

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Mercury (Certified ACS)  
**Cat No. :** M141-1LB; M141-6LB  
**Synonyms** Colloidal mercury; Hydrargyrum; Metallic mercury  
**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** Not for food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use

#### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

##### Company

Fisher Scientific  
One Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
Tel: (201) 796-7100

##### **Emergency Telephone Number**

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### **Classification**

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

Corrosive to metals	Category 1
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Vapors	Category 2
Reproductive Toxicity	Category 1B
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 1
Target Organs - Central nervous system (CNS), Kidney.	

#### **Label Elements**

##### **Signal Word**

Danger

##### **Hazard Statements**

May be corrosive to metals  
Fatal if inhaled  
May damage the unborn child  
Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure



### Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention

Obtain special instructions before use  
 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood  
 Use personal protective equipment as required  
 Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing  
 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
 Wear respiratory protection

#### Response

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical attention/advice

#### Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing  
 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

#### Skin

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician  
 IF ON SKIN: Gently wash with plenty of soap and water  
 Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing  
 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

#### Storage

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

#### Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

**WARNING.** Reproductive Harm - <https://www.p65warnings.ca.gov/>.

## 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Mercury	7439-97-6	100

## 4. First-aid measures

#### Eye Contact

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes.  
 Immediate medical attention is required.

#### Skin Contact

Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Immediate medical attention is required.

#### Inhalation

Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.

#### Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.

<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	No information available.
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Substance is nonflammable; use agent most appropriate to extinguish surrounding fire.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	No information available
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available
<b>Method -</b>	No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Very toxic. Non-combustible, substance itself does not burn but may decompose upon heating to produce corrosive and/or toxic fumes. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

Mercury oxide Highly toxic fumes

### Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

### NFPA

<b>Health</b>	<b>Flammability</b>	<b>Instability</b>	<b>Physical hazards</b>
4	0	0	N/A

## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional ecological information.
<b>Methods for Containment and Clean Up</b>	Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective suit. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 7. Handling and storage

<b>Handling</b>	Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not breathe vapors or spray mist. Do not ingest.
<b>Storage</b>	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Corrosives area.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

### Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH	Mexico OEL (TWA)
Mercury	TWA: 0.025 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Skin	(Vacated) TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Ceiling: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (Vacated) STEL: 0.03 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Skin (Vacated) Ceiling: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	IDLH: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Ceiling: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

**Engineering Measures** Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

**Personal Protective Equipment**

**Eye/face Protection** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

**Skin and body protection** Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respiratory Protection** Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid
<b>Appearance</b>	Silver
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	No information available
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	-38.87 °C / -38 °F
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	356.72 °C / 674.1 °F
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	0.002 mmHg @ 25 °C
<b>Vapor Density</b>	7.0
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	13.59 (H <sub>2</sub> O=1)
<b>Solubility</b>	Insoluble in water
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Viscosity</b>	No information available
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	Hg
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	200.59

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Excess heat.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Ammonia, Metals, Halogens

**Hazardous Decomposition Products** Mercury oxide, Highly toxic fumes

**Hazardous Polymerization** Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

**Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

**Product Information** No acute toxicity information is available for this product

**Component Information**

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

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

**Irritation** No information available

**Sensitization** No information available

**Carcinogenicity** The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Mercury	7439-97-6	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

**Mutagenic Effects** No information available

**Reproductive Effects** No information available.

**Developmental Effects** May cause harm to the unborn child.

**Teratogenicity** No information available.

**STOT - single exposure** None known

**STOT - repeated exposure** Central nervous system (CNS) Kidney

**Aspiration hazard** No information available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** No information available

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** No information available

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

This product contains the following substance(s) which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Mercury	Not listed	0.9 mg/L LC50 96h 0.18 mg/L LC50 96h 0.16 mg/L LC50 96h 0.5 mg/L LC50 96h	Not listed	EC50: = 5.0 µg/L, 96h (water flea)

**Persistence and Degradability** No information available

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** No information available.

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods**

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

Component	RCRA - U Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes
Mercury - 7439-97-6	U151	-

## 14. Transport information

**DOT**

UN-No UN2809  
 Proper Shipping Name MERCURY  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group III

**TDG**

UN-No UN2809  
 Proper Shipping Name MERCURY  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group III

**IATA**

UN-No UN2809  
 Proper Shipping Name MERCURY  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group III

**IMDG/IMO**

UN-No UN2809  
 Proper Shipping Name MERCURY  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1  
 Packing Group III

## 15. Regulatory information

**International Inventories**

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Mercury	X	X	-	231-106-7	-		X	-	X	X	X

**Legend:**

X - Listed

E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.

F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.

N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance

R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.

S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule

T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B)).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

**U.S. Federal Regulations****TSCA 12(b)**

Component	TSCA 12(b)
Mercury	Section 5

**SARA 313**

Component	CAS-No	Weight %	SARA 313 - Threshold Values %
Mercury	7439-97-6	100	1.0

**SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories** See section 2 for more information

**CWA (Clean Water Act)**

Component	CWA - Hazardous Substances	CWA - Reportable Quantities	CWA - Toxic Pollutants	CWA - Priority Pollutants
Mercury	-	-	X	X

**Clean Air Act**

Component	HAPS Data	Class 1 Ozone Depleters	Class 2 Ozone Depleters
Mercury	X		-

**OSHA** Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
Not applicable

**CERCLA** This material, as supplied, contains one or more substances regulated as a hazardous substance under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302)

Component	Hazardous Substances RQs	CERCLA EHS RQs
Mercury	1 lb	-

**California Proposition 65** This product contains the following proposition 65 chemicals

Component	CAS-No	California Prop. 65	Prop 65 NSRL	Category
Mercury	7439-97-6	Developmental	-	Developmental

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations**

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Mercury	X	X	X	X	X

**U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ): N  
DOT Marine Pollutant N  
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security**

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

**Other International Regulations**

**Mexico - Grade** No information available

## 16. Other information

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**Revision Summary** This document has been updated to comply with the US OSHA HazCom 2012 Standard replacing the current legislation under 29 CFR 1910.1200 to align with the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS).

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