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MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET (MSDS)

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SECTION 1—CHEMICAL INFORMATION

Product Name: NEB 5-alpha Electrocompetent *E. coli*

Cas.# None

SECTION 2—COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENT

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| 1. Glycerol | 1–10% | Cas.# 56-81-5 |
| 2. Dimethyl Sulfoxide | 1–10% | Cas.# 67-68-5 |

The ingredients listed in this section include only those items that have more than 1% of a component classified as hazardous and 0.1% of a component classified as carcinogenic. If you have any questions, please contact info@neb.com.

SECTION 3—HAZARDOUS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview: Warning: May cause irritation to skin, eyes, and respiratory tract, may affect kidneys, blood and liver.

HMIS and NFPA Ratings: 0 – Minimal or None, 1 – Slight, 2 – Moderate, 3 – Serious, and 4 – Severe

Health: 1
Flammability: 1
Reactivity: 0

SECTION 4—FIRST AID MEASURES

Eyes: Flush eyes with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Assure adequate flushing by separating eyelids. Call a physician.

Skin: Wash skin with soap and copious amount of water.

Ingestion: If the person is conscious, wash out mouth with water. Call a physician.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Call a physician.

SECTION 5—FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing Media: Water spray. Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder or appropriate foam.

Special Fire Fighting Procedures: Wear self contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes.

Fire and Explosion Hazards: Combustible liquid. Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions.

SECTION 6—ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions: Avoid breathing or contact with vapors, mist or gas.

Procedure of Personal Precaution: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus, rubber boots and heavy rubber gloves and chemical safety goggles. Use non-sparking tools and equipment. Ventilate and evacuate area of leak or spill.

Environmental Precautions: Do not let product enter drains.

Methods For Cleaning Up: Cover with dry lime, sand, or soda ash. Sweep up and shovel. Place in covered container for disposal.

SECTION 7—HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling: Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation.

User Exposure: Avoid inhalation. Avoid contact with DMSO solutions containing toxic materials or material with unknown toxicological properties. Dimethyl sulfoxide is readily absorbed through skin and may carry such materials into the body. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

Storage: Keep tightly closed in a dry and well ventilated place. Store at -20°C .

SECTION 8—EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PPE

Engineering Controls: Safety shower and eye wash. Mechanical exhaust.

Personal Protective Equipment

Eye Protection: Safety goggles.

Hand Protection: Compatible resistant gloves.

Respiratory Protection: Government approved respirator.

Hygiene Measure: General practice, wash (hands and skin) thoroughly after handling. Remove and wash contaminated clothing.

SECTION 9—PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State: Form: Liquid Color: Clear or colorless Odor: No Data Available

<u>Property</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Temperature or Pressure</u>	
Boiling Point Range:		>189°C	
Melting Point Range:		>18.4°C	
Flash Point:		>87°C	Method: Closed cup
Auto Ignition Temp:		>215°C	
Vapor Pressure:	.42 mmHg	20°C	
Vapor Density:	2.7 g/l		
Specific Gravity:	1.1		
Solubility in Water:	Soluble		

SECTION 10—STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability: Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Conditions to Avoid: Moisture

Materials to Avoid: Acid chlorides, Phosphorus halides, strong oxidizing agents, strong acids, strong reducing agents.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Carbon monoxide, Carbon dioxide, Sulfur dioxides.

Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur.

Hazardous Exothermic Reactions: Hazardous Exothermic Reactions: Methyl sulfoxide (DMSO) undergoes a violent exothermic reaction on mixing with copper wool and trichloroacetic acid. On mixing with potassium permanganate it will flash instantaneously. It reacts violently with: acid halides, cyanuric chloride, silicon tetrachloride, phosphorus trichloride and trioxide, thionyl chloride, magnesium perchlorate, silver fluoride, methyl bromide, iodine pentafluoride, nitrogen periodate, diborane, sodium hydride and perchloric and periodic acids. When heated above its boiling point methyl sulfoxide degrades giving off formaldehyde, methyl mercaptan and sulfur dioxide.

SECTION 11—TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute and Chronic Affects Based On Routes Of Exposure

Effects on Fertility: Pre-implantation mortality (e.g., reduction in number of implants per female; total number of implants per corpora lutea).

Effects on Embryo or Fetus: Fetotoxicity (except death, e.g., stunted fetus).

Specific Developmental Abnormalities: Musculoskeletal System

Eye Contact: May cause irritation.

Skin Contact: May cause irritation.

Ingestion: May cause nausea, coughing, headache or diarrhea.

Inhalation: Unlikely at room temperature, inhalation of mist may cause irritation of respiratory tract.

Chronic Exposure

Target Organ(s): May cause kidney and liver damage.

Aggravation of Pre-existing Conditions: Persons with pre-existing skin disorder or eye problems or impaired liver or kidneys may be more susceptible to the effects of the material.

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

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.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1 % is identified as a known or suspected human carcinogen or confirmed animal with unknown relevance humans.

Route of Exposure**Skin Absorption:** May be harmful if absorbed.**Contact:** May cause skin irritation.**Eye Contact:** May cause eye irritation.**Inhalation:** May be harmful if inhaled. Material may be irritating to mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.**Ingestion:** May be harmful if swallowed.**Conditions Aggravated By Exposure:** Avoid contact with DMSO solutions containing toxic materials or material with unknown toxicological properties. Dimethyl sulfoxide is readily absorbed through skin and may carry such materials into the body. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.**Target Organ (s) or System (s):** Eyes and Skin**Toxicity Data****Inhalation**Rat
40,250 ppm
LC50**Oral**Rat
3,300 mg/kg
LD50**Oral**Rat
14,500 mg/kg
LD50

Remarks: Sense Organs and Special Senses (Nose, Eye, Ear and Taste): Eye: Hemorrhage. Sense Organs and Special Senses (Nose, Eye, Ear and Taste): Eye: Conjunctive irritation.

SkinRat
40,000 mg/kg
LD50**Intraperitoneal**Rat
8,200 mg/kg
LD50**Subcutaneous**Rat
12 gg/kg
LD50

Remarks: Behavioral: Change in motor activity (specific assay), Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration: Dyspnea.

IntravenousRat
5,360 mg /kg
LD50

Remarks: Behavioral: Tremor, Muscle weakness. Lungs, Thorax or Respiration: Dyspnea.

Chronic Exposure - CarcinogenSpecies: Rat
Route of Application: Oral
Dose: 59 gm/kg
Exposure Time: 81W
Frequency: I

Result: Tumorigenic: Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria, Skin and Appendages: Other: Tumors.

Species: Rat
Route of Application: Subcutaneous
Dose: 220 gm/kg
Exposure Time: 82W
Frequency I

Result: Tumorigenic: Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria, Skin and Appendages: Other: Tumors.

Chronic Exposure - MutagenSpecies: Rat
Route: Intraperitoneal
Dose: 25 gm/kg
Exposure Time: 5D
Mutation Test: Cytogenetic analysis.**Chronic Exposure - Reproductive Hazard**Species: Rat
Dose: 56 gm/kg
Route of Application: Intraperitoneal
Exposure Time: (6–12D PREG)
Result: Effects on Fertility: AbortionSpecies: Rat
Dose: 6,600 mg/kg
Route of Application: Intraperitoneal
Exposure Time: (7–15D PREG)
Result: Effects on Fertility: Post-implantation mortality (e.g., dead and/or resorbed implants per total number of implants).Species : Rat
Dose: 30,750 mg/kg
Route of Application: Subcutaneous
Exposure Time: (8–10D PREG)
Result: Effects on Fertility: Post-implantation mortality (e.g., dead and/or resorbed implants per total number of implants). Effects on Fertility: Litter size (e.g.; # fetuses per litter; measured before birth).

SECTION 12—ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Elimination Information (persistence and degradability): No data available.

Ecotoxicity Effects

Toxicity to fish	LC50-Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 34,000 mg/l - 96 h LC50-Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 35,000 mg/l - 96 h
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	EC50-Daphnia pulex (water flea) - 27,500 mg/l
Toxicity to algae	EC50 - Lepomis macrochirus (Blue Gill) - > 400,000 mg/l - 96 h

Further Information On Ecology: No data available.

SECTION 13—DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Dispose of container, unused contents and contaminated packaging in accordance with federal, state and local requirement. Contract with a licensed Chemical Waste Disposal Service.

SECTION 14—TRANSPORT INFORMATION

This product is not dangerous and no special precautions are needed according to DOT, ADR/RID (cross border), IMDG and IATA/ICAO.

SECTION 15—REGULATORY INFORMATION

OSHA Hazards: None known.

US Classification and Label Test

US Statements: Combustible. Readily absorbed through skin. Target Organ (s): Eyes, skin, liver and kidneys. Caution. Avoid contact and inhalation.

United States Regulatory Information:

Sara Listed: No

TSCA Inventory Item: Yes

Canada Regulatory Information

WHMIS Classification: This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the CPR and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

DSL: Yes

NDSL: No

EU Additional Classification

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Safety Statements: Do not breath vapor. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

SECTION 16—OTHER INFORMATION

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