

Safety Data Sheet

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* SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

- **1.1 Product identifier**
- **Trade name:** Gentian violet
- **Product Code:** 50-1200
- **CAS Number:**
548-62-9
- **EC number:**
208-953-6
- **Index number:**
612-204-00-2
- **1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**
- **Product category** PC21 Laboratory chemicals
- **Application of the substance / the mixture** Laboratory chemicals
- **Uses advised against** Any use not specified above.
- **1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**
- **Supplier:**
Severn Biotech Ltd.
Unit 2,
Park Lane,
Kidderminster,
Worcestershire.
DY11 6TJ
UK
Tel: 0044 1562 825286
Fax: 0044 1562 825284
email: info@severnbiotech.com
- **Further information obtainable from:** Product safety department.
- **1.4 Emergency telephone number:**
Members of the public seeking specific information on poisons should contact:
In England and Wales: NHS 111 - dial 111
In Scotland: NHS 24 - dial 111

* SECTION 2: Hazards identification

- **2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture**
- **Classification according to GB-CLP**
Acute Tox. 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.
Eye Dam. 1 H318 Causes serious eye damage.
Carc. 2 H351 Suspected of causing cancer.
Aquatic Acute 1 H400 Very toxic to aquatic life.
Aquatic Chronic 1 H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.
- **2.2 Label elements**
- **Labelling according to GB-CLP** The substance is classified and labelled according to the GB CLP regulation.
- **Hazard pictograms**



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- **Signal word** Danger
- **Hazard statements**
 - H302 Harmful if swallowed.
 - H318 Causes serious eye damage.
 - H351 Suspected of causing cancer.
 - H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.
- **Precautionary statements**
 - P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
 - P301+P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell.
 - P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
 - P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
 - P405 Store locked up.
 - P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulations.
- **2.3 Other hazards**
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

- **3.1 Substances**
- **CAS No. Description**
 - CAS: 548-62-9 C.I. Basic Violet 3
- **Identification number(s)**
- **EC number:** 208-953-6
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* SECTION 4: First aid measures

- **4.1 Description of first aid measures**
- **General information:**
 - Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.
 - Symptoms of poisoning may even occur after several hours; therefore medical observation for at least 48 hours after the accident.
- **After inhalation:** Supply fresh air; consult doctor in case of complaints.
- **After skin contact:**
 - Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.
 - If skin irritation continues, consult a doctor.
- **After eye contact:**
 - Check for and remove any contact lenses.
 - Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.
- **After swallowing:**
 - Rinse out mouth and then drink plenty of water.
 - Do not induce vomiting; call for medical help immediately.
- **Information for doctor:** Treat symptomatically and supportively.
- **4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed** No further relevant information available.

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4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No further relevant information available.

*** SECTION 5: Firefighting measures****5.1 Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing agents:**CO₂, powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.

Use fire extinguishing methods suitable to surrounding conditions.

For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents: Water with full jet**5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

As with most organic solids, fire is possible at elevated temperatures or by contact with an ignition source.

Fine dust dispersed in air in sufficient concentrations, and in the presence of an ignition source is a potential dust explosion hazard.

In case of fire, the following can be released:

Nitrogen oxides (NO_x)

Hydrogen chloride (HCl)

5.3 Advice for firefighters**Protective equipment:**

Do not inhale explosion gases or combustion gases.

Wear self-contained respiratory protective device.

Wear fully protective suit.

Additional information

Cool endangered receptacles with water spray.

Collect contaminated fire fighting water separately. It must not enter the sewage system.

*** SECTION 6: Accidental release measures****6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Avoid formation of dust.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Keep ignition sources away - no smoking.

6.2 Environmental precautions:

Do not allow to penetrate the ground/soil.

Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:

Pick up mechanically.

Send for recovery or disposal in suitable receptacles.

6.4 Reference to other sections

See Section 7 for information on safe handling.

See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

See Section 13 for disposal information.

*** SECTION 7: Handling and storage****7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Prevent formation of dust.

Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.

Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed receptacles.

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Restrict the quantity stored at the work place.

Ensure high housekeeping standards to remove build of dust.

Avoid direct contact (skin/eye contact, ingestion and/or inhalation of fume/mist/dust) with the product in the undiluted form.

Safety showers and eye wash facilities should be available at the work area.

· **Information about fire - and explosion protection:**

Keep ignition sources away - Do not smoke.

Protect against electrostatic charges.

There is a risk of a dust explosion if the following conditions are met:

- The substance is present in very finely distributed form (powder, dust).
- The substance is whirled up in sufficient quantity in the air.
- An ignition source is present (flame, spark, electrostatic discharge, etc.)

· **7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

· **Storage:**

· **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** Prevent any seepage into the ground.

· **Information about storage in one common storage facility:**

Store away from oxidising agents.

Store away from foodstuffs.

· **Further information about storage conditions:**

Store in a banded area.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed receptacles.

Store under lock and key and with access restricted to technical experts or their assistants only.

· **Storage class:** 13

· **7.3 Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

* **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

· **8.1 Control parameters**

· **Ingredients with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:** Not required.

· **DNELs**

Oral	Long-term systemic effects	150 µg/kg bw/day (general population)
Dermal	Long-term systemic effects	150 µg/kg bw/day (general population)
		420 µg/kg bw/day (worker)
Inhalative	Long-term systemic effects	1.48 mg/m³ (worker)
	Long-term systemic effects	222 µg/m³ (general population)

· **PNECs**

Freshwater	2.4 µg/L
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· **Additional information:** The lists valid during the making were used as basis.

· **8.2 Exposure controls**

· **Appropriate engineering controls** No further data; see section 7.

· **Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment**

· **General protective and hygienic measures:**

Do not breathe dust

Do not eat, drink, smoke or sniff while working.

Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.

Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

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Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

Pregnant women should strictly avoid inhalation or skin contact.

A safe system of work must be formulated and followed to ensure safe working with this product. Relevant workers must receive suitable and sufficient training and supervision.

Depending on the degree of exposure, periodic medical examination is suggested.

· **Respiratory protection:**



When dust/mist are present use a Particulate filter, type P2.

· **Hand protection**



Protective gloves.

Use gloves tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN374 (EU).

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.

Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

· **Material of gloves**

The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer.

· **Penetration time of glove material**

The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.

· **Eye/face protection**



Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166.

Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).



Use visor if handling dust.

· **Body protection:**



Protective work clothing

Body protection must be chosen depending on product properties, activity and possible exposure.

· **Environmental exposure controls** Do not allow to enter drains, sewers or watercourses.

· **Risk management measures** The operators shall be instructed adequately.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

· **9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

· **General Information**

· **Physical state**

Solid

· **Colour:**

Dark green

· **Odour:**

Mild

· **Odour threshold:**

Not determined.

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· Melting point/freezing point:	198 °C
· Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range	Undetermined.
· Flammability	Product is not flammable.
· Lower and upper explosion limit	
· Lower:	Not determined.
· Upper:	Not determined.
· Flash point:	Not applicable.
· Auto-ignition temperature:	> 150 °C
· Decomposition temperature:	Not determined.
· pH	2.5 – 3.5
· Viscosity:	
· Kinematic viscosity	Not applicable.
· Dynamic:	Not applicable.
· Solubility	
· water at 27 °C:	50-100 g/l
· Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log value)	Not determined.
· Vapour pressure:	Not applicable.
· Density and/or relative density	
· Density at 20 °C:	0.47 g/cm ³
· Relative density	Not determined.
· Vapour density	Not applicable.
· 9.2 Other information	
· Appearance:	
· Form:	Powder
· Important information on protection of health and environment, and on safety.	
· Ignition temperature:	Not determined.
· Explosive properties:	Product is not explosive. However, formation of explosive air/dust mixtures are possible.
· Molecular weight	407.99 g/mol
· Change in condition	
· Evaporation rate	Not applicable.
· Information with regard to physical hazard classes	
· Explosives	Not applicable
· Flammable gases	Not applicable
· Aerosols	Not applicable
· Oxidising gases	Not applicable
· Gases under pressure	Not applicable
· Flammable liquids	Not applicable
· Flammable solids	Not applicable
· Self-reactive substances and mixtures	Not applicable
· Pyrophoric liquids	Not applicable
· Pyrophoric solids	Not applicable
· Self-heating substances and mixtures	Not applicable
· Substances and mixtures, which emit flammable gases in contact with water	Not applicable
· Oxidising liquids	Not applicable
· Oxidising solids	Not applicable
· Organic peroxides	Not applicable
· Corrosive to metals	Not applicable

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· **Desensitised explosives**

Not applicable

* SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

- **10.1 Reactivity** No further relevant information available.
- **10.2 Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**
There is a risk of a dust explosion if the following conditions are met:
 - The substance is given in very finely distributed form (powder, dust).
 - The substance is whirled up in sufficient quantity in the air.
 - An ignition source is present (flame, spark, electrostatic discharge, etc.)
 No decomposition if used and stored according to specifications.
- **10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions** Reacts with oxidising agents.
- **10.4 Conditions to avoid** Heat and static discharge.
- **10.5 Incompatible materials:** Strong oxidising agents.
- **10.6 Hazardous decomposition products:**
Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide
Nitrogen oxides (NO_x)
Hydrogen chloride (HCl)

* SECTION 11: Toxicological information

- **11.1 Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**
- **Acute toxicity**
Harmful if swallowed.

· **LD/LC50 values relevant for classification:**

Oral	LD50	420 mg/kg (rat)
Dermal	LD50	> 6,869 mg/kg (rabbit)

- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **Skin corrosion/irritation** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **Serious eye damage/irritation**
Causes serious eye damage.
- **Respiratory or skin sensitisation** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **Germ cell mutagenicity** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **Carcinogenicity**
Suspected of causing cancer.
- **Reproductive toxicity** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **STOT-single exposure** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **STOT-repeated exposure** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **Aspiration hazard** Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
- **Subacute to chronic toxicity:** Prolonged or repeated skin contact may irritate and cause dermatitis.
- **11.2 Information on other hazards**
- **Endocrine disrupting properties** Substance is not listed.

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* SECTION 12: Ecological information

· 12.1 Toxicity

· Aquatic toxicity:

EC50 (72 h) 0.21 mg/l (algae)

- **12.2 Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.
- **12.3 Bioaccumulative potential** Product is not expected to bioaccumulate.
- **12.4 Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.
- **12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.
- **12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties** The product does not contain substances with endocrine disrupting properties.
- **12.7 Other adverse effects**
- **Remark:** Very toxic for fish
- **Additional ecological information:**
- **General notes:**
 Very toxic for aquatic organisms
 Also poisonous for fish and plankton in water bodies.
 Water hazard class 3 (German Regulation) (Assessment by list): extremely hazardous for water
 Do not allow product to reach ground water, water course or sewage system, even in small quantities.
 Danger to drinking water if even extremely small quantities leak into the ground.

* SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

· 13.1 Waste treatment methods

· Recommendation

Recommended Hierarchy of Controls:

- Minimise waste;
- Reuse if not contaminated;
- Recycle, if possible; or
- Safe disposal (if all else fails).

Must not be disposed together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.

Contact waste processors for recycling information.

Used, degraded or contaminated product may be classified as hazardous waste. Anyone classifying hazardous waste and determining its fate must be qualified in accordance with state and international legislation.

· Uncleaned packaging:

· Recommendation:

Empty contaminated packagings thoroughly. They may be recycled after thorough and proper cleaning.

Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

Container remains hazardous when empty. Continue to observe all precautions.

Containers, even those that are "empty," may contain residues that can develop flammable vapours upon heating. Do not cut, drill, grind, weld, or perform similar operations on or near empty containers.

- **Recommended cleansing agents:** Water, if necessary together with cleansing agents.

* SECTION 14: Transport information

· 14.1 UN number or ID number

· ADR/RID/ADN, IMDG, IATA

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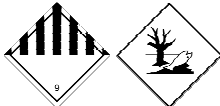
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· 14.2 UN proper shipping name · ADR/RID/ADN · IMDG · IATA	UN3077 ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (C.I. Basic Violet 3) ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (C.I. Basic Violet 3), MARINE POLLUTANT ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (C.I. Basic Violet 3)
· 14.3 Transport hazard class(es) · ADR/RID/ADN, IMDG, IATA 	· Class · Label 9 Miscellaneous dangerous substances and articles. 9
· 14.4 Packing group · ADR/RID/ADN, IMDG, IATA	III
· 14.5 Environmental hazards: · Marine pollutant: · Special marking (ADR/RID/ADN): · Special marking (IATA):	Symbol (fish and tree) Symbol (fish and tree) Symbol (fish and tree)
· 14.6 Special precautions for user · Hazard identification number (Kemler code): · Emergency Action Code: · Stowage Category · Stowage Code	Warning: Miscellaneous dangerous substances and articles. 90 2Z A SW23 When transported in BK3 bulk container, see 7.6.2.12 and 7.7.3.9.
· 14.7 Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments	Not applicable.
· Transport/Additional information:	Amounts up to 5kg or 5L per single or inner package are not regulated according to ADR/RID SP 375, IMDG 2.10.2.7 and IATA SP A197.
· ADR/RID/ADN · Limited quantities (LQ) · Excepted quantities (EQ) · Transport category · Tunnel restriction code	5 kg Code: E1 Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 30 g Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 1000 g 3 E
· IMDG · Limited quantities (LQ)	5 kg

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· Excepted quantities (EQ)	Code: E1 Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 30 g Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 1000 g
· UN "Model Regulation":	UN 3077 ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (C.I. BASIC VIOLET 3), 9, III

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

- **15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**
- **Poisons Act**
- **Regulated explosives precursors** Substance is not listed.
- **Regulated poisons** Substance is not listed.
- **Reportable explosives precursors** Substance is not listed.
- **Reportable poisons** Substance is not listed.
- **Control Of Major Accident Hazards Regulations 2015 (COMAH)**
- **Named dangerous substances - ANNEX I** Substance is not listed.
- **COMAH category** E1
- **Qualifying quantity (tonnes) for the application of lower-tier requirements** 100 t
- **Qualifying quantity (tonnes) for the application of upper-tier requirements** 200 t
- **National regulations:**

· **Substances of very high concern (SVHC) according to UK REACH**

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- **15.2 Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

SECTION 16: Other information

This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

This Safety Data Sheet is in compliance with Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, Article 31 as amended by Regulation (EU) 2020/878.

· **Training hints**

This product should only be handled by workers who have received sufficient training in the safe handling and use of chemical products.

- **Department issuing SDS:** Product safety department.

· **Abbreviations and acronyms:**

ADR: Accord relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par route (European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

IATA: International Air Transport Association

GHS: Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

DNEL: Derived No-Effect Level (UK REACH)

PNEC: Predicted No-Effect Concentration (UK REACH)

LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent

LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic

vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

Acute Tox. 4: Acute toxicity – Category 4

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Eye Dam. 1: Serious eye damage/eye irritation – Category 1

Carc. 2: Carcinogenicity – Category 2

Aquatic Acute 1: Hazardous to the aquatic environment - acute aquatic hazard – Category 1

Aquatic Chronic 1: Hazardous to the aquatic environment - long-term aquatic hazard – Category 1

· *** Data compared to the previous version altered.**

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