



For Compliance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200 and ANSI Z400.1-1998

#### Section 1: Identification

Product Name Dexamethasone Sodium Phosphate USP

Commercial Name Decadron phosphate, Decdan, Dexacort, Dexadreson, Dexagro, Megacort, Soldesam, Solu-Decadron, Spersadox, Turb

Product Use Active pharmaceutical ingredient

Restrictions On Use 
Any use apart from the active pharmaceutical ingredient

Product Code 55-1430

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Section 2: Hazard(s) Identification

OSHA Haz Com: Acute toxicity, oral Category 4 Reproductive toxicity, category 2 Specific target organ toxicity - repeated

**CFR 1910.1200** exposure, category 1 (endocrine system)

Signal Word WARNING

Hazard Statement(s) May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. May cause damage to the fetus.

Pictogram(s) or Symbol(s)

Precautionary Statement(s):

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. Wash thoroughly after handling. Wear

CHEMTREC (24hr) 1-800-424-9300

protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

**Response** If swallowed: Call a poison center/doctor if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth. If exposed or concerned: Get

medical advice/attention. Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.

Storage Store locked up

Disposal Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations

#### Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients

Substance/Mixture Substance

Components Dexamethasone sodium phosphate

 % By Weight
 100

 CAS#
 2392-39-4

 Molecular Weight
 516.41 g/mole

 Chemical Formula
 C22-H28-F-Na2-P-O8

**Synonym(s)** \*Fluoro-9-trihydroxy-11,17,21-methyl-16-pregnadiene-1 sodiumphosphate\* Disodium dexmethasone

phosphate\* Dexamethasone disodium phosphate\* Sodium Dexamethasone Phosphate\*

Mixtures

NameCAS#% by WeightTLV/PELLC50/LD50Dexamethasone sodium2392-39-4100Not available.ORAL (LD50): Acute: 1800 mf/kfphosphate[Mouse].

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#### Section 4: First-Aid Measures

Inhalation If breathing is difficult, remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a

physician if symptoms develop or persist.

Skin Contact Rinse skin with water/shower. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists

Eye Contact Rinse with water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists

Ingestion Rinse mouth. If ingestion of a large amount does occur, call a poison control center immediately. If vomiting

occurs, keep head low so that stomach content doesn't get into the lungs.

Symptoms/Effects

Acute Endocrine system effects. Potent pharmacologically active material. Occupational exposure to small

amounts may cause physiological effects

Delayed Endocrine system effects. Potent pharmacologically active material. Occupational exposure to small

amounts may cause physiological effects

#### **Immediate Medical Attention**

Treat symptomatically

#### Section 5: Fire-Fighting Measures

#### Suitable Extinguishing Media

Water. Foam. Dry chemical or CO2. Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials

#### **Unsuitable Extinguishing Media**

Not available

#### **Products of Combustion**

No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted

#### **Firefighters Special Equipment and Precautions**

Wear suitable protective equipment. Use water spray to cool unopened containers. As with all fires, evacuate personnel to a safe area. Firefighters should use self-contained breathing equipment and protective clothing. Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.

#### Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

Keep unnecessary personnel away. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Avoid inhalation of dust from the spilled material. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up: For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS. Avoid the generation of dusts during clean-up. Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination. Environmental precautions: Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground

### Section 7: Handling and Storage

Handling: As a general rule, when handling USP Reference Standards, avoid all contact and inhalation of dust, mists, and/or vapors associated with the material. Clean equipment and work surfaces with suitable detergent or solvent after use. After removing gloves, wash hands and other exposed skin thoroughly. Select and use containment devices and personal protective equipment based on a risk assessment of material potency and exposure potential. Storage: Store in tight container as defined in the USP-NF. This material should be handled and stored per label instructions to ensure product integrity.

#### Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

# Exposure Limits Engineering Controls

TWA 3 micrograms/m3

No open handling. For laboratory operations, use approved ventilation or containment system (biological safety cabinet, ventilated balance enclosure, glovebox). Control exposures to below the occupational exposure level (if available). Select and use containment devices and personal protective equipment based on a risk assessment of exposure potential. Cover all containers for solutions and slurries while being transferred.

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#### **Personal Protection**

Eye/face protection: Wear safety glasses with side shields, chemical splash goggles, or full face shield, if necessary. Base the choice of protection on the job activity and potential for contact with eyes or face. An emergency eye wash station should be available. Skin protection Hand protection: Consider double gloves. Wear nitrile or other impervious gloves if skin contact is possible. When the material is dissolved or suspended in an organic solvent, wear gloves that provide protection against the solvent. Other: Train employees in proper gowning and degowning practices. Wear disposable lab coat, disposable sleeve covers and two pair of gloves as appropriate for the task. Base the choice of skin protection on the job activity, potential for skin contact and solvents and reagents in use. Do not wear protective garments in common areas (e.g., cafeterias) or out-of-doors. Respiratory protection: Use a powered air-purifying respirator (PAPR) with HEPA filters, disposable outerware and head cover for spill cleanup. Choose respiratory protection appropriate to the task and the level of existing engineering controls. Thermal hazards: Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary. General hygiene considerations: Pharmacological effects may be seen with occupational exposure. Handling practices in this SDS are recommendations for laboratory use of reference standards. Procedures for any other uses or quantities should be determined after an appropriate assessment.

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#### Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

solid. powder. White. Yellow. **Appearance** 

Not available Odor **Odor Threshold** Not available.

451.4 - 455 °F (233 - 235 °C) in aqueous solution 7.5 - 10.5 **Melting Point** pН

< 0.0000001 kPa at 25 °C Freezing Point Not available. **Vapor Pressure** 

Not available. Not available. **Boiling Point/Range** Vapor Density Not available. Not available. **Decomposition temperature** Viscosity **Partition Coefficient:** Not available. **Evaporation Rate** Not available.

n-octanol/water

Not available. Not available. Flash Point Autoignition temperature

**Flammability** Not available. Flammability or Explosive Limits:

> Not available. Lower

Upper

Not available.

Solubility(ies) Freely soluble in water.

Other Ethanol: Slightly soluble. Ether: Practically insoluble. Methylene chloride: Practically insoluble

Molecular formula C22H28FO8P.2Na Molecular weight 516.4

Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and

transport

**Chemical Stability** Material is stable under normal conditions

No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use **Hazardous Polymerization** 

Contact with incompatible materials **Conditions to Avoid** 

**Incompatible Materials** Strong oxidizing agents

**Hazardous Decomposition Products** F-, POx, NaOx. Irritating and/or toxic fumes or gases. Emits toxic fumes under fire

conditions

#### Section 11: Toxicological Information

TU4056000 **RTECS** 

**Acute Toxicity** 

Acute oral LD50: Mouse 1800 mg/kg

Skin Corrosion/Irritation

Not available.

Serious Eye Damage/Irritation

Not available.

Respiratory or Skin Sensitization

Not available.

**Germ Cell Mutagenicity** 

Not available.

Carcinogenicity

Not available.

### Reproductive Toxicity

Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child. Most studies have concluded that therapeutic use of corticosteroids by pregnant women does not cause adverse effects on the fetus. A small ncrease in the incidence of cleft palate was seen in some human studies. Infants born to mothers who received substantial doses of corticosteroids during pregnancy should be observed for signs of hypoadrenalism

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#### **Routes of Entry**

Eye. Ingestion.

#### Symptoms Related to Exposure

Glucocorticoid effects: Bone fractures. Back pain. Joint pain or stiffness. Weakness. Increased appetite. Infection. Delayed wound healing. Thinning skin. Bruising. Purple lines on skin. Increased hair growth. Acne. Redistribution of body fat. Menstrual irregularities. Impotence Headache. Increased sweating. Eye pain. Change in vision. Mental or behavioral changes. Mineralocorticoid effects: Swelling. Confusion. Lightheadedness. Nausea. Vomiting. Numbness. Tremors. Withdrawal effects: Fever. Muscle pain. Joint pain. Malaise.

#### **Potential Health Effects**

Not available.

Target Organ(s)

Causes damage to organs (endocrine system) through prolonged or repeated exposure

#### Section 12: Ecological Information

#### **Ecotoxicity**

Aquatic Acute Fish LC50 Fish > 100 mg/l, 96 hours

#### Persistance and Degradability

Not readily biodegradable

#### **Bioaccumulative Potential**

Not available.

#### **Mobility in Soil**

Not available.

#### Other Adverse Effects

Not available.

#### Section 13: Disposal Considerations

#### **Waste Disposal**

Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Under RCRA, it is the responsibility of the user of the product to determine, at the time of disposal, whether the product meets RCRA criteria for hazardous waste The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions)

### **Disposal of Container**

Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal. Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied.

#### Other Considerations

Not available.

#### Section 14: Transport Information

#### **DOT Classification**

Not a DOT controlled material (United States). This material is not classified dangerous good according to international transportation regulations (ADR/RID-IMDG-ICAO/IATA).

#### Section 15: Regulatory Information

#### Regulations

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US federal regulations: This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200 TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D) Not regulated. CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4) Not listed. SARA 304 Emergency release notification Not regulated. OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050) Not regulated. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) Immediate Hazard - Yes Delayed Hazard - Yes Fire Hazard - No Pressure Hazard - No Reactivity Hazard - No Hazard categories SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance Not listed. YesSARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical SARA 313 (TRI reporting) Not regulated. Other federal regulations Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List Not regulated. Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130) Not regulated. Not regulated. Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): This material is not known to contain any chemicals currently listed as carcinogens or reproductive toxins.

#### Other

Not available.

#### Section 16: Other Information

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