## Section 1 - Identification of the Material and Supplier



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Chemical nature:	Sulphuric acid in water solution.
Trade Name:	SERELISA <sup>®</sup> and LACTELISA <sup>®</sup> Kit Stop Solution
Product Use:	This product is a component of several SERELISA <sup>®</sup> and LACTELISA <sup>®</sup> test kits including:
	LACTELISA <sup>®</sup> BLV Ab Mono Indirect
	LACTELISA <sup>®</sup> BLV Ab Bi Tank 250
	LACTELISA <sup>®</sup> Brucella Ab Mono Indirect
	SERELISA BHV-1 Total Ab Mono Indirect
	SERELISA <sup>®</sup> BLV Ab Bi Indirect
	SERELISA <sup>®</sup> BLV Ab Mono Indirect
	SERELISA <sup>®</sup> Brucella OCB Ab Mono Indirect
	SERELISA <sup>®</sup> PCV2 Ab Mono Blocking
	SERSLISA <sup>®</sup> PCV2 Ag Capture
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### **Section 2 - Hazards Identification**

### **Statement of Hazardous Nature**

This product is classified as: C, Corrosive. Hazardous according to the criteria of SWA.

Not a Dangerous Good according to the Australian Dangerous Goods (ADG) Code.

#### Risk Phrases: R34, R38. Causes burns. Irritating to skin.

**Safety Phrases:** S20, S23, S28, S36, S46, S24/25. When using, do not eat or drink. Do not breathe vapours or mists. After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of soap and water. Wear suitable protective clothing. If swallowed, contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre immediately and show this MSDS or label. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

SUSMP Classification: None allocated.

**ADG Classification:** None allocated. Not a Dangerous Good under the ADG Code.

UN Number: None allocated

#### **Emergency Overview**

Physical Description & colour: Clear colourless liquid. Odour: No odour.

Major Health Hazards: causes burns, skin irritant.

**Potential Health Effects** 

### Inhalation:

**Short term exposure:** Available data indicates that this product is irritating, although unlikely to cause anything more than transient discomfort. If liquid enters nasal passages, it will cause pain and burn nasal membranes. Patients with inhalation burns may develop acute pulmonary oedema.

Long Term exposure: No data for health effects associated with long term inhalation.

#### Skin Contact:

**Short term exposure:** Available data indicates that this product is corrosive to the skin. Capable of causing moderate to severe burns with ulceration. Can penetrate to deeper layers of skin, resulting in third degree burns.

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Corrosion will continue until product is removed or neutralised. Severity depends on concentration and duration of exposure. Burns may not be immediately painful; the onset of pain may be minutes to hours. **Long Term exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term skin exposure.

### Eye Contact:

**Short term exposure:** This product is corrosive to eyes. It will cause severe pain, and corrosion of the eye and surrounding facial tissues. Unless exposure is quickly treated, permanent blindness and facial scarring is likely. **Long Term exposure:** No data for health effects associated with long term eye exposure.

### Ingestion:

**Short term exposure:** Significant oral exposure is considered to be unlikely. However, this product is corrosive to the gastrointestinal tract. Capable of causing moderate to severe burns with ulceration. Can penetrate to deeper layers of skin, resulting in third degree burns. Corrosion will continue until product is removed or neutralised. Severity depends on concentration and duration of exposure.

Long Term exposure: No data for health effects associated with long term ingestion.

#### **Carcinogen Status:**

**SWA:** No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by SWA.

**NTP:** Sulphuric Acid is classified by NTP as reasonably anticipated to be carcinogenic to humans. See the NTP website for further details. A web address has not been provided as addresses frequently change.

IARC: No significant ingredient is classified as carcinogenic by IARC.

## **Section 3 - Composition/Information on Ingredients**

Ingredients	CAS No	Conc,%	TWA (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )	STEL (mg/m <sup>3</sup> )
Sulphuric acid	7664-93-9	11	1	3
Water	7732-18-5	to 100	not set	not set
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This is a commercial product whose exact ratio of components may vary slightly. Minor quantities of other non hazardous ingredients are also possible.

The SWA TWA exposure value is the average airborne concentration of a particular substance when calculated over a normal 8 hour working day for a 5 day working week. The STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit) is an exposure value that may be equalled (but should not be exceeded) for no longer than 15 minutes and should not be repeated more than 4 times per day. There should be at least 60 minutes between successive exposures at the STEL. The term "peak "is used when the TWA limit, because of the rapid action of the substance, should never be exceeded, even briefly.

# **Section 4 - First Aid Measures**

### **General Information:**

You should call The Poisons Information Centre if you feel that you may have been poisoned, burned or irritated by this product. The number is 131 126 from anywhere in Australia (0800 764 766 in New Zealand) and is available at all times. Have this MSDS with you when you call.

**Inhalation:** No first aid measures normally required. However, if inhalation has occurred, and irritation has developed, remove to fresh air and observe until recovered. If irritation becomes painful or persists more than about 30 minutes, seek medical advice.

**Skin Contact:** Flush contaminated area with lukewarm, gently flowing water for at least 20-30 minutes, by the clock. DO NOT INTERRUPT FLUSHING. If necessary, keep emergency vehicle waiting (show paramedics this MSDS and take their advice). Under running water, remove contaminated clothing, shoes and leather goods (eg watchbands and belts). If irritation persists, repeat flushing. Seek medical attention.

**Eye Contact:** Immediately flush the contaminated eye(s) with lukewarm, gently flowing water for at least 20-30 minutes, by the clock, while holding the eyelid(s) open. Neutral saline solution may be used as soon as it is available. DO NOT INTERRUPT FLUSHING. If necessary, keep emergency vehicle waiting (show paramedics this MSDS and take their advice). Take care not to rinse contaminated water into the unaffected eye or onto face. If irritation persists, repeat flushing. Call a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor urgently. Take special care if exposed person is wearing contact lenses.

**Ingestion:** If swallowed, do NOT induce vomiting; rinse mouth thoroughly with water and contact a Poisons Information Centre. Urgent hospital treatment is likely to be needed. Give activated charcoal if instructed.

## **Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures**

**Fire and Explosion Hazards**: The major hazard in fires is usually inhalation of heated and toxic or oxygen deficient (or both), fire gases. There is no risk of an explosion from this product under normal circumstances if it is involved in a fire.

This product is likely to decompose only after heating to dryness, followed by further strong heating.

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Fire decomposition products from this product may be toxic if inhaled. Take appropriate protective measures. **Extinguishing Media:** Not Combustible. Use extinguishing media suited to burning materials. **Fire Fighting:** If a significant quantity of this product is involved in a fire, call the fire brigade. Cool closed, undamaged containers exposed to fire with water spray.

Flash point:	Does not burn.
Upper Flammability Limit:	Does not burn.
Lower Flammability Limit:	Does not burn.
Autoignition temperature:	Not applicable - does not burn.
Flammability Class:	Does not burn.

### **Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures**

Accidental release: In the event of a major spill, prevent spillage from entering drains or water courses. Wear full protective chemically resistant clothing including eye/face protection, gauntlets and self contained breathing apparatus. See below under Personal Protection regarding Australian Standards relating to personal protective equipment. Suitable materials for protective clothing include rubber, butyl rubber, neoprene, Teflon, polyethylene. Eye/face protective equipment should comprise as a minimum, protective goggles. If there is a significant chance that vapours or mists are likely to build up in the cleanup area, we recommend that you use a respirator. Usually, no respirator is necessary when using this product. However, if you have any doubts consult the Australian Standard mentioned below (section 8). Otherwise, not normally necessary.

Stop leak if safe to do so, and contain spill. Absorb onto sand, vermiculite or other suitable absorbent material. If spill is too large or if absorbent material is not available, try to create a dike to stop material spreading or going into drains or waterways. Sweep up and shovel or collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling or salvage, and dispose of promptly. Recycle containers wherever possible after careful cleaning. After spills, wash area preventing runoff from entering drains. If a significant quantity of material enters drains, advise emergency services. Contaminated area may be neutralised by washing with weak or dilute alkali. Baking soda, washing soda and limestone are suitable. This material may be suitable for approved landfill. Ensure legality of disposal by consulting regulations prior to disposal. Thoroughly launder protective clothing before storage or re-use. Advise laundry of nature of contamination when sending contaminated clothing to laundry.

## Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Keep exposure to this product to a minimum, and minimise the quantities kept in work areas. Check Section 8 of this MSDS for details of personal protective measures, and make sure that those measures are followed. The measures detailed below under "Storage" should be followed during handling in order to minimise risks to persons using the product in the workplace. Also, avoid contact or contamination of product with incompatible materials listed in Section 10.

**Storage:** Refrigerate, preferably between 2 and 8°C, but do not freeze. Make sure that containers of this product are kept tightly closed. Make sure that the product does not come into contact with substances listed under "Incompatibilities" in Section 10. Some liquid preparations settle or separate on standing and may require stirring before use. Check packaging - there may be further storage instructions on the label.

## **Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection**

The following Australian Standards will provide general advice regarding safety clothing and equipment:

Respiratory equipment: **AS/NZS 1715**, Protective Gloves: **AS 2161**, Occupational Protective Clothing: AS/NZS 4501 set 2008, Industrial Eye Protection: **AS1336** and **AS/NZS 1337**, Occupational Protective Footwear: **AS/NZS2210**.

SWA Exposure limits	TWA (mg/m³)	
Sulphuric acid	1	

No special equipment is usually needed when occasionally handling small quantities. The following instructions are for bulk handling or where regular exposure in an occupational setting occurs without proper containment systems. **Ventilation:** No special ventilation requirements are normally necessary for this product. However make sure that the work environment remains clean and that vapours and mists are minimised.

**Eye Protection:** Your eyes must be completely protected from this product by splash resistant goggles with face shield. All surrounding skin areas must be covered. Emergency eye wash facilities must also be available in an area close to where this product is being used.

**Skin Protection:** Because of the dangerous nature of this product, make sure that all skin areas are completely covered by impermeable gloves, overalls, hair covering, apron and face shield. See below for suitable material types. **Protective Material Types:** We suggest that protective clothing be made from the following materials: rubber, butyl rubber, neoprene, Teflon, polyethylene.

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**Respirator:** Usually, no respirator is necessary when using this product. However, if you have any doubts consult the Australian Standard mentioned above. Otherwise, not normally necessary. Safety deluge showers should, if practical, be provided near to where this product is being used.

### **Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties:**

Physical Description & colour: Odour: Boiling Point: Freezing/Melting Point: Volatiles: Vapour Pressure: Vapour Density: Specific Gravity: Water Solubility: pH: Volatility: Odour Threshold: Evaporation Rate: Coeff Oil/water distribution:	Clear colourless liquid. No odour. Approximately 100°C at 100kPa. Below 0°C. Water component. 2.37 kPa at 20°C (water vapour pressure). No data. 1.08 approx Completely soluble in water. No data. No data. No data. No data.
Autoignition temp:	Not applicable - does not burn.

### Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

**Reactivity**: This product is unlikely to react or decompose under normal storage conditions. However, if you have any doubts, contact the supplier for advice on shelf life properties.

**Conditions to Avoid:** This product should be kept in a cool place, preferably below 30°C. Keep containers tightly closed.

Incompatibilities: bases, zinc, tin, aluminium and their alloys.

**Fire Decomposition:** This product is likely to decompose only after heating to dryness, followed by further strong heating. Combustion forms water. May form oxides of sulfur (sulfur dioxide is a respiratory hazard) and other sulfur compounds. Most will have a foul odour.

Polymerisation: This product will not undergo polymerisation reactions.

# **Section 11 - Toxicological Information**

Target Organs:

There is no data to hand indicating any particular target organs.

**Classification of Hazardous Ingredients** 

Ingredient Sulphuric Acid Risk Phrases >=5%Conc<15%: Xi; R36/38

# Section 12 - Ecological Information

This product is unlikely to adversely effect the environment. Salts, acids and bases are typically diluted and neutralised when released to the environment in small quantities. However, until diluted or neutralised it will kill all aquatic organisms it contacts due to extreme pH.

## **Section 13 - Disposal Considerations**

**Disposal:** This product may be recycled if unused, or if it has not been contaminated so as to make it unsuitable for its intended use. If it has been contaminated, it may be possible to separate the contamination in some way. Only if neither of these options is suitable, consider landfill.

## **Section 14 - Transport Information**

**ADG Code:** This product is not classified as a Dangerous Good. No special transport conditions are necessary unless required by other regulations.

## **Section 15 - Regulatory Information**

**AICS:** All of the significant ingredients in this formulation are compliant with NICNAS regulations. The following ingredient: Sulphuric acid is mentioned in the SUSMP.

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### **Section 16 - Other Information**

This MSDS contains only safety-related information. For other data see product literature.

Acronyms:	
ADG Code	Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (7 <sup>th</sup> edition)
AICS	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances
SWA	Safe Work Australia, formerly ASCC and NOHSC
CAS number	Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number
Hazchem Code	Emergency action code of numbers and letters that provide information to emergency
	services especially firefighters
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
NOS	Not otherwise specified
NTP	National Toxicology Program (USA)
R-Phrase	Risk Phrase
SUSMP	Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines & Poisons
UN Number	United Nations Number

#### **Contact Points:**

Pfizer Australia Pty Ltd:	1800 814 883
Police and Fire Brigade:	Dial 000
If ineffective:	Dial Poisons Information Centre (131 126 from anywhere in Australia)

Please read all labels carefully before using product.

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