



# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## 1. Identification

**Product identifier** Tissue-Tek VIP® Processing/Embedding Medium

### Other means of identification

**Product code** 4005

**Recommended use** Tissue-Tek VIP® (Vacuum Infiltration Processor)

**Recommended restrictions** None known.

### Manufacturer/Importer/Supplier/Distributor information

**Manufacturer/Supplier** Sakura Finetek USA Inc.

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## 2. Hazard(s) identification

**Physical hazards** Not a hazardous mixture.

**Health hazards** Not a hazardous mixture.

**OSHA defined hazards** Not classified.

### Label elements

**Hazard symbol** None.

**Signal word** None.

**Hazard statement** The mixture does not meet the criteria for classification.

### Precautionary statement

**Prevention** N/A

**Response** N/A.

**Storage** N/A

**Disposal** N/A

**Hazard(s) not otherwise classified (HNOC)** None known.

**Supplemental information** None.

## 3. Composition/information on ingredients

### Mixtures

<u>Chemical name</u>	<u>CAS number</u>	<u>%</u>
Paraffin	8002-74-2	> 99
Polyisobutylene	9003-27-4	< 1

## 4. First-aid measures

**Inhalation** Move to fresh air. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.

**Skin contact** Wash off with soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

**Eye contact** Rinse with water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

**Ingestion** Rinse mouth. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

**Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed** Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.

**Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

Treat symptomatically.

**General information**

Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, and take precautions to protect themselves. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

**5. Fire-fighting measures**

**Suitable extinguishing media**

Foam. Dry powder. Dry sand. Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

**Unsuitable extinguishing media**

None known.

**Specific hazards arising from the chemical**

During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed. Vapor accumulation can flash or explode when ignited.

**Special protective equipment and precautions for firefighters**

Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.

**Fire fighting equipment/instructions**

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

**Specific methods**

Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.

**General fire hazards**

No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

**6. Accidental release measures**

**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Keep unnecessary personnel away. For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.

**Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Dike the spilled material, where this is possible. Following product recovery, flush area with water. For waste disposal, see section 13 of the SDS.

**Environmental precautions**

Avoid discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

**7. Handling and storage**

**Precautions for safe handling**

Avoid prolonged exposure. Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

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

Store in original tightly closed container. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool. Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10 of the SDS).

**8. Exposure controls/personal protection**

**Occupational exposure limits**

**US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values**

Components	Type	Value	Form
Paraffin (CAS 8002-74-2)	TWA	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Fume.

**US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards**

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**Biological limit values**

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

**Appropriate engineering controls**

Good general ventilation (typically 10 air changes per hour) should be used. Ventilation rates should be matched to conditions. If applicable, use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to maintain airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If exposure limits have not been established, maintain airborne levels to an acceptable level.

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

**Eye/face protection**

Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).

**Skin protection**

**Hand protection**

Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves. Suitable gloves can be recommended by the glove supplier.

**Other**

Wear suitable protective clothing.

**Respiratory protection**

In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment.

**Thermal hazards**

Wear appropriate thermal protective clothing, when necessary.

**General hygiene considerations**

Always observe good personal hygiene measures, such as washing after handling the material and before eating, drinking, and/or smoking. Routinely wash work clothing and protective equipment to remove contaminants.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Appearance</b>	White Translucent. Waxy Pellets
<b>Physical state</b>	Solid.
<b>Form</b>	Waxy Pellets
<b>Color</b>	Translucent to white.
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless.
<b>Odor threshold</b>	Not available.
<b>pH</b>	Not available.
<b>Melting point/freezing point</b>	117 - 149 °F (47.22 - 65 °C) Depending on grade
<b>Initial boiling point and boiling range</b>	Not available.
<b>Flash point</b>	410.0 °F (210.0 °C)
<b>Evaporation rate</b>	Not available.
<b>Flammability (solid, gas)</b>	Not available.
<b>Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Flammability limit - lower (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Flammability limit - upper (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Explosive limit - lower (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Explosive limit - upper (%)</b>	Not available.
<b>Vapor pressure</b>	Not available.
<b>Vapor density</b>	Not available.
<b>Relative density</b>	0.8
<b>Solubility(ies)</b>	
<b>Solubility (water)</b>	Insoluble
<b>Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>	Not available.
<b>Auto-ignition temperature</b>	473 °F (245 °C) (for 100% paraffin)
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	Not available.
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not available.
<b>Other information</b>	
<b>Explosive properties</b>	Not explosive.
<b>Oxidizing properties</b>	Not oxidizing.

## 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>	Heat, sparks, flames, elevated temperatures.
<b>Incompatible materials</b>	Reducing agents. Strong acids.
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ). Aldehydes.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Information on likely routes of exposure

<b>Inhalation</b>	Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Prolonged skin contact may cause temporary irritation.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Expected to be a low ingestion hazard.

**Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics** Not available.

**Information on toxicological effects**

**Acute toxicity** Not expected to be acutely toxic.

**Skin corrosion/irritation** Prolonged skin contact may cause temporary irritation.

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation** Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**

**Respiratory sensitization** Not a respiratory sensitizer.

**Skin sensitization** This product is not expected to cause skin sensitization.

**Germ cell mutagenicity** No data available to indicate product or any components present at greater than 0.1% are mutagenic or genotoxic.

**Carcinogenicity** This product is not considered to be a carcinogen by IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or OSHA.

**IARC Monographs. Overall Evaluation of Carcinogenicity**

Not listed.

**NTP Report on Carcinogens**

Not listed.

**OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)**

Not listed.

**Reproductive toxicity** This product is not expected to cause reproductive or developmental effects.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure** Not classified.

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure** Not classified.

**Aspiration hazard** Not an aspiration hazard.

**Chronic effects** Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.

**12. Ecological information**

**Ecotoxicity** 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.

**Persistence and degradability** No data is available on the degradability of this product.

**Bioaccumulative potential** No data available.

**Mobility in soil** No data available.

**Other adverse effects** 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**

**Disposal instructions** Collect and reclaim or dispose in sealed containers at licensed waste disposal site.

**Local disposal regulations** Dispose in accordance with all applicable regulations.

**Hazardous waste code** The waste code should be assigned in discussion between the user, the producer and the waste disposal company.

**Waste from residues / unused products** Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. 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).

**Contaminated packaging** Since emptied containers may retain product residue, follow label warnings even after container is emptied. Empty containers should be taken to an approved waste handling site for recycling or disposal.

**14. Transport information**

**DOT**  
Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**IATA**  
Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**IMDG**  
Not regulated as dangerous goods.

Transport in bulk according to Not applicable.  
Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and  
the IBC Code

## 15. Regulatory information

**US federal regulations** This product is not known to be a "Hazardous Chemical" as defined by the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200.

**TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)**

Not regulated.

**OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)**

Not listed.

**CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)**

Not listed.

**Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)**

**Hazard categories** Immediate Hazard - No  
Delayed Hazard - No  
Fire Hazard - No  
Pressure Hazard - No  
Reactivity Hazard - No

**SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance**

Not listed.

**SARA 311/312 Hazardous No  
chemical**

**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.

**Clean Water Act (CWA)  
Section 112(r) (40 CFR  
68.130)** Bioaccumulative chemical of concern

**Safe Drinking Water Act  
(SDWA)** Not regulated.

**US state regulations**

**US. Massachusetts RTK - Substance List**

Paraffin (CAS 8002-74-2)

**US. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act**

Paraffin (CAS 8002-74-2)

**US. Pennsylvania Worker and Community Right-to-Know Law**

Paraffin (CAS 8002-74-2)

**US. Rhode Island RTK**

Not regulated.

**US. 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.

**International Inventories**

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Australia	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances (AICS)	Yes
Canada	Domestic Substances List (DSL)	Yes
Canada	Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)	No
China	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China (IECSC)	Yes

Country(s) or region	Inventory name	On inventory (yes/no)*
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)	No
Europe	European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS)	No
Japan	Inventory of Existing and New Chemical Substances (ENCS)	Yes
Korea	Existing Chemicals List (ECL)	Yes
New Zealand	New Zealand Inventory	Yes
Philippines	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)	Yes
United States & Puerto Rico	Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory	Yes

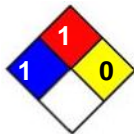
\*A "Yes" indicates this product complies with the inventory requirements administered by the governing country(s).

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

<b>Issue date</b>	02-July-2015
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<b>HMIS® ratings</b>	Health: 1 Flammability: 1 Physical hazard: 0

### NFPA ratings



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