Safety Data Sheet

1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

1.1 Product identifiers

Product Name: (-)-Bicuculline methobromide
Catalog Number: 0109
CAS Number: 66016-70-4
IUPAC Name: [R-(*R**,*S**)]-5-(6,8-Dihydro-8-oxofuro[3,4-*e*]-1,3-benzodioxol-6-yl)-5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-6,6-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolo[4,5-*g*]isoquinolinium bromide

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified Uses: Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4 Emergency Telephone number

For chemical emergency spill, leak, fire, exposure, or accident call CHEMTREC day or night:
Within USA and Canada: 1-800-424-9300. Outside USA and Canada: +1 703-527-3887 (collect calls accepted).

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 [GHS/CLP]

Acute Toxicity, oral - Category 1
Acute Toxicity, dermal - Category 3
Acute Toxicity, inhalation - Category 3
Acute, Aquatic Toxicity - Category 1

2.2 Label elements

Labeling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 [CLP]

Pictogram(s):

Signal word: Danger

Hazard statement(s):

H300	Fatal if swallowed
H311	Toxic in contact with skin
H331	Toxic if inhaled
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life

Precautionary statement(s):

P260	Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray
P264	Wash hands thoroughly after handling
P273	Avoid release to the environment
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
P301+310	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician
P302+352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with soap and water
P304+340	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

2.3 Other hazards - none

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1 Substances

Product Name: (-)-Bicuculline methobromide
Formula: $C_{21}H_{20}BrNO_6$ Molecular Weight: 462.3
CAS Number: 66016-70-4

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General advice
Consult a doctor and show this safety data sheet.

If inhaled
Remove to fresh air and monitor breathing. If breathing becomes difficult, give oxygen. If breathing stops, give artificial respiration. Consult a doctor.

In case of skin contact
Immediately wash skin with copious amounts of soap and water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes and wash before reuse. Consult a doctor.

In case of eye contact
Flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Consult a doctor.

If swallowed
Rinse mouth with water. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Consult a doctor.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

4.3 Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media
Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

In combustion, may emit toxic fumes.

5.3 Precautions for fire-fighters

Wear suitable protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes and self-contained breathing apparatus.

6. ACCIDENTIAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Do not take action without suitable protective clothing - see section 8 of SDS. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist, dust or gas.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Cover spillage with suitable absorbent material. Sweep up material and place in an appropriate container. Hold all material for appropriate disposal as described under section 13 of SDS.

6.4 Reference to other sections

For required PPE see section 8. For disposal see section 13.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Use in a chemical fume hood, with air supplied by an independent system. Avoid inhalation, contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Avoid the formation of dust and aerosols. Use in a well-ventilated area. Keep away from sources of ignition. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities.

Store in cool, well-ventilated area. Keep away from direct sunlight. Keep container tightly sealed until ready for use. Recommended storage temperature: Store at RT

7.3 Specific end uses

Use in a laboratory fume hood where possible. Refer to employer's COSHH risk assessment.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control parameters

Components with workplace control parameters
Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls
Use in a fume hood where applicable. Ensure all engineering measures described under section 7 of SDS are in place. Ensure laboratory is equipped with a safety shower and eye wash station.

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

Use appropriate safety glasses.

Skin protection
Use appropriate chemical resistant gloves (minimum requirement use standard BS EN 374:2003). Gloves should be inspected before use. Wash and dry hands thoroughly after handling.

Body protection
Wear appropriate protective clothing.

Respiratory protection
If risk assessment indicates necessary, use a suitable respirator.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Pale green solid	Vapor pressure	No data available
Odor	No data available	Vapor density	No data available
Odor threshold	No data available	Relative density	No data available
pH	No data available	Solubility(ies)	Soluble to 50 mM in water
Melting / freezing point	No data available	Partition coefficient	No data available
Boiling point / range	No data available	Auto-ignition temperature	No data available
Flash point	No data available	Decomposition temperature	No data available
Evaporation rate	No data available	Viscosity	No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available	Explosive properties	No data available
Upper / lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available	Oxidising properties	No data available

9.2 Other safety information

No data available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity

Stable under recommended transport or storage conditions.

10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous reactions will not occur under normal transport or storage conditions. Decomposition may occur on exposure to conditions or materials listed below.

10.4 Conditions to avoid

Heat, moisture.

10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong acids/alkalis, strong oxidising/reducing agents.

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

In combustion may emit toxic fumes. No known decomposition information.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute Toxicity
Data relates to (+)-Bicuculline: IPR-MUS LD50: 8480ug/kg.

Skin corrosion/irritation
Classified based on available data

Serious eye damage/irritation
Classified based on available data

Respiratory or skin sensitization
Classified based on available data

Germ cell mutagenicity
Classified based on available data

Carcinogenicity
Classified based on available data

Reproductive toxicity
Classified based on available data

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure
Classified based on available data

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure
Classified based on available data

Aspiration hazard
Classified based on available data

Symptoms / Routes of exposure

Inhalation: There may be shortness of breath with a burning sensation in the throat. Exposure may cause coughing or wheezing. Absorption through the lungs can occur causing symptoms similar to those of ingestion. Severe poisoning causes severe shortness of breath and shock, with blueness of the lips, tongue, ears, face, hands and feet.

Ingestion: There may be soreness and redness of the mouth and throat. Nausea and stomach pain may occur. Blood may be vomited. There may be vomiting and diarrhea. There may be loss of consciousness. Severe poisoning can cause unconsciousness and severe and persistent nausea and vomiting. Severe poisoning can cause shock, unconsciousness and convulsions.

Skin: Irritation or pain may occur at the site of contact. There may be redness or whiteness of the skin in the area of exposure. Absorption through the skin may be fatal.

Eyes: There may be pain and redness. The vision may become blurred. The eyes may water profusely. Absorption through the eye may cause effects similar to skin and/or ingestion.

Delayed / Immediate Effects: Immediate effects can be expected after short-term exposure.

Additional Information
RTECS No: LV0909840 [(+)-Bicuculline]
Exposure may cause irritaiton of eyes, mucous membranes, upper respiratory tract and skin.
To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical and toxicological properties have not been fully investigated

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Toxicity
No data available

12.2 Persistence and degradability
No data available

12.3 Bioaccumlative potential
No data available

12.4 Mobility in soil
No data available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
No data available

12.6 Other adverse effects
Very toxic to aquatic life.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product
Transfer to a suitable container and arrange for collection by specialized disposal company in accordance with National legislation.

Contaminated packaging
Dispose of in a regulated landfill site or other method for hazardous or toxic wastes in accordance with National legislation.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Classified according to the criteria of the UN Model Regulations as reflected in the IMDG Code, ADR, RID and IATA.

14.1 UN-Number
UN1544

14.2 UN proper shipping name
Alkaloid salts, solid, n.o.s. ((-)-Bicuculline methobromide)

14.3 Transport hazard class(es)
6.1

14.4 Packaging group
II

14.5 Environmental hazards
This product is not classified as environmentally hazardous according to the UN Model Regulations, nor a marine pollutant according to the IMDG Code.

14.6 Special precautions for users
No data available

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

This safety datasheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 453/2010.

15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

No data available

California Proposition 65

Not applicable

15.2 Chemical safety assessment

A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been made for this product.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Further Information

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End of safety data sheet