

### 1 Identification of substance:

- **Product name:** *mEI Agar*
- **Catalog number:** *215045*
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**  
*BD Diagnostic Systems  
7 Loveton Circle  
Sparks, MD 21152  
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 BD Diagnostic Systems at (410)771-0100 or (800)638-8663, or ChemTrec at (800)424-9300.*

### 2 Composition/Data on components:

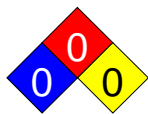
- **Chemical characterization**
- **Description:** *Mixture consisting of the following components.*

· **Dangerous components:**

7647-14-5	sodium chloride	1.4%
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### 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.*
- **Classification system**  
*The classification was made according to the latest editions of international substances lists, and expanded upon from company and literature data.*
- **NFPA ratings (scale 0-4)**



Health = 0  
Fire = 0  
Reactivity = 0

### 4 First aid measures

- **General information** *No special measures required.*
- **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 several minutes under running water. If symptoms persist, consult a doctor.*
- **After swallowing** *If symptoms persist consult doctor.*
- **Information for doctor** *Show this product label or this MSDS.*

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### 5 Fire fighting measures

- **Suitable extinguishing agents**  
CO<sub>2</sub>, ABC multipurpose dry chemical or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.
- **Special hazards caused by the material, its products of combustion or resulting gases:**  
Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)
- **Protective equipment:** No special measures required.

### 6 Accidental release measures

- **Person-related safety precautions:** Not required.
- **Measures for environmental protection:** Wipe up with damp sponge or mop.
- **Measures for cleaning/collecting:** No special measures required.
- **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:** 2 - 8 C
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:**  
Do not store together with oxidizing and acidic materials as well as heavy-metal compounds.
- **Further information about storage conditions:** Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

### 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:**  
The product does not contain any relevant quantities of materials with critical values that have to be monitored at the workplace.
- **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:** Not required.
- **Protection of hands:**



Chemical resistant gloves (i.e. nitrile, or equivalent).

- **Eye protection:** Safety glasses

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· **Body protection:** Protective work clothing (lab coat).**9 Physical and chemical properties:**· **General Information**

<b>Form:</b>	Liquid Highly viscous
<b>Color:</b>	According to product specification
<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

· **Flash point:** Not applicable· **Auto igniting:** Product is not self igniting.· **Danger of explosion:** Product does not present an explosion hazard.· **Density:** Not determined· **Solubility in / Miscibility with**  
Water: Soluble· **pH-value:** 7.1 +/- 0.2· **Solvent content:**  
Organic solvents: 0.0 %**10 Stability and reactivity**· **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**  
No decomposition if used according to specifications.· **Materials to be avoided:**  
Incompatible material: strong oxidizers.

Incompatible materials: acidic material and metals

· **Dangerous reactions** No dangerous reactions known· **Dangerous products of decomposition:** No dangerous decomposition products known.· **Additional information:**

Sodium azide is present in this product. Contact with acidic solutions and metal compounds over time may form potentially explosive metal azides. Should any of this material be introduced into a sanitary sewer system, flush with copious amounts of water.

**11 Toxicological information**· **Acute toxicity:**· **Primary irritant effect:**· **on the skin:** No irritating effect.· **on the eye:** No irritating effect.· **Sensitization:** No sensitizing effects known.

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**· Additional toxicological information:**

The product is not subject to OSHA classification according to internally approved calculation methods for preparations.

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.

**12 Ecological information:****· Ecotoxicological effects:****· Other information:**

The ecological effects have not been thoroughly investigated, but currently none have been identified.

· **General notes:** Water hazard class 1 (Self-assessment): slightly hazardous for water.

**13 Disposal considerations****· Product:****· Recommendation**

Smaller quantities can be disposed of with solid waste.

This product is not considered a RCRA hazardous waste.

Dispose of material in accordance with federal (40 CFR 261.3), state and local requirements.

**· 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:** -

**· Maritime transport IMDG:**

· **IMDG Class:** -

· **Marine pollutant:** No

**· Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:**

· **ICAO/IATA Class:** -

**· Transport/Additional information:**

If a dashed line appears in the Hazard Class section for the type of transportation, this indicates the product is not regulated for transportation. However, if a Hazard Class Number is listed the product is regulated.

**15 Regulations****· SARA Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

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**· SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

**· TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act)**

8013-01-2 yeast extract

9002-18-0 agar

531-75-9 esculin

497-19-8 sodium carbonate

26628-22-8 sodium azide

**· California Proposition 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer**

None of the ingredients is listed.

**· California Proposition 65 - Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

**· California Proposition 65 - Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:**

None of the ingredients is listed.

**· California Proposition 65 - Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:**

66-81-9 cycloheximide

**· Carcinogenicity categories**

**· IARC (International Agency for Research on Cancer)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

**· NTP (National Toxicology Program)**

None of the ingredients is listed.

**· TLV (Threshold Limit Value established by ACGIH)**

26628-22-8 sodium azide

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**· Product related hazard information:**

Observe the general safety regulations when handling chemicals

The product is not subject to identification regulations pertaining to regulations on hazardous materials.

**16 Other information:**

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· **Department issuing MSDS:** Safety and Environment Department

· **Contact:** Technical Service Representative