

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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This safety data sheet was created pursuant to the requirements of: US OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 2024 (29 CFR 1910.1200)

## 1. Identification

**Product Name** Hydrocortisone

**Cat No. :** A16292

**CAS No** 50-23-7  
**Synonyms** 11beta,17alpha,21-Trihydroxypregn-4-ene-3,20-dione

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

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

#### Company

Thermo Fisher Scientific Chemicals, Inc.  
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Ward Hill, MA 01835-8099  
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#### **Emergency Telephone Number**

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Emergency Number **US**:001-201-796-7100 / **Europe**: +32 14 57 52 99  
**CHEMTREC** Tel. No. **US**:001-800-424-9300 / **Europe**:001-703-527-3887

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

### Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous according to [US] OSHA (29 CFR 1910.1200, 2024)

Reproductive Toxicity	Category 1A
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 2

### Label Elements

**Signal Word**  
Danger

#### **Hazard Statements**

May damage the unborn child. Suspected of damaging fertility  
May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Obtain special instructions before use  
 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood  
 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

**Response**

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice

**Storage**

Store locked up

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

None identified

**Hazards classified under paragraph (d)(1)(ii) of 1910.1200**

No information available

### 3. Composition/information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Pregn-4-ene-3,20-dione, 11,17,21-trihydroxy-, (11.beta.)-	50-23-7	>95

### 4. First-aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	None reasonably foreseeable.
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

### 5. Fire-fighting measures

**Suitable Extinguishing Media** Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.

<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	Not applicable
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<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**

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

**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**

**Health**  
2

**Flammability**  
1

**Instability**  
0

**Physical hazards**  
N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid dust formation.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Should not be released into the environment.
<b>Methods for Containment and Clean Up</b>	Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 7. Handling and Storage

<b>Handling</b>	Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation.
<b>Storage.</b>	Keep in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Protect from light. Protect from direct sunlight. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

<b>Exposure Guidelines</b>	This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.
<b>Engineering Measures</b>	Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.
<b>Personal Protective Equipment</b>	
<b>Eye/face Protection</b>	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.
<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	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.

**Recommended Filter type:** Particulates filter conforming to EN 143.

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

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### Appearance

**Physical State** Powder Solid

**Color** White

**Odor** No information available

**Odor Threshold** No information available

### Property

**Melting Point/Range** **Values** 212 - 217 °C / 413.6 - 422.6 °F

**Softening Point** No data available

**Boiling Point/Range** No information available

**Flash Point** No information available

**Flammability (liquid)** Not applicable

**Flammability (solid,gas)** No information available

**Explosion Limits** No data available

### Remarks

### • Method

**Method -** No information available  
Solid

**Autoignition Temperature** Not applicable

**Decomposition Temperature** No data available

**pH** No information available

**Viscosity** Not applicable

**Water Solubility** Insoluble

**Solubility in other solvents** No information available

**Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)**

**Vapor Pressure** No data available

**Density / Specific Gravity** No data available

**Bulk Density** No data available

**Vapor Density** Not applicable

**Particle characteristics** No data available

Solid  
practically insoluble

Solid

### Other Information

**Molecular Formula** C21 H30 O5

**Molecular Weight** 362.47

**Evaporation Rate** Not applicable - Solid

## 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactive Hazard** None known, based on information available

**Stability** Stable under normal conditions. Light sensitive.

**Conditions to Avoid** Exposure to light. Incompatible products. Exposure to moist air or water.

**Incompatible Materials** Strong oxidizing agents

**Hazardous Decomposition Products** Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>)

**Hazardous Polymerization** Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

**Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on expected route of exposure

**Inhalation** Avoid breathing dust or spray mist. May be harmful if inhaled.  
**Ingestion** May be harmful if swallowed.  
**Eyes** Avoid contact with eyes.  
**Skin** Avoid contact with skin.

### Toxicology data for the components

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

**(b) skin corrosion/irritation;** No data available

**(c) serious eye damage/irritation;** No data available

**(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;**  
**Respiratory** No data available  
**Skin** No data available

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;** No data available

**(f) carcinogenicity;**

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

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Pregn-4-ene-3,20-dione, 11,17,21-trihydroxy-, (11.beta.)-	50-23-7	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**(g) reproductive toxicity;** Category 1A

**Teratogenicity** Teratogenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.

**(h) STOT-single exposure;** No data available

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure;** Category 2

**Target Organs** None known.

**(j) aspiration hazard;** Not applicable  
Solid

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

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

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**Endocrine Disrupting Properties** This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Do not empty into drains.

**Persistence and Degradability** Insoluble in water

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** Is not likely mobile in the environment due its low water solubility.

## 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

### United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Pregn-4-ene-3,20-dione, 11,17,21-trihydroxy-, (11.beta.)-	50-23-7	X	ACTIVE	-

#### Legend:

**TSCA** US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

'-' - Not Listed

**TSCA - Per 40 CFR 751, Regulation of Certain Chemical Substances & Mixtures, Under TSCA Section 6(h) (PBT)** Not applicable

**TSCA 12(b)** - Notices of Export Not applicable

### International Inventories

Canada (DSL/NDSL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Pregn-4-ene-3,20-dione, 11,17,21-trihydroxy-, (11.beta.)-	50-23-7	X	-	200-020-1	-	X	X	X	X	KE-34304

**KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

### U.S. Federal Regulations

#### **SARA 313**

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product does not contain any chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories**

Should this product meet EPCRA 311/312 Tier reporting criteria at 40 CFR 370, refer to Section 2 of this SDS for appropriate classifications.

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

**Clean Air Act** Not applicable

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

**CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355). There may be specific reporting requirements at the local, regional, or state level pertaining to releases of this material.

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

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations** Not applicable

**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** No information available

**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH** Not applicable

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Pregn-4-ene-3,20-dione, 11,17,21-trihydroxy-, (11.beta.)-	50-23-7	-	-	-

**Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Pregn-4-ene-3,20-dione, 11,17,21-trihydroxy-, (11.beta.)-	50-23-7	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

**Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?**

Not applicable

## Other International Regulations

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Pregn-4-ene-3,20-dione, 11,17,21-trihydroxy-, (11.beta.)-	50-23-7	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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**Revision Summary**

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