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# 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

**Product Identifier** 

Material Name: Metronidazole Tablets

Trade Name: Flagyl Chemical Family: Mixture

Relevant Identified Uses of the Substance or Mixture and Uses Advised Against

Intended Use: Pharmaceutical product used as antibiotic agent, antiprotozoal agent.

Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet

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### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

# Classification of the Substance or Mixture GHS - Classification

Reproductive Toxicity: Category 2 Carcinogenicity: Category 2

**Label Elements** 

Signal Word: Warning

Hazard Statements: H351 - Suspected of causing cancer

H361d - Suspected of damaging the unborn child

Precautionary Statements: P201 - Obtain special instructions before use

P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood

P281 - Use personal protective equipment as required

P308 + P313 - IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice

P405 - Store locked up

P501 - Dispose of contents/container in accordance with all local and national regulations

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Other Hazards An Occupational Exposure Value has been established for one or more of the ingredients (see

Section 8).

Note: This document has been prepared in accordance with standards for workplace safety, which

requires the inclusion of all known hazards of the product or its ingredients regardless of the potential risk. The precautionary statements and warning included may not apply in all cases.

Your needs may vary depending upon the potential for exposure in your workplace.

# 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### **Hazardous**

Ingredient	CAS Number	EU EINECS/ELINCS List	GHS Classification	%
Metronidazole	443-48-1	207-136-1	Carc. 2 (H351) Repr. 2 (H361d)	63.5
Titanium dioxide	13463-67-7	236-675-5	Not Listed	*
Microcrystalline cellulose	9004-34-6	232-674-9	Not Listed	*

Ingredient	CAS Number	EU EINECS/ELINCS List	GHS Classification	%
FD & C Blue No. 2, Aluminum lake	16521-38-3	240-589-3	Not Listed	*
Stearic acid	57-11-4	200-313-4	Not Listed	*
Hydroxypropyl methylcellulose	9004-65-3	Not Listed	Not Listed	*
Polyethylene glycol	25322-68-3	Not Listed	Not Listed	*

Additional Information: \* Proprietary

\*\*\* per tablet/capsule/lozenge/suppository

Ingredient(s) indicated as hazardous have been assessed under standards for workplace

safety.

In accordance with 29 CFR 1910.1200, the exact percentage composition of this mixture has

been withheld as a trade secret.

For the full text of the CLP/GHS abbreviations mentioned in this Section, see Section 16

# 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

**Description of First Aid Measures** 

**Eye Contact:** Flush with water while holding eyelids open for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention

immediately.

Skin Contact: Remove contaminated clothing. Flush area with large amounts of water. Use soap. Seek

medical attention.

**Ingestion:** Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Wash out mouth with water. Do not

induce vomiting unless directed by medical personnel. Seek medical attention immediately.

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**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air and keep patient at rest. Seek medical attention immediately.

Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Both Acute and Delayed

Symptoms and Effects of

No data available

Exposure:

Medical Conditions None known

Aggravated by Exposure:

Indication of the Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment Needed

Notes to Physician: None

# 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Extinguishing Media:** Extinguish fires with CO2, extinguishing powder, foam, or water.

Special Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture

**Hazardous Combustion** Formation of toxic gases is possible during heating or fire.

Products:

Fire / Explosion Hazards: Fine particles (such as dust and mists) may fuel fires/explosions.

**Advice for Fire-Fighters** 

During all firefighting activities, wear appropriate protective equipment, including self-contained breathing apparatus.

### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Personnel involved in clean-up should wear appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Minimize exposure.

### **Environmental Precautions**

Place waste in an appropriately labeled, sealed container for disposal. Care should be taken to avoid environmental release.

### Methods and Material for Containment and Cleaning Up

Measures for Cleaning /

Collecting:

Contain the source of spill if it is safe to do so. Collect spilled material by a method that controls dust generation. A damp cloth or a filtered vacuum should be used to clean spills of

dry solids. Clean spill area thoroughly.

**Additional Consideration for** 

Large Spills:

Non-essential personnel should be evacuated from affected area. Report emergency situations immediately. Cleanup operations should only be undertaken by trained personnel.

# 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### **Precautions for Safe Handling**

Minimize dust generation and accumulation. If tablets or capsules are crushed and/or broken, avoid breathing dust and avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. When handling, use appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Wash thoroughly after handling. Releases to the environment should be avoided. Review and implement appropriate technical and procedural waste water and waste disposal measures to prevent occupational exposure or environmental releases. Potential points of process emissions of this material to the atmosphere should be controlled with dust collectors, HEPA filtration systems or other equivalent controls.

Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities

**Storage Conditions:** Store as directed by product packaging.

Specific end use(s): Pharmaceutical drug product

### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### **Control Parameters**

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Refer to available public information for specific member state Occupational Exposure Limits.

### Metronidazole

Netherlands OEL - TWA 0.00012 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

### Titanium dioxide

**ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TWA)** 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> **Australia TWA** 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> **Austria OEL - MAKs** 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> **Belgium OEL - TWA** 10.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup> **Bulgaria OEL - TWA** 6 mg/m<sup>3</sup> **Denmark OEL - TWA** 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Estonia OEL - TWA 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> France OEL - TWA 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> **Greece OEL - TWA**  $5 \text{ mg/m}^3$ Ireland OEL - TWAs 10 ma/m<sup>3</sup>

 $4 \text{ mg/m}^3$ 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Latvia OEL - TWA 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Lithuania OEL - TWA **OSHA - Final PELS - TWAs:** 15 mg/m<sup>3</sup> **Poland OEL - TWA** 10.0 mg/m<sup>3</sup> 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Portugal OEL - TWA 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Romania OEL - TWA 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> **Russia OEL - TWA** 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Spain OEL - TWA  $5 \text{ mg/m}^3$ **Sweden OEL - TWAs**  $3 \text{ mg/m}^3$ **Switzerland OEL -TWAs** 

6 mg/m<sup>3</sup> 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

# Microcrystalline cellulose

**Vietnam OEL - TWAs** 

**ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TWA)** 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Australia TWA 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> **Belgium OEL - TWA** Estonia OEL - TWA 10 ma/m<sup>3</sup> 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> France OEL - TWA  $10 \text{ mg/m}^3$ Ireland OEL - TWAs 4 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Latvia OEL - TWA  $2 \text{ mg/m}^3$ 15 mg/m<sup>3</sup> **OSHA - Final PELS - TWAs:** 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Portugal OEL - TWA 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Romania OEL - TWA  $6 \text{ mg/m}^3$ Russia OEL - TWA 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Spain OEL - TWA **Switzerland OEL -TWAs**  $3 \text{ mg/m}^3$ 

10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> 5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

# Polyethylene glycol

Vietnam OEL - TWAs

 Austria OEL - MAKs
 1000 mg/m³

 Germany - TRGS 900 - TWAs
 1000 mg/m³

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Germany (DFG) - MAK 1000 mg/m<sup>3</sup> average molecular weight 200-600

1000 mg/m<sup>3</sup> Slovakia OEL - TWA Slovenia OEL - TWA 1000 ma/m<sup>3</sup> 1000 mg/m<sup>3</sup> **Switzerland OEL -TWAs** 

The purpose of the Occupational Exposure Band (OEB) classification system is to separate substances into different Hazard categories when the available data are sufficient to do so, but inadequate to establish an Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL). The OEB given is based upon an analysis of all currently available data; as such, this value may be subject to revision when new information becomes available.

### Metronidazole

Pfizer Occupational Exposure OEB 2 (control exposure to the range of 100ug/m³ to < 1000ug/m³)

Band (OEB):

**Exposure Controls** 

Engineering controls should be used as the primary means to control exposures. General **Engineering Controls:** 

room ventilation is adequate unless the process generates dust, mist or fumes. Keep airborne

contamination levels below the exposure limits listed above in this section.

**Personal Protective** 

Refer to applicable national standards and regulations in the selection and use of personal **Equipment:** protective equipment (PPE). Contact your safety and health professional or safety equipment

supplier for assistance in selecting the correct protective clothing/equipment based on an assessment of the workplace conditions, other chemicals used or present in the workplace and

specific operational processes.

Hands: Impervious gloves (e.g. Nitrile, etc.) are recommended if skin contact with drug product is

possible and for bulk processing operations. (Protective gloves must meet the standards in

accordance with EN374, ASTM F1001 or international equivalent.)

Eyes: Wear safety glasses or goggles if eye contact is possible. (Eye protection must meet the

standards in accordance with EN166, ANSI Z87.1 or international equivalent.)

Skin: Impervious protective clothing is recommended if skin contact with drug product is possible and

for bulk processing operations. (Protective clothing must meet the standards in accordance

with EN13982, ANSI 103 or international equivalent.)

Under normal conditions of use, if the applicable Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL) is Respiratory protection:

exceeded, wear an appropriate respirator with a protection factor sufficient to control exposures to below the OEL (e.g. particulate respirator with a half mask, P3 filter). (Respirators must meet the standards in accordance with EN140, EN143, ASTM F2704-10 or international

equivalent.)

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Physical State: Tablets** Color: Blue

No data available. No data available. Odor: **Odor Threshold:** 

Molecular Formula: Mixture Molecular Weight: Mixture

**Solvent Solubility:** No data available No data available Water Solubility: No data available. pH: Melting/Freezing Point (°C): No data available **Boiling Point (°C):** No data available.

Partition Coefficient: (Method, pH, Endpoint, Value)

Metronidazole No data available Polyethylene glycol

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No data available

Microcrystalline cellulose

No data available

Hydroxypropyl methylcellulose

No data available

Hydroxypropyl cellulose

No data available
Stearic acid
No data available
Titanium dioxide
No data available

FD & C Blue No. 2, Aluminum lake

No data available

**Decomposition Temperature (°C):** No data available.

Evaporation Rate (Gram/s):

Vapor Pressure (kPa):

Vapor Density (g/ml):

Relative Density:

No data available

Flammablity:

Autoignition Temperature (Solid) (°C):No data availableFlammability (Solids):No data availableFlash Point (Liquid) (°C):No data availableUpper Explosive Limits (Liquid) (% by Vol.):No data availableLower Explosive Limits (Liquid) (% by Vol.):No data available

# 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity: No data available

Chemical Stability: Stable under normal conditions of use.

**Possibility of Hazardous Reactions** 

Oxidizing Properties: No data available

**Conditions to Avoid:** Fine particles (such as dust and mists) may fuel fires/explosions. **Incompatible Materials:** As a precautionary measure, keep away from strong oxidizers

Hazardous Decomposition No data available

**Products:** 

# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on Toxicological Effects

General Information: The information included in this section describes the potential hazards of the individual

ingredients.

Long Term: Animal studies indicate that this material may cause adverse effects on the the developing

fetus.

Known Clinical Effects: Clinical use of this drug has caused nausea, dizziness, and effects on blood forming organs.

Acute Toxicity: (Species, Route, End Point, Dose)

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Rat Oral LD 50 3 g/kg

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Mouse Oral LD 50 3800mg/kg

Mouse Intraperitoneal LD 50 870mg/kg

### Microcrystalline cellulose

Rat Oral LD50 > 5000 mg/kg Rabbit Dermal LD50 > 2000 mg/kg

### Hydroxypropyl methylcellulose

Rat Oral LD50 > 10,000 mg/kg

#### Stearic acid

Rat Oral LD50 > 4640 mg/kg Rabbit Dermal LD50 > 5000mg/kg

### Titanium dioxide

Rat Oral LD50 > 7500 mg/kg Rat Subcutaneous LD50 50 mg/kg

Acute Toxicity Comments: A greater than symbol (>) indicates that the toxicity endpoint being tested was not achievable

at the highest dose used in the test.

# Irritation / Sensitization: (Study Type, Species, Severity)

### Metronidazole

Eye Irritation Rabbit No effect

### Polyethylene glycol

Eye Irritation Rabbit Mild Skin Irritation Rabbit Mild

# Microcrystalline cellulose

Skin Irritation Rabbit Non-irritating Eve Irritation Rabbit Non-irritating

# Stearic acid

Skin Irritation Rabbit Moderate Eye Irritation Rabbit Mild

# Repeated Dose Toxicity: (Duration, Species, Route, Dose, End Point, Target Organ)

### Metronidazole

2 Year(s) Mouse Oral 600 mg/kg LOAEL 80 Week(s) Rat Oral 30 mg/kg LOAEL

34 Day(s) Rat Oral = 34 g/kg LOAEL Kidney, Ureter, Bladder

4 Month(s) Dog Oral 75 mg/kg LOAEL

1 Year(s) Non-human Primate Oral 150 mg/kg LOAEL

# Stearic acid

30 Week(s) Rat Oral 300 ppm LOAEL Adipose tissue

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# Reproduction & Developmental Toxicity: (Study Type, Species, Route, Dose, End Point, Effect(s))

#### Metronidazole

Reproductive & Fertility Rat Oral 400 mg/kg LOAEL Fertility

Reproductive & Fertility Rabbit Oral 200 mg/kg NOAEL Fertility, Developmental toxicity, Fetotoxicity

Embryo / Fetal Development Mouse Intraperitoneal 9 mg/kg LOAEL Fetotoxicity

Embryo / Fetal Development Rat Oral 200 mg/kg NOEL Not Teratogenic

Embryo / Fetal Development Mouse Intraperitoneal 40 mg/kg LOAEL Fetotoxicity

# Genetic Toxicity: (Study Type, Cell Type/Organism, Result)

#### Metronidazole

In Vitro Bacterial Mutagenicity (Ames) Salmonella Positive

In Vitro Sister Chromatid Exchange Hamster Negative

In Vivo Unscheduled DNA Synthesis Rabbit Negative

In Vivo Micronucleus Rat Negative

In Vitro Chromosome Aberration Human Lymphocytes Negative

#### Stearic acid

In Vitro Bacterial Mutagenicity (Ames) Salmonella Negative

Unscheduled DNA Synthesis E. coli Negative

### Carcinogenicity: (Duration, Species, Route, Dose, End Point, Effect(s))

### Metronidazole

Not specified Rat Oral Tumors Not specified Mouse Oral Tumors

#### Stearic acid

26 Week(s) Rat Subcutaneous 0.5 mg/kg/week NOAEL Not carcinogenic 52 Week(s) Mouse Subcutaneous 0.05 mg/kg/week LOAEL Tumors

Carcinogen Status: See below

Metronidazole

IARC: Group 2B (Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans)
NTP: Reasonably Anticipated To Be A Human Carcinogen

Titanium dioxide

IARC: Group 2B (Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans)

# 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Environmental Overview:** The following information is available for the individual ingredients.

**Toxicity:** 

Aquatic Toxicity: (Species, Method, End Point, Duration, Result)

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Mysidopsis bahia (Mysid Shrimp) OECD LC-50 96 Hours >180 mg/L

Cyprinodon variegatus (Sheepshead Minnow) OECD LC-50 96 Hours >1060 mg/L

Aquatic Toxicity Comments: A greater than (>) symbol indicates that acute ecotoxicity was not observed at the maximum

solubility. Since the substance is insoluble in aqueous solutions above this concentration, an

acute ecotoxicity value (i.e. LC/EC50) is not achievable.

Persistence and Degradability: No data available

Bio-accumulative Potential: No data available

Mobility in Soil: No data available

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Treatment Methods: Dispose of waste in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations. Member State

specific and Community specific provisions must be considered. Considering the relevant known environmental and human health hazards of the material, review and implement appropriate technical and procedural waste water and waste disposal measures to prevent occupational exposure and environmental release. It is recommended that waste minimization be practiced. The best available technology should be utilized to prevent environmental

releases. This may include destructive techniques for waste and wastewater.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

The following refers to all modes of transportation unless specified below.

Not regulated for transport under USDOT, EUADR, IATA, or IMDG regulations.

# 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, Health and Environmental Regulations/Legislation Specific for the Substance or Mixture

FD & C Blue No. 2. Aluminum lake

CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting

California Proposition 65

Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)

Australia (AICS):

Present

EU EINECS/ELINCS List

Not Listed

Not Listed

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CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting Not Listed

California Proposition 65 carcinogen 1/1/1988

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Australia (AICS): Present
Standard for the Uniform Scheduling Schedule 4

for Drugs and Poisons:

EU EINECS/ELINCS List 207-136-1

Stearic acid

CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting

California Proposition 65

Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)

Australia (AICS):

Present

EU EINECS/ELINCS List

Not Listed

Not

Titanium dioxide

CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting Not Listed

California Proposition 65 carcinogen 9/2/2011 airborne, unbound particles of respirable size

Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)PresentAustralia (AICS):PresentEU EINECS/ELINCS List236-675-5

Microcrystalline cellulose

CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting

California Proposition 65

Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)

Australia (AICS):

Present

EU EINECS/ELINCS List

Not Listed

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Hydroxypropyl methylcellulose

CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting

California Proposition 65

Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)

Australia (AICS):

Standard for the Uniform Scheduling

Schedule 4

for Drugs and Poisons:

EU EINECS/ELINCS List Not Listed

Polyethylene glycol

CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting

California Proposition 65

Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)

Australia (AICS):

Standard for the Uniform Scheduling
for Drugs and Poisons:

EU EINECS/ELINCS List

Not Listed

# 16. OTHER INFORMATION

# Text of CLP/GHS Classification abbreviations mentioned in Section 3

Carcinogenicity-Cat.2; H351 - Suspected of causing cancer

Reproductive toxicity-Cat.2; H361d - Suspected of damaging the unborn child

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**Data Sources:** Pfizer proprietary drug development information. Safety data sheets for individual ingredients.

Reasons for Revision: Updated Section 2 - Hazard Identification. Updated Section 8 - Exposure Controls / Personal

Protection. Updated Section 7 - Handling and Storage.

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Product Stewardship Hazard Communication

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