

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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**1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION****1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : Wright-Giemsa Stain, Modified

Product Number : WG16  
Brand : Sigma

**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 : Sigma-Aldrich  
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**1.4 Emergency telephone number**

Emergency Phone # : (314) 776-6555

**2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture****GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)**

Flammable liquids (Category 2), H225  
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 3), H301  
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 3), H331  
Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 3), H311  
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 1), H370

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

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

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H225

Highly flammable liquid and vapour.

H301 + H311 + H331

Toxic if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled

H370

Causes damage to organs.

Precautionary statement(s)

P210

Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

P233

Keep container tightly closed.

P240

Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.

P241

Use explosion-proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting/ equipment.

P242

Use only non-sparking tools.

P243

Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

P260

Do not breathe dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.

P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P310	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.
P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.
P304 + P340	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P307 + P311	IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.
P322	Specific measures (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).
P330	Rinse mouth.
P361	Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing.
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam for extinction.
P403 + P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P403 + P235	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

## 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.2 Mixtures

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Methanol</b>		
CAS-No. 67-56-1	Flam. Liq. 2; Acute Tox. 3; STOT SE 1; H225, H301 + H311 + H331, H370	50 - 70 %
EC-No. 200-659-6		
Index-No. 603-001-00-X		
Registration number 01-2119433307-44-XXXX		
<b>Propane-1,2-diol</b>		
CAS-No. 57-55-6		20 - 30 %
EC-No. 200-338-0		
<b>2-[Bis(2-hydroxyethyl)amino]-2-(hydroxymethyl)propane-1,3-diol</b>		
CAS-No. 6976-37-0	Skin Irrit. 2; Eye Irrit. 2A; STOT SE 3; H315, H319, H335	1 - 5 %
EC-No. 230-237-7		

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

#### General advice

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

#### 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. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

**If swallowed**

Do NOT induce vomiting. 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 labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

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

no data available

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**5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES****5.1 Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing media**

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

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

Carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

**5.4 Further information**

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

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**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES****6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Wear respiratory protection. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Beware of vapours accumulating to form explosive concentrations.

Vapours can accumulate in low areas.

For personal protection see section 8.

**6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

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

Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13).

**6.4 Reference to other sections**

For disposal see section 13.

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**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE****7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.

Use explosion-proof equipment. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

For precautions see section 2.2.

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

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

**7.3 Specific end use(s)**

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

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**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION****8.1 Control parameters**

**Components with workplace control parameters**

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Methanol	67-56-1	TWA	200 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Remarks	Headache Eye damage Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or Indices (see BEI® section) Danger of cutaneous absorption		
		STEL	250 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Headache Eye damage Substances for which there is a Biological Exposure Index or Indices (see BEI® section) Danger of cutaneous absorption		
		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		Potential for dermal absorption		
		ST	250 ppm 325 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		Potential for dermal absorption		
		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		The value in mg/m3 is approximate.		
		STEL	250 ppm 325 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
		Skin notation		
		TWA	200 ppm 260 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
		Skin notation		
Propane-1,2-diol	57-55-6	TWA	10 mg/m3	USA. Workplace Environmental Exposure Levels (WEEL)

### Biological occupational exposure limits

Component	CAS-No.	Parameters	Value	Biological specimen	Basis
Methanol	67-56-1	Methanol	15 mg/l	Urine	ACGIH - Biological Exposure Indices (BEI)
	Remarks	End of shift (As soon as possible after exposure ceases)			

## 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

#### Eye/face protection

Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

#### Skin protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

Full contact

Material: butyl-rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.3 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Butoject® (KCL 897 / Aldrich Z677647, Size M)

Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.4 mm

Break through time: 30 min

Material tested: Camatril® (KCL 730 / Aldrich Z677442, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

### Body Protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

### Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

### Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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|---|------------------------------------|
| a) Appearance                                   | Form: liquid<br>Colour: colourless |
| b) Odour  | no data available                  |
| c) Odour Threshold                              | no data available                  |
| d) pH   | no data available                  |
| e) Melting point/freezing point                 | no data available                  |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | no data available                  |
| g) Flash point                                  | 11 °C (52 °F) - closed cup         |
| h) Evaporation rate                             | no data available                  |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas)                    | no data available                  |
| j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | no data available                  |
| k) Vapour pressure                              | no data available                  |
| l) Vapour density                               | no data available                  |
| m) Relative density                             | no data available                  |
| n) Water solubility                             | no data available                  |
| o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water       | no data available                  |
| p) Auto-ignition temperature                    | no data available                  |
| q) Decomposition                                | no data available                  |

temperature

- r) Viscosity no data available
- s) Explosive properties no data available
- t) Oxidizing properties no data available

## 9.2 Other safety information

no data 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

Vapours may form explosive mixture with air.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Heat, flames and sparks. Extremes of temperature and direct sunlight.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Acids, Oxidizing agents, Alkali metals, Strong oxidizing agents, Acid chlorides, Acid anhydrides, Reducing agents, Chloroformates

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

no data available

Inhalation: no data available

Dermal: no data available

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: 3 - Group 3: Not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans (2-(3,6-Dihydroxy-2,4,5,7-tetrabromoxanthen-9-yl)-benzoic acid)

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

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

no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

no data available

**Aspiration hazard**

no data available

**Additional Information**

RTECS: Not available

Methyl alcohol may be fatal or cause blindness if swallowed., Cannot be made non-poisonous., Effects due to ingestion may include: Nausea, Dizziness, Gastrointestinal disturbance, Weakness, Confusion., Drowsiness, Unconsciousness, To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Central nervous system - Breathing difficulties - Based on Human Evidence

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence (Methanol)

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****12.1 Toxicity**

no data available

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

no data available

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

no data available

**12.4 Mobility in soil**

no data available

**12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

**12.6 Other adverse effects**

no data available

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****13.1 Waste treatment methods****Product**

Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION****DOT (US)**

UN number: 1230 Class: 3

Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Methanol

Marine pollutant: No

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG**

UN number: 1230 Class: 3 (6.1)

Packing group: II

EMS-No: F-E, S-D

Proper shipping name: METHANOL

Marine pollutant: No





Chronic Health Hazard: \*  
Flammability: 3  
Physical Hazard 0

**NFPA Rating**

Health hazard: 2  
Fire Hazard: 3  
Reactivity Hazard: 0

**Further information**

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