



# Tissue-Tek VIP® Processing/Embedding Medium

## Safety Data Sheet

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### SECTION 1: Identification

#### 1.1. Identification

Product form : Mixture  
Product name : Tissue-Tek VIP® Processing/Embedding Medium  
Product code : 4005

#### 1.2. Recommended use and restrictions on use

Tissue-Tek VIP® (Vacuum Infiltration Processor)

#### 1.3. Supplier

Sakura Finetek USA Inc.  
1750 West 214th St.  
Torrance, CA 90501  
T 1-310-972-7800

#### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

CHEMTREC 1-800-424-9300  
Email: [SDSsupport@sakuraus.com](mailto:SDSsupport@sakuraus.com)

### SECTION 2: Hazard(s) identification

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

##### GHS US classification

Not a hazardous mixture.

#### 2.2. GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

##### GHS US labeling

Not a hazardous mixture.

#### 2.3. Other hazards which do not result in classification

The mixture does not meet the criteria for classification.

#### 2.4. Unknown acute toxicity (GHS US)

Not a hazardous mixture.

### SECTION 3: Composition/Information on ingredients

#### 3.1. Substances

Mixture

#### 3.2. Mixtures

Name	CAS Number	%
Paraffin	8002-74-2	> 99
Polyisobutylene	9003-27-4	< 1

The specific chemical component identities and/or the exact component percentages of this material may be withheld as trade secrets.

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This information is made available to health professionals, employees, and designated representatives in accordance with the applicable provisions of 29 CFR 1910.1200 (I)(1). Trace ingredients (if any) are present in < 1% concentration, (< 0.1% for potential carcinogens, mutagen, and reproductive toxicant, respiratory tract and skin sensitizers in addition to oral/ inhalation acute toxicant in category 1 and 2). None of the trace ingredients contribute significant additional hazards at the concentrations that may be present in this product. All pertinent hazard information has been provided in this document, per the requirements of the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200), U.S. State equivalents.

### SECTION 4: First-aid measures

#### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

First-aid measures after inhalation : Move to fresh air. Call a physician if symptoms develop or persist.  
First-aid measures after skin contact : Wash off with soap and water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.  
First-aid measures after eye contact : Rinse with water. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.  
First-aid measures after ingestion : Rinse mouth. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

#### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects (acute and delayed)

Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.

#### 4.3. Immediate medical attention and special treatment, if necessary

Treat symptomatically. 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.

### SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

#### 5.1. Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Foam. Dry powder. Dry sand. Carbon dioxide (CO2).

#### 5.2. Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Hazardous decomposition products in case of fire : During fire, gases hazardous to health may be formed. Vapor accumulation can flash or explode when ignited.

#### 5.3. Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

Protection during firefighting : Self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing must be worn in case of fire.  
Use water spray to cool unopened containers.  
Use standard firefighting procedures and consider the hazards of other involved materials.  
No unusual fire or explosion hazards noted.

### SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

#### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

##### 6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

Emergency procedures : Keep unnecessary personnel away.

##### 6.1.2. For emergency responders

Protective equipment : No information

#### 6.2. Environmental precautions

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

#### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for cleaning up : Stop the flow of material, if this is without risk. Dike the spilled material, where this is possible.  
Other information : Following product recovery, flush area with water.

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### 6.4. Reference to other sections

For personal protection, see section 8 of the SDS.  
For further information refer to section 13.

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Precautions for safe handling : Avoid prolonged exposure. Observe good industrial hygiene practices.

### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions : 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).

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1. Control parameters

US. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values			
Components	Type	Value	Form
Paraffin (CAS 8002-74-2)	TWA	2 mg/m3	Fume.
US. NIOSH: Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards			
Components	Type	Value	Form
Paraffin (CAS 8002-74-2)	TWA	2 mg/m3	Fume.
Biological Limit Values		No biological exposure limits noted for the ingredient(s).	

### 8.2. Appropriate engineering controls

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.

### 8.3. Individual protection measures/Personal protective equipment

<b>Hand protection:</b>
Wear appropriate chemical resistant gloves. Suitable gloves can be recommended by the glove supplier.
<b>Eye protection:</b>
Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles).
<b>Skin and body protection:</b>
Wear suitable protective clothing. 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.
<b>Respiratory protection:</b>
In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment.

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### Personal protective equipment symbol(s):



## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	: Solid, Waxy pellets.
Color	: Translucent to white.
Odor	: Odorless
Odor threshold	: Not available.
pH	: Not available.
Melting point	: 117 - 149 °F (47.22 - 65 °C) Depending on grade
Freezing point	: 117 - 149 °F (47.22 - 65 °C) Depending on grade
Boiling point	: Not available.
Flash point	: 410.0 °F (210.0 °C)
Relative evaporation rate (butyl acetate=1)	: Not available.
Flammability	: Not available.
Vapor pressure	: Not available.
Relative vapor density at 20°C	: 0.8
Relative density	: 0.8
Solubility	: Insoluble
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Pow)	: Not available.
Auto-ignition temperature	: 473 °F (245 °C) (for 100% paraffin)
Decomposition temperature	: Not available.
Viscosity, kinematic	: Not available.
Viscosity, dynamic	: Not available.
Explosion limits	: Not explosive.
Explosive properties	: Not explosive.
Oxidizing properties	: Not oxidizing.

### 9.2. Other information

None.

## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1. Reactivity

The product is stable and non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.

### 10.2. Chemical stability

Material is stable under normal conditions.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No dangerous reaction known under conditions of normal use.

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Heat, sparks, flames, elevated temperatures.

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Reducing agents. Strong acids.

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Aldehydes.

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### SECTION 11: Toxicological information

#### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity (oral)	: Not expected to be acutely toxic. Expected to be a low ingestion hazard.
Acute toxicity (dermal)	: Not expected to be acutely toxic. Prolonged skin contact may cause temporary irritation.
Acute toxicity (inhalation)	: Not expected to be acutely toxic. Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.
Skin corrosion/irritation	: Prolonged skin contact may cause temporary irritation.
Serious eye damage/irritation	: Direct contact with eyes may cause temporary irritation.
Respiratory or skin sensitization	: Not a respiratory sensitizer. 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.
Reproductive toxicity	: This product is not expected to cause reproductive or developmental effects.
STOT-single exposure	: Not classified.
STOT-repeated exposure	: Not classified.
Aspiration hazard	: Not an aspiration hazard.
Chronic effects	: Prolonged inhalation may be harmful.

### SECTION 12: Ecological information

#### 12.1. Toxicity

Ecology - general : 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.

#### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

No data is available on the degradability of this product.

#### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

No data available.

#### 12.4. Mobility in soil

No data available.

#### 12.5. 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.

### SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

#### 13.1. Disposal methods

Waste treatment methods : Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Empty containers or liners may retain some product residues. 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.

### SECTION 14: Transport information

In accordance with DOT / IMDG / IATA

#### 14.1. UN number

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

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### 14.2. UN proper shipping name

Proper Shipping Name (DOT) : Not regulated as dangerous goods.  
Proper Shipping Name (IMDG) : Not regulated as dangerous goods.  
Proper Shipping Name (IATA) : Not regulated as dangerous goods.

### 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

**DOT**  
Transport hazard class(es) (DOT) : Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**IMDG**  
Transport hazard class(es) (IMDG) : Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**IATA**  
Transport hazard class(es) (IATA) : Not regulated as dangerous goods.

### 14.4. Packing group

Packing group (DOT) : Not regulated as dangerous goods.  
Packing group (IMDG) : Not regulated as dangerous goods.  
Packing group (IATA) : Not regulated as dangerous goods.

### 14.5. Environmental hazards

Other information : Not regulated as dangerous goods.

### 14.6. Special precautions for user

**DOT**  
Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**IMDG**  
Not regulated as dangerous goods.

**IATA**  
Not regulated as dangerous goods.

### 14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not regulated as dangerous goods.

## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### 15.1. 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.

<b>TSCA Section 12(b) Export Notification (40 CFR 707, Subpt. D)</b>	
Not regulated	
<b>OSHA Specifically Regulated Substances (29 CFR 1910.1001-1050)</b>	
Not listed	
<b>CERCLA Hazardous Substance List (40 CFR 302.4)</b>	
Not listed	
<b>Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA)</b>	
<b>Hazard categories</b>	Immediate Hazard - No Delayed Hazard - No Fire Hazard - No Pressure Hazard - No Reactivity Hazard - No
<b>SARA 302 Extremely hazardous substance</b>	
Not listed	
<b>SARA 311/312 Hazardous Chemical</b>	No

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<b>SARA 313 (TRI reporting)</b>
Not regulated

### 15.2. International regulations

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
Europe	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical No 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).

### 15.3. 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.

## SECTION 16: Other information

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Sakura Finetek USA, Inc. cannot anticipate all conditions under which this information and its product, or the products of other manufacturers in combination with its product, may be used. It is the user's responsibility to ensure safe conditions for handling, storage and disposal of the product, and to assume liability for loss, injury, damage or expense due to improper use. The information in the sheet was written based on the best knowledge and experience currently available.