



# DUKE STANDARDS™ Microsphere Size Standards NIST Traceable Mean Diameter

1. DESCRIPTION. These particle size standards provide accurate and traceable size calibration for particle size analysis. They are part of a series of polymer microspheres with calibrated mean diameters traceable to the Standard Meter through the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). Diameters from 20 nanometers (nm) to 160 micrometers (µm) are available as aqueous suspensions in dropper-tipped vials, calibrated by photon correlation spectroscopy (PCS), transmission electron microscopy (TEM) or optical microscopy. The aqueous medium has been prepared to promote dispersion and reduce clumping of the particles. The approximate particle concentration in percent solids is given to facilitate dilution for the calibration and validation of particle analyzers. Diameters from 200 μm to 1000 μm are available as dry spheres, calibrated by optical microscopy. The certified mean diameter is traceable to NIST. Other values are for information only and should not be used as calibration values.

2. PHYSICAL DATA

Catalog Number: 4203 and 4203A, Nominal 3 µm

Certified Mean Diameter:

 $3.007 \, \mu \text{m} \pm 0.032 \, \mu \text{m}, \, \text{k=2}$ 

Standard Deviation: Coefficient of Variation:

0.030 µm 1.0%

Microsphere Composition: Microsphere Density:

Polystyrene 1.05 g/cm<sup>3</sup> 1.59 @ 589 nm

0.46% solids

Index of Refraction: Approximate Concentration:

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# **CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION AND TRACEABILITY**

This certifies that the calibrated mean diameter dimension of this product was transferred by optical microscopy from a stage micrometer calibrated by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (SRM 2800 SN411). NIST Standard Reference Materials 1690, 1692, 1960, and 1961 were used to validate the accuracy and traceability of the calibration methods.

Catalog Number: 4203 and 4203A, Duke Standards™ Microsphere Size Standards

Certification Date:

May 24, 2017

Certified Batch:

4203-006

Production Batch:

4203-032

Certified Mean Diameter:

3.007 µm

Expanded Uncertainty:

 $\pm$  0.032  $\mu$ m, k=2

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Expiration Date: JUN'20

- 3. MEASUREMENT METHODOLOGY The certified diameter of this product was transferred by optical microscopy from an stage micrometer, a glass slide with a scale with line spacing calibrated by NIST in micrometers. The uncertainty is calculated from the calibration transfer uncertainty and the random error of the measurements per NIST Technical Note 1297. The uncertainty listed is the expanded uncertainty, with a coverage factor of 2 (k=2). To validate the accuracy of our optical methods, NIST certified microsphere standards were measured by the same method. The size distribution (standard deviation) was obtained by optical microscopy, electron microscopy or electrical resistance analysis depending on the size of the particles. The coefficient of variation is the standard deviation as a percentage of the mean diameter.
- 4. CERTIFICATE Except for the purposes of record keeping, this certificate may not be reproduced. Rebottling or relabeling voids the warranty and invalidates the certification and traceability of these products. The Certified Batch is the master batch of material that is measured and certified with a NIST traceable mean diameter. The Production Batch represents the intermediate material from which the final product is made. Several Production Batches can be made from one Certified Batch.
- $\underline{5.\ OPERATING\ INSTRUCTIONS}$  For ease of use, standards with mean diameters below 200  $\mu m$  are packaged in an aqueous suspension. They must be thoroughly dispersed in the bottle to ensure statistically consistent samples. To disperse the particles, gently invert the bottle several times, then immerse in a low power ultrasonic bath (10 seconds). Do not shake the bottle, as the small bubbles formed may introduce statistical artifacts. Before using, clear the tip of residue by dispensing 2 3 drops into a waste container. Dispense immediately after dispersion using the dropper tip. Standards 200  $\mu m$  and larger are dry and should not be shaken as this may produce static, making the particles hard to handle.
- <u>6. SAFETY AND HANDLING PRECAUTIONS</u> Avoid aerosol production in the workplace while handling these products, or wear a suitable filter respirator when necessary. Avoid inhalation or ingestion of the particles. These products should only be used by trained scientific personnel. A Material Safety Data Sheet is included with each package.
- <u>7. STORAGE AND DISPOSAL</u> Keep the bottle tightly sealed to avoid contamination. Store aqueous standards upright to prevent clogging the tip with particles. Refrigeration is not required for storage. Do not freeze the particles. In case of spills, wash or wipe the area thoroughly. Caution: surfaces covered with dry spheres may be very slippery. Wipe area with damp cloth. Dispose of as normal laboratory waste. There are no special disposal procedures. Each bottle has a limited shelf life and should not be used after its expiration date.
- 8. LIMITED WARRANTY These products are intended for laboratory use by trained scientific personnel. Determination of their suitability for a specific end-use is the responsibility of the user, who assumes all liability for loss or damage arising out of the use of the product. Rebottling or relabeling voids the warranty and certification. Microgenics Corporation's warranty is limited to replacement of defective products if returned with our authorization within 60 days of purchase date.

THE FOREGOING WARRANTY SHALL BE IN LIEU OF ANY OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. IN NO EVENT SHALL MICROGENICS BE LIABLE FOR INDIRECT, SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.

#### MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

Polymer Microsphere Suspension

# SECTION 10 - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

STABILITY:

Stable at room temperature in closed containers under normal storage and handling conditions

INCOMPATABILITY:

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:

None known Not known

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION:

Will not occur

# SECTION 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

REPRODUCTIVE AND DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Material is not considered to be a reproductive or developmental toxicant

CARCINOGENICITY: Material is not listed by NTP, ACGIH, IARC or OSHA as a carcinogen. For more information refer to Section 2. Hazards identification

#### **SECTION 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

ECOTOXICITY:

Not regarded as dangerous for the environment LC/EC/IC50 > 100 mg/L

PERSISTENCE/DEGRADATION:

No information found No information found

BIOACCUMULATION/ACCUMULATION: MOBILITY IN ENVIRONMENTAL MEDIA:

Microspheres are insoluble in water

**ENVIRONMENTAL:** 

Not classified as harmful to the environment

OTHER ADVERSE EFFECTS:

No information found

# **SECTION 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Dispose of any waste residues according to prescribed federal, state, and local guidelines (e.g., to an appropriately permitted chemical waste incinerator) None of the components are on RCRA P& RCRA U Series Wastes list. EWC waste code18 01 05 discard as chemicals and medicines Other Information: According to the European Waste Catalogue, Waste Codes are not product specific, but application specific. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the a application for which the product was used

# **SECTION 14 - TRANSPORATION INFORMATION**

HAZARD CLASS: Not classified per US DOT, TDG, UNECE, ADR, ADN, IATA, ICAO, RID, IMDG/IMO, OTIF, Mexico

# **SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION**

	CAS#	9003-53-6,	CAS#9003-70-7
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	TSCA 8(b)	SARA 302	SARA 313	CERCLA	RCRA 261.33	TSCA 8(d)	TSCA 12(b)	FIFRA	CWC	SARA 311/312	EPICRA	CAA- SNAP	FDA
	yes (XU)	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	yes
	CAS#7732-	18-5											
	TSCA	SARA	SARA	CERCLA	RCRA	TSCA	TSCA	FIFRA	CWC	SARA	EPICRA	CAA-	FDA
	8(b)	302	313		261.33	8(d)	12(b)			311/312		SNAP	21.00
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Not subject to ITAR and EAR regulations

US State - CAS# 9003-53-6 - Texas

California - Prop 65, Title 8 CCR, Title 22 CCR, ATHS, Occupational Exposure Limits, Ozone Depleting Compounds, Precursor Chemicals, SCAQMD, California No Significant Risk Level - No information found

None of the chemicals are on Prop 65 lists

CAS#9003-70-7 - DSL

#### WHMIS:

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

# **SECTION 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

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Date prepared: October 1, 2008

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

EU: European Union

DOT: Department of Transportation

NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

IATA: International Air Transport Association

NTP: National Toxicology Program

OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

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End of MSDS



# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

# SECTION 1 - PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product Name:

Polymer Microsphere Suspension

Contents:

Polymer microspheres suspended in water. Polymers include polystyrene, polystyrene divinylbenzene (PSDVB), or other styrene

copolymers

Company Identification

Microgenics Corporation

Company Phone Number

(510) 979-5000

Office Address

46360 Fremont Blvd.

**Emergency Phone Number** 

(510) 979-5000

City, State, Zip Code

Fremont, CA 94538

CHEMTREC Phone Number, US

(800) 424-9300

Country

USA

CHEMTREC Phone Number, Europe

(202) 483-7616

#### **SECTION 2 - HAZARD IDENTIFICATION**

CAUTION! May cause lung irritation if inhaled. By normal use the product is not regarded as hazardous to health. The product is not classified as flammable or harmful to the environment; may cause eye, skin, digestive track, and respiratory track irritation. The toxicological properties of this material have not been fully investigated. This product is not classified as dangerous in accordance with Directive 1999/45/EC or 67/548/EEC

# SECTION 3 - COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Company Nama	CAS Number:	Percentage:	FINECS/ELINCS
Component: Name			
polystyrene or	9003-53-6	<0.1-10	N/A
polystyrene divinylbenzene	9003-70-7		N/A
water	7732-18-5	90-99.9+	231-791-2
dispersant/surfactant	Proprietary	<0.5 (if any)	N/A
preservative	Proprietary	<0.1 (if any)	N/A
Component comments have no OSHA, Canadian,	or EU hazardous ingre	edients above applica	ble threshold

#### **SECTION 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES**

EYE CONTACT: Flush thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes. If an irritation develops, seek medical advice

SKIN CONTACT: In case of contact promptly remove clothes, wash area with soap and flush with plenty of water. If an irritation develops, seek medical advice.

Remove to fresh air and seek medical advice INHALATION:

Give one to two glasses of water and seek medical advice INGESTION:

# **SECTION 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

FLAMMABLE PROPERTIES: Not considered flammable or explosive. NFPA/HMIS Rating (estimated): Health: 1; Flammability: 0; Instability: 0 PROTECTION FOR FIREFIGHTERS: Use extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding fire (water, foam, vaporizing liquid or multipurpose dry chemical).

# SECTION 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Areas covered with spilled microspheres may be slippery. If material is spilled or released, cordon off the area. Collect material by wiping the spill area with a paper towel or disposable wipe, and place materials into an appropriate container. Avoid inhaling fine particle dust. Discard collected material in containers suitable for proper disposal

# **SECTION 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Keep tightly sealed to prevent contamination; store between 4 °C to 30 °C unless otherwise specified on product label or literature. Avoid damaging or puncturing containers. When creating aerosols of fine particles use minimal and directional (away from the user) airflow

# SECTION 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROL/PERSONAL PROTECTION

# Occupational Exposure Limits

Chemical Name - polystyrene or polystyrene divinylbenzene, water

OSHA PEL				ACGIH TLV		AIHA		NIOSH REL					
Ceiling TWA STEL Final Vacated				Ceiling	TWA	STEL	WEEL OEL		Ceiling	TWA	STEL	IDLH	
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**EXPOSURE GUIDELINES:** 

This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region

specific regulatory bodies. Safety glasses with side shields are suggested

**ENGINEERING CONTROLS:** 

Use minimal and directional (away from the user) airflow to minimize worker exposure

SKIN PROTECTION:

Wear appropriate protective gloves to prevent skin exposure. No skin imitation expected

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION: Respiratory protection program that meets OSHA's 29 CFR 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2 requirements or European Standard EN 149

Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure GENERAL HYGIENE CONSIDERATIONS:

# SECTION 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

BOILING POINT:	100 °C (as water)	SOLUBILITY IN WATER:	microspheres are insoluble in water	FLASH POINT: FLAMMABLE PROPERTIES:	N/A N/A
MELTING POINT:	0 °C (as water)	EVAPORATION RATE:	N/A	AUTO IGNITION TEMP:	N/A
PHYSICAL STATE:	suspension	VAPOR PRESSURE:	N/A	DECOMPOSITION:	N/A
VAPOR DENSITY:	N/A	pH: 5-8 Kow:	N/A	POLYMER/ SUSPENSION DEI	NSITY: 1.0 to 1.05 g/cm <sup>3</sup>

pH: VAPOR DENSITY: N/A APPEARANCE, COLOR, ODOR: White or colorless liquid, odorless

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