



IN CASE OF EMERGENCY Emergency Phone: (614) 276-4000

Material Safety Data Sheet

1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION		
Common/Trade Name: Acetylcysteine Solution USP		
Chemical Name: (R)-2-acetamido-3-mercaptopropanoic acid		
Synonyms: None		
Molecular Formula: C ₅ H ₉ NO ₃ S		
Molecular Weight: 163.19		
CAS No: 616-91-1		
Chemical Family: Mucolytic agent		
Product Use: Treatment for excessive mucous production or paracetamol/acetaminophen overdose		
Manufacturer's Name: Boehringer Ingelheim Roxane Inc.		
Address: 1809 Wilson Road Columbus, Ohio 43228		
2. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS		
Composition	CAS#	Exposure Limit
Acetylcysteine (active ingredient)	616-91-1	None established
<i>REFER to PHYSICIAN'S DESK REFERENCE for common components present as <1%</i>		
3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION		
Emergency Overview	Physical State: Liquid solution administered through oral inhalation or oral ingestion. Clear to purple solution in 10 or 20% solutions. A slight color change to purple does not affect the efficiency of this product. Odor: Slight WARNING! May be harmful if inhaled or swallowed. Accidental ingestion of large amounts may be fatal.	
Primary Route(s) of Entry	Inhalation, Ingestion	
Potential Health Effects:	Inhalation: May be harmful if inhaled. Inhalation may cause irritation, headaches, runny nose, and drowsiness. Eye Contact: Not expected to be a hazard to the eye. Contact with eye may cause irritation, burning and redness. Skin Contact: Not expected to be a hazard to the skin. Can cause hypersensitive reactions resulting in rash, redness, itching and inflammation. Ingestion: May be harmful if ingested. Ingestion may cause nausea, vomiting, and other systemic effects.	
Toxicity Data:	See Section 11	
Effects of Overexposure:	The potential for exposure is reduced in finished pharmaceutical form. Overexposure by ingestion may cause nausea, vomiting, and other systemic effects. A rash with or without a mild fever has been reported in rare cases.	
Target Organs:	Mucous membranes, lungs	
4. FIRST AID MEASURES		

Eye Exposure	Any material that contacts the eye should be washed out immediately with water. If easy to do, remove contact lenses if worn. Get medical attention if symptoms persist.				
Skin Exposure	Wash with soap and water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.				
Ingestion	Call a physician or poison control center immediately.				
Inhalation	Move to fresh air and treat symptomatically. If breathing is difficult, move to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately.				
5. FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS					
Flammability	Lower: N/A		Upper: N/A		
Flash Point	Not available				
Extinguishing Media	Use water spray, dry chemical, foam or material appropriate for fire in surrounding area.				
Special Fire Fighting Procedures	Wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus.				
Unusual Fire/Explosion Hazards	Not Applicable				
Hazardous Combustion Products	Carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, oxides of nitrogen, oxides of sulfur				
6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE INFORMATION					
STEPS TO BE TAKEN IF SIGNIFICANT QUANTITIES OF LIQUID IS SPILLED: Use appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Wipe up and containerize spill material in a compatible container. Dispose according to applicable regulations. Incineration of the waste at an approved facility is recommended.					
7. PRECAUTIONS FOR SAFE HANDLING AND USE					
Precautions Handling Significant Quantities of Liquid:	Observe good industrial hygiene practices.				
Storage	Store at 15° and 30°C (59° to 86°F). Keep container closed tightly. Store in refrigerator at 2° - 8°C (36° - 46°F) after opening. Discard opened bottles after 96 hours.				
8. CONTROL MEASURES AND PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT					
Exposure Limits	None				
Engineering Controls	Not required when handling liquid or containers. Good ventilation should be used. Ventilation should be matched to conditions.				
Respiratory Protection	Not required when handling liquid or containers. NIOSH/MSHA approved respirators for protection should be used if respirators are found to be necessary. Ventilation should be matched to conditions.				
Personal Protection	Not required when handling final product. If containers are compromised or exposure is likely wear: Goggles, Lab Coat, Gloves				
Recommended Facilities	Eye wash, washing facilities				
9. PHYSICAL / CHEMICAL CHARACTERISTICS					
Appearance	Clear to purple solution	Melting point	Not available	Solubility in water	Soluble
Odor	Slight	Boiling point	Not available	Specific Gravity	Not available
Taste	Not available	Vapor Pressure	Not available	Flashpoint	Not available
pH	Not available	Density	Not available	Flammability Limits	Not available
10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY DATA					

Stability	Stable
Incompatibility	None known
Hazardous Decomposition	Oxides of carbon, oxides of nitrogen, oxides of sulfur
Conditions to Avoid	Excessive heat and light
Hazardous Polymerization	Will not occur.
11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION	
<p>Acute Toxicity:</p> <p>Active Ingredient: LD50 Oral (rat): 5050 mg/kg LD50 Oral (mouse): 4400 mg/kg</p> <p>Carcinogenicity: Not listed as a carcinogen by NTP, IARC Monographs or OSHA.</p>	
12. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT INFORMATION	
No information is currently available on the environmental impact of this product.	
13. DISPOSAL INFORMATION	
<p>Waste Disposal Considerations: Dispose of material according to federal, state and local disposal regulations or company operating procedures. Disposal by incineration is recommended. At home: Discard away from children's reach.</p>	
14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION	
<p>This product is not subject to the regulations for the safe transport of hazardous chemicals. DOT: Not regulated TDG: Not regulated IATA: Not regulated IMDG: Not regulated</p>	
15. REGULATORY INFORMATION	
<p>DEA: Acetylcysteine Solution is not a controlled substance.</p> <p>FDA: Acetylcysteine Solution is an approved prescription medication.</p> <p>Inventory Status: This material is not listed on the US TSCA Inventory. Therefore, it can only be used for TSCA exempt purposes such as R&D or drug use. This material is not listed on the DSL Inventory but is exempt.</p>	
16. OTHER DATA	
<p>ABBREVIATIONS: N/A – not applicable</p> <p>Prepared by: Boehringer Ingelheim Roxane Inc.</p> <p>References:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Acetylcysteine Solution USP, Package Insert, Boehringer Ingelheim Roxane Inc., Columbus, Ohio 2. RTECS No. HA1660000 for N-acetyl-L-cysteine 3. Ariel Webinsight. Regulatory and ChemExpert Database. 4. PDR – Physicians Desk Reference 	
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SEE CURRENT PACKAGE INSERT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION	

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