MRS Agar

Safety Data Sheet

according to the REACH Regulation (EC) 1907/2006 amended by Regulation (EU) 2020/878
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SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1. Product identifier

Product form	:	Mixture
Trade name	:	MRS Agar
Product code	:	NCM0190
Type of product	:	Food Safety -- [Food Safety]
Part Number(s)	:	700004601|NCM0190A|700004602|NCM0190B|700004603|NCM0190C|700004604|NCM0190D|NCM0190|400002119

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Relevant identified uses

Use of the substance/mixture	:	DCM Agar Laboratory chemicals Scientific research and development

1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Manufacturer
Neogen Corporation
620 Lesher Place
48912 Lansing, Michigan
United States of America
T 800.234.5333
sds@neogen.com, https://www.neogen.com/

1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number	:	24 hours: Medical: 1-800-498-5743 (U.S. and Canada) or 1-651-523-0318 (international) Spill/CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300 (U.S. and Canada) or 1-703-527-3887 (international)

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]

Not classified

Adverse physicochemical, human health and environmental effects

To our knowledge, this product does not present any particular risk, provided it is handled in accordance with good occupational hygiene and safety practice.

2.2. Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]

EUH-statements	:	EUH210 - Safety data sheet available on request.

2.3. Other hazards

Contains no PBT and/or vPvB substances ≥ 0.1% assessed in accordance with REACH Annex XIII

Component	
Substance(s) not meeting the PBT criteria of REACH regulation, in accordance with Annex XIII	Sodium acetate (127-09-3), Citric acid (5949-29-1)
Substance(s) not meeting the vPvB criteria of REACH regulation, in accordance with Annex XIII	Sodium acetate (127-09-3), Citric acid (5949-29-1)

The mixture does not contain substance(s) included in the list established in accordance with Article 59(1) of REACH for having endocrine disrupting properties, or substance(s) are not identified as having endocrine disrupting properties in accordance with the criteria set out in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at a concentration equal to or greater than 0,1 %

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.2. Mixtures

Name	Product identifier	%	Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]
Sodium acetate substance with national workplace exposure limit(s) (BE, FR, GB)	CAS-No.: 127-09-3 EC-No.: 204-823-8	≥ 5 – < 10	Not classified
Citric acid	CAS-No.: 5949-29-1 EC-No.: 201-069-1 EC Index-No.: 607-750-00-3	≥ 1 – < 5	Eye Irrit. 2, H319 STOT SE 3, H335
Tween 80	CAS-No.: 9005-65-6	≥ 1 – < 5	Aquatic Chronic 3, H412

Full text of H- and EUH-statements: see section 16

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

First-aid measures general : If you feel unwell, seek medical advice.
First-aid measures after inhalation : Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
First-aid measures after skin contact : Wash skin with plenty of water.
First-aid measures after eye contact : Rinse eyes with water as a precaution.
First-aid measures after ingestion : Call a poison center or a doctor if you feel unwell.
Self protection of the first-aider : First-aiders should pay attention to their own protection and use the recommended personal protective equipment (see section 8).

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms/effects after inhalation : None under normal conditions. Dust of the product, if present, may cause respiratory irritation after excessive inhalation exposure.
Symptoms/effects after skin contact : None under normal conditions. Dust may cause irritation in skin folds or by contact in combination with tight clothing.
Symptoms/effects after eye contact : None under normal conditions. Dust from this product may cause eye irritation.
Symptoms/effects after ingestion : None under normal conditions.

4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray. Dry powder. Foam.
Unsuitable extinguishing media : Do not use a heavy water stream.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Fire hazard : No fire hazard.
Explosion hazard : No direct explosion hazard.
Hazardous decomposition products in case of fire : Toxic fumes may be released.

5.3. Advice for firefighters

Firefighting instructions	:	Fight fire from safe distance and protected location. Do not enter fire area without proper protective equipment, including respiratory protection.
Protection during firefighting	:	Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. Self-contained breathing apparatus. Complete protective clothing.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

General measures	:	Notify authorities if product enters sewers or public waters. Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.

For non-emergency personnel

Protective equipment	:	Wear recommended personal protective equipment.
Emergency procedures	:	Ventilate spillage area.

For emergency responders

Protective equipment	:	Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. For further information refer to section 8: "Exposure controls/personal protection".
Emergency procedures	:	Evacuate unnecessary personnel.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Avoid release to the environment.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

For containment	:	Using a clean shovel, put the material in a dry container and cover without compressing it.
Methods for cleaning up	:	Mechanically recover the product.
Other information	:	Dispose of materials or solid residues at an authorized site.

6.4. Reference to other sections

For further information refer to section 13.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Precautions for safe handling	:	Ensure good ventilation of the work station. Wear personal protective equipment.
Hygiene measures	:	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Always wash hands after handling the product.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Technical measures	:	Keep in a cool, well-ventilated place away from heat.
Storage conditions	:	Keep cool. Protect from sunlight.
Storage temperature	:	2 – 30 °C
Packaging materials	:	Always store product in container of same material as original container.

7.3. Specific end use(s)

No additional information available

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

No additional information available

8.2. Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

Appropriate engineering controls:
Ensure good ventilation of the work station.

Personal protection equipment

Personal protective equipment:
Wear recommended personal protective equipment.
Personal protective equipment symbol(s):



Eye and face protection

Eye protection:
Safety glasses

Skin protection

Skin and body protection:
Wear suitable protective clothing

Hand protection:
Protective gloves

Respiratory protection

Respiratory protection:
In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment

Environmental exposure controls

Environmental exposure controls:
Avoid release to the environment.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	:	Solid
Colour	:	Beige.
Appearance	:	Powder.
Odour	:	Characteristic.
Odour threshold	:	Not available
Melting point	:	Not available
Freezing point	:	Not applicable
Boiling point	:	Not available
Flammability	:	Non flammable
Lower explosion limit	:	Not applicable
Upper explosion limit	:	Not applicable
Flash point	:	Not applicable
Auto-ignition temperature	:	Not applicable
Decomposition temperature	:	Not available
pH	:	5.6 – 5.8
pH solution	:	Not available
Viscosity, kinematic	:	Not applicable
Solubility	:	Soluble in water.
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Kow)	:	Not available
Vapour pressure	:	Not available
Vapour pressure at 50°C	:	Not available
Density	:	Not available
Relative density	:	Not available
Relative vapour density at 20°C	:	Not applicable

Particle size : Not available

9.2. Other information

No additional information available

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

The product is non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.

10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No dangerous reactions known under normal conditions of use.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

None under recommended storage and handling conditions (see section 7).

10.5. Incompatible materials

No additional information available

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Acute toxicity (oral) : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)
Acute toxicity (dermal) : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)
Acute toxicity (inhalation) : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Sodium acetate (127-09-3)	
LD50 oral rat	3250 mg/kg bodyweight (Rat, Male, Experimental value, Oral, 14 day(s))
LD50 dermal rabbit	> 20000 mg/kg bodyweight (Equivalent or similar to OECD 402, Rabbit, Female, Experimental value, Dermal)
LC50 Inhalation - Rat	> 5.6 mg/l (Equivalent or similar to OECD 403, 4 h, Rat, Female, Experimental value, Inhalation (aerosol), 14 day(s))

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
LD50 oral rat	5400 mg/kg Mouse, male and female; Test substance: Citric acid (OECD Test Guideline 401)
LD50 dermal rat	> 2000 mg/kg bodyweight (OECD 402: Acute Dermal Toxicity, 24 h, Rat, Male / female, Experimental value, Anhydrous form, Dermal, 14 day(s))

Skin corrosion/irritation : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)
pH: 5.6 – 5.8

Sodium acetate (127-09-3)	
pH	8.9 (0.8 %)

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
pH	1.8 (5 %, 25 °C)

Tween 80 (9005-65-6)	
pH	5 – 7 (5 %)

Serious eye damage/irritation : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)
pH: 5.6 – 5.8

Sodium acetate (127-09-3)	
pH	8.9 (0.8 %)

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
pH	1.8 (5 %, 25 °C)

Tween 80 (9005-65-6)	
pH	5 – 7 (5 %)

Respiratory or skin sensitisation : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)
Germ cell mutagenicity : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)
Carcinogenicity : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)
Reproductive toxicity : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Sodium acetate (127-09-3)	
NOAEL (animal/female, F1)	≥ 2500 mg/kg bodyweight Animal: rat, Animal sex: female

STOT-single exposure : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
STOT-single exposure	May cause respiratory irritation.

STOT-repeated exposure : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)
Aspiration hazard : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

MRS Agar	
Viscosity, kinematic	Not applicable

Sodium acetate (127-09-3)	
Viscosity, kinematic	Not applicable (solid)

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
Viscosity, kinematic	Not applicable (solid)

Tween 80 (9005-65-6)	
Viscosity, kinematic	462.963 – 46648.148 mm²/s

11.2. Information on other hazards

No additional information available

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

Ecology - general : The product is not considered harmful to aquatic organisms nor to cause long-term adverse effects in the environment.
Hazardous to the aquatic environment, short–term (acute) : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)
Hazardous to the aquatic environment, long–term (chronic) : Not classified (Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met)

Sodium acetate (127-09-3)	
LC50 - Fish [1]	> 100 mg/l (OECD 203: Fish, Acute Toxicity Test, 96 h, Danio rerio, Semi-static system, Fresh water, Experimental value, Nominal concentration)
EC50 - Crustacea [1]	> 919 mg/l (OECD 202: Daphnia sp. Acute Immobilisation Test, 48 h, Daphnia magna, Static system, Fresh water, Experimental value, GLP)
EC50 72h - Algae [1]	> 1000 mg/l Test organisms (species): Skeletonema costatum
EC50 96h - Algae [1]	4700000 mg/l Source: ECOSAR
ErC50 algae	> 1000 mg/l (ISO 10253, 72 h, Skeletonema costatum, Salt water, Experimental value, Nominal concentration)

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
LC50 - Fish [1]	440 – 760 mg/l (Leuciscus idus melanotus, mortality; 48 h) (static test; OECD Test Guideline 203)
EC50 - Crustacea [1]	1535 mg/l (24 h, Daphnia magna, Static system, Fresh water, Experimental value, Anhydrous form)
EC50 96h - Algae [1]	1690000 mg/l Source: Ecological Structure Activity Relationships

Tween 80 (9005-65-6)	
LC50 - Fish [1]	817.89 mg/l Source: ECOSAR
EC50 96h - Algae [1]	62.072 mg/l Source: ECOSAR

12.2. Persistence and degradability

MRS Agar	
Persistence and degradability	Not rapidly degradable

Sodium acetate (127-09-3)	
Persistence and degradability	Readily biodegradable in water.
Chemical oxygen demand (COD)	0.675 g O_2/g substance

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
Persistence and degradability	Biodegradable in the soil, Readily biodegradable in water.
Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD)	0.481 g O_2/g substance (Anhydrous form)
Biodegradation	97 % Related to: CO2 formation (% of the theoretical value).; Exposure Time: 28 d)(OECD Test Guideline 301B)

Tween 80 (9005-65-6)	
Persistence and degradability	Biodegradability in water: no data available.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Sodium acetate (127-09-3)	
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Pow)	-3.7 (Calculated, KOWWIN)
Bioaccumulative potential	Not bioaccumulative.

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Pow)	-1.6 (Anhydrous form, Experimental value)
Bioaccumulative potential	Not bioaccumulative.

Tween 80 (9005-65-6)	
Bioaccumulative potential	No bioaccumulation data available.

12.4. Mobility in soil

Sodium acetate (127-09-3)	
Surface tension	No data available (test not performed)
Organic Carbon Normalized Adsorption Coefficient (Log Koc)	0 (log Koc, SRC PCKOCWIN v1.66, Calculated value)
Ecology - soil	Highly mobile in soil.

Citric acid (5949-29-1)	
Surface tension	No data available in the literature
Organic Carbon Normalized Adsorption Coefficient (Log Koc)	1 (log Koc, SRC PCKOCWIN v2.0, Calculated value)
Ecology - soil	Highly mobile in soil.

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Component	
Substance(s) not meeting the PBT criteria of REACH regulation, in accordance with Annex XIII	Sodium acetate (127-09-3), Citric acid (5949-29-1)
Substance(s) not meeting the vPvB criteria of REACH regulation, in accordance with Annex XIII	Sodium acetate (127-09-3), Citric acid (5949-29-1)

12.6. Endocrine disrupting properties

No additional information available

12.7. Other adverse effects

No additional information available

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Regional waste regulation : Disposal must be done according to official regulations.
Waste treatment methods : Dispose of contents/container in accordance with licensed collector's sorting instructions.
Sewage disposal recommendations : Disposal must be done according to official regulations.
Product/Packaging disposal recommendations : Comply with applicable regulations for solid waste disposal. Disposal must be done according to official regulations.
Additional information : Do not re-use empty containers.
Ecological waste information : The waste of the product should be considered as hazardous as the product itself, with the likelihood of impacting the environment in the same way. Consider the handling and disposal of the waste as defined by the product itself.

SECTION 14: Transport information

In accordance with ADR / IMDG / IATA / ADN / RID

ADR	IMDG	IATA	ADN	RID
14.1. UN number or ID number				
Not regulated for transport				

ADR	IMDG	IATA	ADN	RID
14.2. UN proper shipping name				
Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated
14.3. Transport hazard class(es)				
Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated
14.4. Packing group				
Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated
14.5. Environmental hazards				
Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated
No supplementary information available				

14.6. Special precautions for user

Overland transport
Not regulated

Transport by sea
Not regulated

Air transport
Not regulated

Inland waterway transport
Not regulated

Rail transport
Not regulated

14.7. Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Not applicable

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

EU-Regulations

REACH Annex XVII (Restriction List)

EU restriction list (REACH Annex XVII)		
Reference code	**Applicable on**	**Entry title or description**
3(c)	Sorbitan, mono-(9Z)-9-octadecenoate, poly(oxy-1,2-ethanediyl) derivs.	Substances or mixtures fulfilling the criteria for any of the following hazard classes or categories set out in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008: Hazard class 4.1

REACH Annex XIV (Authorisation List)

Contains no substance(s) listed on REACH Annex XIV (Authorisation List)

REACH Candidate List (SVHC)

Contains no substance(s) listed on the REACH Candidate List

PIC Regulation (Prior Informed Consent)

Contains no substance(s) listed on the PIC list (Regulation EU 649/2012 concerning the export and import of hazardous chemicals)

POP Regulation (Persistent Organic Pollutants)

Contains no substance(s) listed on the POP list (Regulation EU 2019/1021 on persistent organic pollutants)

Ozone Regulation (2024/590)

Not listed on the Ozone Depletion list (Regulation EU 2024/590)
Contains no substance(s) listed on the Ozone Depletion list (Regulation EU 2024/590 on substances that deplete the ozone layer)

Council Regulation (EC) for the control of dual-use items

Contains no substance subject to the COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) for the control of dual-use items

Explosives Precursors Regulation (EU 2019/1148)

Contains no substance(s) listed on the Explosives Precursors list (Regulation EU 2019/1148 on the marketing and use of explosives precursors)

Drug Precursors Regulation (EC 273/2004)

Contains no substance(s) listed on the Drug Precursors list (Regulation EC 273/2004 on the manufacture and the placing on market of certain substances used in the illicit manufacture of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances)

15.2. Chemical safety assessment

No chemical safety assessment has been carried out

SECTION 16: Other information

Abbreviations and acronyms:	
ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
ADN	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways
ADR	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road
ATE	Acute Toxicity Estimate
BCF	Bioconcentration factor
BLV	Biological limit value
BOD	Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD)
CAS-No.	Chemical Abstracts Service number
CLP	Classification Labelling Packaging Regulation; Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008
COD	Chemical oxygen demand (COD)
CSA	Chemical safety assessment
DMEL	Derived Minimal Effect level
DNEL	Derived-No Effect Level
EC-No.	European Community number
EC50	Median effective concentration
ED	Endocrine disruptor
EN	European Standard
EWC	European waste catalogue
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods
LC50	Median lethal concentration
LD50	Median lethal dose
LOAEL	Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level
Log Kow	Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Kow)
Log Pow	Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Pow)

Abbreviations and acronyms:	
MAK	maximum workplace concentration
NOAEC	No-Observed Adverse Effect Concentration
NOAEL	No-Observed Adverse Effect Level
NOEC	No-Observed Effect Concentration
N.O.S.	Not Otherwise Specified
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
OSHA	Occupational Safety Health Administration
PBT	Persistent Bioaccumulative Toxic
PNEC	Predicted No-Effect Concentration
PPE	Personal protection equipment
RID	Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail
SDS	Safety Data Sheet
STP	Sewage treatment plant
TF	Technical function
ThOD	Theoretical oxygen demand (ThOD)
TLM	Median Tolerance Limit
TWA	Time Weighted Average
VOC	Volatile Organic Compounds
vPvB	Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative
UFI	Unique Formula Identifier

Full text of H- and EUH-statements:	
Aquatic Chronic 3	Hazardous to the aquatic environment – Chronic Hazard, Category 3
Eye Irrit. 2	Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Category 2
STOT SE 3	Specific target organ toxicity – Single exposure, Category 3, Respiratory tract irritation
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
H412	Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.
EUH210	Safety data sheet available on request.

The classification complies with : ATP 12

Safety Data Sheet (SDS), EU

This information is based on our current knowledge and is intended to describe the product for the purposes of health, safety and environmental requirements only. It should not therefore be construed as guaranteeing any specific property of the product.