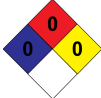


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**SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION**

- 1.1 GHS Product identifier:** Alpha Biosciences - BCYE Agar  
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- 1.2 Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use:**  
Relevant uses: Culture medium  
Uses advised against: All uses not specified in this section or in section 7.3
- 1.3 Name, address, and telephone number of the chemical manufacturer, importer, or other responsible party:**  
Alpha Biosciences, Inc.  
3651 Clipper Mill Road  
21211 Baltimore - Maryland - USA  
Phone.: 410.467.9983 - Fax: 410.467.5088  
www.alphabiosciences.com
- 1.4 Emergency phone number:**

**SECTION 2: HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION**

- 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture:**
- NFPA:**  
Health Hazards: 0  
Flammability Hazards: 0  
Instability Hazards: 0  
Special Hazards: Non-applicable
- 29 CFR 1910.1200:**  
While this material is not considered hazardous by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200), this SDS contains valuable information critical to the safe handling and proper use of the product. This SDS should be retained and available for employees and other users of this product.
- 2.2 Label elements:**
- NFPA:**
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- 29 CFR 1910.1200:**
- Hazard statements:**  
Non-applicable
- Precautionary statements:**  
P101: If medical advice is needed, have product container or label at hand  
P102: Keep out of reach of children  
P501: Dispose of contents and / or their container according to the separated collection system used in your municipality
- Substances that contribute to the classification**  
sodium carbonate (CAS: 497-19-8)
- 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC):**  
Non-applicable

**SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**


- 3.1 Substances:**  
Non-applicable
- 3.2 Mixtures:**  
**Chemical description:** Mixture of substances  
**Components:**

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**SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS (continued)**

Remaining components are non-hazardous and/or present at amounts below reportable limits. The specific chemical identity and/or exact percentage (concentration) of composition has been withheld as a trade secret in accordance with paragraph (i) of §1910.1200. Therefore, in accordance with Appendix D to § 1910.1200, the product contains:

Identification	Chemical name/Classification	Concentration
CAS: 497-19-8	<b>sodium carbonate</b> Eye Irrit. 2: H319 - Warning	 2 - <10 %

To obtain more information on the hazards of the substances consult sections 11, 12 and 16.

**SECTION 4: FIRST-AID MEASURES**

**4.1 Description of necessary measures:**

The symptoms resulting from intoxication can appear after exposure, therefore, in case of doubt, seek medical attention for direct exposure to the chemical product or persistent discomfort, showing the SDS of this product.

**By inhalation:**

This product does not contain substances classified as hazardous for inhalation, however, in case of symptoms of intoxication remove the person affected from the exposure area and provide with fresh air. Seek medical attention if the symptoms get worse or persist.

**By skin contact:**

In case of contact it is recommended to clean the affected area thoroughly with water and neutral soap. In case of modifications on the skin (stinging, redness, rashes, blisters,...), seek medical advice with this Safety data Sheet

**By eye contact:**

Rinse eyes thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes. If the injured person uses contact lenses, these should be removed unless they are stuck to the eyes, as this could cause further damage. In all cases, after cleaning, a doctor should be consulted as quickly as possible with the SDS of the product.

**By ingestion/aspiration:**

In case of consumption, seek immediate medical assistance showing the SDS of this product.

**4.2 Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed:**

Acute and delayed effects are indicated in sections 2 and 11.

**4.3 Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary:**

Non-applicable

**SECTION 5: FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

**5.1 Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media:**

Product is non-flammable under normal conditions of storage, manipulation and use. In the case of inflammation as a result of improper manipulation, storage or use preferably use polyvalent powder extinguishers (ABC powder), in accordance with the Regulation on fire protection systems. IT IS NOT RECOMMENDED to use full jet water as an extinguishing agent.

**5.2 Specific hazards arising from the chemical:**

As a result of combustion or thermal decomposition reactive sub-products are created that can become highly toxic and, consequently, can present a serious health risk.

**5.3 Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters:**

Depending on the magnitude of the fire it may be necessary to use full protective clothing and individual respiratory equipment. Minimum emergency facilities and equipment should be available (fire blankets, portable first aid kit,...)

**Additional provisions:**

As in any fire, prevent human exposure to fire, smoke, fumes or products of combustion. Only properly trained personnel should be involved in firefighting. Evacuate nonessential personnel from the fire area. Destroy any source of ignition. In case of fire, refrigerate the storage containers and tanks for products susceptible to inflammation. Avoid spillage of the products used to extinguish the fire into an aqueous medium.

**SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

**6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:**

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Sweep up and shovel product or other means and place in container for reuse (preferred) or disposal

**6.2 Environmental precautions:**

This product is not classified as hazardous to the environment. Keep product away from drains, surface and underground water.

**6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up:**

It is recommended:

Sweep up and shovel product or other means and place in container for reuse (preferred) or disposal

**6.4 Reference to other sections:**

See sections 8 and 13.

**SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE****7.1 Precautions for safe handling:**

A.- Precautions for safe manipulation

Comply with the current standards 29 CFR 1910 Occupational Safety and Health Standards. Keep containers hermetically sealed. Control spills and residues, destroying them with safe methods (section 6). Avoid leakages from the container. Maintain order and cleanliness where dangerous products are used.

B.- Technical recommendations for the prevention of fires and explosions

Due to its non-flammable nature, the product does not present a fire risk under normal conditions of storage, manipulation and use.

C.- Technical recommendations to prevent ergonomic and toxicological risks

Do not eat or drink during the process, washing hands afterwards with suitable cleaning products.

D.- Technical recommendations to prevent environmental risks

It is recommended to have absorbent material available at close proximity to the product (See subsection 6.3)

**7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities:**

A.- Technical measures for storage

Minimum Temp.: 35.6 °F

Maximum Temp.: 86 °F

Maximum time: 60 Months

B.- General conditions for storage

Avoid sources of heat, radiation, static electricity and contact with food. For additional information see subsection 10.5

**7.3 Specific end use(s):**

Except for the instructions already specified it is not necessary to provide any special recommendation regarding the uses of this product.

**SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION****8.1 Control parameters:**

Substances whose occupational exposure limits have to be monitored in the workplace

Nuisance dust: Inhalable dust 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> // Respirable dust 4 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

**8.2 Appropriate engineering controls:**

A.- Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

As a preventative measure it is recommended to use basic Personal Protection Equipment. For more information on Personal Protection Equipment (storage, use, cleaning, maintenance, class of protection,...) consult the information leaflet provided by the manufacturer. For more information see subsection 7.1. All information contained herein is a recommendation, the information on clothing performance must be combined with professional judgment, and a clear understanding of the clothing application, to provide the best protection to the worker. All chemical protective clothing use must be based on a hazard assessment to determine the risks for exposure to chemicals and other hazards. Conduct hazard assessments in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.132.

B.- Respiratory protection


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**SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION (continued)**


The use of protection equipment will be necessary if a mist forms or if the occupational exposure limits are exceeded.

C.- Specific protection for the hands

Pictogram	PPE	Remarks
 Mandatory hand protection	Protective gloves against minor risks	Replace gloves in case of any sign of damage. For prolonged periods of exposure to the product for professional /industrial users, we recommend using chemical protection gloves. Use gloves in accordance with manufacturer´s use limitations and OSHA standard 1910.138 (29CFR)

As the product is a mixture of several substances, the resistance of the glove material can not be calculated in advance with total reliability and has therefore to be checked prior to the application



D.- Ocular and facial protection

Pictogram	PPE	Remarks
 Mandatory face protection	Panoramic glasses against splash/projections.	Clean daily and disinfect periodically according to the manufacturer´s instructions. Use if there is a risk of splashing. Use this PPE in accordance with manufacturer´s use limitations and OSHA standard 1910.133 (29CFR)

E.- Bodily protection

Pictogram	PPE	Remarks
	Work clothing	Replace before any evidence of deterioration.
	Anti-slip work shoes	Replace before any evidence of deterioration.

F.- Additional emergency measures

Emergency measure	Standards	Emergency measure	Standards
 Emergency shower	ANSI Z358-1 ISO 3864-1:2011, ISO 3864-4:2011	 Eyewash stations	DIN 12 899 ISO 3864-1:2011, ISO 3864-4:2011

**Environmental exposure controls:**

In accordance with the community legislation for the protection of the environment it is recommended to avoid environmental spillage of both the product and its container. For additional information see subsection 7.1.D

**SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

**9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties:**

For complete information see the product datasheet.

**Appearance:**

Physical state at 68 °F:	Solid
Appearance:	Not available
Color:	Not available
Odor:	Not available
Odour threshold:	Non-applicable *

**Volatility:**

Boiling point at atmospheric pressure:	Non-applicable *
Vapour pressure at 68 °F:	Non-applicable *

\*Not relevant due to the nature of the product, not providing information property of its hazards.

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**SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES (continued)**

Vapour pressure at 122 °F:	Non-applicable *
Evaporation rate at 68 °F:	Non-applicable *
<b>Product description:</b>	
Density at 68 °F:	Non-applicable *
Relative density at 68 °F:	Non-applicable *
Dynamic viscosity at 68 °F:	Non-applicable *
Kinematic viscosity at 68 °F:	Non-applicable *
Kinematic viscosity at 104 °F:	Non-applicable *
Concentration:	Non-applicable *
pH:	Non-applicable *
Vapour density at 68 °F:	Non-applicable *
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water 68 °F:	Non-applicable *
Solubility in water at 68 °F:	Non-applicable *
Solubility properties:	Non-applicable *
Decomposition temperature:	Non-applicable *
Melting point/freezing point:	Non-applicable *
Explosive properties:	Non-applicable *
Oxidising properties:	Non-applicable *
<b>Flammability:</b>	
Flash Point:	Non-applicable
Flammability (solid, gas):	Non-applicable *
Autoignition temperature:	Non-applicable *
Lower flammability limit:	Non-applicable *
Upper flammability limit:	Non-applicable *
<b>Explosive:</b>	
Lower explosive limit:	Non-applicable *
Upper explosive limit:	Non-applicable *
<b>9.2 Other information:</b>	
Surface tension at 68 °F:	Non-applicable *
Refraction index:	Non-applicable *

\*Not relevant due to the nature of the product, not providing information property of its hazards.

**SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

**10.1 Reactivity:**

No hazardous reactions are expected because the product is stable under recommended storage conditions. See section 7.

**10.2 Chemical stability:**

Chemically stable under the conditions of storage, handling and use.

**10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions:**

Under the specified conditions, hazardous reactions that lead to excessive temperatures or pressure are not expected.

**10.4 Conditions to avoid:**

Applicable for handling and storage at room temperature:

Shock and friction	Contact with air	Increase in temperature	Sunlight	Humidity
Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

**10.5 Incompatible materials:**

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**SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY (continued)**

Acids	Water	Oxidising materials	Combustible materials	Others
Avoid strong acids	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Avoid alkalis or strong bases

**10.6 Hazardous decomposition products:**

See subsection 10.3, 10.4 and 10.5 to find out the specific decomposition products. Depending on the decomposition conditions, complex mixtures of chemical substances can be released: carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), carbon monoxide and other organic compounds.

**SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**11.1 Information on toxicological effects:**

The experimental information related to the toxicological properties of the product itself is not available

**Dangerous health implications:**

In case of exposure that is repetitive, prolonged or at concentrations higher than recommended by the occupational exposure limits, it may result in adverse effects on health depending on the means of exposure:

A- Ingestion (acute effect):

- Acute toxicity : Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous for consumption. For more information see section 3.
- Corrosivity/Irritability: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous for this effect. For more information see section 3.

B- Inhalation (acute effect):

- Acute toxicity : Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous for inhalation. For more information see section 3.
- Corrosivity/Irritability: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous for this effect. For more information see section 3.

C- Contact with the skin and the eyes (acute effect):

- Contact with the skin: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous for skin contact. For more information see section 3.
- Contact with the eyes: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, however it does contain substances classified as dangerous for this effect. For more information see section 3.

D- CMR effects (carcinogenicity, mutagenicity and toxicity to reproduction):

- Carcinogenicity: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous for the effects mentioned. For more information see section 3.  
IARC: Non-applicable
- Mutagenicity: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous for this effect. For more information see section 3.
- Reproductive toxicity: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous for this effect. For more information see section 3.

E- Sensitizing effects:

- Respiratory: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous with sensitising effects. For more information see section 3.
- Cutaneous: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous for this effect. For more information see section 3.

F- Specific target organ toxicity (STOT) - single exposure:

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous for this effect. For more information see section 3.

G- Specific target organ toxicity (STOT)-repeated exposure:

- Specific target organ toxicity (STOT)-repeated exposure: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous for this effect. For more information see section 3.
- Skin: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous for this effect. For more information see section 3.

H- Aspiration hazard:

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met, as it does not contain substances classified as dangerous for this effect. For more information see section 3.

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**SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION (continued)**

**Other information:**

Non-applicable

**Specific toxicology information on the substances:**

Identification	Acute toxicity		Genus
	LD50 oral	LD50 dermal	
sodium carbonate CAS: 497-19-8	2800 mg/kg	Non-applicable	Rat
	Non-applicable	Non-applicable	

**SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

The experimental information related to the eco-toxicological properties of the product itself is not available

**12.1 Ecotoxicity (aquatic and terrestrial, where available):**

Identification	Acute toxicity		Species	Genus
	LC50	EC50		
sodium carbonate CAS: 497-19-8	740 mg/L (96 h)	265 mg/L (48 h)	Gambusia affinis	Fish
	Non-applicable		Daphnia magna	Crustacean

**12.2 Persistence and degradability:**

Not available

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential:**

Not available

**12.4 Mobility in soil:**

Not available

**12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment:**

Non-applicable

**12.6 Other adverse effects:**

Not described

**SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**13.1 Disposal methods:**

**Waste management (disposal and evaluation):**

Consult the authorized waste service manager on the assessment and disposal operations. In case the container has been in direct contact with the product, it will be processed the same way as the actual product. Otherwise, it will be processed as non-dangerous residue. We do not recommended disposal down the drain. See epigraph 6.2.

**Regulations related to waste management:**

Legislation related to waste management:

40 CFR Part 261- IDENTIFICATION AND LISTING OF HAZARDOUS WASTE

**SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**Transport of dangerous goods by land:**

With regard to 49 CFR on the Transport of Dangerous Goods:

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**SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION (continued)**

- 14.1 UN number:** Non-applicable  
**14.2 UN proper shipping name:** Non-applicable  
**14.3 Transport hazard class(es):** Non-applicable  
 Labels: Non-applicable  
**14.4 Packing group, if applicable:** Non-applicable  
**14.5 Marine pollutant:** No  
**14.6 Special precautions which a user needs to be aware of, or needs to comply with, in connection with transport or conveyance either within or outside their premises**  
 Physico-Chemical properties: see section 9  
**14.7 Transport in bulk (according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code):** Non-applicable

**Transport of dangerous goods by sea:**

With regard to IMDG 39-18:

- 14.1 UN number:** Non-applicable  
**14.2 UN proper shipping name:** Non-applicable  
**14.3 Transport hazard class(es):** Non-applicable  
 Labels: Non-applicable  
**14.4 Packing group, if applicable:** Non-applicable  
**14.5 Marine pollutant:** No  
**14.6 Special precautions which a user needs to be aware of, or needs to comply with, in connection with transport or conveyance either within or outside their premises**  
 Physico-Chemical properties: see section 9  
**14.7 Transport in bulk (according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code):** Non-applicable

**Transport of dangerous goods by air:**

With regard to IATA/ICAO 2020:

- 14.1 UN number:** Non-applicable  
**14.2 UN proper shipping name:** Non-applicable  
**14.3 Transport hazard class(es):** Non-applicable  
 Labels: Non-applicable  
**14.4 Packing group, if applicable:** Non-applicable  
**14.5 Marine pollutant:** No  
**14.6 Special precautions which a user needs to be aware of, or needs to comply with, in connection with transport or conveyance either within or outside their premises**  
 Physico-Chemical properties: see section 9  
**14.7 Transport in bulk (according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code):** Non-applicable

**SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

- 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations specific for the product in question:**

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**SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION (continued)**

SARA Title III - Toxic Chemical Release Inventory Reporting (Section 313): Non-applicable  
California Proposition 65 (the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986): Non-applicable  
The Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) : sodium carbonate  
Massachusetts RTK - Substance List: Non-applicable  
New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act: Non-applicable  
New York RTK - Substance list: Non-applicable  
Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Law: Non-applicable  
CANADA-Domestic Substances List (DSL): sodium carbonate  
CANADA-Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL): Non-applicable  
NTP (National Toxicology Program): Non-applicable  
Minnesota - Hazardous substances ERTK: Non-applicable  
Rhode Island - Hazardous substances RTK: Non-applicable  
OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1096): Non-applicable  
Hazardous substances release notification under CERCLA sections 102-103 (40 CFR Part 302): Non-applicable

**Specific provisions in terms of protecting people or the environment:**

It is recommended to use the information included in this safety data sheet as data used in a risk evaluation of the local circumstances in order to establish the necessary risk prevention measures for the manipulation, use, storage and disposal of this product.

**Other legislation:**

The Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)  
Occupational Safety and Health Standards (1910 Subpart Z - Toxic and Hazardous Substances)

**SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

**Legislation related to safety data sheets:**

This safety data sheet has been designed in accordance with Appendix d to §1910.1200 - Safety data sheets

**Texts of the legislative phrases mentioned in section 3:**

The phrases indicated do not refer to the product itself; they are present merely for informative purposes and refer to the individual components which appear in section 3

**29 CFR 1910.1200:**

Eye Irrit. 2: H319 - Causes serious eye irritation

**Advice related to training:**

Minimal training is recommended to prevent industrial risks for staff using this product, in order to facilitate their comprehension and interpretation of this safety data sheet, as well as the label on the product.

**Principal bibliographical sources:**

Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA).

**Abbreviations and acronyms:**

IMDG: International maritime dangerous goods code

IATA: International Air Transport Association

ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organisation

COD: Chemical Oxygen Demand

BOD5: 5-day biochemical oxygen demand

BCF: Bioconcentration factor

LD50: Lethal Dose 50

CL50: Lethal Concentration 50

EC50: Effective concentration 50

Log-POW: Octanol-water partition coefficient

Koc: Partition coefficient of organic carbon

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