

Wildlife Sampling Kit

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION

PRESERVATION FLUID¹

The preservation fluid in the 5 mL vial contains 20% Dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO).

High concentration of vapours may induce unconsciousness, dizziness, and headache.

DMSO is easily resorbed by the skin.

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapours.

Long term toxicity: No hazards to be especially mentioned.

Chronic toxicity: Repeated or prolonged exposure may cause irritation of eyes and skin, mucous, membranes, dizziness, headache.

First Aid

General advice: Consult a physician for severe cases.

Inhalation: Not harmful by inhalation - Move to fresh air in case of accidental inhalation of vapors or decomposition products. Keep patient warm. In case of shortness of breath, give oxygen. Apply artificial respiration only if patient is not breathing or under medical supervision. No artificial aspiration mouth-to-mouth or mouth to nose. Use suitable instruments/apparatus. Consult a physician if necessary.

Skin contact: Readily absorbed through the skin - Remove contaminated clothing immediately and wash affected skin

with soap and water. Wash contaminated clothing before re-use. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.

Eye contact: Slightly irritating to eyes - If the substance has got into the eyes, immediately wash out with plenty of water for at least 10 minutes. Keep eye wide open while rinsing.

BLADES

The blades are extremely sharp and should be handled with care.

Used blades are to be temporarily stored in the manila envelope provided until they can be disposed of in a sharps container.

BIOLOGICAL HAZARD

All samples should be treated as potentially hazardous. Wear gloves at all times when handling biological samples.

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