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Agar-Agar Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Agar-Agar

Signal Word

N/A

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Pictograms

SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

This chemical is considered nonhazardous according to GHS classifications for the Hazard Communication Standard. Treat all laboratory chemicals with caution.

Although this material is considered to be nonhazardous, unpredictable reactions among chemicals are always possible. Prudent laboratory practices should be observed.

Product should be treated as a chemical and is not for consumption as it has been stored with other nonfood-grade chemicals.

SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Agar-agar	9002-18-0	$(C_{12}H_{18}O_9)_n$	~120,000	
Synonyms: Agar-agar gum, Bengal gum				

SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

If inhaled: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing.

If on skin: Wash with plenty of water.

If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Nonflammable solid.

When heated to decomposition, may emit toxic fumes.

In case of fire: Use a tri-class dry chemical fire extinguisher.

NFPA Code

None established

SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Clean up spill. Dispose in the trash. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Organic Miscellaneous.

Moisture sensitive. Store in a cool, dry place within a Flinn Chem-Saf™ bag.

SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes. Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Tan colored powder. Odorless.

Soluble: Forms a gel with boiling water.

Not a microbiological media as is. Must add nutrients.

To prepare agar gel: Mix 15 grams per 1 liter.

SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stable nonhazardous substance. Avoid contact with strong oxidizers.

Shelf life: Good, if stored properly. See Section 7 for further information.

SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: N.A.

Chronic effects: N.A.

Target organs: N.A.

ORL-RAT LD₅₀: 11 g/kg

IHL-RAT LC₅₀: N.A.

SKN-RBT LD₅₀: N.A.

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 #26a is one option.

SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Shipping name: Not regulated. Hazard class: N/A. UN number: N/A.

SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (232-658-1).

SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION

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

N/A = Not applicable

Consult your copy of the Flinn Science Catalog/Reference Manual for additional information about laboratory chemicals.

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