

SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. SUBSTANCE AND SOURCE IDENTIFICATION

Product Identifier

SRM Number: 3250
SRM Name: *Serenoa repens* (Fruit)
Other Means of Identification: Not applicable.

Recommended Use of This Material and Restrictions of Use

This Standard Reference Material (SRM) is intended primarily for use in validating analytical methods for the determination of phytosterols and fatty acids in the fruit of *Serenoa repens* (saw palmetto) and similar matrices. This SRM can also be used for quality assurance when assigning values to in-house control materials. A unit of SRM 3250 consists of five packets, each containing approximately 6 g of ground saw palmetto fruit.

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification

Physical Hazard: Not classified.
Health Hazard: Not classified.

Label Elements

Symbol: No symbol/No pictogram.
Signal Word: No signal word.
Hazard Statement(s): Not applicable.
Precautionary Statement(s): Not applicable.
Hazards Not Otherwise Classified: None.
Ingredients(s) with Unknown Acute Toxicity: None.

3. COMPOSITION AND INFORMATION ON HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

Substance: *Serenoa repens* (saw palmetto), powder

Other Designations: Not available.

Components are listed in compliance with OSHA's 29 CFR 1910.1200. For actual values, see the NIST Certificate of Analysis.

| Hazardous Component(s) | CAS Number | EC Number (EINECS) | Nominal Mass Concentration (%) |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| None | - | - | - |
| Non-Hazardous Component(s) | | | |
| saw palmetto | not available | not available | 100 |

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of First Aid Measures

Inhalation: If adverse effects occur, remove to well-ventilated (uncontaminated) area. If breathing is difficult, qualified personnel may administer oxygen. If not breathing, qualified personnel should give artificial respiration. Seek immediate medical attention.

Skin Contact: Rinse affected skin thoroughly with soap or mild detergent and water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, seek medical aid and bring the container or label.

Eye Contact: Immediately flush eyes, including under the eyelids, with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Seek immediate medical attention.

Ingestion: If a large amount is swallowed, seek medical attention.

Most Important Symptoms/Effects, Acute and Delayed: No information available.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary: If any of the above symptoms are present, seek immediate medical attention.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Fire and Explosion Hazards: Slight fire hazard; sufficient concentrations of dust/air mixtures might ignite or explode if in the presence of an ignition source.

Extinguishing Media

Suitable: Regular dry chemical, carbon dioxide, water, or regular foam.

Unsuitable: None listed.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical: Not applicable.

Special Protective Equipment and Precautions for Fire-Fighters: Move container from fire area if it can be done without personal risk. Avoid inhalation of material or combustion by-products. Wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).

NFPA Ratings (0 = Minimal; 1 = Slight; 2 = Moderate; 3 = Serious; 4 = Severe)

Health = 0

Fire = 0

Reactivity = 0

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures: Use suitable protective equipment; see Section 8, "Exposure Controls and Personal Protection".

Methods and Materials for Containment and Clean up: Avoid generating and accumulating dust. Collect in appropriate container for disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Safe Handling Precautions: See Section 8, "Exposure Controls and Personal Protection".

Storage and Incompatible Materials: Keep separated from incompatible substances and ignition sources.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure Limits: No occupational exposure limits established for this material. OSHA lists the following exposure limits for Particulates Not Otherwise Regulated.

OSHA (PEL): 15 mg/m³ TWA (total particulates)

5 mg/m³ TWA (respirable particulates)

Engineering Controls: Provide local exhaust or process enclosure ventilation system. Ensure compliance with applicable exposure limits.

Personal Protection Measures: In accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.132, subpart I, wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to minimize exposure to this material.

Respiratory Protection: If workplace conditions warrant a respirator, a respiratory protection program that meets OSHA 29CFR 1910.134 must be followed. Refer to NIOSH 42 CFR 84 for applicable certified respirators.

Eye Protection: Splash resistant safety goggles and emergency eyewash are recommended.

Skin and Body Protection: Chemical resistant clothing and gloves are recommended.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

| Properties | Saw Palmetto |
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| Molar Mass (g/mol) | not applicable |
| Molecular Formula | not applicable |
| Appearance (physical state, color, etc.) | powder |
| Odor | not available |
| Odor threshold | not available |
| pH | not available |
| Evaporation rate | not available |
| Melting point/freezing point | not available |
| Relative Density | not available |
| Density | not available |
| Vapor Pressure | not available |
| Vapor Density (air = 1) | not available |
| Viscosity | not available |
| Solubilities | not available |
| Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water) | not available |
| Particle Size | not available |
| Thermal Stability Properties | |
| Autoignition Temperature | not available |
| Thermal Decomposition | not available |
| Initial boiling point and boiling range | not available |
| Explosive Limits, LEL (Volume %) | not available |
| Explosive Limits, UEL (Volume %) | not available |
| Flash Point | not available |
| Flammability (solid, gas) | not available |

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity: Stable at normal temperatures and pressure.

Stability: X Stable Unstable

Possible Hazardous Reactions: Not applicable.

Conditions to Avoid: Avoid generating dust.

Incompatible Materials: None listed.

Hazardous Decomposition: None listed.

Hazardous Polymerization: Will Occur X Will Not Occur

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Route of Exposure: X Inhalation X Skin X Ingestion

Symptoms Related to the Physical, Chemical and Toxicological Characteristics: Eye or skin mechanical irritation.

Potential Health Effects (Acute, Chronic, and Delayed)

Inhalation: May cause mechanical irritation.

Skin Contact: May cause mechanical irritation.

Eye Contact: May cause mechanical irritation.

Ingestion: Large quantities may cause gastrointestinal distress; no other adverse effects identified.

Numerical Measures of Toxicity

Acute Toxicity: No data available.

Skin Corrosion/Irritation: No data available.

Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation: No data available.

Respiratory Sensitization: No data available.

Skin Sensitization: No data available.

Germ Cell Mutagenicity: No data available.

Carcinogenicity: Not classified.

Listed as a Carcinogen/Potential Carcinogen **Yes** **No**

Saw palmetto, powder is not listed by IARC, NTP or OSHA as a carcinogen/potential carcinogen.

Reproductive Toxicity: No data available.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity, Single Exposure: No data available.

Specific Target Organ Toxicity, Repeated Exposure: No data available.

Aspiration Hazard: Not applicable.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity Data: No data available.

Persistence and Degradability: No data available.

Bioaccumulative Potential: No data available.

Mobility in Soil: No data available.

Other Adverse effects: No data available.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste Disposal: Dispose in accordance with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations.

14. TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

U.S. DOT and IATA: This material is not regulated by DOT or IATA.

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

U.S. Regulations

CERCLA Sections 102a/103 (40 CFR 302.4): Not regulated.

SARA Title III Section 302 (40 CFR 355.30): Not regulated.

SARA Title III Section 304 (40 CFR 355.40): Not regulated.

SARA Title III Section 313 (40 CFR 372.65): Not regulated.

OSHA Process Safety (29 CFR 1910.119): Not regulated.

SARA Title III Sections 311/312 Hazardous Categories (40 CFR 370.21)

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| ACUTE HEALTH: | No |
| CHRONIC HEALTH: | No |
| FIRE: | No |
| REACTIVE: | No |
| PRESSURE: | No |

State Regulations: Not listed.

U.S. TSCA Inventory: Not listed.

TSCA 12(b), Export Notification: Not listed.

Canadian Regulations: WHMIS Information: Not provided for this material.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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Sources: CDC; NIOSH; *NIOSH Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards*; Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Institute for Safety and Health; *Particulates Not Otherwise Regulated*, 4 April 2011; available at <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npg/npgd0480.html> (accessed Apr 2015).

Key of Acronyms:

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| ACGIH | American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists | NTP | National Toxicology Program |
| CAS | Chemical Abstracts Service | OSHA | Occupational Safety and Health Administration |
| CERCLA | Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act | PEL | Permissible Exposure Limit |
| CFR | Code of Federal Regulations | RCRA | Resource Conservation and Recovery Act |
| DOT | Department of Transportation | REL | Recommended Exposure Limit |
| EINECS | European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances | RQ | Reportable Quantity |
| EPCRA | Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act | RTECS | Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances |
| IARC | International Agency for Research on Cancer | SARA | Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act |
| IATA | International Air Transportation Agency | SCBA | Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus |
| IDLH | Immediately Dangerous to Life and Health | SRM | Standard Reference Material |
| LC50 | Lethal Concentration | STEL | Short Term Exposure Limit |
| LD50 | Median Lethal Dose or Lethal Dose, 50 % | TLV | Threshold Limit Value |
| LEL | Lower Explosive Limit | TPQ | Threshold Planning Quantity |
| MSDS | Material Safety Data Sheet | TSCA | Toxic Substances Control Act |
| NFPA | National Fire Protection Association | TWA | Time Weighted Average |
| NIOSH | National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health | UEL | Upper Explosive Limit |
| NIST | National Institute of Standards and Technology | WHMIS | Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System |
| n.o.s. | Not Otherwise Specified | | |

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