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**1 Identification of substance:**· **Product details:**· **Product name:** Bacto Agar· **Catalog number:** 214010, 014001· **Manufacturer/Supplier:**

Becton, Dickinson and Company

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Tel: (410) 771-0100 or (800) 638-8663

· **Information department:** Technical Services· **Emergency information:**

In case of a chemical emergency, spill, fire, exposure, or accident contact Becton, Dickinson and Company at (410)771-0100 or (800)638-8663, or ChemTrec at (800)424-9300.

**2 Composition/Data on components:**· **CAS No. Description:**

Not applicable

**3 Hazards identification**· **Hazard description:**

This product contains no hazardous constituents, or the concentration of all chemical constituents are below the regulatory threshold limits described by Occupational Safety Health Administration Hazard Communication Standard 29 CFR 1910.1200 and the European Directive 91/155/EEC, and 93/112/EC.

· **NFPA ratings (scale 0-4)**

Health = 0

Fire = 0

Reactivity = 0

**4 First aid measures**

- **After inhalation** Seek medical treatment in case of complaints.
- **After skin contact** Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.
- **After eye contact** Rinse opened eye for 15 minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.
- **After swallowing** If symptoms persist consult doctor.

**5 Fire fighting measures**

- **Suitable extinguishing agents**  
CO<sub>2</sub>, extinguishing powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water or alcohol resistant foam.
- **Protective equipment:** No special measures required.

**6 Accidental release measures**

- **Person-related safety precautions:** Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
- **Measures for environmental protection:** Wipe up with damp sponge or mop.
- **Measures for cleaning/collecting:** No special measures required.

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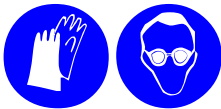
· **Additional information:** No dangerous substances are released.

### 7 Handling and storage

- **Handling**
- **Information for safe handling:** No special measures required.
- **Information about protection against explosions and fires:** No special measures required.
- **Storage**
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** No special requirements.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Store away from oxidizing agents.
- **Further information about storage conditions:** None.

### 8 Exposure controls and personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical systems:** No further data; see item 7.
- **Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:** Not required.
- **Additional information:** The lists that were valid during the creation were used as basis.
- **Personal Protective Equipment**
- **General protective and hygienic measures**  
The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.
- **Breathing equipment:**  
In case of brief exposure, use a chemical fume hood or a NIOSH/MSHA-approved respirator.
- **Protection of hands:**



Chemical resistant gloves.

- **Eye protection:** Safety glasses
- **Body protection:** Protective work clothing (lab coat).

### 9 Physical and chemical properties:

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| · <b>Form:</b>                                   | Solid.  |
| · <b>Color:</b>                                  | Beige   |
| · <b>Odor:</b>                                   | Characteristic                                |
| · <b>Change in condition</b>                     | Undetermined                                  |
| · <b>Melting point/Melting range:</b>            | Not determined                                |
| · <b>Boiling point/Boiling range:</b>            | Not determined                                |
| · <b>Flash point:</b>                            | Not applicable                                |
| · <b>Flammability (solid, gaseous)</b>           | Product is not flammable.                     |
| · <b>Danger of explosion:</b>                    | Product does not present an explosion hazard. |
| · <b>Vapor pressure:</b>                         | Not applicable                                |
| · <b>Density:</b>                                | Not determined                                |
| · <b>Solubility in / Miscibility with Water:</b> | Soluble                                       |

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**pH-value:** Not applicable**Solids content:** 100.0 %**10 Stability and reactivity**

- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:** No decomposition if used according to specifications.
- **Dangerous reactions** No dangerous reactions known
- **Dangerous products of decomposition:** No dangerous decomposition products known

**11 Toxicological information**

- **Acute toxicity:**
- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **on the skin:** No irritant effect.
- **on the eye:** No irritating effect.
- **Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.
- **Additional toxicological information:**  
When used and handled according to specifications, the product does not have any harmful effects according to our experience and the information provided to us.  
The substance is not subject to classification.

**12 Ecological information:**

- **Ecotoxicological effects:**
- **Other information:**  
The ecological effects have not been thoroughly investigated, but currently none have been identified.
- **General notes:** Generally not hazardous for water.

**13 Disposal considerations**

- **Product:**
- **Recommendation**  
Smaller quantities can be disposed of with solid waste.  
Must adhere to state and federal regulations.  
Disposal must be made according to the regulations found in 40 CFR 261.  
This product is not considered a RCRA hazardous waste.
- **Uncleaned packagings:**
- **Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to state and federal regulations.
- **Recommended cleansing agent:** Water, if necessary with cleansing agents.

**14 Transport information**

- **DOT regulations:**
- **Hazard class:** -
- **Land transport ADR/RID (cross-border)**
- **ADR/RID class:** -

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- **Maritime transport IMDG:**
- **IMDG Class:** -
- **Marine pollutant:** No
- **Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:**
- **ICAO/IATA Class:** -

### 15 Regulations

- **Product related hazard informations:**  
*The substance is not subject to classification according to the sources of literature known to us.*  
*Observe the general safety regulations when handling chemicals*  
*The product is not subject to identification regulations pertaining to regulations on hazardous materials.*
- **National regulations**
- **Additional classification according to Decree on Hazardous Materials:**  
*CERCLA: This product does not contain chemicals having a Reportable Quantity (RQ).*  
*SARA 311/312: May be subject to reporting.*  
*313: Not subject to reporting.*  
*TSCA: This product is exempt under TCSA.*
- **Water hazard class:** *Generally not hazardous for water.*

### 16 Other information:

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- **Department issuing MSDS:** *Safety & Environment Department*
- **Contact:** *Technical Service Representative*