

## Safety Data Sheet **GILL'S HAEMATOXYLIN STAIN, II & III (contains ethylene glycol)**

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### SECTION 1: Identification

#### GHS Product identifier

Product name GILL'S HAEMATOXYLIN STAIN, II & III (contains ethylene glycol)

Brand Australian Biostain

#### Other means of identification

G2- Gill's #2 Haematoxylin(G2)

G3- Gill's Haematoxylin (G3)

AHG2T Gill II Toxic Haematoxylin

#### Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

Product type: Water solution of ingredients including ethylene glycol.

Cytological staining.

#### Supplier's details

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Australia

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#### Emergency phone number

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### SECTION 2: Hazard identification

#### General hazard statement

Not classified as dangerous goods according to the Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG).

Classified as Hazardous according to the Globally Harmonised System of classification and labelling of Chemicals (GHS) including Work, Health and Safety regulations, Australia.

#### Classification of the substance or mixture

#### GHS classification in accordance with: UN GHS revision 7

- Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Cat. 1
- Skin corrosion/irritation, Cat. 2

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- Specific target organ toxicity following repeated exposure, Cat. 2
- Acute toxicity, oral, Cat. 4

#### GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

##### Pictograms



##### Signal word

**Danger**

##### Hazard statement(s)

H302	Harmful if swallowed
H315	Causes skin irritation
H318	Causes serious eye damage
H373	May cause damage to organs [kidney] through prolonged or repeated exposure [oral]

##### Precautionary statement(s)

P260	Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
P264	Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P301+P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician if you feel unwell,
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water/soap
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician
P314	Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell.
P330	Rinse mouth.
P332+P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P362+P364	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P501	Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal facility

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### Mixtures

Other components either not classified as Hazardous under the GHS, or below cut-off concentrations to be classified as Hazardous.

### Hazardous components

Component	CAS no.	Concentration
<b>Ethylene glycol (EC no.: 203-473-3; Index no.: 603-027-00-1)</b>	<b>107-21-1</b>	<b>&lt; 35 % (weight)</b>
CLASSIFICATIONS: Acute toxicity, oral, Cat. 4; Specific target organ toxicity following repeated exposure, Cat. 2. HAZARDS: H302 - Harmful if swallowed; H373 - May cause damage to organs [organs] through prolonged or repeated exposure [route].		
<b>Aluminum sulfate (EC no.: 233-135-0)</b>	<b>10043-01-3</b>	<b>&lt; 5 % (weight)</b>
CLASSIFICATIONS: Corrosive to metals, Cat. 1; Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Cat. 1. HAZARDS: H290 - May be corrosive to metals; H318 - Causes serious eye damage.		
<b>Acetic acid (EC no.: 200-580-7; Index no.: 607-002-00-6)</b>	<b>64-19-7</b>	<b>&lt; 3 % (weight)</b>
CLASSIFICATIONS: Flammable liquids, Cat. 3; Skin corrosion/irritation, Cat. 1A. HAZARDS: H226 - Flammable liquid and vapor; H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.		
<b>Haematoxylin (EC no.: 208-237-3)</b>	<b>517-28-2</b>	<b>&lt; 1 % (weight)</b>
CLASSIFICATIONS: Acute toxicity, oral, Cat. 4; Serious eye damage/eye irritation, Cat. 2A; Skin corrosion/irritation, Cat. 2; Specific target organ toxicity following single exposure, Cat. 3. HAZARDS: H302 - Harmful if swallowed; H315 - Causes skin irritation; H319 - Causes serious eye irritation; H335 - May cause respiratory irritation; H336 - May cause drowsiness or dizziness.		
<b>Sodium iodate (EC no.: 231-672-5)</b>	<b>7681-55-2</b>	<b>&lt; 1 % (weight)</b>

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CLASSIFICATIONS: Acute toxicity, oral, Cat. 4; Oxidizing solids, Cat. 2; Respiratory sensitizer, Cat. 1; Skin sensitizer, Cat. 1. HAZARDS: H272 - May intensify fire; oxidizer; H302 - Harmful if swallowed; H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction; H334 - May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

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## SECTION 4: First-aid measures

### Description of necessary first-aid measures

General advice	For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre (e.g. phone Australia 13 11 26; New Zealand 0800 764 766) or a doctor (at once).
If inhaled	If inhaled, remove from contaminated area. Apply artificial respiration if not breathing.
In case of skin contact	If skin or hair contact occurs, remove contaminated clothing and flush skin and hair with running water.
In case of eye contact	If in eyes, hold eyelids apart and flush eye continuously with running water. Continue flushing until advised to stop by a Poisons Information Centre (e.g. phone Australia 13 11 26; New Zealand 0800 764 766) or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.
If swallowed	If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting.

### Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

### Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

For advice in an emergency, contact a Poisons Information Centre (Phone Australia 131 126) or a doctor at once.

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## SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

### Suitable extinguishing media

Use fire extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding environment. Use water spray, dry chemical, carbon dioxide, or appropriate foam. This material is substantially water.

### Specific hazards arising from the chemical

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Ethylene glycol: No data available.

### Special protective actions for fire-fighters

Fire fighters should wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) operated in positive pressure mode. Fight fire from safe location.

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## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

### Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment. For personal protection see section 8.

### Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material (e.g. sand, silica gel). Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

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## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not eat, drink or smoke while handling. Wash hands with soap and water after handling. For precautions see section 2.

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#### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area, out of direct sunlight. Store in suitable, labelled containers. Keep containers tightly closed. Store away from incompatible materials. Ensure that storage conditions comply with applicable local and national regulations.

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## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### Control parameters

#### CAS: 107-21-1 (EC: 203-473-3)

Ethylene glycol

ACGIH (USA): 100 mg/m<sup>3</sup> PEL-C inhalation; AU/SWA (Australia): 40 ppm; 104 mg/m<sup>3</sup> STEL inhalation; 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA inhalation

#### CAS: 64-19-7 (EC: 200-580-7)

Acetic acid

ACGIH (USA): 15 ppm STEL inhalation; 10 ppm TWA inhalation; AU/SWA (Australia): 15 ppm; 37 mg/m<sup>3</sup> STEL inhalation; 10 ppm; 25 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA inhalation; NIOSH (USA): 10 ppm, 25 mg/m<sup>3</sup> TWA inhalation

### Appropriate engineering controls

Maintain the concentrations values below the TWA. This may be achieved by process modification, use of local exhaust ventilation, capturing substances at the source, or other methods. These methods should be used in preference to personal protective equipment.

### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment (PPE)

#### Eye/face protection

The use of a face shield, chemical goggles or safety glasses with side shield protection as appropriate. Must comply with Australian Standards AS 1337 and be selected and used in accordance with AS 1336.

#### Skin protection

Clean impervious clothing should be worn. Clothing for protection against chemicals should comply with AS 3765 Clothing for Protection Against Hazardous Chemicals.

Hand Protection: Normally not required but if in doubt ensure hand protection should complies with AS 2161, Occupational protective gloves - Selection, use and maintenance.

#### Body protection

Suitable protective workwear, e.g. cotton overalls buttoned at neck and wrist is recommended. Chemical resistant apron is recommended where large quantities are handled.

#### Respiratory protection

If engineering controls are not effective in controlling airborne exposure then an approved respirator with a replaceable vapor/ mist filter should be used. Refer to relevant regulations for further information concerning respiratory protective requirements. Reference should be made to Australian Standards AS/ NZS 1715, Selection, Use and Maintenance of Respiratory Protective Devices; and AS/NZS 1716, Respiratory Protective Devices, in order to make any necessary changes for individual circumstances.

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## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### Basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	Liquid
Appearance	Deep blue/purple solution.
Color	No data available.
Odor	Odourless.
Odor threshold	No data available.

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Melting point/freezing point	Below 0°C
Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range	Approx. 100°C at 100kPa.
Flammability	No data available.
Lower and upper explosion limit/flammability limit	No data available.
Flash point	No data available.
Explosive properties	No data available.
Auto-ignition temperature	No data available.
Decomposition temperature	No data available.
Oxidizing properties	No data available.
pH	No data available.
Kinematic viscosity	No data available.
Solubility	Solubility in Water: Completely.
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log value)	No data available.
Vapor pressure	2.37 kPa at 20°C (water vapour pressure)
Evaporation rate	No data available.
Density and/or relative density	Specific Gravity: Approx 1.00
Relative vapor density	No data available.
Particle characteristics	No data available.

#### Supplemental information regarding physical hazard classes

No data available.

#### Further safety characteristics (supplemental)

No data available.

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### Reactivity

Stable under normal conditions of storage and handling.

### Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

None under normal use conditions.

### Conditions to avoid

Avoid storing in direct sunlight and avoid extremes of temperature.

### Incompatible materials

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Ethylene glycol: Strong acids, Strong oxidizing agents, Strong bases, Aldehydes, Aluminum

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Acetic acid: Oxidizing agents, Soluble carbonates and phosphates, Hydroxides, Metals, Peroxides, permanganates, e.g. potassium permanganate, Amines, Alcohols, Nitric acid

### Hazardous decomposition products

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Ethylene glycol: Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides  
In the event of fire: see section 5

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Other decomposition products - No data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

Ingestion of this product may irritate the gastric tract causing nausea and vomiting.

#### Ethylene Glycol

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LD50 Oral - 500.1 mg/kg

Oral: (Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, Annex VI)

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 6 h - > 2.5 mg/l - aerosol (ECHA)

LD50 Dermal - Mouse - male and female - > 3,500 mg/kg (ECHA)

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LD50 Oral - Rat - 3,310 mg/kg, (RTECS)

LC50 Inhalation - Mouse - 4 h - 2,819 mg/l - vapor (RTECS)

Dermal: No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

May be irritating to skin. The symptoms may include redness, itching and swelling.

#### Serious eye damage/irritation

May be irritating to eyes. The symptoms may include redness, itching and tearing.

#### Respiratory or skin sensitization

Not expected to be a respiratory or skin sensitiser.

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

Not considered to be a mutagenic hazard.

#### Carcinogenicity

Not considered to be a carcinogenic hazard.

#### Reproductive toxicity

Not considered to be toxic to reproduction.

#### Specific target organ toxicity (STOT) - single exposure

Not expected to cause toxicity to a specific target organ.

#### Specific target organ toxicity (STOT) - repeated exposure

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. Oral - Kidney

#### Aspiration hazard

Not expected to be an aspiration hazard.

#### Additional information

Chronic Effects: Repeated ingestion exposure to Ethylene Glycol caused histopathological changes of the kidneys and bone marrow, kidney effects with oxalate crystal deposition, altered haematology, and decreased body weight. Long-term exposure caused kidney effects with oxalate crystal deposition, histopathological changes of the kidneys, liver, blood vessels, testes, and sperm, and decreased body weight.

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No deaths occurred in animals exposed by inhalation to saturated vapours of Ethylene Glycol. Repeated inhalation exposure caused histopathological changes of the liver and lungs, eye irritation and clouding of the eye (corneal opacity). In animal testing Ethylene Glycol has not caused carcinogenicity. Reproductive data on adult animals show interference with reproduction only at levels which produce other toxic effects in the adult animal. Tests have shown Ethylene Glycol to cause developmental toxicity in animals. Ethylene Glycol has not produced genetic damage in bacterial cultures. There are reports indicating that Ethylene Glycol does not produce genetic damage in some animal or mammalian cell culture tests, however there are reports in the literature that suggest positive results.

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## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### Toxicity

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Toxicity to fish static test LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - > 72,860 mg/l - 96 h (US-EPA)

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates static test LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - > 72,860 mg/l - 96 h (US-EPA)

Toxicity to algae IC5 - Scenedesmus quadricauda (Green algae) - > 10,000 mg/l - 7d

Toxicity to bacteria static test EC20 - activated sludge - > 1,995 mg/l - 30 min (ISO 8192)

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Toxicity to fish semi-static test LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - > 1,000 mg/l - 96 h (OECD Test Guideline 203)

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - > 1,000 mg/l -48h (OECD Test Guideline 202)

Toxicity to algae Toxicity to bacteria static test EC50 - Skeletonema costatum - > 1,000 mg/l - 72 h (ISO 10253)

### Persistence and degradability

No data available.

### Bioaccumulative potential

No data available.

### Mobility in soil

No data available.

### Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

No data available.

### Endocrine disrupting properties

No data available.

### Other adverse effects

No data available.

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## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### Disposal methods

#### Product disposal

Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers.

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#### Other disposal recommendations

Do not discharge this material into waterways, drains and sewers.

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## SECTION 14: Transport information

#### ADG (Road and Rail)

Not dangerous goods

#### IMDG

Not dangerous goods

#### IATA

Not dangerous goods

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## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

#### Safety, health and environmental regulations specific for the product in question

#### Australia SUSMP

Poison Schedule: S6

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## SECTION 16: Other information

1.0 B - Corrected title; Added G2-, G3-, AHG2T and descriptions; Added Preparation information (2/5/23)

#### Further information/disclaimer

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