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## Safety Data Sheets and Bacteria and Fungi

Please be advised that OSHA's Hazard Communication Standard (HCS) 29 CFR 1910.1200, states safety data sheets (SDSs) must be provided to employers, employees, emergency responders, and the general public with basic information about the hazards associated with chemicals that are used in the workplace and or are a part of every-day commerce.

Biological hazards; 29 CFR 1910.1200(b)(b)(xii) are exempt from coverage under HCS if the only hazard they pose is biological. If, however the material also possesses physical and or health hazard, a Safety Data Sheet will be provided.

Bacteria and Fungi related products are not considered to be or contain hazardous chemicals based on our evaluations under the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

General information regarding safe handling of bacterial cultures and specimens can be found using the following links:

https://media.vwr.com/emdocs/docs/scied/Working with Bacteria & Fungi.pdf

https://wardsci.com/www.wardsci.com/images/Bacteria Fungi.pdf

Thank you for your interest in our products. You can contact me directly if you have any additional questions.

Regards,

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