

**THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN ONTARIO  
BIOLOGICAL AGENTS REGISTRY FORM**  
Approved Biohazards Subcommittee: October 14, 2010  
Biosafety Website: [www.uwo.ca/humanresources/biosafety/](http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/biosafety/)

This form must be completed by each Principal Investigator holding a grant administered by the University of Western Ontario (UWO) or in charge of a laboratory/facility where the use of Level 1, 2 or 3 biological agents is described in the laboratory or animal work proposed. The form must also be completed if any work is proposed involving animals carrying zoonotic agents infectious to humans or involving plants, fungi, or insects that require Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) or Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) permits.

This form must be updated at least every 3 years or when there are changes to the biological agents being used.

Containment Levels will be established in accordance with Laboratory Biosafety Guidelines, 3rd edition, 2004, Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) or Containment Standards for Veterinary Facilities, 1<sup>st</sup> edition 1996, Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA).

Completed forms are to be returned to Occupational Health and Safety, (OHS), (Support Services Building, Room 4190) for distribution to the Biohazards Subcommittee. For questions regarding this form, please contact the Biosafety Officer at extension 81135 or [biosafety@uwo.ca](mailto:biosafety@uwo.ca). If there are changes to the information on this form (excluding grant title and funding agencies), contact Occupational Health and Safety for a modification form. See website: [www.uwo.ca/humanresources/biosafety/](http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/biosafety/)

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Location of experimental work to be carried out: Building(s) B & G, WSC Room(s) 3051, 339

\*For work being performed at Institutions affiliated with the University of Western Ontario, the Safety Officer for the Institution where experiments will take place must sign the form prior to its being sent to the University of Western Ontario Biosafety Officer (See Section 15.0, Approvals).

FUNDING AGENCY/AGENCIES: GENOME CANADA  
 GRANT TITLE(S): GENOMICS IN AGRICULTURAL PEST  
MANAGEMENT - GAP-M

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**Please explain the biological agents and/or biohazardous substances used and how they will be stored, used and disposed of. Projects without this description will not be reviewed.**

DM5# used for transformation, stored at -80°C,  
use with gloves and AUTOCLAVE prior to disposal  
with proper label.

Please include a one page research summary or teaching protocol.

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## SCIENTIFIC SUMMARY

Application of chemical pesticides in agriculture represents one of the major costs of agricultural production and is a key source of environmental pollution and destruction of wildlife. The current need for novel methods of pest control coincides with unprecedented advances in genomic analyses of crop plants that open novel avenues for biotechnology. In contrast, genomic resources for pest species, necessary for the development of new control strategies, are lagging behind. Thus, the current gap in knowledge about pest genetics, genomic and plant-pest interactions is a major obstacle for the development of alternative pest control strategies.

This research builds on a novel pest genomic resource, the whole-genome sequence of a major agricultural pest, the two-spotted spider mite (*Tetranychus urticae*). The lead investigator in the ongoing sequencing effort of the pest genome is Canadian PI, Prof. Miodrag Grbic. The genome-sequencing project is funded by the US Department of Energy and is generating one of the first genome sequences of a pest herbivore, providing a unique resource for the development of novel pest control strategies. That is utilizes genome sequence data to create tools and technologies for new pest control strategies. Once tools are developed, they will allow us for the first time, to analyse both plant and pest genome-wide responses that result from herbivory. Based on these findings, we will develop and test novel pest control strategies.

*T.urticae* is one of major pest in agriculture. It feeds on over 1000 plant species and has rapid development (generation time of 7 days in a hot season).It represents a key pest for greenhouse crops, annual field crops and many horticultural crops. The use of chemical pesticides is the predominant method of controlling spider mites. However, due to their short generation time and high reproduction rate, spider mites have developed resistance to the major pesticide groups, presenting a major challenge to control them. Currently, there are no cultivars resistant to spider mites.

The focus of our work is to enhance knowledge on plant-pest interaction using novel high throughput genomic resources. This project will generate data, novel tools, resources and technologies for the sustainable pest control. Toward that goal, we have created a multidisciplinary group that combines genomic, bio informatics, genetics, biochemistry, population biology, plant biotechnology and plant breeding.

Specific objectives of our work are to:

1. Annotate the genome of the *T. Urticae* and develop a spider mite whole genome expression microarray
2. Analyze natural variation of plant resistance to spider mites using high-throughput genomic technologies
3. Perform pest transcriptome profiling to characterize the consequences of feeding on resistant and susceptible plants
4. Create RNAi-expressing pest-resistant transgenic plants targeting various pest genes
5. Test the efficiency of the RNAi-expressing transgenic plants on pests and side effects on non-target organisms
6. Develop best practises for Intellectual Property and Material Transfer Agreement managements, in a context of a genomic approach to pest control.

## 1.0 Microorganisms

1.1 Does your work involve the use of biological agents?  YES  NO  
 (non-pathogenic and pathogenic biological agents including but not limited to bacteria and other microorganisms, viruses, prions, parasites or pathogens of plant or animal origin)? If no, please proceed to Section 2.0

Do you use microorganisms that require a permit from the CFIA?  YES  NO  
 If YES, please give the name of the species. \_\_\_\_\_  
 What is the origin of the microorganism(s)? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Please describe the risk (if any) of escape and how this will be mitigated:

Please attach the CFIA permit.  
 Please describe any CFIA permit conditions:

E. coli DH5 $\alpha$

	human pathogen? YES/NO	to be an animal pathogen? YES/NO	Is it known to be a zoonotic agent? YES/NO	Maximum quantity to be cultured at one time? (in Litres)	Source/Supplier	PHAC or CFIA Containment Level
DH5 $\alpha$	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	0.0001 L	Institutogen	<input checked="" type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 2+ <input type="radio"/> 3
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	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No			<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 2+ <input type="radio"/> 3
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\*Please attach a Material Safety Data Sheet or equivalent from the supplier.

## 2.0 Cell Culture

2.1 Does your work involve the use of cell cultures?  YES  NO  
 If no, please proceed to Section 3.0

2.2 Please indicate the type of primary cells (i.e. derived from fresh tissue) that will be grown in culture:

Cell Type	Is this cell type used in your work?	Source of Primary Cell Culture Tissue	AUS Protocol Number
Human	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		Not applicable
Rodent	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Non-human primate	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Other (specify)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		

2.3 Please indicate the type of established cells that will be grown in culture in:

Cell Type	Is this cell type used in your work?	Specific cell line(s)*	Supplier / Source
Human	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Rodent	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Non-human primate	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		
Other (specify)	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No		

\*Please attach a Material Safety Data Sheet or equivalent from the supplier. (For more information, see www.atcc.org)

2.4 For above named cell type(s) indicate PHAC or CFIA containment level required  1  2  2+  3

### 3.0 Use of Human Source Materials

3.1 Does your work involve the use of human source materials?  YES  NO  
 If no, please proceed to Section 4.0

3.2 Indicate in the table below the Human Source Material to be used.

Human Source Material	Source/Supplier /Company Name	Is Human Source Material Infected With An Infectious Agent? YES/NO	Name of Infectious Agent (If applicable)	PHAC or CFIA Containment Level (Select one)
Human Blood (whole) or other Body Fluid		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> Unknown		<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 2+ <input type="radio"/> 3
Human Blood (fraction) or other Body Fluid		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> Unknown		<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 2+ <input type="radio"/> 3
Human Organs or Tissues (unpreserved)		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> Unknown		<input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 2+ <input type="radio"/> 3
Human Organs or Tissues (preserved)		Not Applicable		Not Applicable

### 4.0 Genetically Modified Organisms and Cell lines

4.1 Will genetic modifications be made to the microorganisms, biological agents, or cells described in Sections 1.0 and 2.0?  YES  NO If no, please proceed to Section 5.0

4.2 Will genetic modification(s) involving plasmids be done?  YES, complete table below  NO

Bacteria Used for Cloning *	Plasmid(s) **	Source of Plasmid	Gene Transfected	Describe the change that results from transformation or tranfection
DH5 $\alpha$	pGEM-T	Promega	fibroin gene	antibiotic resistance Amp

\* Please attach a Material Data Sheet or equivalent if available.

\*\* Please attach a plasmid map.

4.3 Will genetic modification(s) of bacteria and/or cells involving viral vectors be made?

YES, complete table below  NO

Virus Used for Vector Construction	Vector(s) *	Source of Vector	Gene(s) Transduced	Describe the change that results from transduction

\* Please attach a Material Safety Data Sheet or equivalent.

4.4 Will genetic sequences from the following be involved?

- ◆ HIV  YES, please specify \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ HTLV 1 or 2 or genes from any Level 1 or Level 2 pathogens  YES, specify \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ SV 40 Large T antigen  YES  NO
- ◆ E1A oncogene  YES  NO
- ◆ Known oncogenes  YES, please specify \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ Other human or animal pathogen and or their toxins  YES, please specify \_\_\_\_\_  NO

4.5 Will virus be replication defective?  YES  NO

4.6 Will virus be infectious to humans or animals?  YES  NO

4.7 Will this be expected to increase the containment level required?  YES  NO

## 5.0 Human Gene Therapy Trials

5.1 Will human clinical trials be conducted involving a biological agent?  YES  NO  
(including but not limited to microorganisms, viruses, prions, parasites or pathogens of plant or animal origin)  
If no, please proceed to Section 6.0

5.2 If YES, please specify which biological agent will be used: \_\_\_\_\_  
Please attach a full description of the biological agent.

5.2 Will the biological agent be able to replicate in the host?  YES  NO

5.3 How will the biological agent be administered? \_\_\_\_\_

5.4 Please give the Health Care Facility where the clinical trial will be conducted: \_\_\_\_\_

5.5 Has human ethics approval been obtained?  YES, number: \_\_\_\_\_  NO  PENDING

## 6.0 Animal Experiments

6.1 Will live animals be used?  YES  NO If no, please proceed to section 7.0

6.2 Name of animal species to be used \_\_\_\_\_

6.3 AUS protocol # \_\_\_\_\_

6.4 Will any of the agents listed in section 4.0 be used in live animals  YES, specify: \_\_\_\_\_  NO

6.5 Will the agent(s) be shed by the animal:  YES  NO, please justify:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## 7.0 Use of Animal species with Zoonotic Hazards

7.1 Will any animals with zoonotic hazards or their organs, tissues, lavages or other body fluids including blood be used (see list below)?  YES  No If no, please proceed to section 8.0

7.2 Will live animals be used?  YES  No

7.3 If yes, please specify the animal(s) used:

- ◆ Pound source dogs  YES  NO
- ◆ Pound source cats  YES  NO
- ◆ Cattle, sheep or goats  YES, please specify species \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ Non-human primates  YES, please specify species \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ Wild caught animals  YES, please specify species & colony # \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ Birds  YES, please specify species \_\_\_\_\_  NO
- ◆ Others (wild or domestic)  YES, please specify \_\_\_\_\_  NO

7.4 If no live animals are used, please specify the source of the specimens:  
\_\_\_\_\_

## 8.0 Biological Toxins

8.1 Will toxins of biological origin be used?  YES  NO If no, please proceed to Section 9.0

8.2 If YES, please name the toxin(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
Please attach information, such as a Material Safety Data Sheet, for the toxin(s) used.

8.3 What is the LD<sub>50</sub> (specify species) of the toxin \_\_\_\_\_

8.4 How much of the toxin is handled at one time\*? \_\_\_\_\_

8.5 How much of the toxin is stored\*? \_\_\_\_\_

8.6 Will any biological toxins be used in live animals?  YES, Please provide details: \_\_\_\_\_  NO

\*For information on biosecurity requirements, please see:

[http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/docandform/docs/healthandsafety/biosafety/Biosecurity\\_Requirements.pdf](http://www.uwo.ca/humanresources/docandform/docs/healthandsafety/biosafety/Biosecurity_Requirements.pdf)

## 9.0 Insects

9.1 Do you use insects?  YES  NO If no, please proceed to Section 10.0

9.2 If YES, please give the name of the species. SPIDER MITE

9.3 What is the origin of the insect? LOCAL

9.4 What is the life stage of the insect? ALL STAGES

9.5 What is your intention?  Initiate and maintain colony, give location: BIOTRON  
 "One-time" use, give location: \_\_\_\_\_

9.6 Please describe the risk (if any) of escape and how this will be mitigated:

NO RISK  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**10.0 Plants**

- 10.1 Do you use plants?  YES       NO      If no, please proceed to Section 11.0
- 10.2 If YES, please give the name of the species. bean, tomato, arabidopsis
- 10.3 What is the origin of the plant? Stokes, TGRC, ABRC
- 10.4 What is the form of the plant (seed, seedling, plant, tree...)? seed, plant
- 10.5 What is your intention?       Grow and maintain a crop       "One-time" use
- 10.6 Do you do any modifications to the plant?  YES       NO  
If yes, please describe: Transgenic
- 10.7 Please describe the risk (if any) of loss of the material from the lab and how this will be mitigated:  
No risk, plants are autoclaved
- 10.8 Is the CFIA permit attached?       YES       NO  
If YES, Please attach the CFIA permit & describe any CFIA permit conditions:

**11.0 Import Requirements**

- 11.1 Will any of the above agents be imported?       YES, please give country of origin \_\_\_\_\_       NO  
If no, please proceed to Section 12.0
- 11.2 Has an Import Permit been obtained from HC for human pathogens?       YES       NO
- 11.3 Has an import permit been obtained from CFIA for animal or plant pathogens?       YES       NO
- 11.4 Has the import permit been sent to OHS?       YES, please provide permit # \_\_\_\_\_       NO

**12.0 Training Requirements for Personnel Named on Form**

All personnel named on the above form who will be using any of the above named agents are required to attend the following training courses given by OHS:

- ◆ Biosafety
- ◆ Laboratory and Environmental/Waste Management Safety
- ◆ WHMIS (Western or equivalent)
- ◆ Employee Health and Safety Orientation

As the Principal Investigator, I have ensured that all of the personnel named on the form who will be using any of the biological agents in Sections 1.0 to 9.0 have been trained.

SIGNATURE M. G. [Signature]

**13.0 Containment Levels**

13.1 For the work described in sections 1.0 to 9.0, please indicate the highest HC or CFIA Containment Level required.  1  2  2+  3

13.2 Has the facility been certified by OHS for this level of containment?  
 YES, permit # if on-campus BIO-UWO-0036  
 NO, please certify  
 NOT REQUIRED for Level 1 containment

**14.0 Procedures to be Followed**

14.1 As the Principal Investigator, I will ensure that this project will follow the Western Biosafety Guidelines and Procedures Manual for Containment Level 1 & 2 Laboratories (and the Level 3 Facilities Manual for Level 3 projects). I will ensure that UWO faculty, staff and students working in my laboratory have an up-to-date Hazard Communication Form, found at <http://www.wph.uwo.ca/>

SIGNATURE *M. Jelic* Date: 19/01/11

14.2 Please describe additional risk reduction measures will be taken beyond containment level 1, 2, 2+ or 3 measures, that are unique to this agent.  
N/A  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

14.3 Please outline what will be done if there is an exposure to the biological agents listed, such as a needlestick injury:  
No action necessary  
\_\_\_\_\_

**15.0 Approvals**

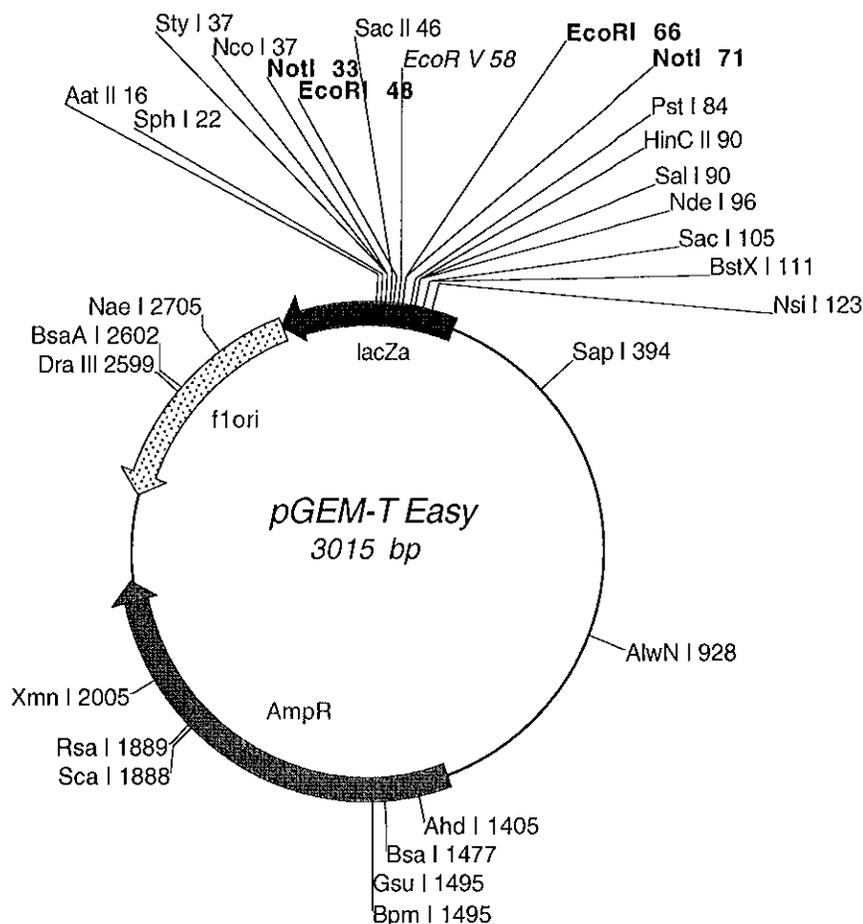
1) UWO Biohazards Subcommittee: SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Safety Officer for the University of Western Ontario  
SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

3) Safety Officer for Institution where experiments will take place (if not UWO):  
SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date (3 years from Approval): \_\_\_\_\_

Special Conditions of Approval:



**Plasmid name:** pGEM-T Easy  
**Plasmid size:** 3015 bp  
**Constructed by:** Promega Corporation, Madison, WI.  
**Construction date:**  
**Comments:** T7 RNA Polymerase transcription initiation site 1  
 SP6 RNA Polymerase transcription initiation site 141  
 T7 RNA Polymerase promoter (-17 to +3) 2999-3  
 SP6 RNA Polymerase promoter (-17 to +3) 139-158  
 multiple cloning region 10-128  
 lacZ start codon 180  
 lac operon sequences 2836-2996, 166-395  
 lac operator 200-216  
 beta-lactamase coding region 1337-2197  
 phage f1 region 2380-2835  
 binding site of pUC/M13 Forward Sequencing Primer 2956-2972  
 binding site of pUC/M13 Reverse Sequencing Primer 176-192

The pGEM(R)-T Easy Vector has been linearized with EcoRV at Base 60 of this sequence (indicated by an asterisk \*) and a T added to both 3' -ends.

**1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY INFORMATION**

INVITROGEN CORPORATION  
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 CARLSEAD, CA 92008  
 760/603-7200

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 2270 INDUSTRIAL ST.  
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 CANADA L7P 1A1  
 905/335-2255

EMERGENCY NUMBER (SPILLS, EXPOSURES): 301/431-8585 (24 HOUR)  
 800/451-8346 (24 HOUR)  
 NON-EMERGENCY INFORMATION: 800/955-6288

Product Name:  
 ME DH5a T1 COMPETENT CELLS

NOTE: If this product is a kit or is supplied with more than one material, please refer to the MSDS for each component for hazard information.

Product Use:  
 These products are for laboratory research use only and are not intended for human or animal diagnostics, therapeutic, or other clinical uses.

Synonyms:  
 Not available.

**2. COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

The following list shows components of this product classified as hazardous based on physical properties and health effects:

Component	CAS No.	Percent
DIMETHYL SULFOXIDE	67-68-5	3 - 7
GLYCEROL	56-81-5	7 - 13

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**3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

\*\*\*\*\* EMERGENCY OVERVIEW \*\*\*\*\*  
 Warning!  
 Irritant.  
 Harmful if absorbed.  
 \*\*\*\*\*

Potential Health Effects:

Eye:  
 Can cause moderate irritation, tearing and reddening, but not likely to permanently injure eye tissue.

Skin:  
 Can cause moderate skin irritation, defatting, and dermatitis. Not likely to cause permanent damage.  
 Upon prolonged or repeated exposure, harmful if absorbed through the skin.  
 May cause minor systemic damage.

Inhalation:

Can cause moderate respiratory irritation, dizziness, weakness, fatigue, nausea and headache.  
 No toxicity expected from inhalation.

Ingestion:

Irritating to mouth, throat, and stomach. Can cause abdominal discomfort, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea.

Chronic:

No data on cancer.

**4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

Eye:

Flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 20 minutes retracting eyelids often. Tilt the head to prevent chemical from transferring to the uncontaminated eye. Get immediate medical attention.

Skin:

Wash with soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation develops or persists.

Inhalation:

Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, have a trained individual administer oxygen. If not breathing, give artificial respiration and have a trained individual administer oxygen. Get medical attention immediately.

Ingestion:

Do not induce vomiting and seek medical attention immediately. Drink two

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#### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES (CONT.)

glasses of water or milk to dilute. Provide medical care provider with this MSDS.

Note To Physician:  
Treat symptomatically.

#### 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Flashpoint Deg C: Not available.  
Upper Flammable Limit %: Not available.  
Lower Flammable Limit %: Not available.  
Autoignition Temperature Deg C: Not available.

#### Extinguishing Media:

Use alcohol resistant foam, carbon dioxide, dry chemical, or water spray when fighting fires. Water or foam may cause frothing if liquid is burning but it still may be a useful extinguishing agent if carefully applied to the fire. Do not direct a water stream directly into the hot burning liquid. Use water spray/fog for cooling.

#### Firefighting Techniques/Equipment:

Do not enter fire area without proper protection including self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective equipment. Fight fire from a safe distance and a protected location due to the potential of hazardous vapors and decomposition products.

#### Hazardous Combustion Products:

Includes carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, dense smoke.

#### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Accidental releases may be subject to special reporting requirements and other regulatory mandates. Refer to Section 8 for personal protection equipment recommendations.

#### Spill Cleanup:

Exposure to the spilled material may be irritating or harmful. Follow personal protective equipment recommendations found in Section VIII of this MSDS. Additional precautions may be necessary based on special circumstances created by the spill including: the material spilled, the quantity of the spill, the area in which the spill occurred. Also consider

**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES (CONT.)**

the expertise of employees in the area responding to the spill. Ventilate the contaminated area. Prevent the spread of any spill to minimize harm to human health and the environment if safe to do so. Wear complete and proper personal protective equipment following the recommendation of Section VIII at a minimum. Dike with suitable absorbent material like granulated clay. Gather and store in a sealed container pending a waste disposal evaluation.

**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Storage of some materials is regulated by federal, state, and/or local laws.

Storage Pressure:  
 Ambient

**Handling Procedures:**

Harmful or irritating material. Avoid contacting and avoid breathing the material. Use only in a well ventilated area. Keep closed or covered when not in use.

**Storage Procedures:**

Store in a cool dry ventilated location. Isolate from incompatible materials and conditions. Keep container(s) closed. Suitable for most general chemical storage areas.

**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**Exposure Limits:**

Component	OSHA PEL	AGCIH TWA
DIMETHYL SULFOXIDE	(ppm)	(ppm)
GLYCEROL	Not established.	Not established.
	15	10 MG/M3

**Engineering Controls:**

Local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls are normally required when handling or using this product to avoid overexposure.

**Personal Protective Equipment:**

**Eye:**

An eye wash station must be available where this product is used. Wear chemically resistant safety glasses with side shields when handling this product. Wear additional eye protection such as chemical splash goggles and/or face shield when the possibility exists for eye contact with splashing or spraying liquid, or airborne material. Do not wear contact lenses. Have an eye wash station available.

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**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION (CONT.)**

Skin:  
 Avoid skin contact by wearing chemically resistant gloves, an apron and other protective equipment depending upon conditions of use. Inspect gloves for chemical break-through and replace at regular intervals. Clean protective equipment regularly. Wash hands and other exposed areas with mild soap and water before eating, drinking, and when leaving work. Have a safety shower available.

Respiratory:  
 Use supplied-air respiratory equipment as required.  
 NIOSH approved air purifying respirator with dust/mist filter.

**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Appearance/physical state: Slightly viscous liquid. White or translucent.  
 Odor: Like or similar to garlic.  
 Boiling Point (C): 217.4 102.99  
 Melting Point (C): 27.86 -2.3  
 Solubility in water: Not established.  
 pH: Not established.  
 Vapor Pressure: 23.5 @ 25C  
 Vapor Density: 0.62  
 Specific Gravity/Density: 1.233 @ 20C  
 Octanol/water Partition Coeff: Not established.  
 Volatiles: 7.55 @ 25C  
 Evaporation Rate: 0.99  
 Viscosity: Not established.

**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Stability:  
 Stable under normal conditions.

Conditions to Avoid:  
 Strong oxidizing agents. Temperatures above the high flash point of this combustible material in combination with sparks, open flames, or other sources of ignition. Strong alkalis. Temperatures above flash point in combination with sparks, open flames, or other sources of ignition.

Hazardous Decomposition Products:  
 Carbon monoxide. Carbon dioxide. Sulfur containing gases.

Hazardous Polymerization:  
 Hazardous polymerization will not occur.

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Acute Toxicity:

Dermal/Skin:  
DIMETHYL SULFOXIDE: 40 GM/KGInhalation/Respiratory:  
Not determined.Oral/Ingestion:  
DIMETHYL SULFOXIDE: 14,500 MG/KG  
Glycerol: 12600 MG/KG

Target Organs: Blood. Eyes. Skin. Kidneys.

Carcinogenicity:

NTP:  
Not tested.IARC:  
Not listed.OSHA:  
Not regulated.

Other Toxicological Information

12. Ecological Information

Ecotoxicological Information: No ecological information available.

Environmental Fate (Degradation, Transformation, and Persistence):  
Bioconcentration is not expected to occur.  
Biodegrades quickly.13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONSRegulatory Information:  
Not applicable.Disposal Method:  
Clean up and dispose of waste in accordance with all federal, state, and  
local environmental regulations.  
Dispose of by incineration following Federal, State, Local, or Provincial  
regulations.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Proper Shipping Name: Not listed in Title 49 of the U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Section 171.8 as a hazardous material. dimethylsulfoxide solution

Hazard Class:  
 Subsidiary Hazards:  
 ID Number:  
 Packing Group:

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

UNITED STATES:

TSCA:  
 This product is solely for research and development purposes only and may not be used, processed or distributed for a commercial purpose. It may only be handled by technically qualified individuals.

Prop 65 Listed Chemicals: PROP 65 PERCENT  
 No Prop 65 Chemicals.

No 313 Chemicals

CANADA:

DSL/NDSL:  
 Not determined.

COMPONENT WHMIS Classification  
 DIMETHYL SULFOXIDE D2B  
 GLYCEROL D2B

EUROPEAN UNION:

PRODUCT RISK PHRASES: None assigned.

PRODUCT SAFETY PHRASES: None assigned.

PRODUCT CLASSIFICATION: None; Aacun; Geen; Keine; Nessuno; Ninguno/a

Component EINECS  
 DIMETHYL SULFOXIDE Number  
 GLYCEROL 200-664-3  
 200-289-5

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

HMIS Rating 0-4:  
 FIRE: Not determined.  
 HEALTH: Not determined.  
 REACTIVITY: Not determined.

Abbreviations

- N/A - Data is not applicable or not available
- SARA - Superfund and Reauthorization Act
- HMIS - Hazard Material Information System
- WHMIS - Workplace Hazard Materials Information System
- NTP - National Toxicology Program
- OSHA - Occupational Health and Safety Administration
- IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer
- PROP 65 - California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986
- EINECS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

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