

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### SECTION I. MATERIAL IDENTIFICATION

<b>Common Name:</b> <b>Chemical Name :</b> Safingol (L-threo-Dihydrosphingosine)	<b>NSC Number:</b> 714503
<b>Molecular Weight:</b> 301.51	<b>Molecular Formula:</b> C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>39</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>

### SECTION II. INGREDIENTS AND HAZARDS

Ingredient Name	Exposure Limits	Other Limits Suggested	Percent
NSC 714503	Not yet Established	N/A	99.5%

### SECTION III. PHYSICAL DATA

<b>Appearance and Odor</b> Crystalline solid/Odorless	<b>Melting Point</b> 108-109°C
<b>Solubility</b> Water: Insoluble Ethanol: Soluble ( $\leq 5$ mg/mL) Dimethyl sulfoxide: Soluble ( $< 2$ mg/mL)	<b>Boiling Point</b> N/A

### SECTION IV. FIRE AND EXPLOSION DATA

<b>Flash Point:</b> Unknown	<b>Autoignition Temperature:</b> Unknown
<b>Flammability Limits:</b> LEL% Unknown	<b>UEL%:</b> Unknown

**Extinguishing Media:** Water, carbon dioxide, or dry chemical as appropriate to the surrounding fire.

**Unusual Fire or Explosion Hazard:** No unusual fire or explosion hazard is known to exist.

**Special Fire-fighting Procedures:** Evacuate personnel to a safe area. Fire fighters should use protective clothing and a self-contained breathing apparatus.

**Hazardous Combustion Products:** Thermal decomposition may yield carbon monoxide and other toxic substances. Since specific products of combustion are unknown, as a precaution, assume they are hazardous.

## SECTION V. REACTION DATA

**Compound Stability:** Material is stable under most conditions. Hazardous polymerization is not known to occur.

**Chemical Incompatibilities:** No unusual chemical incompatibilities are known to exist.

**Conditions To Avoid:** No conditions contributing to instability are known to exist.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Since products of decomposition are not known, as a precaution, assume they are hazardous.

## SECTION VI. HEALTH HAZARD INFORMATION

**Summary of Risks:** The carcinogenicity and tetragenicity of NSC 714503 are unknown.

**Primary Entry Routes:** Inhalation, ingestion, and skin and/or eye contact.

**Target Organs:** The target organs of toxicity are not known at this time.

**Medical Conditions Which May Be Aggravated By Contact:** Unknown

**Signs and Symptoms of Overexposure:** The effects of overexposure to this drug in the workplace are not known at this time.

**Acute Effects:** Unknown

**Chronic Effects:** Unknown

**For Eye Contact:** Immediately flush eyes with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Consult an ophthalmologist.

**For Skin Contact:** Remove contaminated clothing. Wash skin with plenty of soap and water. Consult a physician. Chemically decontaminate clothing and then launder before reuse or incinerate.

**For Inhalation:** Remove victim promptly to clean air. Administer artificial respiration if victim is not breathing. If breathing is difficult give oxygen. Consult a physician.

**For Ingestion:** Remove residual drug. Consult a physician. Provide supportive treatment. No specific antidote exists.

## SECTION VII. SPILL, LEAK AND DISPOSAL PROCEDURES

**Spill/Leak Cleanup Procedures:** Evacuate area. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus, rubber boots, and heavy rubber gloves. Wear disposable coveralls and discard after use. Avoid raising aerosols by promptly covering the spilled compound with wet paper towels. Pick up compound with additional towels, place in a bag, and hold for waste disposal. Ventilate area and wash spill site after compound pick-up is complete. Dispose of contaminated clean-up materials properly.

**Waste Management/Disposal:** Incineration, at a temperature not less than 1000°C, is the recommended method of disposal. Observe all Federal, state, and local laws concerning the disposal of hazardous material or waste.

## SECTION VIII. SPECIAL PROTECTION INFORMATION

### Personal Protective Equipment:

Goggles: Wear chemical safety goggles when handling.

Gloves: Wear rubber or latex gloves when handling.

Respirator: Wear NIOSH-MSHA approved respirator.

Other: Wear protective laboratory coat.

### Workplace Considerations:

Ventilation: Laboratory operations should be conducted in a chemical fume hood, glove box, or ventilated cabinet equipped with mechanical exhaust to the outside.

Safety Stations: Safety showers and eye bath should be accessible.

THE PERSONAL PROTECTION EQUIPMENT LISTED ABOVE SHOULD BE WORN AT ALL TIMES WHEN HANDLING NSC 714503, AVOID CONTACT AND INHALATION. AVOID PROLONGED OR REPEAT EXPOSURE. WASH THOROUGHLY AFTER HANDLING.

## SECTION IX. SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

Storage Segregation: Recommend storage in refrigerator.

Other Precautions: The user should be made aware that NSC 714503 is an investigational substance. Handling as solids or solutions should be carried out with extreme care to avoid personal exposure. Hazards associated with exposure to NSC 714503 may as yet be unknown. This material should be handled only by those trained in the handling of potentially hazardous material.

Emergency Telephone Number:  
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