# FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC. Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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# SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

# **Carbol Fuchsin Solution**

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#### SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Basic fuchsin (632-99-5) 0.9%; Ethyl alcohol (64-17-5) 9%; Phenol (108-95-2) 4.5%; and Water (7732-18-5) 85%.

CAS#: None established

# **SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

Rose/purple solution. Strong phenol odor.

Skin irritant. Inhalation hazard. Moderately toxic due to phenol and ethyl alcohol. Practice strict hygiene in the use of this substance because of the phenol constituent.

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Health-2 Flammability-1

Reactivity-0 Exposure-2

Storage-0

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

# **SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES**

Call a physician and seek medical attention for further treatment, observation and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration immediately.

External: Remove phenol with isopropyl alcohol or undiluted polyethylene glycol (300-400 MW), if available, then wash continuously with SOAPY water for at least 15 minutes. Water alone may be harmful.

Internal: Do NOT give water. Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control at once. Water may enhance absorption. MDH 9/24/10

# **SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

Class II combustible liquid due to ethyl alcohol content.		NFPA Code
Flash point: 49 °C	When heated, releases flammable fumes.	H-1
Fire Fighting Instructions: Use a triclass, dry chemical fire extinguisher. Firefighters should wear PPE and		F-3
SCBA with full facepiece operated in positive pressure mode.		R-0

#### **SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area. Remove all ignition sources and ventilate area. Contain the spill with sand or other inert absorbent material and deposit in a sealed bag or container. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

#### **SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Organic #8. Store with phenols and cresols.

# SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, **Neoprene** gloves, and chemical-resistant apron. Use ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below exposure limits. Always wear a NIOSH-approved respirator with proper cartridges or a positive pressure, air-supplied respirator when handling this material in emergency situations (spill or fire). Exposure guidelines: PEL 5 ppm as phenol (OSHA) Odor threshold of phenol is 0.04 ppm. **Readily absorbed through the skin.** 

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# **SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Rose/purple liquid with a strong phenol odor. The odor threshold for phenol is 0.04 ppm.

Used to stain acid-fast bacteria.

# **SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Avoid heat and sources of ignition. Avoid body contact.

Shelf life: Indefinite, if stored properly.

# **SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Acute effects: Irritant. ORL-RAT  $LD_{50}$ : 317 mg/kg as phenol Chronic effects: N.A. IHL-RAT  $LC_{50}$ : 316 mg/m³ as phenol Target organs: N.A. SKN-RBT  $LD_{50}$ : 850 mg/kg as phenol

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

# **SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Data not yet available.

# SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply, before proceeding.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #24a is one option.

# **SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Shipping name: Ethyl alcohol solution Hazard class: 3, Flammable liquid

UN number: UN1170 N/A = Not applicable

# **SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION**

Not listed.

# **SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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