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

1.1. Product identifier

Product Code(s)	53569
Safety data sheet number	53569
Product Name	HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE (HPMC)
CAS No	9004-65-3
Synonyms	HEADCEL 60HD5, HEADCEL 60HD15, HEADCEL HPMC 60HD15, HEADCEL HPMC 60HD5, HEADCEL HPMC 75HD100, HEADCEL HPMC 75HD15000, HEADCEL HPMC 60HD4000, HEADCEL HPMC 60HD6, HEADCEL HPMC 75HD100000, HEADCEL 60 HD 400, HEADCEL 75 HD 4000, HEADCEL 60HD50, HEADCEL HPMC 60HD50, HEADCEL 60HD3, HEADCEL HPMC 60HD3, HEADCEL HPMC 65HD50FG, HEADCEL HPMC 65HD450FG, HEADCEL HPMC 65HD4000FG, HEADCEL HPMC 60HD5FG, HEADCEL HPMC 60HD15FG, HEADCEL HPMC 60HD50FG, HEADCEL HPMC 60HD4000FG, HEADCEL HPMC 75HD100FG, HEADCEL HPMC 75HD4000FG, HEADCEL HPMC 75HD15000FG, HEADCEL HPMC 75HD100000FG, HEADCEL HPMC 75HD100000CR, HEADCEL HPMC 75HD100CR, HEADCEL HPMC 75HD4000CR, HEADCEL HPMC 75HD1500CR, HEADCEL HPMC 65HD4000
Pure substance/mixture	Substance

1.2. Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Recommended use	Industrial application Cosmetics Food industry Pharmaceuticals paint Thickener Binder Film Former
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1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Supplier

Univar Solutions UK Ltd
Aquarius House
6 Mid Point Business Park
Bradford
GBR

For further information, please contact

E-mail address SDS.EMEA@univarsolutions.com

Non-Emergency Telephone Number +44 1274 267300 / +44 1274 267306

1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency Telephone SGS - +32 (0)3 575 55 55 (24h)

SECTION 2: Hazards identification**2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture**

Not classified

2.2. Label elements

Not classified

Hazard statements

Not classified

Unknown aquatic toxicity Contains 0 % of components with unknown hazards to the aquatic environment.**2.3. Other hazards**

No information available.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**3.1 Substances**

Not applicable

3.2 Mixtures

The product contains no substances which at their given concentration, are considered to be hazardous to health

Chemical name	Weight-%	EC No (EU Index No)	UK REACH registration number	Classification according to GB CLP (SI 2020/1567 as amended)	Specific concentration limit (SCL)	M-Factor	M-Factor (long-term)
HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE 9004-65-3	>= 88%	-	-	Not classified	-	-	-
WATER 7732-18-5	<= 6%	231-791-2	-	Not Classified	-	-	-
SODIUM CHLORIDE 7647-14-5	<= 4%	231-598-3	-	Not Classified	-	-	-

Full text of H- and EUH-phrases: see section 16

This product does not contain candidate substances of very high concern at a concentration >= 0.1% (UK REACH Article 59)

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

Inhalation	IF INHALED: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Rinse mouth thoroughly with water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Eye contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Skin contact	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Ingestion	Rinse mouth thoroughly with water. Do NOT induce vomiting. Drink plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Eyes	Solid particles trapped behind the eyelid may cause abrasive damage,.
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4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Note to doctors	Treat symptomatically.
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SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Dry chemical, CO2, alcohol-resistant foam or water spray.
Large Fire	CAUTION: Use of water spray when fighting fire may be inefficient.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	Do not scatter spilled material with high pressure water streams.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Specific hazards arising from the chemical	When heated and in case of fire, toxic vapours/gases may be formed. Dust can form an explosive mixture with air.
Hazardous combustion products	Carbon oxides.

5.3. Advice for firefighters

Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters	Firefighters should wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full firefighting turnout gear. Use personal protection equipment.
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SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions	Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protection recommended in Section 8. Avoid
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contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Avoid breathing dust.

For emergency responders Use personal protection recommended in Section 8.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Environmental precautions See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for containment Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so.

Methods for cleaning up Remove spillage with vacuum cleaner. If not possible, collect spillage with shovel, broom or the like. Take up mechanically, placing in appropriate containers for disposal.

Prevention of secondary hazards Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations.

6.4. Reference to other sections

Reference to other sections See section 8 for more information. See section 13 for more information.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protection recommended in Section 8. Avoid contact with eyes, skin and clothing. Do not breathe dust. Avoid generation of dust.

General hygiene considerations Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

7.3. Specific end use(s)

Specific use(s)
See section 1 for more information.

Risk Management Methods (RMM) The information required is contained in this Safety Data Sheet.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

Exposure Limits This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

Biological occupational exposure limits This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.

Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) - Workers

Chemical name	Oral	Dermal	Inhalation
SODIUM CHLORIDE 7647-14-5		295.52 mg/kg bw/day [4] [6] 295.52 mg/kg bw/day [4] [7]	2068.62 mg/m ³ [4] [6] 2068.62 mg/m ³ [4] [7]

[4] Systemic health effects.
[6] Long term.
[7] Short term.

Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) - General Public

Chemical name	Oral	Dermal	Inhalation
SODIUM CHLORIDE 7647-14-5	126.65 mg/kg bw/day [4] [6] 126.65 mg/kg bw/day [4] [7]	126.65 mg/kg bw/day [4] [6] 126.65 mg/kg bw/day [4] [7]	443.28 mg/m ³ [4] [6] 443.28 mg/m ³ [4] [7]

[4] Systemic health effects.
[6] Long term.
[7] Short term.

Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

Chemical name	Freshwater	Freshwater (intermittent release)	Marine water	Marine water (intermittent release)	Air
SODIUM CHLORIDE 7647-14-5	5 mg/L	19 mg/l			

Chemical name	Freshwater sediment	Marine sediment	Sewage treatment	Soil	Food chain
SODIUM CHLORIDE 7647-14-5			500 mg/L	4.86 mg/kg soil dw	

8.2. Exposure controls

Engineering controls No information available.

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles). Use eye protection according to EN 166.

Hand protection Wear suitable gloves. Gloves must conform to standard EN 374.

Skin and body protection Wear appropriate clothing to prevent reasonably probable skin contact.

Respiratory protection Use appropriate respiratory protection.

General hygiene considerations Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and protective equipment before entering eating areas. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

Physical state	Solid
Appearance	solid Powder granules
Colour	White/off-white
Odour	Odourless.
Odour threshold	No information available

Property	Values	Remarks • Method
Melting point / freezing point		No information available.
Initial boiling point and boiling range		No information available.
Flammability		No information available.
Flammability Limit in Air		No information available.
Upper flammability or explosive limits		
Lower flammability or explosive limits		
Flash point		No information available.
Autoignition temperature		No information available.
Decomposition temperature		No information available.
pH	5.0 - 8.5	
pH (as aqueous solution)		No information available.
Kinematic viscosity		No information available.
Dynamic viscosity		No information available.
Water solubility	Soluble in water	
Solubility(ies)		No information available.
Partition coefficient		No information available.
Vapour pressure		No information available.
Relative density		No information available.
Bulk density		No information available.
Liquid Density	No information available	No information available.
Relative vapour density		No information available.
Particle characteristics		No information available.
Particle Size	No information available	
Particle Size Distribution	No information available	
Explosive properties	Not considered to be explosive.	
Oxidising properties	Does not meet the criteria for classification as oxidising	

9.2. Other information**SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity****10.1. Reactivity**

Reactivity	No information available.
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10.2. Chemical stability

Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
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Explosion data

Sensitivity to mechanical impact	None.
Sensitivity to static discharge	None.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Possibility of hazardous reactions None under normal processing.

Hazardous polymerisation Hazardous polymerisation does not occur.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Conditions to avoid Excessive heat.

10.5. Incompatible materials

Incompatible materials Strong oxidising agents.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products Carbon oxides.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information**11.1. Information on toxicological effects****Information on likely routes of exposure****Product Information**

Inhalation	Inhalation of dust in high concentration may cause irritation of respiratory system.
Eye contact	Solid particles trapped behind the eyelid may cause abrasive damage,.
Skin contact	Contact with dust can cause mechanical irritation or drying of the skin.
Ingestion	May cause discomfort if swallowed.

Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics**Symptoms****Acute toxicity****Numerical measures of toxicity**

The following values are calculated based on chapter 3.1 of the GHS document

Chemical name	Oral LD50	Dermal LD50	Inhalation LC50
HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE	> 5000 mg/kg (Rat)	> 5000 mg/kg (Rabbit)	-
SODIUM CHLORIDE	> 3500 mg/kg (Rat)	10000 mg/kg (Rabbit)	> 42 mg/L (Rat) 1 h

Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

Skin corrosion/irritation No information available.

HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE (9004-65-3)

Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Exposure time	Results
					non-irritant

SODIUM CHLORIDE (7647-14-5)

Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Exposure time	Results
					Brief contact is essentially non-irritating to skin. Prolonged contact may cause slight skin irritation with local redness May cause more severe response if skin is abraded (scratched or cut).

Serious eye damage/eye irritation No information available.

HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE (9004-65-3)

Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Exposure time	Results
					Solid particles trapped behind the eyelid may cause abrasive damage.

SODIUM CHLORIDE (7647-14-5)

Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Exposure time	Results
					May cause slight eye irritation Dust may irritate eyes

Respiratory or skin sensitisation No information available.

HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE (9004-65-3)

Method	Species	Exposure route	Results
	Guinea pig	Dermal	Not a skin sensitiser

SODIUM CHLORIDE (7647-14-5)

Method	Species	Exposure route	Results
		Inhalation	No signs of respiratory sensitization have been reported.

Germ cell mutagenicity No information available.

Component Information

HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE (9004-65-3)

Method	Species	Results
	in vitro	Negative
		Negative Did not show mutagenic effects in animal experiments

SODIUM CHLORIDE (7647-14-5)

Method	Species	Results
	in vitro	Negative
		Negative Did not show mutagenic effects in animal experiments

Carcinogenicity No information available.

Component Information

HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE (9004-65-3)

Method	Species	Results
		Did not cause cancer in laboratory animals.

SODIUM CHLORIDE (7647-14-5)

Method	Species	Results
		Did not cause cancer in laboratory animals.

Reproductive toxicity No information available.

HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE (9004-65-3)

Method	Species	Results
		In animal studies, a similar cellulosic has been shown not to interfere with reproduction.

STOT - single exposure No information available.

HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE (9004-65-3)

Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Exposure time	Results
					Evaluation of available data suggests that this material is not an STOT-SE toxicant

SODIUM CHLORIDE (7647-14-5)

Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Exposure time	Results
					Evaluation of available data suggests that this material is not an STOT-SE toxicant

STOT - repeated exposure No information available.

Component Information

HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE (9004-65-3)

Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Exposure time	Results
					Based on available data, repeated exposures are not anticipated to cause

					significant adverse effects
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SODIUM CHLORIDE (7647-14-5)

Method	Species	Exposure route	Effective dose	Exposure time	Results
					Medical experience with sodium chloride has shown a strong association between elevated blood pressure and prolonged dietary overuse. Related effects could occur in the kidneys.

Aspiration hazard No information available.

Other adverse effects No information available.

SECTION 12: Ecological information**12.1. Toxicity**

Ecotoxicity The environmental impact of this product has not been fully investigated.

Unknown aquatic toxicity Contains 0 % of components with unknown hazards to the aquatic environment.

HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE (9004-65-3)

Method	Species	Endpoint type	Effective dose	Exposure time	Results
OECD Test No. 209: Activated Sludge, Respiration Inhibition Test (Carbon and Ammonium Oxidation)	activated sludge	EC50	> 5800 mg/L	3 hours	

SODIUM CHLORIDE (7647-14-5)

Method	Species	Endpoint type	Effective dose	Exposure time	Results
OECD Test No. 203: Fish, Acute Toxicity Test	Lepomis macrochirus	LC50	5840 mg/L	96 hours	Harmless to aquatic organisms up to the tested concentration
OECD Test No. 203: Fish, Acute Toxicity Test	Pimephales promelas	LC50	10610 mg/L	96 hours	Harmless to aquatic organisms up to the tested concentration
OECD Test No. 203: Fish, Acute Toxicity Test	Daphnia magna	EC50	1900 mg/L	48 hours	Harmless to aquatic organisms up to the tested concentration
OECD Test No. 201: Freshwater Algae and Cyanobacteria, Growth Inhibition Test	Algae	EC50	2430 mg/L	120 hours	Harmless to aquatic organisms up to the tested concentration
OECD Test No. 209: Activated Sludge, Respiration Inhibition Test (Carbon and Ammonium Oxidation)	activated sludge	IC50	> 1000 mg/L		Harmless to aquatic organisms up to the tested concentration
Chronic aquatic toxicity	Pimephales	NOEC	252 mg/L	33 days	Harmless to aquatic

	promelas				organisms up to the tested concentration
Chronic aquatic toxicity	Daphnia pulex	NOEC	314 mg/L	21 days	Harmless to aquatic organisms up to the tested concentration

12.2. Persistence and degradability

Persistence and degradability No information available.

HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE (9004-65-3)

Method	Exposure time	Value	Results
OECD Test No. 302B: Inherent Biodegradability: Zahn-Wellens/ EVPA Test	50 days	Biodegradation > 20 %	Material has inherent, primary biodegradability according to OECD test (s) guidelines (reaches > 20% biodegradation in OECD test(s)).

SODIUM CHLORIDE (7647-14-5)

Method	Exposure time	Value	Results
			Not applicable Inorganic.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulation There is no data for this product.

12.4. Mobility in soil

Mobility in soil Soluble in water.

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT and vPvB assessment The product does not contain any substance(s) classified as PBT or vPvB.

Chemical name	PBT and vPvB assessment
HYDROXYPROPYL METHYL CELLULOSE	The substance is not PBT / vPvB
SODIUM CHLORIDE	The substance is not PBT / vPvB

12.6. Other adverse effects

No information available.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**13.1. Waste treatment methods**

Waste from residues/unused products Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Dispose of waste in accordance with environmental legislation.

Contaminated packaging Do not reuse empty containers.

SECTION 14: Transport information

IATA

14.1 UN number or ID number	Not regulated
14.2 UN proper shipping name	Not regulated
14.3 Transport hazard class(es)	Not regulated
14.4 Packing group	Not regulated
14.5 Environmental hazards	No
14.6 Special precautions for user	
Special Provisions	None

IMDG

14.1 UN number or ID number	Not regulated
14.2 UN proper shipping name	Not regulated
14.3 Transport hazard class(es)	Not regulated
14.4 Packing group	Not regulated
14.5 Environmental hazards	No
14.6 Special precautions for user	
Special Provisions	None
14.7 Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments	No information available

RID

14.1 UN number or ID number	Not regulated
14.2 UN proper shipping name	Not regulated
14.3 Transport hazard class(es)	Not regulated
14.4 Packing group	Not regulated
14.5 Environmental hazards	No
14.6 Special precautions for user	
Special Provisions	None

ADR

14.1 UN number or ID number	Not regulated
14.2 UN proper shipping name	Not regulated
14.3 Transport hazard class(es)	Not regulated
14.4 Packing group	Not regulated
14.5 Environmental hazards	No
14.6 Special precautions for user	
Special Provisions	None

SECTION 15: Regulatory information**15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture****National regulations****Authorisations and/or restrictions on use:**

This product does not contain substances subject to authorisation (UK REACH - Annex XIV).

This product does not contain substances subject to restriction (UK REACH - Annex XVII).

Persistent Organic Pollutants

Not applicable

Export Notification requirements

Not applicable

Named dangerous substances per COMAH Regulations 2015 (as amended)

Not applicable

The Ozone-Depleting Substances Regulations 2015

Not applicable

The Biocidal Products Regulations 2001 (as amended)

Not applicable

The Water Environment (Water Framework Directive) (England and Wales) Regulations 2017 (as amended)

Not applicable

Poisons Act 1972 (Explosive Precursors) Regulations (as Amended)

Not applicable

International Inventories

TSCA	Contact supplier for inventory compliance status
DSL/NDL	Contact supplier for inventory compliance status
EINECS/ELINCS	Contact supplier for inventory compliance status
ENCS	Contact supplier for inventory compliance status
IECSC	Contact supplier for inventory compliance status
KECI	Contact supplier for inventory compliance status
PICCS	Contact supplier for inventory compliance status
AIIC	Contact supplier for inventory compliance status
NZIoC	Contact supplier for inventory compliance status

Legend:

TSCA	- United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory
DSL/NDL	- Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List
EINECS/ELINCS	- European Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances/European List of Notified Chemical Substances
ENCS	- Japan Existing and New Chemical Substances
IECSC	- China Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances
KECL	- Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances
PICCS	- Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances
AIIC	- Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals
NZIoC	- New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

15.2. Chemical safety assessment

Chemical Safety Report No information available

SECTION 16: Other information**Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet****Legend**

SVHC: Substances of Very High Concern for Authorisation:

Legend Section 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

TWA	TWA (time-weighted average)	STEL	STEL (Short Term Exposure Limit)
Ceiling	Maximum limit value	*	Skin designation
+	Sensitisers		

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Classification procedure

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 [CLP]	Method Used
Acute oral toxicity	Calculation method
Acute dermal toxicity	Calculation method
Acute inhalation toxicity - gas	Calculation method
Acute inhalation toxicity - vapour	Calculation method

Acute inhalation toxicity - dust/mist	Calculation method
Skin corrosion/irritation	Calculation method
Serious eye damage/eye irritation	Calculation method
Respiratory sensitisation	Calculation method
Skin sensitisation	Calculation method
Mutagenicity	Calculation method
Carcinogenicity	Calculation method
Reproductive toxicity	Calculation method
STOT - single exposure	Calculation method
STOT - repeated exposure	Calculation method
Acute aquatic toxicity	Calculation method
Chronic aquatic toxicity	Calculation method
Aspiration hazard	Calculation method
Ozone	Calculation method

Key literature references and sources for data used to compile the SDS

Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ChemView Database
European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)
European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) Committee for Risk Assessment (ECHA_RAC)
European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) (ECHA_API)
Environmental Protection Agency
Acute Exposure Guideline Level(s) (AEGl(s))
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency High Production Volume Chemicals
Food Research Journal
Hazardous Substance Database
International Uniform Chemical Information Database (IUCLID)
National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE)
Australian National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)
NIOSH (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)
National Library of Medicine's ChemID Plus (NLM CIP)
National Library of Medicine's PubMed database (NLM PUBMED)
U.S. National Toxicology Program (NTP)
New Zealand's Chemical Classification and Information Database (CCID)
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Environment, Health, and Safety Publications
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development High Production Volume Chemicals Programme
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development Screening Information Data Set
World Health Organization

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