
MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETDate Revised: June 3, 2008

PRODUCT AND COMPANY INFORMATION

Product Name: GelRed Nucleic Acid Stain, 3X in water
Catalog Number: 41001
Unit Size: 4L
Manufacturer/Supplier: Biotium, Inc.
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COMPOSITION AND INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Molecular Formula: Proprietary
Molecular Weight: Proprietary
CAS Number/Name: Not applicable

HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview: Handle with care—substance has not been fully tested.

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

Inhalation: Not determined
Ingestions: Not determined
Skin: Not determined
Eyes: Not determined
Chronic Exposures: Not determined
Target Organs: Not determined

FIRST AID MEASURES

Potentially harmful; avoid prolonged or repeated exposure. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. If eye or skin contact occurs, wash affected areas with water for 15 minutes and seek medical advice. If inhaled, move individual to fresh air and seek medical advice. If swallowed, seek medical advice.

FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Use carbon dioxide, dry chemical extinguishers, foam extinguishers or water. An approved self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing are recommended.

ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Use appropriate protective equipment and methods to clean up spilled substance promptly. Absorb spill onto an appropriate material. Collect and dispose of all waste in accordance with applicable laws.

HANDLING AND STORAGE

Storage conditions are not critical.

EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

Gloves, protective clothing and eyewear should be worn and safe laboratory practices followed.

ACGIH/OSHA Permissible Exposure Limit Data: Not determined

PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Form: Dark Red Liquid
Odor: Not determined

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Solubility in Water:	High
Specific Gravity:	Not determined
pH:	Not determined
Boiling Point:	Not determined
Melting Point:	Not determined
Flash Point:	Not determined
Vapor Pressure:	Not determined

STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Thermal Decomposition: No decomposition if used according to specifications

Dangerous Reactions: No dangerous reactions identified

Dangerous Products of Decomposition: No dangerous decomposition products identified

TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

RTECS Number: None known

Toxicity: GelRed was subjected to a series of tests both by Biotium and by three independent testing services to assess the dye's safety for routine handling and disposal. These tests include: 1) glove penetration test; 2) cell membrane permeability and cytotoxicity test; 3) Ames test; and 4) environmental safety tests. Test results confirm that the dye is impenetrable to both latex gloves and cell membranes. The dye is noncytotoxic and nonmutagenic at concentrations well above the working concentrations used in gel staining. Furthermore, GelRed has successfully passed environmental safety tests in compliance with CCR Title 22 Hazardous Waste Characterization. As a result, GelRed is not classified as hazardous waste, thus can be safely disposed of down the drain or as regular trash, providing convenience and reducing cost in waste disposal. However, since these tests were not performed on human, we still advise that researchers exercise precautions when handling the dye or any other DNA-binding molecules by wearing protective gears. For detailed test results on GelRed, you may download a complete safety report at www.biotium.com.

Health Hazards: See toxicity.

Potential Hazards: We are not aware of any potential hazards

Carcinogenicity: Not listed by NTP, IARC or OSHA

ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Consult local, state or national regulations for proper disposal.

TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Hazards Class: Not determined

Identification Number: Not determined

Packing Group: Not classified

Proper Shipping Name (Technical Name): Not determined

REGULATIONS

US Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA): Not listed

US Other: Not applicable

EEC EINECS Number: Not identified

EEC Risk Statements: None identified

Other Country Regulations: None identified

OTHER INFORMATION

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