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1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Name	Xylene Substitute		
Product Code	MER 3310		
Recommended Use	Histology clearing agent, replacement for Xylenes. For laboratory use only.		
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Emergency Telephone	Call CHEMTREC 1-800-424-9300 (EKI CCN 7453)		

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification

OSHA Regulatory Status

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Acute toxicity - Inhalation (Vapors)	Category 4
Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 3
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2B
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Aspiration toxicity	Category 1
Flammable liquids	Category 4

Label elements

Signal word

Danger

Hazard statements

Harmful if inhaled. Causes mild skin irritation. Causes eye irritation. May cause respiratory irritation. May cause drowsiness or dizziness. May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.
Combustible liquid.



Precautionary Statements - Prevention

Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling. Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. — No smoking. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Keep cool.

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

IF ON SKIN: If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. Do NOT induce vomiting.

In case of fire: Use CO₂, dry chemical, or foam for extinction.

Precautionary Statements - Storage

Store locked up. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

Precautionary Statements - Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Chemical Name	CAS No.	Weight-%
Trade Secret	Proprietary	40-80
Trade Secret	Proprietary	20-40
Trade Secret	Proprietary	20-60

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of first aid measures

Eye contact	Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, separating eyelids occasionally. Remove contact lenses if present. Get immediate medical attention.
Skin contact	Wash thoroughly with soap and water while removing contaminated garments. Get medical attention if irritation develops.
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get immediate medical attention.
Ingestion	ASPIRATION HAZARD IF SWALLOWED - CAN ENTER LUNGS AND CAUSE DAMAGE. If vomiting occurs, have person lean forward. Clean mouth with water. Immediate medical attention is required.

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms	May cause CNS depression, dizziness, nausea, vomiting.
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5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media

CO₂, dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam Water spray (fog)

Specific hazards arising from the chemical

No information available.

Hazardous combustion products

Carbon monoxide. Carbon dioxide (CO₂).

Protective equipment and precautions for firefighters

Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in pressure-demand or other positive pressure mode.

NFPA **Health hazards** 1 **Flammability** 2 **Instability** 0 **Physical and Chemical Properties** -

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions Remove all sources of ignition. Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

Environmental precautions Do not allow into any sewer, on the ground or into any body of water.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

Methods for cleaning up Absorb spill with inert material, scoop up and containerize for disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Use personal protective equipment as required

Storage Conditions Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

Incompatible materials None known based on information supplied.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Occupational exposure limits This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

Appropriate engineering controls

Engineering Controls Emergency showers, eyewash stations, ventilation systems.

Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection Tight sealing safety goggles.

Skin and body protection Wear protective gloves and protective clothing.

Respiratory protection If exposure limits are exceeded or irritation is experienced, NIOSH/MSHA approved respiratory protection should be worn. Positive-pressure supplied air respirators may be required for high airborne contaminant concentrations. Respiratory protection must be provided in accordance with current local regulations.

General Hygiene Considerations Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state Liquid

Appearance Colorless

Odor Mild, hydrocarbon

Odor threshold No information available

pH No information available

Melting point / freezing point -49 C

Boiling point / boiling range 178 C - 198 C

Flash point	66 C
Evaporation rate	1
Flammability (solid, gas)	No information available
Flammability Limit in Air	
Upper flammability limit:	0.8%
Lower flammability limit:	6%
Vapor pressure	~1.00 mm Hg
Vapor density	3 (Air = 1.0)
Relative density	0.79
Water solubility	No information available
Solubility in other solvents	No information available
Partition coefficient	No information available
Autoignition temperature	336 C
Decomposition temperature	No information available
Kinematic viscosity	1.12 cSt

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability	Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.
Conditions to avoid	Extremes of temperature and direct sunlight.
Incompatible materials	None known based on information supplied.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	None known based on information supplied.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on likely routes of exposure

Inhalation	No data available.
Eye contact	No data available.
Skin contact	No data available.
Ingestion	No data available.

Chemical Name	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
Trade Secret	> 5000 mg/kg (Rat)	> 2000 mg/kg (Rabbit)	> 5.2 mg/L (Rat) 4 h

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Sensitization	No information available.
Germ cell mutagenicity	No information available.
Carcinogenicity	This chemical does not contain any carcinogens or potential carcinogens as listed by ACGIH, OSHA, IARC or NTP

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Chemical Name	Algae/aquatic plants	Fish	Crustacea
Trade Secret	4700: 72 h Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata mg/L EC50	-	-

Trade Secret	-	2.2: 96 h Lepomis macrochirus mg/L LC50 static 2.4: 96 h Oncorhynchus mykiss mg/L LC50 static 45: 96 h Pimephales promelas mg/L LC50 flow-through	4720: 96 h Den-dronereides heteropoda mg/L LC50
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Persistence and degradability

No information available.

Bioaccumulation

No information available.

Other adverse effects

No information available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods

Disposal of wastes

Disposal should be in accordance with applicable regional, national and local laws and regulations.

Contaminated packaging

Do not reuse container. Emptied containers may contain residue. Continue to follow label warnings after container is emptied.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Transportation information is provided as a general reference only and may not be applicable in all situations. This information applies to non-bulk shipments only. Per 49 CFR §173.22, it is the shipper's responsibility to ensure that all materials are properly packaged, classified and labeled prior to shipment.

DOT

Not regulated

IATA

Not regulated

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

US Federal Regulations

SARA 313

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product does not contain any chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372

SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories

Acute health hazard	No
Chronic Health Hazard	No
Fire hazard	No
Sudden release of pressure hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	No

CWA (Clean Water Act)

This product does not contain any substances regulated as pollutants pursuant to the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 122.21 and 40 CFR 122.42)

CERCLA

This material, as supplied, does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and

Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355). There may be specific reporting requirements at the local, regional, or state level pertaining to releases of this material

US State Regulations

California Proposition 65

This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations

This chemical does not contain any substances regulated by state right-to-know regulations

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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