

## 1 Identification

- **Product identifier**
- **Trade name:** guanidinium thiocyanate
- **Article number:** A1107
- **CAS Number:**  
593-84-0
- **EC number:**  
209-812-1
- **Index number:**  
615-004-00-3
- **Application of the substance / the mixture**  
Molecular biology  
Laboratory chemical
- **Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**  
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## 2 Hazard(s) identification

- **Classification of the substance or mixture**  
Acute Tox. 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.  
Acute Tox. 3 H311 Toxic in contact with skin.  
Acute Tox. 4 H332 Harmful if inhaled.
- **Label elements**
- **GHS label elements**  
The substance is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).
- **Hazard pictograms**



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- **Signal word** Danger
- **Hazard statements**  
H302+H332 Harmful if swallowed or if inhaled.  
H311 Toxic in contact with skin.
- **Precautionary statements**  
P273 Avoid release to the environment.  
P302+P352 If on skin: Wash with plenty of water.

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- **Classification system:**
- **NFPA ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



- **HMIS-ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



- **Other hazards**
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.

### 3 Composition/information on ingredients

- **Chemical characterization: Substances**
- **CAS No. Description**  
593-84-0 guanidinium thiocyanate
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### 4 First-aid measures

- **Description of first aid measures**
- **General information:**  
Symptoms of poisoning may even occur after several hours; therefore medical observation for at least 48 hours after the accident.  
Involve doctor immediately.
- **After inhalation:**  
Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm. Consult doctor if symptoms persist.  
In case of unconsciousness place patient stably in side position for transportation.  
If not breathing, if breathing is irregular or if respiratory arrest occurs, provide artificial respiration or oxygen by trained personnel.
- **After skin contact:**  
Wash off with plenty of water.  
Call a doctor immediately.  
Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.
- **After eye contact:** Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.
- **After swallowing:**  
make victim drink water (maximum of 2 drinking glasses)  
Call a doctor immediately.
- **Information for doctor:**
- **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**  
No further relevant information available.
- **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**  
No further relevant information available.

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## 5 Fire-fighting measures

- **Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents:**  
Use fire fighting measures that suit the environment.  
In adaption to materials stored in the immediate neighbourhood.
- **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**  
Formation of toxic gases is possible during heating or in case of fire.  
Nitrogen oxides (NOx)  
CO, CO2  
(SO2, SO3)  
Non-combustible.
- **Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:** Wear self-contained respiratory protective device.
- **Additional information**  
Dispose of fire debris and contaminated fire fighting water in accordance with official regulations.

## 6 Accidental release measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
Avoid formation of dust.  
Do not inhale dust.  
Mount respiratory protective device.  
Avoid substance contact.  
Ensure adequate ventilation
- **Environmental precautions:**  
Inform respective authorities in case of seepage into water course or sewage system.  
Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.
- **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**  
Pick up mechanically.  
Avoid generation of dusts.  
Dispose contaminated material as waste according to item 13.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.  
Clean up affected area.
- **Reference to other sections**  
See Section 7 for information on safe handling.  
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.  
See Section 13 for disposal information.
- **Protective Action Criteria for Chemicals**
  - **PAC-1:** 0.98 mg/m<sup>3</sup>
  - **PAC-2:** 11 mg/m<sup>3</sup>
  - **PAC-3:** 65 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

## 7 Handling and storage

- **Handling:**
- **Precautions for safe handling**  
Thorough dedusting.  
Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.  
Any deposit of dust which cannot be avoided must be regularly removed.
- **Information about protection against explosions and fires:** The product is not flammable.
- **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage:**
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** Prevent any seepage into the ground.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Do not store together with acids.
- **Further information about storage conditions:**  
Keep receptacle tightly sealed.

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- Store receptacle in a well ventilated area.
- Store under lock and key and with access restricted to technical experts or their assistants only.
- **Recommended storage temperature:** +15 - +25°C
- **Storage class:** 13
- **Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

## 8 Exposure controls/personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical systems:** No further data; see item 7.
- **Control parameters**
- **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.
- **Exposure controls**
- **Personal protective equipment:**
- **General protective and hygienic measures:**
  - Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.
  - Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.
  - Vacuum clean contaminated clothing. Do not blow or brush off contamination.
  - Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.
  - Change contaminated clothing.
- **Breathing equipment:**
  - In case of brief exposure or low pollution use respiratory filter device. In case of intensive or longer exposure use respiratory protective device that is independent of circulating air.
  - Filter P3
- **Protection of hands:**



Protective gloves

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.  
Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

- **Material of gloves**
  - The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer.
- **Penetration time of glove material**
  - The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.
- **For the permanent contact gloves made of the following materials are suitable:**
  - Nitrile rubber, NBR
  - Recommended thickness of the material:  $\geq 0.11$  mm
  - Value for the permeation: Level  $\geq 480$  min
- **As protection from splashes gloves made of the following materials are suitable:**
  - Nitrile rubber, NBR
  - Recommended thickness of the material:  $\geq 0.11$  mm
  - Value for the permeation: Level  $\geq 480$  min
- **Eye protection:** Safety glasses
- **Body protection:**
  - Use protective suit.
  - Protective clothing should be selected specifically for the working place, depending on concentration and quantity of the hazardous substances handled.

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## 9 Physical and chemical properties

· **Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

· **General Information**

· **Appearance:**

Form:	Solid
Color:	White
Odor:	Odorless
Odor threshold:	Not determined.

· **pH-value:** Not applicable.

· **Change in condition**

Melting point/Melting range:	118 °C (244.4 °F)
Boiling point/Boiling range:	Undetermined.

· **Flash point:** Not applicable.

· **Flammability (solid, gaseous):** Product is not flammable.

· **Ignition temperature:**

Decomposition temperature: Not determined.

· **Auto igniting:** Not determined.

· **Danger of explosion:** Product does not present an explosion hazard.

· **Explosion limits:**

Lower:	Not determined.
Upper:	Not determined.

· **Vapor pressure:** Not applicable.

· **Density at 20 °C (68 °F):** 1.29 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (10.765 lbs/gal)

· <b>Bulk density:</b>	630 kg/m <sup>3</sup>
· <b>Relative density</b>	Not determined.
· <b>Vapor density</b>	Not applicable.
· <b>Evaporation rate</b>	Not applicable.

· **Solubility in / Miscibility with**

Water at 20 °C (68 °F): 1420 g/l

· **Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water):** -1.10237

· **Viscosity:**

Dynamic:	Not applicable.
Kinematic:	Not applicable.

· **Other information** No further relevant information available.

## 10 Stability and reactivity

· **Reactivity** No dangerous reactions known.

· **Chemical stability**

· **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**  
light.

Strong heating

· **Possibility of hazardous reactions** No dangerous reactions known.

· **Conditions to avoid**

Photoreactive.

strong acids

· **Incompatible materials:**

strong oxidants

strong acids

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- **Hazardous decomposition products:** In the event of fire: See chapter 5

## 11 Toxicological information

- **Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity:**
- **LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:**

· Components	Type	Value	Species
Oral LD50		354 mg/kg	(rat)

- **Additional toxicological information:**
- **Carcinogenic categories**
- **IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)** Substance is not listed.
- **NTP (National Toxicology Program)** Substance is not listed.
- **OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)** Substance is not listed.

## 12 Ecological information

- **Toxicity**
- **Aquatic toxicity:**

· Type of test	Effective concentration	Method	Assessment
EC50/72 h	130 mg/l	(Algae)	
EC50/48 h	42.4 mg/l	(Aquatic Invertebrata)	
LC50/96 h	89.1 mg/l	(fish)	

- **Persistence and degradability** The product is biodegradable.
- **Behavior in environmental systems:**
- **Bioaccumulative potential**  
Due to the distribution coefficient n-octanol/water an accumulation in organisms is not expected.
- **Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.
- **Ecotoxicological effects:**
- **Remark:** Harmful to fish
- **Additional ecological information:**
- **General notes:**  
Harmful to aquatic organisms  
Water hazard class 2 (Assessment by list): hazardous for water  
Do not allow product to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.  
Danger to drinking water if even small quantities leak into the ground.
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.
- **Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

## 13 Disposal considerations

- **Waste treatment methods**
- **Recommendation:**  
Chemicals must be disposed of in compliance with the respective national regulations.  
Must not be disposed of together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.
- **Uncleaned packagings:**
- **Recommendation:**  
Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

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Packagings that cannot be cleansed are to be disposed of in the same manner as the product.

## 14 Transport information

· UN-Number	
· DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA	Void
· UN proper shipping name	
· DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA	Void
· Transport hazard class(es)	
· DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA	
· Class	Void
· Packing group	
· DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA	Void
· Environmental hazards:	
· Marine pollutant:	No
· Special precautions for user	Not applicable.
· Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable.
· Transport/Additional information:	Not dangerous according to the above specifications.
· UN "Model Regulation":	Void

## 15 Regulatory information

- **Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**
- **Sara**
- **Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):** Substance is not listed.
- **Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):** Substance is not listed.
- **TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act):** Substance is listed.
- **Proposition 65**
- **Chemicals known to cause cancer:** Substance is not listed.
- **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:** Substance is not listed.
- **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:** Substance is not listed.
- **Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:** Substance is not listed.
- **Carcinogeny categories**
- **EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)** Substance is not listed.
- **TLV (Threshold Limit Value established by ACGIH)** Substance is not listed.
- **NIOSH-Ca (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)** Substance is not listed.
- **GHS label elements**
- The substance is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).
- **Hazard pictograms**



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- **Hazard statements**
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- **Precautionary statements**  
P273 Avoid release to the environment.  
P302+P352 If on skin: Wash with plenty of water.
- **Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

## 16 Other information

This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

- **Department issuing SDS:** Dept. Compliance
- **Date of preparation / last revision** 11/11/2017 / 2
- **Abbreviations and acronyms:**  
ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)  
IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods  
DOT: US Department of Transportation  
IATA: International Air Transport Association  
ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances  
CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)  
NFPA: National Fire Protection Association (USA)  
HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)  
LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent  
LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent  
PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic  
vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative  
NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety  
OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health  
TLV: Threshold Limit Value  
PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit  
REL: Recommended Exposure Limit  
Acute Tox. 4: Acute toxicity – Category 4  
Acute Tox. 3: Acute toxicity – Category 3
- **\* Data compared to the previous version altered.**

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