



# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. Identification

Product identifier	Vecuronium Bromide	
Other means of identification		
Catalog number	1711155	
CAS number	50700-72-6	
Chemical name	Piperidinium, 1-[(2beta, 3alpha, 5alpha, 16beta, 17beta)-3,17-bis(acetyloxy)-2-(1-piperidiny)androstan-16-yl]-1-methyl-, bromide	
Recommended use	For analytical laboratory use only.	
Recommended restrictions	Not for use as a drug. Not for administration to humans or animals.	
Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information		
Manufacturer		
Company name	U. S. Pharmacopeia	
Address	12601 Twinbrook Parkway Rockville MD 20852-1790 United States	
Telephone	Technical Services	301-816-8129
Website	www.usp.org	
E-mail	RSTECH@usp.org	
Emergency phone number	CHEMTREC within US & Canada	1-800-424-9300
	CHEMTREC outside US & Canada	+1 703-527-3887

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

Physical hazards	Not classified.	
Health hazards	Acute toxicity, oral	Category 4
	Specific target organ toxicity, single exposure	Category 2 (neuromuscular system)
Environmental hazards	Not classified.	
OSHA defined hazards	Not classified.	
Label elements		



Signal word	Warning
Hazard statement	Harmful if swallowed. May cause damage to organs (neuromuscular system).
Precautionary statement	
Prevention	Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Wash thoroughly after handling.
Response	If swallowed: Call a poison center/doctor if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth. If exposed or concerned: Call a poison center/doctor.
Storage	Store locked up.
Disposal	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.
Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)	None known.
Supplemental information	Potent pharmacologically active material.

## 3. Composition/information on ingredients

### Substance

Chemical name	Common name and synonyms	CAS number	%
Vecuronium Bromide		50700-72-6	100

## 4. First-aid measures

<b>Inhalation</b>	If breathing is difficult, remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Rinse skin with water/shower. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Rinse with water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Rinse mouth. If ingestion of a large amount does occur, call a poison control center immediately. Do not induce vomiting without advice from poison control center. If vomiting occurs, keep head low so that stomach content doesn't get into the lungs.
<b>Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed</b>	Muscle weakness. Potent pharmacologically active material. Occupational exposure to small amounts may cause physiological effects.
<b>Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed</b>	Provide general supportive measures and treat symptomatically. Treatment of neuromuscular blocking agent overdose may include the following: Administer anticholinesterase agents, such as edrophonium, neostigmine, or pyridostigmine, to antagonize the action of the nondepolarizing neuromuscular blocking agent. It is recommended that atropine or another suitable anticholinergic agent be administered prior to or concurrently with the antagonist to counteract its cholinergic side effects. Ensure adequate ventilation. Ventilatory assistance must be continued until the patient can maintain an adequate ventilatory exchange unassisted. Determine the nature and degree of the neuromuscular blockade using a peripheral nerve stimulator. For severe hypotension or shock, administer fluids and vasopressors as needed.
<b>General information</b>	Remove from exposure. Remove contaminated clothing. For treatment advice, seek guidance from an occupational health physician or other licensed health-care provider familiar with workplace chemical exposures. In the United States, the national poison control center phone number is 1-800-222-1222. If person is not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen if available. Persons developing serious hypersensitivity (anaphylactic) reactions must receive immediate medical attention.

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable extinguishing media</b>	Water. Foam. Dry chemical or CO2. Use fire-extinguishing media appropriate for surrounding materials.
<b>Unsuitable extinguishing media</b>	None known.
<b>Specific hazards arising from the chemical</b>	No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.
<b>Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters</b>	Wear suitable protective equipment.
<b>Fire fighting equipment/instructions</b>	Use water spray to cool unopened containers. As with all fires, evacuate personnel to a safe area. Firefighters should use self-contained breathing equipment and protective clothing.
<b>Specific methods</b>	Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.
<b>General fire hazards</b>	No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures</b>	Keep unnecessary personnel away. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment. Avoid inhalation of dust from the spilled material. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Ensure adequate ventilation. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.
<b>Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up</b>	Avoid the generation of dusts during clean-up. Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Clean surface thoroughly to remove residual contamination. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS.
<b>Environmental precautions</b>	Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

## 7. Handling and storage

<b>Precautions for safe handling</b>	As a general rule, when handling USP materials, avoid all contact and inhalation of dust, mists, and/or vapors associated with the material. Clean equipment and work surfaces with suitable detergent or solvent after use. After removing gloves, wash hands and other exposed skin thoroughly. Select and use containment devices and personal protective equipment based on a risk assessment of material potency and exposure potential.
<b>Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities</b>	Store in tight container. This material should be handled and stored per label instructions to ensure product integrity.

## 8. Exposure controls/personal protection

### Occupational exposure limits

The following constituents are the only constituents of the product which have a PEL, TLV or other recommended exposure limit. At this time, the other constituents have no known exposure limits.

### Exposure limit values

#### Industrial Use Material

#### Type

#### Value

Vecuronium Bromide (CAS  
50700-72-6)

TWA

0.001 mg/m3

### Biological limit values

No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).

### Appropriate engineering controls

No open handling. For laboratory operations, use approved ventilation or containment system (biological safety cabinet, ventilated balance enclosure, glovebox). Control exposures to below the occupational exposure level (if available). Select and use containment devices and personal protective equipment based on a risk assessment of exposure potential. Cover all containers for solutions and slurries while being transferred.

### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

#### Eye/face 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. An emergency eye wash station should be available.

#### Skin protection

##### Hand protection

Consider double gloves. Wear nitrile or other impervious gloves if skin contact is possible. When the material is dissolved or suspended in an organic solvent, wear gloves that provide protection against the solvent.

##### Other

Train employees in proper gowning and degowning practices. Wear disposable lab coat, disposable sleeve covers and two pair of gloves as appropriate for the task. Base the choice of skin protection on the job activity, potential for skin contact and solvents and reagents in use. Do not wear protective garments in common areas (e.g., cafeterias) or out-of-doors.

#### Respiratory protection

Use a powered air-purifying respirator (PAPR) with HEPA filters, disposable outerware and head cover for spill cleanup. Choose respiratory protection appropriate to the task and the level of existing engineering controls.

#### Thermal hazards

Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

### General hygiene considerations

Pharmacological effects may be seen with occupational exposure. Handling practices in this SDS are recommendations for laboratory use of USP materials.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### Appearance

Appearance descriptions are general information and not specific to any USP lot.

#### Physical state

Solid.

#### Form

Powder.

#### Color

White. Off-white.

### Odor

Odorless.

### Odor threshold

Not available.

### pH

Not available.

### Melting point/freezing point

440.6 - 446 °F (227 - 230 °C)

### Initial boiling point and boiling range

Not available.

### Flash point

Not available.

### Evaporation rate

Not available.

### Flammability (solid, gas)

Not available.

### Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

#### Flammability limit - lower (%)

Not available.

#### Flammability limit - upper (%)

Not available.

#### Explosive limit - lower (%)

Not available.

#### Explosive limit - upper (%)

Not available.

### Vapor pressure

< 0.0000001 kPa (77 °F (25 °C))

<b>Vapor density</b>	Not available.
<b>Relative density</b>	Not available.
<b>Solubility(ies)</b>	
<b>Solubility (water)</b>	Slightly soluble.
<b>Solubility (other)</b>	Alcohol: Sparingly soluble. Acetone: Slightly soluble.
<b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>	3.6
<b>Auto-ignition temperature</b>	Not available.
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	Not available.
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not available.
<b>Other information</b>	
<b>Chemical family</b>	Ammonio steroid.
<b>Molecular formula</b>	C34H57BrN2O4
<b>Molecular weight</b>	637.73

## 10. Stability and reactivity

<b>Reactivity</b>	The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.
<b>Chemical stability</b>	Material is stable under normal conditions.
<b>Possibility of hazardous reactions</b>	No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.
<b>Conditions to avoid</b>	Contact with incompatible materials.
<b>Incompatible materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents.
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	NOx. Br-. Irritating and/or toxic fumes or gases. Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

<b>Inhalation</b>	Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Harmful if swallowed.

<b>Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics</b>	Increase in heart rate. Salivation. Slow breathing. Skin rash. Sweating.
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### Information on toxicological effects

<b>Acute toxicity</b>	Harmful if swallowed.
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Product	Species	Test Results
Vecuronium Bromide (CAS 50700-72-6)		
Oral		
LD50	Rat	455 mg/kg
Skin corrosion/irritation	Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.	
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.	
Respiratory or skin sensitization		
Respiratory sensitization	Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.	
Skin sensitization	Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.	
Germ cell mutagenicity	Knowledge about mutagenicity is incomplete.	
Carcinogenicity	Knowledge about carcinogenicity is incomplete.	
IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity		
Not listed.		
OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)		
Not listed.		

## US. National Toxicology Program (NTP) Report on Carcinogens

Not listed.

<b>Reproductive toxicity</b>	Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete. Vecuronium has been successfully administered directly to the fetus in the second or third trimester, and when vecuronium was given to the mother at the time of cesarean section, there was no evidence of clinically significant adverse effects on the newborn.
<b>Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure</b>	May cause damage to organs (neuromuscular system).
<b>Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure</b>	Knowledge about health hazard is incomplete.
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
<b>Further information</b>	Potent pharmacologically active material. Occupational exposure to small amounts may cause physiological effects.

## 12. Ecological information

<b>Ecotoxicity</b>	The product is not classified as environmentally hazardous. However, this does not exclude the possibility that large or frequent spills can have a harmful or damaging effect on the environment.
<b>Persistence and degradability</b>	No data is available on the degradability of this substance.
<b>Bioaccumulative potential</b>	
<b>Octanol/water partition coefficient log Kow</b>	
3.6	
<b>Mobility in soil</b>	No data available.
<b>Other adverse effects</b>	No other adverse environmental effects (e.g. ozone depletion, photochemical ozone creation potential, endocrine disruption, global warming potential) are expected from this component.

## 13. Disposal considerations

<b>Disposal instructions</b>	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations. Under RCRA, it is the responsibility of the user of the product to determine, at the time of disposal, whether the product meets RCRA criteria for hazardous waste.
<b>Local disposal regulations</b>	Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.
<b>Hazardous waste code</b>	The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company.
<b>Waste from residues / unused products</b>	Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe manner (see: Disposal instructions).
<b>Contaminated packaging</b>	Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied.

## 14. Transport information

<b>DOT</b>	
Not regulated as dangerous goods.	
<b>IATA</b>	
Not regulated as dangerous goods.	
<b>Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code</b>	Not applicable.
<b>General information</b>	It is the shipper's responsibility to determine the correct transport classification at the time of shipment.

## 15. Regulatory information

<b>US federal regulations</b>	This product is a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.
<b>Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)</b>	
<b>TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)</b>	
Not regulated.	
<b>CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)</b>	
Not listed.	
<b>SARA 304 Emergency release notification</b>	
Not regulated.	

**OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053)**

Not listed.

**Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)****SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance**

Not listed.

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous chemical** Yes**Classified hazard categories** Acute toxicity (any route of exposure)  
Specific target organ toxicity (single or repeated exposure)**SARA 313 (TRI reporting)**

Not regulated.

**Other federal regulations****Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112 Hazardous Air Pollutants (HAPs) List**

Not regulated.

**Clean Air Act (CAA) Section 112(r) Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130)**

Not regulated.

**Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA)** Not regulated.**US state regulations****California Proposition 65**California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986 (Proposition 65): This material is not known to contain any chemicals currently listed as carcinogens or reproductive toxins. For more information go to [www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov).**International Inventories**

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	No
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	No
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	Yes
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	No
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	No
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	No
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	No
Taiwan	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory (TCSI)	No
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	No

\*A "Yes" indicates that all components of this product comply with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s)

A "No" indicates that one or more components of the product are not listed or exempt from listing on the inventory administered by the governing country(s).

**16. Other information, including date of preparation or last revision****Issue date** 03-24-2006  
**Revision date** 05-10-2022  
**Version #** 03

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