/ vapor/spray. Always store away from incompatible compounds such as oxidizing agents.
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**Section VIII. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection**

Engineering Controls	Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapors below their respective threshold limit value. Ensure that eyewash station and safety shower is proximal to the work-station location.
Personal Protection	Splash goggles. Lab coat. Vapor respirator. Boots. Gloves. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product. Be sure to use a MSHA/NIOSH approved respirator or equivalent. 
Exposure Limits	This chemical is classified as a possible carcinogen. There is no acceptable exposure limit for a carcinogen. This compound is classified as a mutagen. There is no acceptable exposure limit for a mutagen.

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**Section IX. Physical and Chemical Properties**

Physical state @ 20°C	Liquid. (Dark green.)	Solubility	Not available.
Specific Gravity	0.99 (water=1) (Methyl Red) 0.79 (water=1) (Ethanol)		
Molecular Weight	C <sub>15</sub> H <sub>15</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>2</sub> = 269.30 (Methyl Red) C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>18</sub> ClN <sub>3</sub> S = 391.85 (Methylene Blue) C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O = 46.07 (Ethanol)	Partition Coefficient	LOG P <sub>ow</sub> : -0.32 (Ethanol)
Boiling Point	79°C (174.2°F) (Ethanol)	Vapor Pressure	5.8 kPa (@ 20°C) (Ethanol)
Melting Point	182°C (359.6°F) (Methyl Red)	Vapor Density	1.6 (Air = 1) (Ethanol)
Refractive Index	Not available.	Volatility	Not available.
Critical Temperature	Not available.	Odor	Characteristic.
Viscosity	Not available.	Taste	Not available.

**Section X. Stability and Reactivity Data**

Stability	This material is stable if stored under proper conditions. (See Section VII for instructions)
Conditions of Instability	Avoid excessive heat and light. Hygroscopic; keep container tightly closed.
Incompatibilities	Reactive with oxidizing agents, acids, peroxides, alkali metals, ammonia.

**Section XI. Toxicological Information**

RTECS Number	DG8960000 (Methyl Red) SO5600000 (Methylene Blue) KQ6300000 (Ethanol)
Routes of Exposure	Eye Contact. Ingestion. Inhalation.
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## Section XII. Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity	Not available.
Environmental Fate	<p>(Methylene Blue)          Methylene blue is used as both the zinc-free product and the zinc chloride double salt. Its principal use is in dyeing paper. Some small amounts are used in leather dyeing and as a polymerization inhibitor in some monomeric organics. Smaller quantities of the zinc-free type are used medicinally and as an injectable solution to combat cyanosis. These and other uses along with its production may result in its release to the environment through various waste streams. Aqueous waste effluents are generated at manufacturing sites where azine and thioazine dyes (such as methylene blue) are produced. Losses of dyes (in general) to wastewater effluents during manufacture have been estimated to be 1-2%. For the organic dye industry in general, it has been estimated that as much as 10% of the dye is lost to wastewater effluents during dyeing operations. If released to soil, methylene blue would be estimated to have very high mobility based upon its high water solubility. However, laboratory adsorption studies determined that methylene blue was strongly adsorbed to three different soils. Volatilization of methylene blue will not be important from moist or dry soil surfaces. Insufficient data are available to determine the rate or importance of biodegradation of methylene blue in soil or water. If released to water, methylene blue would adsorb to suspended solids and sediment based upon soil adsorption studies. Methylene blue will be essentially non-volatile from water surfaces. An estimated BCF value of 1.5 suggests that methylene blue will not bioconcentrate in aquatic organisms. Methylene blue does not contain any functional groups that are expected to hydrolyze in water. If released to the atmosphere methylene blue will exist as both vapor and particulate in the ambient atmosphere. Vapor-phase methylene blue is degraded in the atmosphere by reaction with photochemically produced hydroxyl radicals with an estimated half-life of about 1.9 hours. Direct photolysis in the environment may also be possible. Particulate-phase methylene blue may be physically removed from the air by wet and dry deposition. Occupational exposure may occur through dermal contact or inhalation of dusts at sites where methylene blue is manufactured or used. The general population may be exposed to methylene blue through dermal contact with products which have been dyed with the compound and through ingestion of medicines containing methylene blue.</p> <p>(Ethanol)          Ethanol's production and use in alcoholic beverages, as a solvent, fuel additive, in the manufacture of denatured alcohol, pharmaceuticals (rubbing compounds, tonics, lotions, colognes), in perfumery, and organic synthesis may result in its release to the environment through various waste streams; its use as a fungicide and plant regulator will result in its direct release to the environment. Ethanol has been identified as a natural emission product from various plants, fermentation product and as a biological decomposition product of wastes and sewage. If released to the atmosphere, an extrapolated vapor pressure of 59.3 mm Hg at 25 deg C indicates that ethanol will exist solely in the vapor phase. Vapor phase ethanol is degraded in the atmosphere by reaction with photochemically-produced hydroxyl radicals; the half-life for this reaction in air is estimated to be 5 days. If released to soil, ethanol is expected to have very high mobility based upon an estimated Koc of 1. Volatilization from moist soil surfaces is expected to be an important fate process based upon a Henry's Law constant of 5X10<sup>-6</sup> atm-cu m/mole. Ethanol may also volatilize from dry soils based upon its vapor pressure. Biodegradation is expected to occur rapidly in the environment based on numerous screening tests using different types of inocula and incubation periods. Ethanol was degraded with half-lives on the order of a few days using microcosms constructed with a low organic sandy soil and groundwater, indicating it is unlikely to be persistent in the environment. If released into water, ethanol is not expected to adsorb to suspended solids and sediment based upon the estimated Koc. Volatilization from water surfaces is expected to be an important fate process based upon this compound's Henry's Law constant. Estimated volatilization half-lives for a model river and model lake are 3 and 39 days, respectively. An estimated BCF of 3 suggests the potential for bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is low. Hydrolysis of ethanol and photolysis in sunlight surface waters are not expected since ethanol lacks functional groups that are susceptible to hydrolysis or photolysis under environmental conditions. Occupational exposure to ethanol may occur through inhalation and dermal contact with this compound at workplaces where ethanol is produced or used. The general population is directly exposed to ethanol through the consumption of alcoholic beverages and other products that contain ethanol. Monitoring data also indicate that the general population may be exposed to ethanol via inhalation of ambient air.</p>

## Section XIII. Disposal Considerations

Waste Disposal	Recycle to process, if possible. Consult your local regional authorities. You may be able to dissolve or mix material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber system. Observe all federal, state and local regulations when disposing of the substance.
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## Section XIV. Transport Information

DOT Classification	DOT CLASS 3: Flammable liquid.
PIN Number	UN1170
Proper Shipping Name	Ethanol solution
Packing Group (PG)	II
DOT Pictograms	

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**Section XV. Other Regulatory Information and Pictograms**

TSCA Chemical Inventory (EPA)	This compound is <b>ON</b> the EPA Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory list.
WHMIS Classification (Canada)	CLASS B-2: Flammable liquid with a flash point lower than 37.8°C (100°F). On DSL.
EINECS Number (EEC)	207-776-1 (Methyl Red) 200-515-2 (Methylene Blue) 200-576-6 (Ethanol)
EEC Risk Statements	R11- Highly flammable. R18- In use, may form flammable/explosive vapor-air mixture. R20/21/22- Harmful by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed. R36/37/38- Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin. R45- May cause cancer. R46- May cause heritable genetic damage. R47- May cause birth defects.
Japanese Regulatory Data	ENCS No. 5-243 (Methyl Red) ENCS No. 5-1995 (Methylene Blue) ENCS No. 2-202 (Ethanol)

**Section XVI. Other Information**

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