Safety Data Sheet  
Guanidine Hydrochloride  
Section 1: Identification  
1.1 Product Identifiers  
Product Name: Guanidine Hydrochloride  
CAS#: 50-01-1  
RTECS#: MF4300000  
Synonyms: Guanidine Monohydrochloride, Guanidinium Chloride, Guanidinium Hydrochloride.  
1.2 Recommended Use of the Chemical and restrictions of Use  
Chemical manufacturing  
1.3 Supplier Details  
BioSpectra, Inc.  
100 Majestic Way  
Bangor, PA 18013  
610.599.3400  
1.4 Emergency Numbers  
US & Canada: 1-800-424-9300  
Outside the US & Canada: +1 703-527-3887  
Section 2: Hazard Identification  
2.1 Classification of Substance or Mixture  
GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)  
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4)  
Skin irritation (Category 2)  
Eye irritation (Category 2A)  
Target Organs: Bone marrow, Nerves.  
2.2 GHS Label Elements Including Precautionary Statements  
Pictogram:  
Signal Word: Warning  
Hazard Statement(s):  
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<tr>
<td>H302</td>
<td>Harmful if swallowed.</td>
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<td>H315</td>
<td>Causes skin irritation</td>
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<td>H319</td>
<td>Causes serious eye irritation</td>
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<tr>
<td>P264</td>
<td>Wash skin thoroughly after handling.</td>
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<td>P270</td>
<td>Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.</td>
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<td>P280</td>
<td>Wear protective gloves/eye protection/face protection.</td>
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<td>P301+P312</td>
<td>IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.</td>
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<td>P302-P352</td>
<td>IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.</td>
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<td>P305 + P351 + P338</td>
<td>IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.</td>
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<td>P321</td>
<td>Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this SDS)</td>
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<td>P330</td>
<td>Rinse mouth.</td>
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<td>P332+P313</td>
<td>If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.</td>
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<td>P337+P313</td>
<td>If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.</td>
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<td>P362</td>
<td>Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.</td>
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<td>P501</td>
<td>Dispose of contents/containers to an approved waste disposal plant.</td>
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2.3 Hazards not Classified or not Covered by the GHS  
Not Available.  
Section 3: Composition, Information on Ingredients  
3.1 Substances  
Synonyms: Guanidine Monohydrochloride, Guanidinium Chloride, Guanidinium Hydrochloride.  
Formula: NH₂C(NH)NH₂ HCl  
Molecular Weight: 95.53 g/mol  
CAS#: 50-01-1  
EC#: 200-002-3  

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<td>Guanidinium chloride</td>
<td>Acute Tox. 4; Skin Irrit. 2; Eye Irrit. 2A; H302, H315, H319</td>
<td>Crystal: 90-100% Solution: 6M</td>
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### Section 4: First Aid Measures

**4.1 Description of necessary first aid measures**

**General Advice:** Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the treating physician.

**Eyes:** Immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lift the upper and lower lids. Consult a physician.

**Skin:** Immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Consult a physician if irritation develops or persists.

**Serious Skin Contact:** Wash with disinfectant soap and cover contaminated skin with antibacterial cream. Consult a physician.

**Ingestion:** Do not induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If person is awake, rinse mouth out with water. Consult a physician.

**Inhalation:** Remove from exposure to fresh air immediately. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Consult a physician if cough or other symptoms appear.

**4.2 Most Important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed**

Refer to Section 2.2 for Precautionary Statements if any are applicable.

**4.3 Indication of Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment**

No information available.

### Section 5: Firefighting Measures

**5.1 Extinguishing media**

Water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

**5.2 Specific Hazards Associated with this Chemical**

Carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides (NOx), Hydrogen chloride gas.

**5.3 Special Equipment/Precautions for Firefighters**

May be combustible at high temperatures. As with most organic solids, fire is possible at elevated temperatures or by contact with an ignition source. In the event of a fire, wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full face piece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode. Explosion will appear as fine dust dispersed in air in sufficient concentrations, and in the presence of an ignition source is a potential dust explosion hazard.

**5.4 Other information**

None available.

### Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

**6.1 Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures**

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing dust.

**6.2 Environmental Precautions**

Do not let product enter drains.

**6.3 Methods and Materials for Containment and Cleaning Up**

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in a suitable, closed container for disposal.

**6.4 Other information**

None available.

### Section 7: Handling and Storage

**7.1 Precautions for Safe Handling**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

**7.2 Conditions for Storage Including any Incompatibilities**

Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible and combustible substances. Keep containers tightly closed.

**7.3 Other information**

None available.

### Section 8: Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

**8.1 Control Parameters**

Chemical does not contain any substances with occupational exposure limits.

**8.2 Engineering Controls**

Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

**8.3 Personal protective measures**

**Respiratory protection:** For nuisance exposures use type P95 (US) or type P1 (EU EN 143) particle respirator. For higher level protection use type OV/AG/P99 (US) or type ABEK-P2 (EU EN 143) respirator cartridges. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

**Hand protection:** Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove’s outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wear impervious...
gloves: Nitrile rubber with layer thickness 0.11 mm. Wash and dry hands.

**Eye protection:** Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to ANSI- Z87 Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

**Skin and body protection:** Complete suit protecting against chemicals. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

**Hygiene measures:** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

### Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

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<th>Physical State: Solid or solution</th>
<th>Melting Point: 185-189°C</th>
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<tr>
<td>Appearance: White crystal or clear liquid</td>
<td>Boiling Point: Not available</td>
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<td>Odor: Not available</td>
<td>Decomposition Temperature: &gt;310°C</td>
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<td>pH: 4.0-6.0</td>
<td>Specific Gravity/Density: 1.3450 g/cm³</td>
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<td>Vapor Pressure: Negligible</td>
<td>Solubility: 573 g/L at 20°C</td>
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<td>Vapor Density: Not available</td>
<td>Molecular Formula: NH₂C(NH)₂HCl</td>
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<td>Viscosity: Not available</td>
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### Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

#### 10.1 Chemical Stability
Stable. However, may decompose if heated.

#### 10.2 Conditions to Avoid
Incompatible materials, temperatures above 300 °C.

#### 10.3 Incompatibilities with Other Materials
Strong oxidizing agents, moisture.

#### 10.4 Hazardous Decomposition Products
Hydrogen chloride, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide.

#### 10.5 Hazardous Polymerization
Has not been reported.

### Section 11: Toxicological Information

#### 11.1 Toxicological effects

**Carcinogenicity:** CAS# 50-01-1: Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NIOSH, NTP, or OSHA.

LD50 Oral: rat - 475 mg/kg


LD50 Oral: mouse - 571 mg/kg

Remarks: Behavioral: Altered sleep time (including change in righting reflex). Behavioral: Muscle contraction or spasticity.

Behavioral: Irritability.

LD50 Oral: rat - 1,120 mg/kg

Inhalation: no data available

Dermal: no data available

**Skin corrosion/irritation**
Skin - rabbit

Result: Skin irritation

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**
Eyes - rabbit

Result: Irritating to eyes.

**Respiratory or skin sensitisation**
Buehler Test - guinea pig

Did not cause sensitisation on laboratory animals.

**Potential Health Effects:**

**Eyes:** May cause eye irritation. Inflammation is characterized by redness, watering, and itching.

**Skin:** May cause skin irritation. Skin inflammation is characterized by itching, scaling, reddening or occasionally blistering.

**Ingestion:** Harmful if swallowed. May cause irritation of the digestive tract. May cause minor neurological effects.

**Inhalation:** Irritating to the respiratory tract.

**Epidemiology:** No information available.

**Teratogenicity:** No information available.

**Reproductive Effects:** No information available.

**Neurotoxicity:** No information available.

**Mutagenicity:** No information available.

**Additional Information**

RTECS: MF4300000

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence
Section 12: Ecological Information

12.1 Ecotoxicity:
Toxicity to fish LC50 - Leuciscus idus (Golden orfe) - 1,759 mg/l

12.2 Persistence and Degradability
Biodegradability Result: Not readily biodegradable.

12.3 Bioaccumulative Potential
No information available

12.4 Mobility in Soil
No information available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

12.6 Other Adverse Effects
No information available

Section 13: Disposal Considerations
Dispose of in a manner consistent with federal, state, and local regulations.

Section 14: Transport Information

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<td>Shipping Name</td>
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Section 15: Regulatory Information

15.1 EHS Chemical Specific Regulations

OSHA Hazards: Target Organ Effect, Toxic by ingestion, Irritant
TSCA: CAS# 50-01-1 is listed on the 8(b) TSCA inventory.
Chemical Test Rules: None of the chemicals in this product are under a Chemical Test Rule.
Section 12b: None of the chemicals are listed under TSCA Section 12b.

SARA 302 Components: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

SARA 313 Components: This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

SARA 311/312 Hazards: Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

Massachusetts Right To Know Components: No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components:
Guanidinium chloride   CAS-No. 50-01-1

New Jersey Right To Know Components:
Guanidinium chloride   CAS-No. 50-01-1

California Prop. 65 Components: This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

Section 16: Additional Information

HMIS Classification
Health hazard: 2
Flammability: 0
Physical hazards: 0

NFPA Rating
Health hazard: 2
Fire: 0
Reactivity Hazard: 0

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