

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Glycerol (Molecular Biology)  
**Cat No. :** BP229-1; BP229-4  
**Synonyms** Glycerin; 1,2,3-Propanetriol  
**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

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

##### Company

Fisher Scientific  
One Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
Tel: (201) 796-7100

##### Emergency Telephone Number

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### Classification

This chemical is not considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

#### Label Elements

None required

#### Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

None identified

### 3. Composition / information on ingredients

| Component | CAS-No  | Weight % |
|-----------|---------|----------|
| Glycerin  | 56-81-5 | >95      |

#### 4. First-aid measures

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <b>Eye Contact</b>  | Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention if irritation persists. |
| <b>Skin Contact</b>   | Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.                   |
| <b>Inhalation</b>   | Move to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.   |
| <b>Ingestion</b>  | Do not induce vomiting. Drink plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.   |
| <b>Most important symptoms/effects<br/>Notes to Physician</b> | None reasonably foreseeable.<br>Treat symptomatically   |

#### 5. Fire-fighting measures

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>     | Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide. |
| <b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>   | No information available   |
| <b>Flash Point</b>                      | 160 °C / 320 °F  |
| <b>Method -</b>                         | No information available   |
| <b>Autoignition Temperature</b>         | 400 °C / 752 °F  |
| <b>Explosion Limits</b>                 |  |
| <b>Upper</b>                            | No data available  |
| <b>Lower</b>                            | 1.1 vol %  |
| <b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b> | No information available   |
| <b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>  | No information available   |

#### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

#### Hazardous Combustion Products

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors

#### Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

#### NFPA

|               |                     |                    |                         |
|---------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>Health</b> | <b>Flammability</b> | <b>Instability</b> | <b>Physical hazards</b> |
| 1             | 1                   | 1                  | N/A                     |

#### 6. Accidental release measures

|                                  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| <b>Personal Precautions</b>      | Use personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation.                                    |
| <b>Environmental Precautions</b> | Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional ecological information. |

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal.

#### 7. Handling and storage

|                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| <b>Handling</b> | Wear personal protective equipment. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. |
| <b>Storage</b>  | Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. To maintain product   |

quality, do not store in heat or direct sunlight. Protect from moisture. Do not freeze.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

### Exposure Guidelines

| Component | ACGIH TLV | OSHA PEL   | NIOSH IDLH | Mexico OEL (TWA)          |
|-----------|-----------|--|------------|---------------------------|
| Glycerin  |           | (Vacated) TWA: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup><br>(Vacated) TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup><br>TWA: 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup><br>TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> |            | TWA: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> |

### Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

**Engineering Measures** Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

### Personal Protective Equipment

**Eye/face Protection** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

**Skin and body protection** Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respiratory Protection** Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

|  |                          |
|--|--------------------------|
| Physical State                         | Very viscous Liquid      |
| Appearance                             | Clear                    |
| Odor                                   | Slight                   |
| Odor Threshold                         | No information available |
| pH                                     | 5 - 100 g/L aq.sol       |
| Melting Point/Range                    | 18 °C / 64.4 °F          |
| Boiling Point/Range                    | 290 °C / 554 °F          |
| Flash Point                            | 160 °C / 320 °F          |
| Evaporation Rate                       | No information available |
| Flammability (solid,gas)               | Not applicable           |
| Flammability or explosive limits       |                          |
| Upper                                  | No data available        |
| Lower                                  | 1.1 vol %                |
| Vapor Pressure                         | 0.003 mbar @ 50 °C       |
| Vapor Density                          | 3.17                     |
| Specific Gravity                       | 1.261                    |
| Solubility                             | Miscible with water      |
| Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water | No data available        |
| Autoignition Temperature               | 400 °C / 752 °F          |
| Decomposition Temperature              | > 290°C                  |
| Viscosity                              | 1069 mPa.s at 20 °C      |
| Molecular Formula                      | C3 H8 O3                 |
| Molecular Weight                       | 92.09                    |

## 10. Stability and reactivity

|   |  |
|---|--|
| <b>Reactive Hazard</b>                  | None known, based on information available                               |
| <b>Stability</b>                        | Hygroscopic.   |
| <b>Conditions to Avoid</b>              | Incompatible products. Excess heat.                                      |
| <b>Incompatible Materials</b>           | Strong oxidizing agents  |
| <b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b> | Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors |
| <b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>         | Hazardous polymerization does not occur.                                 |
| <b>Hazardous Reactions</b>              | None under normal processing.  |

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

#### Product Information Component Information

| Component | LD50 Oral                  | LD50 Dermal               | LC50 Inhalation                          |
|-----------|----------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Glycerin  | LD50 = 12600 mg/kg ( Rat ) | LD50 > 10 g/kg ( Rabbit ) | LC50 > 570 mg/m <sup>3</sup> ( Rat ) 1 h |

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

**Irritation** No information available

**Sensitization** No information available

**Carcinogenicity** The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

| Component | CAS-No  | IARC       | NTP        | ACGIH      | OSHA       | Mexico     |
|-----------|---------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Glycerin  | 56-81-5 | Not listed | Not listed | Not listed | Not listed | Not listed |

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** No information available.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** None known

**STOT - repeated exposure** None known

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** No information available

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

| Component | Freshwater Algae | Freshwater Fish | Microtox | Water Flea |
|-----------|------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|
|           |                  |                 |          |            |

|          |            |  |            |                                       |
|----------|------------|--|------------|---------------------------------------|
| Glycerin | Not listed | LC50: 51 - 57 mL/L, 96h static (Oncorhynchus mykiss) | Not listed | EC50: > 500 mg/L, 24h (Daphnia magna) |
|----------|------------|--|------------|---------------------------------------|

**Persistence and Degradability** Soluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** . Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

| Component | log Pow |
|-----------|---------|
| Glycerin  | -1.76   |

### 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

### 14. Transport information

**DOT** Not regulated

**TDG** Not regulated

**IATA** Not regulated

**IMDG/IMO** Not regulated

### 15. Regulatory information

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: X = listed

#### International Inventories

| Component | TSCA | DSL | NDSL | EINECS    | ELINCS | NLP | PICCS | ENCS | AICS | IECSC | KECL |
|-----------|------|-----|------|-----------|--------|-----|-------|------|------|-------|------|
| Glycerin  | X    | X   | -    | 200-289-5 | -      |     | X     | X    | X    | X     | X    |

#### Legend:

X - Listed

E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.

F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.

N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance

R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.

S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule

T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B)).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

#### U.S. Federal Regulations

**TSCA 12(b)** Not applicable

**SARA 313** Not applicable

#### SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

|                                   |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|
| Acute Health Hazard               | No |
| Chronic Health Hazard             | No |
| Fire Hazard                       | No |
| Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard | No |
| Reactive Hazard                   | No |

**CWA (Clean Water Act)** Not applicable

**Clean Air Act** Not applicable

**OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration**  
Not applicable

**CERCLA**  
Not applicable

**California Proposition 65** This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations**

| Component | Massachusetts | New Jersey | Pennsylvania | Illinois | Rhode Island |
|-----------|---------------|------------|--------------|----------|--------------|
| Glycerin  | X             | X          | X            | -        | X            |

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ): N  
DOT Marine Pollutant N  
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

**Other International Regulations**

**Mexico - Grade** Slight risk, Grade 1

## 16. Other information

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**End of SDS**