



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

Section I – Product Information			
Product Name or Identity:	Lethen Agar Base, Modified		
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Section II – Hazardous Ingredients / Identity Information			
Hazardous Components: (Specific Chemical Identity: Common Names)	OSHA PEL (Permissible Exposure Limits)	ACGIH TLV (Threshold Limit Value)	Toxicity Data LD₅₀
Sodium Chloride, NaCl, Common salt	N/A	N/A	ORL-RAT 3000 mg/kg

Section III – Physical Characteristics	
Boiling Point: 1413°C	Specific Gravity (H ₂ O = 1): 2.16 g/cm ³
Vapor Pressure (mm Hg.): 1.0 @ 865°C	Melting Point: 804°C
Vapor Density (AIR = 1): N/A	Evaporation Rate (Butyl Acetate = 1): N/A
Solubility in Water: 35.7 g/100g at 0°C	
Appearance and Odor: Colorless crystals or white powder. Characteristic odor.	

Section IV – Fire and Explosion Hazard Data	
Flash Point (<i>Method Used</i>): Not applicable	Flammable Limits: LEL (Lower Explosive Limit) - N/A UEL (Upper Explosive Limit) - N/A
Extinguishing Media: Suitable extinguishing agents. CO ₂ , extinguishing powder, or water spray.	
Special Fire Fighting Procedures: Fight larger fires with water or alcohol resistant foam. Firefighters should wear protective equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus.	
Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards: During heating or in case of fire, poisonous gases are produced.	

Section V – Reactivity Data			
Stability:	Unstable		Conditions to Avoid: Stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage. Hygroscopic.
	Stable	X	
Incompatibility (<i>Materials to Avoid</i>): Reacts with acids, alkalis, oxidizing agents, Lithium, and Bromine trifluoride.			
Hazardous Decomposition or Byproducts: When heated to above 801°C it emits toxic fumes of chloride and sodium oxide.			
Hazardous Polymerization:	May Occur		Conditions to Avoid: Incompatible materials.
	Will Not Occur	X	

Section VI – Health Hazard Data			
Route(s) of Entry:	Inhalation? Yes	Skin? Yes	Ingestion? Yes
Health Hazards: (Acute and Chronic)	Irritant. Irritating to eyes, respiratory system, and skin.		
Carcinogenicity:	NTP? No (National Toxicology Program)	IARC Monographs? No (International Agency for Research in Cancer)	OSHA Regulated? No
Signs and Symptoms of Exposure: Irritant to skin and mucous membranes. Irritating effect to eye.			
Medical Conditions Generally Aggravated by Exposure: No sensitizing effects known. If large doses can cause vomiting, diarrhea, and prostration.			
Emergency / First Aid Procedures:	Ingestion: If swallowed, seek medical attention.		
	Inhalation: Supply fresh air or oxygen. Seek medical attention.		
	Eye Contact: Rinse opened eye for at least 15 minutes under running water. Seek medical attention.		
	Skin Contact: Wash with plenty of soap and water for 15 minutes. Generally this product does not irritate the skin.		

Section VII – Precautions for Safe Handling and Use	
Accidental Release Measures: Ventilate spill area. Wear suitable protective clothing. Wipe up with damp sponge or mop. Remove contaminated clothing.	
Waste Disposal Method: Dispose in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local environmental regulations.	
Handling and Storing: Keep container tightly closed. Protect from moisture. Suitable for any general chemical storage area. Store away from oxidizing agents.	
Other Precautions: Prevent formation of dust. Ensure good ventilation / exhaustion at the workplace. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.	

Section VIII – Control Measures		
Respiratory Protection (Specify Type): None required where adequate ventilation conditions exist. If airborne concentration is high, use an appropriate respirator or dust mask.		
Ventilation:	Local Exhaust: 50 – 100 CFM	Special: N/A
	Mechanical (General): N/A	Other: N/A
Protective Gloves: Proper disposable gloves		Eye Protection: Chemical resistant safety goggles
Other Protective Clothing or Equipment: Uniform, lab coat, or disposable lab wear.		
Work / Hygienic Practices: Follow the usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals / powder. Keep away from food and beverages. Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing.		

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