# AC Whistler AXICHEM Pty Ltd

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Safety Data Sheet according to WHS Regulations (Hazardous Chemicals) Amendment 2020 and ADG requirements

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### SECTION 1 Identification of the substance / mixture and of the company / undertaking

### **Product Identifier**

Product name	AC Whistler
Chemical Name	Not Applicable
Synonyms	Not Available
Proper shipping name	PESTICIDE, LIQUID, TOXIC, N.O.S. (contains abamectin)
Chemical formula	Not Applicable
Other means of identification	Not Available

### Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Relevant identified uses	Agricultural mitcide and insecticide.
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### Details of the manufacturer or supplier of the safety data sheet

Registered company name	AXICHEM Pty Ltd	
Address	9 Palings Court Nerang QLD 4211 Australia	
Telephone	07 5596 1736	
Fax	Not Available	
Website	www.axichem.com.au	
Email	msds@axichem.com.au	

### **Emergency telephone number**

Association / Organisation	CHEMWATCH EMERGENCY RESPONSE	
Emergency telephone numbers	+61 1800 951 288	
Other emergency telephone numbers	+61 3 9573 3188	

Once connected and if the message is not in your preferred language then please dial 01

### **SECTION 2 Hazards identification**

### Classification of the substance or mixture

COMBUSTIBLE LIQUID, regulated for storage purposes only

Poisons Schedule	S6
Classification <sup>[1]</sup>	Acute Toxicity (Oral) Category 3, Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 2, Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation Category 2A, Acute Toxicity (Inhalation) Category 3, Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure (Respiratory Tract Irritation) Category 3, Reproductive Toxicity Category 1B, Specific Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure Category 2, Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment Long-Term Hazard Category 3
Legend:	1. Classified by Chemwatch; 2. Classification drawn from HCIS; 3. Classification drawn from Regulation (EU) No 1272/2008 - Annex VI

### Label elements







Signal word

Danger

### Hazard statement(s)

H301	Toxic if swallowed.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H331	Toxic if inhaled.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
H360Df	May damage the unborn child. Suspected of damaging fertility.
H373	May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.
H412	Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

### Precautionary statement(s) Prevention

P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P260	Do not breathe mist/vapours/spray.
P264	Wash all exposed external body areas thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280	Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, eye protection and face protection.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.

### Precautionary statement(s) Response

P301+P310	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician/first aider.	
P308+P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.	
P330	Rinse mouth.	
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.	
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.	
P311	Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician/first aider.	
P337+P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.	
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.	
P332+P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.	
P362+P364	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.	

### Precautionary statement(s) Storage

P403+P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.	
P405	Store locked up.	

### Precautionary statement(s) Disposal

P501 Dispose of contents/container to authorised hazardous or special waste collection point in accordance with any local regulation.

### **SECTION 3 Composition / information on ingredients**

### **Substances**

See section below for composition of Mixtures

### **Mixtures**

CAS No	%[weight]	Name
71751-41-2	1.8	abamectin

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CAS No	%[weight]	Name
Not Available		(18g/L)
872-50-4	35	N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone
Not Available	>60	other non-hazardous ingredients
Legend:  1. Classified by Chemwatch; 2. Classification drawn from HCIS; 3. Classification drawn from Regulation (EU) No 1272/2008 - Annex VI; 4. Classification drawn from C&L * EU IOELVs available		

### **SECTION 4 First aid measures**

### **Description of first aid measures**

Eye Contact	If this product comes in contact with the eyes:  Number Wash out immediately with fresh running water.  Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.  Seek medical attention without delay; if pain persists or recurs seek medical attention.  Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.
Skin Contact	If skin contact occurs:  Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.  Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).  Seek medical attention in event of irritation.
Inhalation	<ul> <li>If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.</li> <li>Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.</li> <li>Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures.</li> <li>Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary.</li> <li>Transport to hospital, or doctor, without delay.</li> </ul>
Ingestion	<ul> <li>For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor at once.</li> <li>Urgent hospital treatment is likely to be needed.</li> <li>If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting.</li> <li>If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration.</li> <li>Observe the patient carefully.</li> <li>Never give liquid to a person showing signs of being sleepy or with reduced awareness; i.e. becoming unconscious.</li> <li>Give water to rinse out mouth, then provide liquid slowly and as much as casualty can comfortably drink.</li> <li>Transport to hospital or doctor without delay.</li> </ul>

### Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

As in all cases of suspected poisoning, follow the ABCDEs of emergency medicine (airway, breathing, circulation, disability, exposure), then the ABCDEs of toxicology (antidotes, basics, change absorption, change distribution, change elimination).

For poisons (where specific treatment regime is absent):

# BASIC TREATMENT

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- ▶ Establish a patent airway with suction where necessary.
- Watch for signs of respiratory insufficiency and assist ventilation as necessary.
- Administer oxygen by non-rebreather mask at 10 to 15 L/min.
- $\mbox{\ensuremath{\,^{\blacktriangleright}}}$  Monitor and treat, where necessary, for pulmonary oedema.
- ▶ Monitor and treat, where necessary, for shock.
- ► Anticipate seizures.
- **DO NOT** use emetics. Where ingestion is suspected rinse mouth and give up to 200 ml water (5 ml/kg recommended) for dilution where patient is able to swallow, has a strong gag reflex and does not drool.

### ADVANCED TREATMENT

Consider orotracheal or nasotracheal intubation for airway control in unconscious patient or where respiratory arrest has occurred.

- ▶ Positive-pressure ventilation using a bag-valve mask might be of use.
- Monitor and treat, where necessary, for arrhythmias.
- ► Start an IV D5W TKO. If signs of hypovolaemia are present use lactated Ringers solution. Fluid overload might create complications.
- Drug therapy should be considered for pulmonary oedema.
- Hypotension with signs of hypovolaemia requires the cautious administration of fluids. Fluid overload might create complications.
- ► Treat seizures with diazepam.
- ▶ Proparacaine hydrochloride should be used to assist eye irrigation.

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### **SECTION 5 Firefighting measures**

### **Extinguishing media**

- ► Water spray or fog.
- ▶ Foam.
- Dry chemical powder.
- BCF (where regulations permit).
- Carbon dioxide.

### Special hazards arising from the substrate or mixture

Fire	Incompa	tibility

Avoid contamination with oxidising agents i.e. nitrates, oxidising acids, chlorine bleaches, pool chlorine etc. as ignition may

Advice for firefighters	
Fire Fighting	<ul> <li>Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.</li> <li>Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.</li> <li>Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.</li> <li>Use fire fighting procedures suitable for surrounding area.</li> <li>Do not approach containers suspected to be hot.</li> <li>Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.</li> <li>If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.</li> <li>Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.</li> </ul>
Fire/Explosion Hazard	<ul> <li>Combustible.</li> <li>Slight fire hazard when exposed to heat or flame.</li> <li>Heating may cause expansion or decomposition leading to violent rupture of containers.</li> <li>On combustion, may emit toxic fumes of carbon monoxide (CO).</li> <li>May emit acrid smoke.</li> <li>Mists containing combustible materials may be explosive.</li> <li>Combustion products include:</li> <li>carbon dioxide (CO2)</li> <li>nitrogen oxides (NOx)</li> <li>other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.</li> <li>May emit poisonous fumes.</li> </ul>
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### **SECTION 6 Accidental release measures**

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

See section 8

### **Environmental precautions**

See section 12

### ethods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods and material for	containment and cleaning up
Minor Spills	Environmental hazard - contain spillage.  Remove all ignition sources.  Clean up all spills immediately.  Avoid breathing vapours and contact with skin and eyes.  Control personal contact with the substance, by using protective equipment.  Contain and absorb spill with sand, earth, inert material or vermiculite.  Wipe up.  Place in a suitable, labelled container for waste disposal.
Major Spills	Environmental hazard - contain spillage.  Clear area of personnel and move upwind.  Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.  Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.  Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.  Stop leak if safe to do so.  Contain spill with sand, earth or vermiculite.  Collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling.  Neutralise/decontaminate residue (see Section 13 for specific agent).  Collect solid residues and seal in labelled drums for disposal.  Wash area and prevent runoff into drains.  After clean up operations, decontaminate and launder all protective clothing and equipment before storing and re-using.  If contamination of drains or waterways occurs, advise emergency services.

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Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the SDS

### **SECTION 7 Handling and storage**

Safe handling

### Precautions for safe handling

- ▶ DO NOT allow clothing wet with material to stay in contact with skin
- Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
- Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- ▶ Use in a well-ventilated area.
- ▶ Prevent concentration in hollows and sumps.
- ▶ DO NOT enter confined spaces until atmosphere has been checked.
- ▶ DO NOT allow material to contact humans, exposed food or food utensils.
- ► Avoid contact with incompatible materials.
- ▶ When handling, **DO NOT** eat, drink or smoke.
- ▶ Keep containers securely sealed when not in use.
- Avoid physical damage to containers.
- Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- ▶ Work clothes should be laundered separately. Launder contaminated clothing before re-use.
- Use good occupational work practice.
- ▶ Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS.
- Atmosphere should be regularly checked against established exposure standards to ensure safe working conditions are maintained.

### Other information

- ► Store in original containers.
- Keep containers securely sealed.
- No smoking, naked lights or ignition sources.
- ▶ Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.
- Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.
- Protect containers against physical damage and check regularly for leaks.
- ▶ Observe manufacturer's storage and handling recommendations contained within this SDS.

### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

### Suitable container

- Lined metal can, lined metal pail/ can.
- Plastic pail.
- Polyliner drum.
- ▶ Packing as recommended by manufacturer.
- Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks.

### Storage incompatibility

Avoid storage with oxidisers

### **SECTION 8 Exposure controls / personal protection**

### **Control parameters**

### Occupational Exposure Limits (OEL)

### INGREDIENT DATA

Source	Ingredient	Material name	TWA	STEL	Peak	Notes
Australia Exposure	N-methyl-	1-Methyl-	25 ppm / 103	309 mg/m3 / 75	Not	Not
Standards	2-pyrrolidone	2-pyrrolidone	mg/m3	ppm	Available	Available

### **Emergency Limits**

Ingredient	TEEL-1	TEEL-2	TEEL-3
N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone	30 ppm	32 ppm	190 ppm

Ingredient	Original IDLH	Revised IDLH
abamectin	Not Available	Not Available
N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone	Not Available	Not Available

### **Occupational Exposure Banding**

Ingredient	Occupational Exposure Band Rating	Occupational Exposure Band Limit	
abamectin	E	≤ 0.01 mg/m³	
Notes:	, , ,	Occupational exposure banding is a process of assigning chemicals into specific categories or bands based on a chemical's	
	' '	potency and the adverse health outcomes associated with exposure. The output of this process is an occupational exposure	
	band (OEB), which corresponds to a range of expo	band (OEB), which corresponds to a range of exposure concentrations that are expected to protect worker health.	

### MATERIAL DATA

None assigned. Refer to individual constituents.

### **Exposure controls**

### Appropriate engineering controls

General exhaust is adequate under normal operating conditions.

### Personal protection









## Eye and face protection

Safety glasses with side shields. Chemical goggles.

Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lenses or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59], [AS/NZS 1336 or national equivalent]

### Skin protection Hands/feet protection

See Hand protection below

### Butyl rubber gloves

### ► Protective footwear

### **Body protection**

See Other protection below

- Overalls.
- ► PVC Apron.
- Other protection
- PVC protective suit may be required if exposure severe.
- Eyewash unit.
- Ensure there is ready access to a safety shower.

### Recommended material(s)

### **GLOVE SELECTION INDEX**

Glove selection is based on a modified presentation of the:

### "Forsberg Clothing Performance Index".

The effect(s) of the following substance(s) are taken into account in the computer-generated selection:

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Material	СРІ
BUTYL	Α
PE/EVAL/PE	Α
NATURAL RUBBER	В
PVA	В

- \* CPI Chemwatch Performance Index
- B: Satisfactory; may degrade after 4 hours continuous immersion
- C: Poor to Dangerous Choice for other than short term immersion

NOTE: As a series of factors will influence the actual performance of the glove, a final selection must be based on detailed observation. -

\* Where the glove is to be used on a short term, casual or infrequent basis. factors such as "feel" or convenience (e.g. disposability), may dictate a choice of gloves which might otherwise be unsuitable following long-term or frequent use. A qualified practitioner should be consulted.

### Respiratory protection

Type AK Filter of sufficient capacity. (AS/NZS 1716 & 1715, EN 143:2000 & 149:2001, ANSI Z88 or national equivalent)

Where the concentration of gas/particulates in the breathing zone, approaches or exceeds the "Exposure Standard" (or ES), respiratory protection is required. Degree of protection varies with both face-piece and Class of filter; the nature of protection varies with Type of filter.

Required Minimum Protection Factor	Half-Face Respirator	Full-Face Respirator	Powered Air Respirator
up to 5 x ES	AK-AUS / Class 1	-	AK-PAPR-AUS / Class 1
up to 25 x ES	Air-line*	AK-2	AK-PAPR-2
up to 50 x ES	-	AK-3	-
50+ x ES	-	Air-line**	-

### ^ - Full-face

A(All classes) = Organic vapours, B AUS or B1 = Acid gasses, B2 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), B3 = Acid gas or hydrogen cyanide(HCN), E = Sulfur dioxide(SO2), G = Agricultural chemicals, K = Ammonia(NH3), Hg = Mercury, NO = Oxides of nitrogen, MB = Methyl bromide, AX = Low boiling point organic compounds(below 65 degC)

### **SECTION 9 Physical and chemical properties**

### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Clear colourless to pale yellow liquid with a characteristic odour; soluble in water. **Appearance** 

Relative density (Water = Liquid Physical state 1.0 approx. 1)

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Odour	Not Available	Partition coefficient n-octanol / water	Not Available
Odour threshold	Not Available	Auto-ignition temperature (°C)	Not Available
pH (as supplied)	Not Available	Decomposition temperature (°C)	Not Available
Melting point / freezing point (°C)	Not Available	Viscosity (cSt)	Not Available
Initial boiling point and boiling range (°C)	Not Available	Molecular weight (g/mol)	Not Applicable
Flash point (°C)	~70	Taste	Not Available
Evaporation rate	Not Available	Explosive properties	Not Available
Flammability	Combustible.	Oxidising properties	Not Available
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not Available	Surface Tension (dyn/cm or mN/m)	Not Available
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not Available	Volatile Component (%vol)	Not Available
Vapour pressure (kPa)	Not Available	Gas group	Not Available
Solubility in water	Miscible	pH as a solution (Not Available%)	Not Available
Vapour density (Air = 1)	Not Available	VOC g/L	Not Available

### **SECTION 10 Stability and reactivity**

Reactivity	See section 7
Chemical stability	<ul> <li>Unstable in the presence of incompatible materials.</li> <li>Product is considered stable.</li> <li>Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.</li> </ul>
Possibility of hazardous reactions	See section 7
Conditions to avoid	See section 7
Incompatible materials	See section 7
Hazardous decomposition products	See section 5

### **SECTION 11 Toxicological information**

### Information on toxicological effects

Inhaled	Evidence shows, or practical experience predicts, that the material produces irritation of the respiratory system in a substantial number of individuals following inhalation. 51nmp
Ingestion	Toxic effects may result from the accidental ingestion of the material; animal experiments indicate that ingestion of less than 40 gram may be fatal or may produce serious damage to the health of the individual.  There have been several reports of acute human exposure incidents with abamectin containing formulations. Abamectin is a mixture of avermectins. Clinical symptoms of severe abamectin intoxication include mydriasis, sedation, emesis, tremors, convulsions, coma and death. One successful suicide attempt was reported (estimated lethal doses 3.6 to 4.5 grams of abamectin).  Systemic reactions in humans may include fever, rash and lymph-node pain or swelling. Ocular reactions have been minimal. In monkeys, emesis occurred following a single oral dosage of 2 mg/kg; mydriasis was seen at 24 mg/kg indicating a dose-response curve is flatter in monkeys than in rodents.
Skin Contact	Evidence exists, or practical experience predicts, that the material either produces inflammation of the skin in a substantial number of individuals following direct contact, and/or produces significant inflammation when applied to the healthy intact skin of animals, for up to four hours, such inflammation being present twenty-four hours or more after the end of the exposure period. Skin irritation may also be present after prolonged or repeated exposure; this may result in a form of contact dermatitis (nonallergic). The dermatitis is often characterised by skin redness (erythema) and swelling (oedema) which may progress to blistering (vesiculation), scaling and thickening of the epidermis. At the microscopic level there may be intercellular oedema of the spongy layer of the skin (spongiosis) and intracellular oedema of the epidermis.  The material may accentuate any pre-existing dermatitis condition  Skin contact with the material may damage the health of the individual; systemic effects may result following absorption.  Entry into the blood-stream through, for example, cuts, abrasions, puncture wounds or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects. Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected.

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## Absorption by skin may readily exceed vapour inhalation exposure. Symptoms for skin absorption are the same as for inhalation. Evidence exists, or practical experience predicts, that the material may cause eve irritation in a substantial number of individuals and/or may produce significant ocular lesions which are present twenty-four hours or more after instillation into the eye(s) of Eve experimental animals Repeated or prolonged eye contact may cause inflammation characterised by temporary redness (similar to windburn) of the conjunctiva (conjunctivitis); temporary impairment of vision and/or other transient eye damage/ulceration may occur. Repeated or long-term occupational exposure is likely to produce cumulative health effects involving organs or biochemical Long-term exposure to respiratory irritants may result in disease of the airways involving difficult breathing and related systemic problems. Chronic There is sufficient evidence to provide a strong presumption that human exposure to the material may result in developmental toxicity, generally on the basis of: - clear results in appropriate animal studies where effects have been observed in the absence of marked maternal toxicity, or at around the same dose levels as other toxic effects but which are not secondary non-specific consequences of the other toxic

40 14/1-1-1	TOXICITY	IRRITATION
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	TOXICITY	IRRITATION
	dermal (rat) LD50: >330 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (rabbit): slight *
abamectin	Inhalation(Rat) LC50; 1.1 mg/L4h <sup>[2]</sup>	Skin (rabbit): non irritating*
	Oral (Mouse) LD50; 13.6 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	
	TOXICITY	IRRITATION
	Dermal (rabbit) LD50: 8000 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	Eye (rabbit): 100 mg - moderate
N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone	Inhalation(Rat) LC50; 3.1-8.8 mg/l4h <sup>[2]</sup>	
	Oral (Rat) LD50; 3914 mg/kg <sup>[2]</sup>	
Legend:	Value obtained from Europe ECHA Registered Substa	ances - Acute toxicity 2. Value obtained from manufacturer's SDS.

Unless otherwise specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effect of chemical Substances

Oral (rat) LD50: 8.7-12.8 mg/kg (14 day) \* ADI 0.0001 mg/kg Toxicity Class EPA IV Non-mutagenic in the Ames test ADI: 0.4 mg/day \*[Manufacturer] Convulsions recorded. No significant acute toxicological data identified in literature search. For avermectins:

Technical avermectin exhibits high mammalian acute toxicity. In vertebrates, the effects occur via poisoning of the central nervous system (CNS) through reactions at the receptor for the inhibitory neurotransmitter GABA. The avermectins open the GABAA receptor chloride channel by binding to the GABA recognition site (receptor protein) and act as partial agonists.. Chloride ions then flow into the postsynaptic neuron. This chloride permeability increase can significantly hyperpolarize (make more negative) the membrane potential, which has a dampening effect on nerve impulse firing. There is also a reversible dose-dependent increase in chloride ion permeability in response to very low doses of avermectins.

In GABA-insensitive neurons with no inhibitory innervation, the avermectins induce an irreversible increase in chloride ion conductance through interacting with voltage-dependent chloride channels. Avermectin intoxication in mammals begins with hyperexcitability, tremors, and incoordination and later develops into ataxia and coma-like sedation. This is similar to the mode of action of ethanol and barbiturates and benzodiazepine sedatives However, the avermectins are less specific in their action and can affect a variety of other ligand- and voltage-gated chloride channels. The general safety of the avermectins depends on the presence of an intact P-glycoprotein blood-brain barrier

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Avermectin is not considered to be mutagenic and does not sensitise skin. It is not readily absorbed by mammals and the majority of the residue is excreted in the faeces within 2 days. The 24-month rat chronic feeding/ oncogenicity study and 94-week mouse chronic toxicity oncogenicity study were negative for oncogenic potential. The results of a series of developmental toxicity studies (rat, rabbit, mouse) have been evaluated and showed that avermectin B1 produces developmental toxicity (cleft palate) in the CF1 mouse. Toxicology data were also evaluated for the delta-8,9-isomer of avermectin B1 which is a plant photodegradate that can range between 5 and 20 percent of the residue on/in cottonseed. This isomer possesses avermectin-like toxicological activity. It was concluded that the delta 8,9-isomer also produces developmental toxicity (cleft palate) in mice, but not in rats. In addition to avermectin and its delta 8,9-isomer, toxicology data were also evaluated for the "polar degradates" of avermectin, which constitute a large percentage (up to 70%) of the total residue on cottonseed. Review of the toxicology data indicated that these polar degradates do not possess avermectin-like toxicological activity and for this reason need not be included in the tolerance expression for residues in/on cottonseed.

Abamectin (a mixture of avermectin isomers) is a reproductive toxin in laboratory animals at doses which are acutely toxic to the mother. In development toxicity studies with abamectin, cleft palates were seen in mice and rabbits and clubbing of the forepaws was seen in rabbits. The no-observed-adverse-effect-level (NOAEL) for maternal and developmental toxicity in rabbits was 1 mg/kg/day. In CF-1 mice, a strain recognised to be particularly sensitive to avermectins, the NOAEL for maternal toxicity was 0.05 mg/kg/day and the NOAEL for malformations was 0.2 mg/kg/day. Studies show that the sensitivity of a subpopulation of CF-1 mice to avermectins is due to the absence of a transmembrane P-glycoprotein, a significant component of the blood-brain interface that normally acts as a non-selective protective barrier in a wide range of species including humans. CF-1 mice are

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therefore an unlikely candidate for assessing human risk. No evidence of developmental toxicity was seen in oral studies in rats in the absence of maternal toxicity (NOAEL = 1.6 mg/kg/day). In a rat multigenerational reproduction study, pup toxicity and deaths were seen at 0.4 mg/kg/day (NOAEL = 0.12 mg/kg/day). Neonatal rats are not an appropriate model for assessing human risk in humans because (a) rat milk has a greater fat content than human breast milk and abamectin concentrates in fat; (b) on a weight basis, the neonatal rat consumes significantly greater quantities of milk than the newborn human and( c) the blood brain barrier in rodents is formed post-natally (as evidenced by low P-glycoprotein levels) while in humans this membrane is formed pre-natally.

Ivermectin, a close structural analogue, has been used extensively in the treatment of human onchocerciasis at an oral therapeutic dose of 0.2 mg/kg, without serious drug-related effects. Despite its wide usage in animals and humans, ivermectin does dot appear to produce birth defects.

Abamectin is non-mutagenic in the Ames test and the micronucleus test.

Dietary carcinogenicity studies in mice and rats showed negative results. In a 14-week oral study in monkeys no effects were seen at 0.2, 0.5 or 1.0 mg/kg/day; emesis was seen at 2.0 mg/kg/day; delayed pupillary obstruction at 6 and 8 mg/kg/day and mydriasis at 12 mg/kg/day.

In chronic oral toxicity, abamectin produced decreased body weight gain in mice (no-observed-adverse-effect-level (NOAEL) = 1.5 mg/kg/day); tremors in rats (NOAEL = 1.5 mg/kg/day), weight loss, tremors, mydriasis, liver and gall bladder changes and death in dogs (NOAEL = 0.25 mg/kg/day); and emesis, mydriasis and sedation in monkeys (NOAL = 1 mg/kg/day).

Asthma-like symptoms may continue for months or even years after exposure to the material ends. This may be due to a non-allergic condition known as reactive airways dysfunction syndrome (RADS) which can occur after exposure to high levels of highly irritating compound. Main criteria for diagnosing RADS include the absence of previous airways disease in a non-atopic individual, with sudden onset of persistent asthma-like symptoms within minutes to hours of a documented exposure to the irritant. Other criteria for diagnosis of RADS include a reversible airflow pattern on lung function tests, moderate to severe bronchial hyperreactivity on methacholine challenge testing, and the lack of minimal lymphocytic inflammation, without eosinophilia. RADS (or asthma) following an irritating inhalation is an infrequent disorder with rates related to the concentration of and duration of exposure to the irritating substance. On the other hand, industrial bronchitis is a disorder that occurs as a result of exposure due to high concentrations of irritating substance (often particles) and is completely reversible after exposure ceases. The disorder is characterized by difficulty breathing, cough and mucus production. for N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone (NMP):

**Acute toxicity:** In rats, NMP is absorbed rapidly after inhalation, oral, and dermal administration, distributed throughout the organism, and eliminated mainly by hydroxylation to polar compounds, which are excreted via urine. About 80% of the administered dose is excreted as NMP and NMP metabolites within 24 h. A probably dose-dependent yellow coloration of the urine in rodents is observed. The major metabolite is 5-hydroxy-*N*-methyl-2-pyrrolidone.

Studies in humans show comparable results. Dermal penetration through human skin has been shown to be very rapid. NMP is rapidly biotransformed by hydroxylation to 5-hydroxy-*N*-methyl-2-pyrrolidone, which is further oxidized to *N*-methylsuccinimide; this intermediate is further hydroxylated to 2-hydroxy-*N*-methylsuccinimide. These metabolites are all colourless. The excreted amounts of NMP metabolites in the urine after inhalation or oral intake represented about 100% and 65% of the administered doses, respectively.

NMP has a low potential for skin irritation and a moderate potential for eye irritation in rabbits. Repeated daily doses of 450 mg/kg body weight administered to the skin caused painful and severe haemorrhage and eschar formation in rabbits. These adverse effects have not been seen in workers occupationally exposed to pure NMP, but they have been observed after dermal exposure to NMP used in cleaning processes. No sensitisation potential has been observed.

In acute toxicity studies in rodents, NMP showed low toxicity. Uptake of oral, dermal, or inhaled acutely toxic doses causes functional disturbances and depressions in the central nervous system. Local irritation effects were observed in the respiratory tract when NMP was inhaled and in the pyloric and gastrointestinal tracts after oral administration. In humans, there was no irritative effect in the respiratory system after an 8-h exposure to 50 mg/m3.

Repeat dose toxicity: There is no clear toxicity profile of NMP after multiple administration. In a 28-day dietary study in rats, a compound-related decrease in body weight gain was observed in males at 1234 mg/kg body weight and in females at 2268 mg/kg body weight. Testicular degeneration and atrophy in males and thymic atrophy in females were observed at these dose levels. The no-observed-adverse-effect level (NOAEL) was 429 mg/kg body weight in males and 1548 mg/kg body weight in females. In a 28-day intubation study in rats, a dose-dependent increase in relative liver and kidney weights and a decrease in lymphocyte count in both sexes were observed at 1028 mg/kg body weight. The NOAEL in this study was 514 mg/kg body weight. In another rat study, daily dietary intake for 90 days caused decreased body weights at doses of 433 and 565 mg/kg body weight in males and females, respectively. There were also neurobehavioural effects at these dose levels. The NOAELs in males

The toxicity profile after exposure to airborne NMP depends strongly on the ratio of vapour to aerosol and on the area of exposure (i.e., head-only or whole-body exposure). Because of higher skin absorption for the aerosol, uptake is higher in animals exposed to aerosol than in those exposed to vapour at similar concentrations. Studies in female rats exposed head only to 1000 mg/m3 showed only minor nasal irritation, but massive mortality and severe effects on major organs were observed when the females were whole-body exposed to the same concentration of coarse droplets at high relative humidity. Several studies in rats following repeated exposure to NMP at concentrations between 100 and 1000 mg/m3 have shown systemic toxicity effects at the lower dose levels. In most of the studies, the effects were not observed after a 4-week observation period.

In rats, exposure to 3000 mg NMP/m3 (head only) for 6 h/day, 5 days/week, for 13 weeks caused a decrease in body weight gain, an increase in erythrocytes, haemoglobin, haematocrit, and mean corpuscular volume, decreased absolute testis weight, and cell loss in the germinal epithelium of the testes. The NOAEL was 500 mg/m3.

There are no data in humans after repeated-dose exposure.

and females were 169 and 217 mg/kg body weight, respectively.

Carcinogenicity: NMP did not show any clear evidence for carcinogenicity in rats exposed to concentrations up to 400 mg/m3 in a long-term inhalation study.

**Genotoxicity:** The mutagenic potential of NMP is weak. Only a slight increase in the number of revertants was observed when tested in a *Salmonella* assay with base-pair substitution strains. NMP has been shown to induce aneuploidy in yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* cells. No investigations regarding mutagenicity in humans were available.

**Reproductive toxicity:** In a two-generation reproduction study in rats, whole-body exposure of both males and females to 478 mg/m3 of NMP vapour for 6 h/day, 7 days/week, for a minimum of 100 days (pre-mating, mating, gestation, and lactation periods)

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resulted in a 7% decrease in fetal weight in the F1 offspring. A 4-11% transient, non-dose-dependent decrease was observed in the average pup weight at all exposure levels tested (41, 206, and 478 mg/m3).

**Developmental toxicity:** When NMP was administered dermally, developmental toxicity was registered in rats at 750 mg/kg body weight. The observed effects were increased preimplantation losses, decreased fetal weights, and delayed ossification. The NOAEL for both developmental effects and maternal toxicity (decreased body weight gain) was 237 mg/kg body weight. Inhalation studies in rats (whole-body exposure) demonstrated developmental toxicity as increased preimplantation loss without significant effect on implantation rate or number of live fetuses at 680 mg/m3 and behavioural developmental toxicity at 622 mg/m3. In an inhalation study (whole-body exposure), the NOAEL for maternal effects was 100 mg/m3, and the NOAEL for developmental effects was 360 mg/m3.

A tolerable inhalation concentration, 0.3 mg/m3, based on mortality and organ damage, is expected to be protective against any possible reproductive toxicity. Similarly, an oral tolerable intake of 0.6 mg/kg body weight per day, based on a 90-day study, is expected to provide adequate protection against possible reproductive effects. Because of non-existent data on the exposure of the general population and very limited information on occupational exposure, no meaningful risk characterisation can be performed

A substance (or part of a group of chemical substances) of very high concern (SVHC) - or product containing an SVHC: It is proposed that use within the European Union be subject to authorisation under the REACH Regulation.Indeed, listing of a substance as an SVHC by the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) is the first step in the procedure for authorisation or restriction of use of a chemical.

The criteria are given in article 57 of the REACH Regulation. A substance may be proposed as an SVHC if it meets one or more of the following criteria:

- it is carcinogenic \*;
- it is mutagenic \*;
- ▶ it is toxic for reproduction \*;
- it is persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT substances);
- ▶ it is very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB substances);
- there is "scientific evidence of probable serious effects to human health or the environment which give rise to an equivalent level of concern"; such substances are identified on a case-by-case basis.
- \* Collectively described as CMR substances

The "equivalent concern" criterion is significant because it is this classification which allows substances which are, for example, neurotoxic, endocrine-disrupting or otherwise present an unanticipated environmental health risk to be regulated under REACH] Simply because a substance meets one or more of the criteria does not necessarily mean that it will be proposed as an SVHC. Many such substances are already subject to restrictions on their use within the European Union, such as those in Annex XVII of the REACH Regulation SVHCs are substances for which the current restrictions on use (where these exist) might be insufficient. There are three priority groups for assessment:

- PBT substances and vPvB substances;
- substances which are widely dispersed during use;
- substances which are used in large quantities.

Acute Toxicity	<b>~</b>	Carcinogenicity	×
Skin Irritation/Corrosion	<b>~</b>	Reproductivity	✓
Serious Eye Damage/Irritation	<b>~</b>	STOT - Single Exposure	<b>✓</b>
Respiratory or Skin sensitisation	×	STOT - Repeated Exposure	<b>~</b>
Mutagenicity	×	Aspiration Hazard	×

Legend:

X - Data either not available or does not fill the criteria for classification

✓ – Data available to make classification

### **SECTION 12 Ecological information**

### **Toxicity**

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	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available		Not Available	Not Available
	Endpoint	Test Duration (hr)	Species	Valu	ie	Source
abamectin EC50 EC50	EC50(ECx)	48h	Crustacea	Crustacea <0.001		4
	EC50	72h	Algae or other aquatic plants	Algae or other aquatic plants 4.4mg/l		4
	EC50	48h	Crustacea	<0.001mg/L		4
	LC50	96h	Fish	0.00	2-0.006mg/L	4
	EC50	96h	Algae or other aquatic plants	7.31	mg/l	4
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NOEC(ECx)	504h	Crustacea	12.5mg/l	2
EC50	72h	Algae or other aquatic plants	>500mg/l	1
EC50	48h	Crustacea	ca.4897mg/l	1
LC50	96h	Fish	464mg/l	1

Legend:

Extracted from 1. IUCLID Toxicity Data 2. Europe ECHA Registered Substances - Ecotoxicological Information - Aquatic Toxicity 4. US EPA, Ecotox database - Aquatic Toxicity Data 5. ECETOC Aquatic Hazard Assessment Data 6. NITE (Japan) -Bioconcentration Data 7. METI (Japan) - Bioconcentration Data 8. Vendor Data

Harmful to aquatic organisms.

Toxic to bees.

DO NOT discharge into sewer or waterways.

### Persistence and degradability

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air
N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone	LOW	LOW

### **Bioaccumulative potential**

Ingredient	Bioaccumulation
N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone	LOW (BCF = 0.16)

### Mobility in soil

Ingredient	Mobility
N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone	LOW (KOC = 20.94)

### **SECTION 13 Disposal considerations**

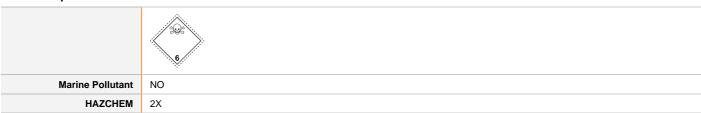
### Waste treatment methods

Product / Packaging disposal

- ▶ Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.
- Consult State Land Waste Authority for disposal.
- ▶ Bury or incinerate residue at an approved site.
- Recycle containers if possible, or dispose of in an authorised landfill.

### **SECTION 14 Transport information**

### **Labels Required**



### Land transport (ADG)

UN number	2902		
UN proper shipping name	PESTICIDE, LIQUID, 1	TOXIC, N.O.S. (contains abamectin)	
Transport hazard class(es)	Class 6.1 Subrisk Not Appli	cable	
Packing group	III		
Environmental hazard	Not Applicable		
Special precautions for user	Special provisions 61 223 274  Limited quantity 5 L		

### Air transport (ICAO-IATA / DGR)

UN number	2902		
UN proper shipping name	Pesticide, liquid, toxic, n	.o.s. * (contains abamectin)	
	ICAO/IATA Class	6.1	
Fransport hazard class(es)	ICAO / IATA Subrisk	Not Applicable	
	ERG Code	6L	
Packing group	III		
Environmental hazard	Not Applicable		
Special precautions for user	Special provisions		A3 A4
	Cargo Only Packing Instructions		663
	Cargo Only Maximum Qty / Pack		220 L
	Passenger and Cargo Packing Instructions		655
	Passenger and Cargo	Passenger and Cargo Maximum Qty / Pack	
	Passenger and Cargo	Limited Quantity Packing Instructions	Y642
	Passenger and Cargo	Limited Maximum Qty / Pack	2 L

### Sea transport (IMDG-Code / GGVSee)

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UN number	2902	2902		
UN proper shipping name	PESTICIDE, LIQUID,	, TOXIC, N.O.S. (contains abamectin)		
Transport hazard class(es)	IMDG Class 6 IMDG Subrisk N	lot Applicable		
Packing group	III			
Environmental hazard	Not Applicable	Not Applicable		
Special precautions for user	EMS Number Special provisions Limited Quantities	F-A, S-A 61 223 274 5 L		

### Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC code

Not Applicable

### Transport in bulk in accordance with MARPOL Annex V and the IMSBC Code

Product name	Group
abamectin	Not Available
N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone	Not Available

### Transport in bulk in accordance with the ICG Code

Product name	Ship Type
abamectin	Not Available
N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone	Not Available

### **SECTION 15 Regulatory information**

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

### abamectin is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 4  $\,$ 

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 5

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule  $\bf 6$ 

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons (SUSMP) - Schedule 7

Chemical Footprint Project - Chemicals of High Concern List

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### N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone is found on the following regulatory lists

Australia Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) - Hazardous Chemicals

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons

(SUSMP) - Schedule 5

Australia Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons

(SUSMP) - Schedule 6

Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals (AIIC)
Chemical Footprint Project - Chemicals of High Concern List

### **National Inventory Status**

National Inventory	Status		
Australia - AIIC / Australia Non-Industrial Use	No (abamectin)		
Canada - DSL	No (abamectin)		
Canada - NDSL	No (abamectin; N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone)		
China - IECSC	No (abamectin)		
Europe - EINEC / ELINCS / NLP	No (abamectin)		
Japan - ENCS	No (abamectin)		
Korea - KECI	Yes		
New Zealand - NZIoC	Yes		
Philippines - PICCS	No (abamectin)		
USA - TSCA	No (abamectin)		
Taiwan - TCSI	Yes		
Mexico - INSQ	Yes		
Vietnam - NCI	Yes		
Russia - FBEPH	No (abamectin)		
Legend:	Yes = All CAS declared ingredients are on the inventory No = One or more of the CAS listed ingredients are not on the inventory. These ingredients may be exempt or will require registration.		

### **SECTION 16 Other information**

Revision Date	20/08/2021
Initial Date	23/02/2015

### **SDS Version Summary**

Version	Date of Update	Sections Updated
4.1	03/09/2020	Classification change due to full database hazard calculation/update.
5.1	20/08/2021	Classification change due to full database hazard calculation/update.

### Other information

Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

The SDS is a Hazard Communication tool and should be used to assist in the Risk Assessment. Many factors determine whether the reported Hazards are Risks in the workplace or other settings. Risks may be determined by reference to Exposures Scenarios. Scale of use, frequency of use and current or available engineering controls must be considered.

### **Definitions and abbreviations**

PC-TWA: Permissible Concentration-Time Weighted Average

PC-STEL: Permissible Concentration-Short Term Exposure Limit

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

STEL: Short Term Exposure Limit

TEEL: Temporary Emergency Exposure Limit。

IDLH: Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health Concentrations

ES: Exposure Standard
OSF: Odour Safety Factor

NOAEL :No Observed Adverse Effect Level

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LOAEL: Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level

TLV: Threshold Limit Value LOD: Limit Of Detection OTV: Odour Threshold Value BCF: BioConcentration Factors BEI: Biological Exposure Index

AIIC: Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals

**DSL: Domestic Substances List** NDSL: Non-Domestic Substances List

IECSC: Inventory of Existing Chemical Substance in China

EINECS: European INventory of Existing Commercial chemical Substances

ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances

NLP: No-Longer Polymers

**ENCS: Existing and New Chemical Substances Inventory** 

KECI: Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory NZIoC: New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

PICCS: Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

TSCA: Toxic Substances Control Act TCSI: Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory INSQ: Inventario Nacional de Sustancias Químicas

NCI: National Chemical Inventory

FBEPH: Russian Register of Potentially Hazardous Chemical and Biological Substances

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