



# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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

### Product Identifier

**Material Name:** Methylprednisolone Sodium Succinate for Injection (preservative-free)

**Trade Name:** Solu-Medrol

**Chemical Family:** Mixture

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

**Intended Use:** Pharmaceutical product used as anti-inflammatory

### 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 1A

Specific target organ systemic toxicity (repeated exposure): Category 2

#### US OSHA Specific - Classification

**Physical Hazard:** Combustible Dust

#### EU Classification:

EU Indication of danger: Toxic to reproduction: Category 1  
Harmful

#### EU Risk Phrases:

R61 - May cause harm to the unborn child.

R48/22 - Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure if swallowed.

### Label Elements

**Signal Word:** Danger

**Hazard Statements:** H360D - May damage the unborn child  
H373 - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure May form combustible dust concentrations in air

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**Precautionary Statements:**

- P201 - Obtain special instructions before use
- P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood
- P260 - Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
- P281 - Use personal protective equipment as required
- P308 + P313 - IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice
- P314 - Get medical attention/advice if you feel unwell
- P405 - Store locked up
- P501 - Dispose of contents/container in accordance with all local and national regulations



**Other Hazards** No data available  
**Australian Hazard Classification (NOHSC):** Hazardous Substance. Non-Dangerous Goods.

**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	EU Classification	GHS Classification	%
Methylprednisolone Sodium Succinate	2375-03-3	219-156-8	Repr.Cat.1;R61 Xn;R48/22	Repr. 1A (H360D) STOT RE 2 (H373)	67-87

Ingredient	CAS Number	EU EINECS/ELINCS List	EU Classification	GHS Classification	%
Sodium phosphate, monobasic	7558-80-7	231-449-2	Not Listed	Not Listed	*
Sodium phosphate, dibasic	7558-79-4	231-448-7	Not Listed	Not Listed	*
Lactose	63-42-3	200-559-2	Not Listed	Not Listed	*

**Additional Information:**

- \* Proprietary
- 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 R phrases and CLP/GHS abbreviations mentioned in this Section, see Section 16**

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### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### Description of First Aid Measures

<b>Eye Contact:</b>	Flush with water while holding eyelids open for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention immediately.
<b>Skin Contact:</b>	Remove contaminated clothing. Flush area with large amounts of water. Use soap. Seek medical attention.
<b>Ingestion:</b>	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.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Remove to fresh air and keep patient at rest. Seek medical attention immediately.

#### Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Both Acute and Delayed

<b>Symptoms and Effects of Exposure:</b>	For information on potential signs and symptoms of exposure, See Section 2 - Hazards Identification and/or Section 11 - Toxicological Information.
<b>Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure:</b>	None known

#### Indication of the Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment Needed

<b>Notes to Physician:</b>	None
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### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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

#### Special Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture

<b>Hazardous Combustion Products:</b>	Formation of toxic gases is possible during heating or fire.
<b>Fire / Explosion Hazards:</b>	Fine particles (such as dust and mists) may fuel fires/explosions.

#### Advice for Fire-Fighters

During all fire fighting 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

<b>Measures for Cleaning / Collecting:</b>	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.
<b>Additional Consideration for Large Spills:</b>	Non-essential personnel should be evacuated from affected area. Report emergency situations immediately. Clean up operations should only be undertaken by trained personnel.

### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### Precautions for Safe Handling

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Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Avoid breathing dust. 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

#### Methylprednisolone Sodium Succinate

Pfizer OEL TWA-8 Hr: 4 µg/m<sup>3</sup>, Skin

#### Exposure Controls

**Engineering Controls:** Engineering controls should be used as the primary means to control exposures. General 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 Equipment:** Refer to applicable national standards and regulations in the selection and use of personal protective equipment (PPE).

**Hands:** Wear 2 layers of impervious disposable gloves to prevent skin contact.

**Eyes:** Wear safety glasses as minimum protection.

**Skin:** Wear impervious disposable protective clothing to prevent skin contact.

**Respiratory protection:** If the applicable Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL) is exceeded, wear an appropriate respirator with a protection factor sufficient to control exposures to below the OEL.

### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Physical State:</b>	Powder	<b>Color:</b>	White
<b>Odor:</b>	No data available.	<b>Odor Threshold:</b>	No data available.
<b>Molecular Formula:</b>	Mixture	<b>Molecular Weight:</b>	Mixture

<b>Solvent Solubility:</b>	Soluble: Alcohols
<b>Water Solubility:</b>	No data available
<b>Solubility:</b>	Soluble: Water
<b>pH:</b>	No data available.
<b>Melting/Freezing Point (°C):</b>	No data available
<b>Boiling Point (°C):</b>	No data available.

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

**Sodium phosphate, dibasic**

No data available

**Sodium phosphate, monobasic**

No data available

**Lactose**

No data available

**Methylprednisolone Sodium Succinate**

No data available

**Methylprednisolone**

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Decomposition Temperature (°C): No data available.

Evaporation Rate (Gram/s): No data available

Vapor Pressure (kPa): No data available

Vapor Density (g/ml): No data available

Relative Density: No data available

Viscosity: No data available

#### Flammability:

Autoignition Temperature (Solid) (°C): No data available

Flammability (Solids): No data available

Flash Point (Liquid) (°C): No data available

Upper Explosive Limits (Liquid) (% by Vol.): No data available

Lower 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 Products: No data available

### 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

#### Information on Toxicological Effects

**General Information:** The information included in this section describes the potential hazards of various forms of the active ingredients. The remaining information describes the potential hazards of the individual ingredients.

**Short Term:** May cause eye irritation (based on components) . May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.

**Long Term:** Repeat-dose studies in animals have shown a potential to cause adverse effects on blood and blood forming organs.

**Known Clinical Effects:** Adverse clinical reactions include the development of hypersensitivity and/or irritation leading to rashes, itching, and burning. Clinical use has resulted in hormonal alterations. Drugs of this class may cause Cushing's syndrome, manifested by moon face, obesity, headache, acne, thirst, increased urination, impotence, menstrual irregularities, facial hair growth, and mental changes.

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

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Rat Oral LD 50 > 5000 mg/kg

Rat Para-periosteal LD 50 718mg/kg

Mouse Intravenous LD 50 953mg/kg

Rat Intraperitoneal LD 50 512mg/kg

Mouse Intraperitoneal LD 50 902mg/kg

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Rat Oral LD 50 > 2000 mg/kg

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Mouse Oral LD 50 450mg/kg  
Rat Intraperitoneal LD 50 1000mg/kg  
Mouse Intraperitoneal LD 50 1409mg/kg  
Rat Subcutaneous LD 50 >3000mg/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)

##### **Methylprednisolone**

Skin Irritation Rabbit No effect  
Eye Irritation Rabbit No effect  
Skin Sensitization - GPMT Guinea Pig No effect

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

##### **Methylprednisolone**

42 Day(s) Dog Oral 167 µg/kg/day LOAEL Adrenal gland  
6 Week(s) Rat Subcutaneous 500 µg/kg/day LOAEL None identified  
14 Week(s) Rat Subcutaneous 0.4 µg/kg/day NOAEL Blood forming organs, Adrenal gland  
52 Week(s) Rat Subcutaneous 4 µg/kg/day NOAEL Blood forming organs Adrenal gland

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

##### **Methylprednisolone Sodium Succinate**

Reproductive & Fertility Rat Subcutaneous 40 mg/kg/day LOAEL Fetotoxicity  
Embryo / Fetal Development Rat Subcutaneous 40 mg/kg/day LOAEL Teratogenic

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Reproductive & Fertility Rat Subcutaneous 0.004 mg/kg/day NOAEL Paternal toxicity  
Reproductive & Fertility Rat Subcutaneous 0.02 mg/kg/day LOAEL Fetotoxicity  
Embryo / Fetal Development Rat Subcutaneous 1.0 mg/kg/day LOAEL Fetotoxicity, Teratogenic  
Embryo / Fetal Development Mouse Intramuscular 330 mg/kg/day LOAEL Teratogenic  
Embryo / Fetal Development Rabbit Intramuscular 0.1 mg/kg/day LOAEL Teratogenic

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

##### **Methylprednisolone Sodium Succinate**

Direct DNA Interaction Not applicable Negative  
*In Vitro* Cytogenetics Not applicable Negative

##### **Methylprednisolone**

Bacterial Mutagenicity (Ames) *Salmonella* Negative  
Unscheduled DNA Synthesis Rat Hepatocyte Negative  
Mammalian Cell Mutagenicity Chinese Hamster Ovary (CHO) cells Negative  
Direct DNA Interaction Negative

#### Carcinogen Status:

None of the components of this formulation are listed as a carcinogen by IARC, NTP or OSHA.

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### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Environmental Overview:** Environmental properties have not been investigated. Releases to the environment should be avoided.

**Toxicity:** No data available

**Persistence and Degradability:** No data available

**Bio-accumulative Potential:** No data available

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

**Canada - WHMIS: Classifications**

**WHMIS hazard class:**

Class D, Division 2, Subdivision A



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### 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### Sodium phosphate, monobasic

CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting	Not Listed
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	231-449-2

#### Sodium phosphate, dibasic

CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting	Not Listed
CERCLA/SARA Hazardous Substances and their Reportable Quantities:	5000 lb 2270 kg
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	231-448-7

#### Lactose

CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting	Not Listed
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present
REACH - Annex IV - Exemptions from the obligations of Register:	Present
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	200-559-2

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CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting	Not Listed
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
Australia (AICS):	Present
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	219-156-8

### 16. OTHER INFORMATION

#### Text of R phrases and GHS Classification abbreviations mentioned in Section 3

Reproductive toxicity-Cat.1A; H360D - May damage the unborn child  
Specific target organ toxicity, repeated exposure-Cat.2; H373 - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

Toxic to reproduction: Category 1  
Xn - Harmful

R61 - May cause harm to the unborn child.  
R48/22 - Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure if swallowed.

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



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