



Boston BioProducts, Inc

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SAFETY DATA SHEET

SECTION 1 – PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

- 1.1** PRODUCT NAME: Borate Buffer (0.5 M, pH 9.5)
CATALOG #: BB-68
- 1.2** RECOMMENDED USE: Research use or further manufacturing
- 1.3** COMPANY IDENTIFICATION: Boston BioProducts, Inc.
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- 1.4** EMERGENCY CONTACT: 1-800-535-5053
TOLL FREE NUMBER: 1-888-881-8691

SECTION 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Acute toxicity, Oral	Category 5
Skin corrosion/irritation	Category 2
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure; Respiratory tract irritation	Category 3
Reproductive toxicity	Category 1

2.2 GHS Label elements, including Hazard and Precautionary Statement(s)

Pictogram



Signal word: Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H303	May be harmful if swallowed
H315	Causes skin irritation
H319	Cause Serious Eye irritation
H335	May cause respiratory irritation
H360	May damage fertility or the unborn

Prevention, Response, Storage and Disposal Precautionary Statement(s)

P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.



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P261	Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P302 + P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P304 + P340	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P308 + P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.
P312	Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
P321	Specific treatment (see. on this label).
P332 + P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P337+P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
P362 + P364	Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.
P403 + P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

SECTION 3- COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Composition: 500 mM Boric Acid, pH 9.50 ± 0.20

Component	CAS Number	Concentration
Boric Acid	10043-35-3	3.10%
Sodium Hydroxide	1310-73-2	For pH adjustment
Water	7732-18-5	Rest

SECTION 4 - FIRST-AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General advice: Consult a doctor and show this safety data sheet.

- i. **If inhaled:** Remove to fresh air and monitor breathing. If breathing becomes difficult, give oxygen. If breathing stops, give artificial respiration. Consult a doctor.
- ii. **In case of skin contact:** Immediately wash skin with copious amounts of soap and water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes and wash before reuse. Consult a doctor.
- iii. **In case of eye contact:** Flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Consult a doctor.



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- iv. **If swallowed:** Rinse mouth with water. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Consult a doctor.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed: To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

4.3 Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed: Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.

SECTION 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media: Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture: Carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides (NOx), Sulfur oxides.

5.3 Precautions for fire-fighters: Wear suitable protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes and self-contained breathing apparatus.

5.4 Further information:

Health	Flammability	Instability	Physical Hazards
2	0	1	N/A

SECTION 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures: Do not take action without suitable protective clothing - see section 8 of SDS. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist, dust or gas.

6.2 Environmental precautions: Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up: Cover spillage with suitable absorbent material. Using non-spark tools, sweep up material and place in an appropriate container. Decontaminate spill site with 10% caustic solution and ventilate area until after disposal is complete. Hold all material for appropriate disposal as described under section 13 of SDS.

6.4 Reference to other sections: For required PPE see section 8. For disposal see section 13.

SECTION 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1 Precautions for safe handling: Use in a chemical fume hood, with air supplied by an independent system. Avoid inhalation, contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Avoid the formation of dust and aerosols. Use in a well-ventilated area. Keep away from sources of ignition. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities: Store in cool, well-ventilated area. Keep away from direct sunlight. Keep container tightly sealed until ready for use. Keep in a dry place.

7.3 Specific end use(s): Use in a laboratory fume hood where possible.

SECTION 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION



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8.1 Control parameters

Components with workplace control parameters

Component	ACGIH TVL	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH	MEXICO OEL (TWA)
Boric Acid	TWA: 2 mg/m ³ STEL: 6 mg/m ³	-	-	TWA: 2 mg/m

- ❖ **ACGIH:** American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists.
- ❖ **OSHA:** Occupational Safety and Health Administration.
- ❖ **NIOSH IDLH:** The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health.

8.2 Exposure Controls

- i. **Appropriate engineering controls:** Use in a fume hood where applicable. Ensure all engineering measures described under section 7 of SDS are in place. Ensure laboratory is equipped with a safety shower and eye wash station.

8.3 Personal protective equipment

- i. **Eye/face protection:** Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).
- ii. **Skin protection:** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166
- iii. **Body Protection:** Wear appropriate protective clothing. 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.
- iv. **Respiratory Protection:** Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.
- v. **Control of environmental exposure:** Do not let product enter drains

SECTION 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Clear, Colorless Liquid	Vapor Pressure	No Data Available
Odor	No Data Available	Vapor Density	No Data Available
Odor Threshold	No Data Available	Relative Density	No Data Available
pH	9.50 ± 0.20	Water Solubility	Very Soluble
Melting / Freezing Point	No Data Available	Partition Coefficient	No Data Available
Initial Boiling Point Range	No Data Available	Auto-Ignition Temperature	No Data Available
Flash Point	No Data Available	Decomposition Temperature	No Data Available
Evaporation Rate	No Data Available	Viscosity	No Data Available
Flammability (Solid, Gas)	No Data Available	Explosive Properties	No Data Available
Upper / Lower Flammability Or Explosive Limits	No Data Available	Oxidizing Properties	No Data Available



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SECTION 10 - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability: Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Potassium, Acid anhydrides.

Incompatibilities: Potassium, Acid anhydrides.

SECTION 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute Toxicity

LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LD50 Inhalation	LD50 Intraperitoneal
2660 mg/kg (Rat)	2000 mg/kg (Rabbit)	0.16 mg/L (Rat)- 4 h	Not Listed

Toxicologically Synergistic Products: The environmental impact of this product has not been fully investigated

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Irritation: Irritating to eyes

Carcinogenicity: The table below indicated whether each agency has any listed ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
-	-	-	-	-	-	-

SECTION 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity: The environmental impact of this product has not been fully investigated

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Boric Acid	-	Gambusia affinis: LC50: 5600 mg/L/96h	-	EC50: 115 - 153 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna)

Persistence and degradability: No data available

Bioaccumulative potential: No data available

Mobility in soil: No data available

Results of BPT and vPvB assessment: No data available

Acute Toxicity

Component	Log Pow
Boric Acid	-0.757

SECTION 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be managed in an appropriate and approved waste disposal facility. Processing, use or contamination of this product may change the waste management options. State and local disposal regulations may differ from federal disposal regulations. Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with federal, state and local requirements.



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SECTION 14 - TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT	TDG	IATA	IMDG/IMO
Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated	Not regulated

SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

INTERNATIONAL INVENTORIES

TSCA	DSL	NDSL	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	CHINA	KECL
Listed	Listed	-	-	-	Listed	Listed	Listed	Listed	Listed

USA FEDERAL REGULATION

SARA 311/312 HAZARDOUS CATEGORIZATION

Acute Health Hazard	Chronic Health Hazard	Fire Hazard	Sudden Release Of Pressure Hazard	Reactive Hazard
No	Yes	No	No	No

TSCA 12(b)/ SARA 313/ OSHA/ CERCLA/ Clean Water Act/ Clean Air Act: Not Applicable
California Proposition 65:

Component	CAS#	Type of Toxicity	Listing Mechanism	Prop 65 NSRL or MADL (µg/day)
-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-

STATE RIGHT TO KNOW

Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
-	Listed	Listed	Listed	-

HMIS Rating

Health hazard	Chronic Health Hazard	Flammability	Physical Hazard
1	*	0	0

NFPA Rating

Health Hazard	Fire Hazard	Reactivity Hazard
0	0	0

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REPORTABLE QUANTITY (RQ)	DOT MARINE POLLUTANT	DOT SEVER MARINE POLLUTANT
No	No	No

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY: This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

Canada: This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the SDS contains all the information required by the CPR.

This SDS complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC)

SECTION 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. Boston BioProducts, Inc. shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. This product is sold for laboratory research and development purposes use only.

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