### MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

# SECTION I

Product Name: Ethidium Bromide 5mg/ml

Size: 1ml

Chemical Name: 3,8-Diamino-5-ethyl-6-phenylphenthridinium

Bromide

Formula: C<sub>21</sub>H<sub>20</sub>BrN<sub>3</sub>
Manufacturer: Carolina Biological Supply Company

Address: 2700 York Road

Burlington, NC 27215

For Information on Health Hazards Call: (919) 584-0381

For Other Information Call:

10/20/86 Date:

### SECTION II HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS OF MIXTURES

Principal Hazardous Componenets (%): Ethidium Bromide 98%; traces of ammonium bromide or ethanol TLV (Units): no information found

# Section II Physical Data

Boiling Point (C): no information found Vapor Pressure (mm Hg): no information found Vapor Density (Air = 1): no information found Specific Gravity ( $H_20 = 1$ ): no information found Percent Volatile by Volume (%): no information found Evaporation Rate (n-butyl acetate = 1): no information found Soluble

Solubility in Water: Appearance and Odor: Dark reddish yellow; nil odor.

### SECTION IV FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD DATA

Flash Point (Method Used): no information found Extinguisher Media: Water, foam, carbon dioxide, or dry chemical, as suitable for the surronding fire and materials. Flammable Limits in Air (% by Volume): no information found Autoignition Temperature: no information found Special Fire Fighting Procedures: Self-contained breathing apparatus should be used in confined spaces. Unusual Fire and Explosion Hazards: no information found

## SECTION V HEALTH HAZARD DATA

Threshold Limit Value: not established Effects of Overexposure:

Acute Overexposure: no known toxicity, but may cause irritation or allergic reaction.

Chronic Overexposure: Potential mutagen - handle with caution.

Emergency and First Aid Procedures:

Inhalation: Move to frsh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Keep victim quiet and warm. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.

Eyes: Flush with water for 15 minutes and immediately seek medical attention if irritation persists.

Skin: Flush with water, then wash thoroughly with soap and water. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Call a physician if irritation persists.

Ingestion: Drink water and call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately. Avoid alcoholic beverages. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.

# SECTION VI REACTIVITY DATA

Stability: Stable - at room temperature.
Incompatibility (Materials to Avoid): Oxidizing materials Hazardous Decomposition Products: Oxides of nitrogen, hydrogen bromide or bromine.
Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur Conditions to Avoid: Avoid heat.

# SECTION VII SPILL OR LEAK PROCEDURES

Steps to be Taken in Case Material is Released or Spilled: Wear apprpiate protective clothing. Collect material with an absorbent and place in a suitable waste container. Avoid contact of material with skin and eyes. Use with adequate ventilation.

Waste Disposal Method: Incinerate in an approved facility equipped with a caustic scrubbing device to remove bromine products of combustion.

# SECTION VIII SPECIAL PROTECTION INFORMATION

Respiratory Protection (Specific Type): Compressed air breathing set Ventilation:

Local Exhaust: X

Mechanical (General): not applicable

Special:

Other:

Protective Gloves: PVC

Eye Protection: Full face visor of breathing set Other Protective Clothing or Equipment: PVC gown or suit. PVC or rubber boots. Access to safety shower and eye wash.

# SECTION IX SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

Precautions to be Taken in Handling and Storing: Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Avoid ingestion or inhalation. Total personnel isolation recommended. Do not store near foods, heat or oxidizing materials.

Other Precautions: Approved by: