

# Material Safety Data Sheet

## Diphenylmercury

ACC# 19308

### Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

**MSDS Name:** Diphenylmercury

**Catalog Numbers:** AC408960000, AC408960010, AC408960100, AC408960250, NC9335084, XXAC40896-250G

**Synonyms:** None.

**Company Identification:**

Fisher Scientific

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**For information, call:** 201-796-7100

**Emergency Number:** 201-796-7100

**For CHEMTREC assistance, call:** 800-424-9300

**For International CHEMTREC assistance, call:** 703-527-3887

### Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

CAS#	Chemical Name	Percent	EINECS/ELINCS
587-85-9	Diphenylmercury	100	209-606-1

### Section 3 - Hazards Identification

#### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

Appearance: white powder.

**Danger!** May be fatal if inhaled, absorbed through the skin or swallowed. May cause eye, skin, and respiratory tract irritation. May cause central nervous system effects. The toxicological properties of this material have not been fully investigated.

**Target Organs:** Central nervous system.

#### Potential Health Effects

**Eye:** May cause eye irritation.

**Skin:** May cause skin irritation.

**Ingestion:** May cause irritation of the digestive tract. The toxicological properties of this substance have not been fully investigated. Inorganic mercury compounds may cause central and peripheral nervous system effects.

**Inhalation:** May cause respiratory tract irritation. The toxicological properties of this substance have not been fully investigated. Acute exposure to high concentrations of mercury vapors may cause severe respiratory tract irritation.

**Chronic:** Chronic exposure to mercury may cause permanent central nervous system damage, fatigue, weight loss, tremors, personality changes. Chronic ingestion may cause accumulation of mercury in body tissues. Chronic exposure to mercury vapors may produce weakness, fatigue, anorexia, loss of weight and gastrointestinal disturbances which is collectively referred to as asthenic-vegetative syndrome or micromercurialism. Chronic exposure to mercury compounds may produce immunologic glomerular disease.

### Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Eyes:** Flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Get medical aid. Get medical aid immediately.

**Skin:** Get medical aid. Flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes.

**Ingestion:** If victim is conscious and alert, give 2-4 cupfuls of milk or water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical aid. Get medical aid immediately. Do NOT induce vomiting. If conscious and alert, rinse mouth and drink 2-4 cupfuls of milk or water.

**Inhalation:** Get medical aid immediately. Remove from exposure and move to fresh air immediately. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid.

**Notes to Physician:** Treat symptomatically and supportively.

### Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**General Information:** As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear. During a fire, irritating and highly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion.

**Extinguishing Media:** Use extinguishing media most appropriate for the surrounding fire.

**Flash Point:** Not applicable.

**Autoignition Temperature:** Not applicable.

**Explosion Limits, Lower:** Not available.

**Upper:** Not available.

**NFPA Rating:** (estimated) Health: 2; Flammability: 0; Instability: 0

### Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**General Information:** Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.

**Spills/Leaks:** Vacuum or sweep up material and place into a suitable disposal container. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions in the Protective Equipment section. Avoid generating dusty conditions. Provide ventilation.

## Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Use with adequate ventilation. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Keep container tightly closed. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.

**Storage:** Store in a tightly closed container. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances. Poison room locked.

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

**Engineering Controls:** Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower. Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

### Exposure Limits

Chemical Name	ACGIH	NIOSH	OSHA - Final PELs
Diphenylmercury	0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (as Hg) (listed under Mercury, aryl and inorganic compounds). Skin - potential significant contribution to overall exposure by the cutaneous route (listed under Mercury, aryl and inorganic compounds).	0.05 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA (vapor, except organo alkyls, as Hg) (listed under Mercury compounds). 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> IDLH (as Hg, not including organo(alkyl) compounds) (listed under Mercury compounds).	0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> Ceiling (listed under Mercury, aryl and inorganic compounds).

**OSHA Vacated PELs:** Diphenylmercury: No OSHA Vacated PELs are listed for this chemical.

### Personal Protective Equipment

**Eyes:** 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.

**Skin:** Wear appropriate protective gloves to prevent skin exposure.

**Clothing:** Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respirators:** A respiratory protection program that meets OSHA's 29 CFR 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2 requirements or European Standard EN 149 must be followed whenever workplace conditions warrant respirator use.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical State:** Powder

**Appearance:** white

**Odor:** Not available.

**pH:** Not available.

**Vapor Pressure:** Not available.

**Vapor Density:** Not available.

**Evaporation Rate:** Not available.

**Viscosity:** Not available.

**Boiling Point:** Not available.

**Freezing/Melting Point:** 124-126 deg C

**Decomposition Temperature:** Not available.

**Solubility:** insoluble

**Specific Gravity/Density:** Not available.

**Molecular Formula:** C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>10</sub>Hg

**Molecular Weight:** 354.79

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

**Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal temperatures and pressures.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Dust generation, excess heat.

**Incompatibilities with Other Materials:** Strong oxidizing agents.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Carbon monoxide, irritating and toxic fumes and gases, carbon dioxide, mercury/mercury oxides.

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Has not been reported

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

**RTECS#:**

**CAS#** 587-85-9: OW3150000

**LD50/LC50:**

Not available.

**Carcinogenicity:**

CAS# 587-85-9: Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.

**Epidemiology:** No information found  
**Teratogenicity:** No information found  
**Reproductive Effects:** No information found  
**Mutagenicity:** No information found  
**Neurotoxicity:** No information found  
**Other Studies:**

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

No information available.

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. US EPA guidelines for the classification determination are listed in 40 CFR Parts 261.3. Additionally, waste generators must consult state and local hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

**RCRA P-Series:** None listed.

**RCRA U-Series:** None listed.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

	<b>US DOT</b>	<b>Canada TDG</b>
<b>Shipping Name:</b>	PHENYLMERCURIC COMPOUNDS, N.O.S.	MERCURY COMPOUND SOLID NOS (DIPHENYLMERCURY)
<b>Hazard Class:</b>	6.1	6.1
<b>UN Number:</b>	UN2026	UN2025
<b>Packing Group:</b>	III	II

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

### US FEDERAL

#### TSCA

CAS# 587-85-9 is listed on the TSCA inventory.

#### Health & Safety Reporting List

None of the chemicals are on the Health & Safety Reporting List.

#### Chemical Test Rules

None of the chemicals in this product are under a Chemical Test Rule.

#### Section 12b

None of the chemicals are listed under TSCA Section 12b.

#### TSCA Significant New Use Rule

None of the chemicals in this material have a SNUR under TSCA.

#### CERCLA Hazardous Substances and corresponding RQs

None of the chemicals in this material have an RQ.

#### SARA Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances

None of the chemicals in this product have a TPQ.

#### SARA Codes

CAS # 587-85-9: immediate, delayed.

#### Section 313

This material contains Diphenylmercury (listed as Mercury compounds), 100%, (CAS# 587-85-9) which is subject to the reporting requirements of Section 313 of SARA Title III and 40 CFR Part 373.

#### Clean Air Act:

CAS# 587-85-9 (listed as Mercury compounds) is listed as a hazardous air pollutant (HAP).

This material does not contain any Class 1 Ozone depleters.

This material does not contain any Class 2 Ozone depleters.

#### Clean Water Act:

None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Hazardous Substances under the CWA.

None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Priority Pollutants under the CWA. CAS# 587-85-9 is listed as a Toxic Pollutant under the Clean Water Act.

#### OSHA:

None of the chemicals in this product are considered highly hazardous by OSHA.

#### STATE

CAS# 587-85-9 can be found on the following state right to know lists: California, (listed as Mercury compounds), Pennsylvania, (listed as Mercury compounds), Pennsylvania, (listed as Mercury, aryl and inorganic compounds).

#### California Prop 65

WARNING: This product contains Diphenylmercury, listed as 'Mercury compounds', a chemical known to the state of California to cause developmental reproductive toxicity.

California No Significant Risk Level: None of the chemicals in this product are listed.

#### European/International Regulations

#### European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives

#### Hazard Symbols:

T+

#### Risk Phrases:

R 26/27/28 Very toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.

R 33 Danger of cumulative effects.

**Safety Phrases:**

- S 13 Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs.
- S 36 Wear suitable protective clothing.
- S 37 Wear suitable gloves.
- S 45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).
- S 28A After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water

**WGK (Water Danger/Protection)**

CAS# 587-85-9: No information available.

**Canada - DSL/NDSL**

CAS# 587-85-9 is listed on Canada's NDSL List.

**Canada - WHMIS**

This product has a WHMIS classification of D2A, D2B.

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all of the information required by those regulations.

**Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List**

CAS# 587-85-9 is listed on the Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List.

## Section 16 - Additional Information

**MSDS Creation Date:** 7/01/1999

**Revision #3 Date:** 1/18/2005

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