

Section 1 Chemical Product and Company Information

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Phone Number (800) 424-9300
For laboratory use only.
Not for drug, food or household use.

Product	CONGO RED, BIOLOGICAL STAIN, pH INDICATOR
Synonyms	Direct Red 28 / C.I. No. 22120 / Congo Red Stain / Congo Red Biostain

Section 2 Hazards Identification

Signal word: DANGER
Pictograms: GHS08
Target organs: None known



GHS Classification:
Carcinogenicity (Category 1B)
Reproductive toxicity (Category 2)

GHS Label information: Hazard statement:
H350: May cause cancer.
H361d: Suspected of damaging the unborn child.

Precautionary statement:

P201: Obtain special instructions before use.
P202: Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P280: Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P308+P311: IF exposed or concerned: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor.
P405: Store locked up.
P501: Dispose of contents/container to a licensed chemical disposal agency in accordance with local/regional/national regulations.

Ca Prop 65 - This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

Section 3 Composition / Information on Ingredients

Chemical Name	CAS #	%	EINECS
Congo red	573-58-0	100%	209-358-4

Section 4 First Aid Measures

INGESTION: HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED. Call physician or Poison Control Center immediately. Induce vomiting only if advised by appropriate medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

INHALATION: HARMFUL IF INHALED. MAY CAUSE RESPIRATORY TRACT IRRITATION. Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.

EYE CONTACT: MAY CAUSE EYE IRRITATION. Check for and remove contact lenses. Flush thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes, lifting upper and lower eyelids occasionally. Get immediate medical attention.

SKIN ABSORPTION: HARMFUL IF ABSORBED THROUGH SKIN. MAY CAUSE SKIN IRRITATION. Remove contaminated clothing. Flush thoroughly with mild soap and water. If irritation occurs, get medical attention.

Section 5 Fire Fighting Measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media: Use any media suitable for extinguishing supporting fire

Protective Actions for Fire-fighters: In fire conditions, wear a NIOSH/MSHA-approved self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective gear. Use water spray to keep fire-exposed containers cool.

Specific Hazards: During a fire, irritating and highly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion.

Section 6 Accidental Release Measures

Personal Precautions: Evacuate personnel to safe area. Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8. Provide adequate ventilation.

Environmental Precautions: Avoid runoff into storm sewers and ditches which lead to waterways.

Containment and Cleanup: Recover for reuse if not contaminated. Sweep or vacuum up and place in a suitable container for proper disposal. Wash spill area with soap and water.

Precautions for Safe Handling: Read label on container before using. Do not wear contact lenses when working with chemicals. Keep out of reach of children. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Do not inhale dusts. Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid ingestion. Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove and wash clothing before reuse.

Conditions for Safe Storage: Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances. Protect from light.

Section 8 Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

Exposure Limits:	Chemical Name	ACGIH (TLV)	OSHA (PEL)	NIOSH (REL)
	Congo red	Not established	Not established	Not established

Engineering controls: Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower and fire extinguishing material. Personnel should wear safety glasses, goggles, or faceshield, lab coat or apron, appropriate protective gloves. Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

Respiratory protection: None should be needed in normal laboratory handling at room temperatures. If dusty conditions prevail, work in fume hood or wear a NIOSH/MSHA-approved respirator.

Section 9 Physical & Chemical Properties

Appearance: Solid. Red-brown crystalline powder.

Odor: No odor.

Odor threshold: Data not available.

pH: Data not available.

Melting / Freezing point: Data not available

Boiling point: Data not available

Flash point: Not flammable

Evaporation rate (= 1): Data not available

Flammability (solid/gas): Data not available.

Explosion limits: Lower / Upper: Data not available

Vapor pressure (mm Hg): Data not available

Vapor density (Air = 1): Data not available

Relative density (Specific gravity): Data not available

Solubility(ies): Complete in water.

Partition coefficient: Data not available

Auto-ignition temperature: Data not available

Decomposition temperature: Data not available.

Viscosity: Data not available.

Molecular formula: C₃₂H₂₂N₆Na₂O₆S₂

Molecular weight: 696.68

Section 10 Stability & Reactivity

Chemical stability: Stable

Hazardous polymerization: Will not occur.

Conditions to avoid: Excessive temperatures and heat. Protect from light.

Incompatible materials: Strong oxidizers.

Hazardous decomposition products: Carbon oxides, sulfur oxides, sodium oxides and nitrogen oxides.

Section 11 Toxicological Information

Acute toxicity: Oral-rat LD50: 15200 mg/kg / Oral-man LDLo: 143 mg/kg

Skin corrosion/irritation: Data not available

Serious eye damage/irritation: Data not available

Respiratory or skin sensitization: Data not available

Germ cell mutagenicity: Data not available

Carcinogenicity: Data not available

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

Reproductive toxicity: Data not available

STOT-single exposure: Data not available

STOT-repeated exposure: Data not available

Aspiration hazard: Data not available

Potential health effects:

Inhalation: Harmful by inhalation.

Ingestion: Harmful by ingestion.

Skin: Harmful if absorbed through skin. Contact may cause irritation.

Eyes: Contact may cause irritation.

Signs and symptoms of exposure: See Potential health effects above. To the best of our knowledge the chemical, physical and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated. Specific data is not available. Exercise appropriate procedures to minimize potential hazards.

Additional information: RTECS #: QK1400000

Section 12 Ecological Information

Toxicity to fish: No data available

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates: No data available

Toxicity to algae: No data available

Persistence and degradability: No data available

Bioaccumulative potential: No data available

Mobility in soil: No data available

PBT and vPvB assessment: No data available

Other adverse effects: An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Section 13 Disposal Considerations

These disposal guidelines are intended for the disposal of catalog-size quantities only. Federal regulations may apply to empty container. State and/or local regulations may be different. Dispose of in accordance with all local, state and federal regulations or contract with a licensed chemical disposal agency.

Section 14 Transport Information (US DOT / CANADA TDG)

UN/NA number: Not applicable

Shipping name: Not Regulated

Hazard class: Not applicable

Packing group: Not applicable

Reportable Quantity: No

Marine pollutant: No

Exceptions: Not applicable

2012 ERG Guide # Not applicable

Section 15 Regulatory Information

A chemical is considered to be listed if the CAS number for the anhydrous form is on the Inventory list.

Component	TSCA	CERLCA (RQ)	RCRA code	DSL	NDSL	WHMIS Classification
Congo red	Listed	Not listed	Not listed	Listed	Not listed	Not listed

Section 16 Additional Information

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