



## Material Safety Data Sheet

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### 1. Identification of the Material and Company/Undertaking

**Product name:** Xpert GBS Catalog No: GXGBS-100N-10  
**Common name:** Not applicable  
**Compound name:** Not applicable

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The following MSDS is for the final finished product only as used in the laboratory that contains five (5) components, which are all in cartridges. If manufacturing this product, consult the MSDSs for the individual ingredients and reagents.

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### 2. Hazards Identification

**Appearance:** This product contains 5 parts – all the parts (beads, which are freeze-dried white powders and 2 colorless liquid reagents) are contained in cartridges.

**Signal Word:** **DANGER for handling of:**  
Reagent 2 containing 0.5N Sodium Hydroxide

**CAUTION for handling of** all other kit components

**Hazard Overview:** **Reagent 2 containing Sodium Hydroxide solution, which is a CORROSIVE LIQUID. Causes burns to skin and eyes if directly contacted. Causes irritation to mucous membranes and respiratory tract if inhaled.**

**Bead components (Bead 1; Bead 2; Bead 3) are contained in cartridges and will not present a hazard under normal use conditions; if cartridge is broken or damaged and beads are spilled or released, contact may cause reversible skin and eye irritation.**

**Reagent 1 is not considered hazardous under US hazard communication regulations (29 CFR 1910.1200), EU directives for**



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classification and labeling of substances or mixtures or the Global Harmonization System for classification and labeling of substances or mixtures.

### Statement of Known

**Hazard:** **Reagent 2 is a CORROSIVE LIQUID.** Avoid skin contact, eye contact and inhalation. Wear eye protection and skin protection to avoid contact.

Other components of this product would not be considered hazardous under normal conditions of use.

**EU Indicator of Danger:** **Reagent 2 – C (Corrosive)**

**All other components of this product: Not applicable**

**EU Risk Phrases:** **Reagent 2 – R34 Causes Burns.**

**All other components of this product: Not applicable**

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## 3. Composition Information on Ingredients

This product consists of a cartridge with three reagent beads to which aqueous reagents are added as part of an assay.

**Bead 1** is a freeze-dried powder bead as contained in the cartridge with the following hazardous ingredients:

Ingredient	CAS#	EINECs / ELINCS #	% Composition	EU Risk Phrase
HEPES Acid and Salt	7365-45-9 (For Acid)	230-907-9 (For Acid)	<10	R36/37/38
Magnesium Chloride	7786-30-3	232-094-6	<5	R36/37/38
Bovine Serum Albumin	9048-46-8	232-936-2	<3	R42

All other ingredients of this Bead are either non-hazardous under US and EU regulations or GHS guidelines and/or at concentrations less than 1% in the mixture.

**Bead 2** is a freeze-dried powder bead as contained in the cartridge with the following hazardous ingredients:



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All other ingredients of this Bead are either non-hazardous under US and EU regulations or GHS guidelines and/or at concentrations less than 1% in the mixture.

**Bead 3** is a freeze-dried powder bead as contained in the cartridge with the following hazardous ingredients:

Ingredient	CAS#	EINECs / ELINCS #	% Composition	EU Risk Phrase
HEPES Acid and Salt	7365-45-9 (For Acid)	230-907-9 (For Acid)	<10	R36/37/38

All other ingredients of this Bead are either non-hazardous under US and EU regulations or GHS guidelines and/or at concentrations less than 1% in the mixture.

**Reagent 1** contains ingredients that are either considered non-hazardous under US and EU regulations or GHS guidelines and/ or at concentrations less than 1% in the mixture.

**Reagent 2** contains the following hazardous ingredients:

Ingredient	CAS#	EINECs / ELINCS #	% Composition	EU Risk Phrase
Sodium Hydroxide	1310-73-2	215-185-5	2%	R34

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## 4. First Aid Measures

**For Reagent 2:**

**Eye:** Flush thoroughly with water and notify supervisor and EHS personnel. Get medical aid.

**Skin:** Flush thoroughly with water and notify supervisor and EHS personnel. Get medical attention.



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**Ingestion:** If swallowed, wash out mouth with water provided person is conscious. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel.

**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air and get medical attention for any breathing difficulty.

### For all other parts of the kit if contacted:

**Eye:** Flush thoroughly with water and notify supervisor and EHS personnel. If an irritation develops, get medical aid.

**Skin:** Flush thoroughly with water and notify supervisor and EHS personnel. If an irritation develops, get medical attention.

**Ingestion:** If swallowed, wash out mouth with water provided person is conscious. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention. Do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel.

**Inhalation:** Remove to fresh air and get medical attention for any breathing difficulty.

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## 5. Fire Fighting Measures

**Flammability/Explosivity:** None of the components of the kit are considered flammable or explosive.

**Extinguishing Media:** CO<sub>2</sub>, multipurpose dry chemical or vaporizing liquid fire extinguisher.

### Special Fire Fighting Procedures:

Wear full protective clothing and a self-contained breathing apparatus with a full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode for surrounding fire. Decontaminate all equipment after use.

### Hazardous Decomposition Products:

None identified.

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## 6. Accidental Release Measures

### For all components if spilled:

If product/material is released or spilled, take proper precautions to minimize exposure by using appropriate personal protective equipment. For small spills, wear gloves and absorb spill with paper towel. **For small spills of Reagent 2 containing sodium hydroxide, avoid skin and eye contact by using rubber or nitrile gloves and wearing of eye protection to avoid contact.** Dispose of material according to local, State and Federal waste disposal regulations (see Section 13).



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For larger spills, wear personal protective clothing to minimize exposure such as overgarment, gloves and eye protection (goggles), cover spill with absorbent material. **For larger spills of Reagent 2 containing sodium hydroxide, wear overgarment and personal protective equipment to avoid skin contact including goggles and rubber or nitrile gloves.** Collect spilled material, absorbent, and rinse waters into suitable containers for proper disposal in accordance with applicable local, state or Federal waste disposal regulations (see Section 13).

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## 7. Handling and Storage

**Handling Precautions:** Avoid skin contact, eye contact and inhalation.

**Storage Requirements:** Store according to product labeling.

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## 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

### Occupational Exposure

**Limits:** **Reagent 2** contains sodium hydroxide which has ACGIH TLV and NIOSH REL of 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup> as a ceiling value not to be exceeded for any 15-minute period and an OSHA 8-hour time weighted average of 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>. None of the other ingredients contained in this product have occupational exposure limits established by OSHA, NIOSH, ACGIH or Cepheid.

**Engineering Controls:** None normally required. When practicable, handle material in enclosed or contained processes or in processes with effective local exhaust ventilation.

**Eye Protection:** Wear safety glasses with side shields, chemical splash goggles, or full face shield, if necessary. Base the choice of protection on the job activity and potential for contact with eyes or face.

**Respiratory Protection:** When possible, handle material in enclosed processes or containers. If it is properly handled with effective ventilation or containment, respiratory protection should not be needed.

**Skin Protection:** Rubber gloves are recommended to minimize potential for skin contact. In laboratory setting, wear lab coat or other protective overgarment at a minimum to minimize skin contact. Base the choice of protection on the job activity and potential for skin contact.

**Other:** Facilities storing or using this product should be equipped with an eyewash station and a safety shower. Wash hands, face and other potentially exposed areas immediately after handling material (especially before eating, drinking, or smoking). Decontaminate all protective equipment after use.

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## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical State:** Beads are solid components in cartridges; reagents are liquids which are primarily buffered aqueous solutions.

**Odor:** Components are odorless.

**Vapor Pressure:** Minimal.

**Evaporation Rate:** Minimal.

**Viscosity:** Reagents are aqueous.

**Boiling Point:** Liquid reagents near 100 degrees C .

**Freezing/Melting Point:** Liquid reagents near 0 degrees C

**Solubility:** Reagents are already aqueous; beads are soluble in aqueous solutions

**pH:** >12.5 (**Reagent 2**); 6.6 – 8.6 (Solids & Other liquid reagents)

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## 10. Stability and Reactivity

**Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal temperatures and pressures.

**Conditions to Avoid:** Incompatible materials.

**Incompatibilities with Other materials:** Strong oxidizing agents, peroxides, strong acids and bases, acid chlorides, acid anhydrides, alkali metals, ammonia.

**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, nitrogen oxides, sulfur oxides, sodium oxides, potassium oxides, hydrogen chloride, cyanide.

**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur.

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## 11. Toxicological Information

**Acute Toxicity:** The cartridges containing freeze-dried powders should not present an acute toxicity hazard unless the beads are released or spilled. Magnesium chloride has low to moderate acute toxicity with oral LD50 of 2800 mg/kg in the rat. Sodium hydroxide is acutely toxic orally due to its corrosivity.

**Irritation/Sensitization:** HEPES Salt and HEPES acid are considered skin and eye irritants. Bovine serum albumin, as a foreign protein is considered a potential allergen but because it is contained in the bead within the cartridge, the potential to cause an allergic reaction under normal use conditions is considered low.

**Repeated dose toxicity** – No data identified on ingredients.

**Reproductive (fertility) and Developmental (birth defects) toxicity** – No data identified. None of the ingredients are considered reproductive or developmental toxicants.

**Mutagenicity and Carcinogenicity** – No data identified on mutagenicity. None of the ingredients are listed by NTP, IARC or OSHA as carcinogens.

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## 12. Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** As sodium hydroxide adjusts pH, it has the potential to have harmful effects in the environment if not properly disposed of.

**Environmental Fate:** No data identified.

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## 13. Disposal Considerations

Biological specimens, including used cartridges, should be treated as capable of transmitting infectious agents. Consult your institution's environmental waste personnel on proper disposal of used cartridges and unused reagents. This material may exhibit characteristics of federal EPA Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) hazardous waste requiring specific disposal requirements. Check state and local regulations as they may differ from federal disposal regulations. Institutions outside the USA should check their country hazardous waste disposal requirements.

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## 14. Transport Information

Transport in accordance with all federal, state, and local transportation regulations.

With the exception of **Reagent 2**, all of the other components are not regulated by US DOT or IATA.

The transport classification of **Reagent 2 containing 0.5N Sodium Hydroxide** is:

**Class 8, Packing Group II, UN1824.**

**Proper Shipping Name: Sodium Hydroxide Solution.**

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## 15. Regulatory Information

**US OSHA:** This MSDS complies with the requirements under 29 CFR 1910.1200

**Labeling for Reagent 2 (in addition to identity and shipping information) should include the following:**

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**For Reagent 2 - Contains Sodium Hydroxide Solution**



**DANGER**

Causes burns.

Keep out of reach of children.

In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.

Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection.

In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

EU Risk and Safety Phrases: R 34; S2/26/37/39/45

LBL PN: 300-7644, Rev B

**Canada – WHMIS Classifications**

0.5 N Sodium hydroxide solution is a Corrosive – Class E according to WHMIS classification.

All other components are not classified according to WHMIS classification criteria.

**California Proposition 65**

None of the ingredients are listed under California Proposition 65.

**SARA 313:** Not listed.

**CERCLA :** Sodium hydroxide has a reportable quantity limit of 1000 lbs; no other ingredients are regulated under CERCLA.

**RCRA:** Not listed.

**For R&D consumers, products are to be used only for R&D purposes.**

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## 16. Other Information

No other data available.

Abbreviations:

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

CAS#: Chemical Abstract Services Number

CFR Code of Federal Regulations

CERCLA: Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

DOT: Department of Transportation

EINECS: European Inventory of New and Existing Chemical Substances

EU: European Union

GHS: Global Harmonization System

IARC: International Agency for Research on Cancer

IATA: International Air Transport Association

OSHA: Occupational Safety and Health Administration



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NTP: National Toxicology Program  
RCRA: Resource Conservation and Recovery Act  
SARA: Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act  
TSCA: Toxic Substances Control Act

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