

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

NRC CRM-NEO-c

SECTION I

PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

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PRODUCT NAME:

Solution of Neosaxitoxin dihydrochloride in dilute hydrochloric acid

TRADE NAME:

NRC-CRM-NEO-c

PRODUCT USE:

For laboratory use only

SECTION II

HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

CHEMICAL NAME

CAS NO.

CONCENTRATION

Hydrochloric Acid

7647-01-0

0.003M

Neosaxitoxin dihydrochloride

64296-20-4 (free base)

65.6 μ M

SECTION III

PHYSICAL DATA

Physical State:

liquid

Appearance and Odour:

clear, colourless liquid with no odour

Specific Gravity:

1.0 g/mL

Vapour Pressure:

not determined

Vapour Density:

not determined

SECTION III

PHYSICAL DATA (Cont'd)

Evaporation Rate:	not determined
Boiling Point:	not determined
Freezing Point:	not determined
pH:	2.9
Coefficient of Oil/Water Distribution:	Not determined

SECTION IV

FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS

Conditions of Flammability:	Not flammable
Flash Point:	Not applicable
Extinguishing Media:	Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire: water, carbon dioxide or foam
Hazardous Combustion Products:	Not applicable
Explosion Data:	Not applicable

SECTION V

REACTIVITY DATA

Stability:	Stable under conditions of use and storage.
Incompatibilities:	Most metals, metal oxides, alkali, cyanides, sulfides, sulfites, formaldehydes.
Hazardous Decomposition Products:	Hazardous polymerization will not occur. Fumes from hydrogen chloride and hydrogen in contact with metals, chlorine from oxidizers; toxic and irritating vapours

SECTION VI

TOXICOLOGICAL PROPERTIES

The health hazards given for hydrochloric acid, acetic acid and neosaxitoxin dihydrochloride in this data sheet applies to concentrated solutions. The hazards of dilute solutions may be reduced.

Route of Entry:

• Skin Contact:	Toxic and corrosive
• Skin Absorption:	Toxic and corrosive
• Eye Contact	Toxic and corrosive
• Inhalation	Toxic and corrosive
• Ingestion	Toxic and corrosive

LD ₅₀ :	10.8 µg/kg (i.p., mouse) (neosaxitoxin) 900 mg/kg (oral, rat) (hydrochloric acid)
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SECTION VI

TOXICOLOGICAL PROPERTIES (Cont'd)

Acute Exposure:

Contact with hydrochloric acid causes eye and skin damage resulting in redness, pain and severe skin burns. Inhalation of vapors can cause immediate pain and burns of the nose, throat and upper respiratory tract. Ingestion can cause immediate pain and burns to the mouth, throat, esophagus and gastrointestinal tract.

Contact with hydrochloric acid causes irritation of the respiratory system, liquid may cause eye and skin damage; ingestion may cause burning, nausea, vomiting.

Neosaxitoxin dihydrochloride causes paresthesia (numbness), paralysis, respiratory arrest.

Chronic Exposure:

Hydrochloric Acid. Possible erosion of teeth. Persons with pre-existing medical conditions such as eye or skin problems or chronic respiratory disease may be more susceptible to the effects of concentrated hydrochloric acid.

Carcinogenicity/Teratogenicity/
Mutagenicity/Reproductive Toxicity:

The toxicological properties of the paralytic shellfish toxins such as neosaxitoxin dihydrochloride have not been thoroughly investigated.

SECTION VII

FIRST AID MEASURES

Skin:

Drench affected skin with water for at least 15 minutes.
Remove all clothing and place it in the open air (wash before reuse).
Obtain medical attention.

Eye:

Irrigate thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes. Obtain medical attention.

Inhalation:

Remove to fresh air or ventilated area. Obtain medical attention.

Ingestion:

Do not induce vomiting. Give large quantities of water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Obtain medical attention immediately.



SECTION VIII

PREVENTATIVE MEASURES

Personal Protective Equipment:

Protective clothing; gloves, safety goggles and laboratory coat.

Storage Requirements:

Store in the dark in a refrigerator (4°C). Solutions are also stable when stored in a reliable freezer, one that does not undergo a periodic freeze-thaw cycle. (preferably <-20°C).

Handling Procedures and Equipment:

Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing.
Avoid inhalation of vapours.
Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.
Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

Leak or Spill Clean-up:

Wipe with plenty of water and run to waste, diluting greatly with running water. Otherwise absorb on inert absorbent and transport to safe open area for atmospheric evaporation.

SECTION IX

PREPARATION INFORMATION

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