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## Material Safety Data Sheet

### Hercules Dry Yeast

#### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY DETAILS

##### Product

**Name of Product:** Hercules

**Chemical Name:** Saccharomyces cerevisiae

**Chemical Family:** Kingdom Fungi, species Saccharomyces cerevisiae

**Composition:** Proteins, nitrogenous substances, sugars, organic acids, DNA, and fat. It has a high concentration of living, functional microorganisms.

##### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

**Name of Company:** WHC Lab Ltd.

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*In case of an emergency please contact the local emergency services.*

#### 2. HAZARDS

##### Classification

*This product is not classified as dangerous according to CLP Regulation (EC) no 1272/2008.*

##### Other Hazards

Due to cell metabolism, rehydrating Hercules Dry Yeast may release CO<sub>2</sub>. It may also release CO<sub>2</sub> if subjected to extremely high temperatures.

#### 3. INGREDIENT COMPOSITION

Components	Cas Registry Number	Concentration	Classification (CLP)
Saccharomyces cerevisiae	68876-77-7	99%	Not classified
Sorbitan monostearate (Emulsifier E491 - rehydration agent)	1338-41-6	1%	Not classified

#### 4. FIRST AID PROCEDURES

##### Description of first aid procedures

Contact with Eyes:	If contact occurs, immediately rinse eyes thoroughly with water for a minimum of 15 minutes.
Contact with Skin:	Use soap and water to wash. When exposed to yeast, some people may experience allergic reactions; in this instance, please contact a dermatologist or other medical provider.
Ingestion:	Consuming too much yeast with a high concentration can result in digestive issues like diarrhea and cramping. In this instance, drink a lot of water.

Inhalation:	In the event of CO <sub>2</sub> release in a closed setting, which occurs when Hercules Dry Yeast interacts with an aqueous solution, remove the individual to fresh air right away and call the local emergency services.
<b>Allergens*</b>	
Hercules Dry Yeast does not contain added allergens. <i>*EU Regulation 1169/2011 (Food Information Regulations) (Annex II)</i>	
<b>Symptoms and effects</b>	
Effects both immediate and delayed are further indicated in section 11.	

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

### Fire Suppression

Use the appropriate tools or media, such as water, foam, carbon dioxide, or dry powder, if involved in a fire.

### Specific risks associated with the substance

There is a low risk of fire and explosion, under typical circumstances for handling, storing, and using the product.

Hercules Dry Yeast can produce CO<sub>2</sub> at extremely high temperatures.

Avoid inhaling combustion fumes.

### Advice for fire fighters

Put on self-contained breathing apparatus and safety gear for firefighters, such as boots, gloves, and goggles etc.

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE CONTROLS

### Safety measures, protective gear, and emergency procedures

Wash with water using gloves, boots, and eye protection. If there is a CO<sub>2</sub> release and you're in a closed space, use ventilation or breathing apparatus.

### Environmental precautions

Hercules Dry Yeast is not considered to be environmentally hazardous, but it should be disposed of properly, given its high organic content.

### Techniques and supplies for containment and cleanup

In the event of a small or large spill or leak, Hercules Dry Yeast is solid and shouldn't be handled as hazardous waste. It should be removed using a vacuum cleaner or another collection technique.

Rehydrated materials should be sent for sewage treatment after being heavily diluted with water. Hercules Dry Yeast decomposes naturally.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Packaging Materials

Hercules Dry Yeast is available in 500g and 10kg vacuum-packed silver foil packs. This material complies with relevant food-contact legislation, including, EU Regulation 1935/2004 (materials intended for contact with food), EU Regulation 1245/2020 (plastic materials intended for contact with food), EU Regulation 2023/2006 (GMP for materials intended for contact with food), and FDA CFR 21 (174-179) (USA).

### Storage and Handling

**Storage Conditions:** Store at cool to ambient temperatures (ideally 5°C to 15°C), dry, and well-ventilated environment.

**Shelf life:** Minimum 2 years from date of production, if the vacuum seal is not broken, and if stored as outlined above.

**Handling:** Once opened, re-seal to keep out air and water. For best results, store re-sealed packs in a refrigerator (0°C to 10°C) and use promptly.

Please note the expiry date on packs prior to opening.

**Note:** When added to water or a water solution, Hercules Dry Yeast releases CO<sub>2</sub>, especially on substrates high in sugars or starch. Ensure adequate ventilation to keep levels below advised exposure limits.

### Precautions

**To prevent fires and explosions:** Hercules Dry Yeast has a low fire and explosion risk, avoid dusting workplaces while handling and storing it.

**For safe manipulation:**

Use air-tight containers. Avoid the container leaking. Control spills and residues by safely destroying them (section 6).

**To reduce toxicological risks:**

Avoid eating, drinking or smoking while performing the procedure, and wash your hands thoroughly with cleaning supplies after.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS

### Conditions

When added to water or a water solution, Hercules Dry Yeast releases CO<sub>2</sub>, especially on substrates high in sugars or starch; ensure adequate ventilation to keep levels below advised exposure limits.

If the room isn't ventilated after rehydrating, open the door about two minutes beforehand, and wear the oxygen detector.

Controlling the CO<sub>2</sub> levels should be possible with just adequate general ventilation. There is no need for specialized respiratory protection unless access to tanks where fermentation is occurring is necessary.

Staff members must wear dust protective masks if Hercules Dry Yeast is handled roughly as it may raise dust.

Hazardous thermal (de)composition products: CO<sub>2</sub>

Before using this product, a thorough risk assessment should be done to determine the best personal protective equipment for the local environment. Equipment for personal protection should adhere to the applicable EN standard.

## 9. Product Characteristics Specifications

Dry matter (%): > 94

Viable yeast cells (cfu/g): 4.0\*10<sup>9</sup> (typically 1\*10<sup>10</sup>)

Wild Yeast (cfu/g): < 3\*10<sup>3</sup>

Aerobic bacteria (cfu/g): < 5\*10<sup>3</sup>

## 10. STABILITY/REACTIVITY

### Conditions to avoid

Lack of stirring following rehydration.

Dust is produced by vigorously shaking Hercules Dry Yeast.

High-temperature storage.

### Chemical stability

Stable when stored according to recommendations. Chemical stability of this material is guaranteed by the storage and handling conditions.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Information on toxicological effects

Toxicity:	Even at high doses, there is no acute toxicity.
Oral:	Large doses may irritate the digestive tract when consumed.

	For typical industrial handling, the risk is low.
Respiratory:	May irritate the respiratory tract. For typical industrial handling, the risk is low.
Skin irritation:	May irritate skin. For typical industrial handling, the risk is low.
Sensitization:	Possible allergic sensitization.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### GMO

*Hercules Dry Yeast does not contain genetically modified organisms or materials.*

This product is not dangerous to the environment with respect to mobility, persistence and degradability, bio-accumulative potential, aquatic toxicity, and other data relating to ecotoxicity.

## 13. DISPOSAL

No special disposal method required, except to be in accordance with all local, state, provincial, and federal regulations when disposing of materials.

## 14. TRANSPORT

**Sea:** Applicable

**Road/Rail:** Applicable

**Air:** Applicable

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

This product is used in the food industry and contains no health-hazardous substances.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

***The information presented here is based on our current understanding.  
It describes the product in terms of the necessary safety precautions.  
It does not imply that the product's qualities are guaranteed.***

*If you have any questions or concerns about our product please contact us at [lab@whclab.com](mailto:lab@whclab.com)*