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

Product Identifier

Material Name: Methylprednisolone Acetate Suspension, USP, Sterile

Trade Name: Depo-Medrol

Chemical Family: Mixture

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

Intended Use: Pharmaceutical product used as anti-inflammatory

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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

EU Classification:

EU Indication of danger: Toxic to reproduction: Category 1

EU Risk Phrases:

R61 - May cause harm to the unborn child.

Label Elements

Signal Word: Danger

Hazard Statements:
H360D - May damage the unborn child
H373 - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure if swallowed

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
P260 - Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
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

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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	%
Benzyl Alcohol	100-51-6	202-859-9	Xn; R20/22	Acute Tox. 4 (H302) Acute Tox. 4 (H332)	<1.0
Methylprednisolone Acetate	53-36-1	200-171-3	T;48/22-R61	Repr. 1A,H360D; STOT RE 2,H373	2-8

Ingredient	CAS Number	EU EINECS/ELINCS List	EU Classification	GHS Classification	%
Polysorbate 80	9005-65-6	Not Listed	Not Listed	Not Listed	*
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	*
Water	7732-18-5	231-791-2	Not Listed	Not Listed	*
Polyethylene glycol	25322-68-3	Not Listed	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

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.

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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.

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 Exposure: For information on potential signs and symptoms of exposure, See Section 2 - Hazards Identification and/or Section 11 - Toxicological Information.

Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure: None known

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 Products: May include oxides of carbon.

Fire / Explosion Hazards: 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

Measures for Cleaning / Collecting: Contain the source of spill if it is safe to do so. Collect spill with absorbent material. Clean spill area thoroughly.

Additional Consideration for Large Spills: 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

Avoid breathing vapor or mist. 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): No data available

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8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Control Parameters

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

Benzyl Alcohol

Bulgaria OEL - TWA	5.0 mg/m ³
Czech Republic OEL - TWA	40 mg/m ³
Finland OEL - TWA	10 ppm
	45 mg/m ³
Latvia OEL - TWA	5 mg/m ³
Lithuania OEL - TWA	5 mg/m ³
Poland OEL - TWA	240 mg/m ³

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Pfizer OEL TWA-8 Hr: 4µg/m³, Skin

Polyethylene glycol

Austria OEL - MAKs	1000 mg/m ³
Germany - TRGS 900 - TWAs	1000 mg/m ³
Germany (DFG) - MAK	1000 mg/m ³ average molecular weight 200-600
Slovakia OEL - TWA	1000 mg/m ³
Slovenia OEL - TWA	1000 mg/m ³
Switzerland OEL - TWAs	1000 ppm

Analytical Method:

Analytical method available for methylprednisolone. Contact Pfizer Inc for further information.

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:

Impervious gloves are recommended if skin contact with drug product is possible and for bulk processing operations.

Eyes:

Wear safety glasses or goggles if eye contact is possible.

Skin:

Impervious protective clothing is recommended if skin contact with drug product is possible and for bulk processing operations.

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

Physical State:

Suspension

Color:

White

Odor:

No data available.

Odor Threshold:

No data available.

Molecular Formula:

Mixture

Molecular Weight:

Mixture

Solvent Solubility:

No data available

Water Solubility:

No data available

pH:

No data available.

Melting/Freezing Point (°C):

No data available

Boiling Point (°C):

No data available.

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

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No data available

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Predicted 7.4 Log D 1.99

Water

No data available

Polyethylene glycol

No data available

Polysorbate 80

No data available

Sodium phosphate, dibasic

No data available

Sodium phosphate, monobasic

No data available

Benzyl Alcohol

No data available

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

Polymerization: Will not occur

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 the individual ingredients. The information included in this section describes the potential hazards of various forms of the active ingredient.

Short Term: May be harmful if absorbed through the skin. Not acutely toxic (based on animal data) . Accidental ingestion may cause effects similar to those seen in clinical use. May produce allergic reactions following skin contact.

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Long Term: Animal studies have shown a potential to cause adverse effects on the fetus. 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. Clinical use has resulted in changes in electrolytes and/or blood chemistry changes.

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

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Rat Oral LD50 >10,000 mg/kg
Mouse Sub-tenon injection (eye) LD50 >1,409mg/kg
Rat Subcutaneous LD50 265mg/kg

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Rat Oral LD 50 > 2000 mg/kg
Mouse Oral LD 50 450mg/kg
Rat Intraperitoneal LD 50 1000mg/kg
Mouse Intraperitoneal LD 50 1409mg/kg
Rat Subcutaneous LD 50 >3000mg/kg

Polysorbate 80

Rat Intravenous LD 50 1790 mg/kg
Mouse Oral LD 50 25g/kg

Benzyl Alcohol

Rat Oral LD50 1230 mg/kg
Rat Para-periosteal LD50 53mg/kg

Rat Inhalation LC50 >4.178mg/L

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 Acetate

Eye Irritation Rabbit No effect
Skin Irritation Rabbit No effect

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

Polyethylene glycol

Eye Irritation Rabbit Mild
Skin Irritation Rabbit Mild

Benzyl Alcohol

Eye Irritation Rabbit Severe
Skin Irritation Rabbit Moderate
Skin Irritation Guinea Pig Moderate

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

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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

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)

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Direct DNA Interaction	Not applicable	Negative
<i>In Vitro</i> Cytogenetics	Not applicable	Negative

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Bacterial Mutagenicity (Ames)	<i>Salmonella</i>	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.

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)

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Predicted 7.4 Log D 1.99

Mobility in Soil: No data available

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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



Benzyl Alcohol

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	202-859-9

Polysorbate 80

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	Not Listed

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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

Water

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	231-791-2

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CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting	Not Listed
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
Australia (AICS):	Present
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	200-171-3

Polyethylene glycol

CERCLA/SARA 313 Emission reporting	Not Listed
California Proposition 65	Not Listed
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present
Standard for the Uniform Scheduling for Drugs and Poisons:	Schedule 3
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	Not Listed

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 if swallowed

Acute toxicity, oral-Cat.4; H302 - Harmful if swallowed

Acute toxicity, inhalation-Cat.4; H332 - Harmful if inhaled

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R61 - May cause harm to the unborn child.

R20/22 - Harmful by inhalation and if swallowed.

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

Data Sources: Pfizer proprietary drug development information. Publicly available toxicity information.

Reasons for Revision: Updated Section 2 - Hazard Identification. Updated Section 3 - Composition / Information on Ingredients. Updated Section 11 - Toxicology Information.

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Product Stewardship Hazard Communication

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