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# Safety Data Sheet

## A MicroGEM International PLC Product

### SECTION 1: PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION and COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

<b>Product Name</b>	<i>forensicGEM Sperm kits</i>
<b>Generic Name</b>	NA
<b>Synonyms</b>	NA
<b>Product Description</b>	Genomic DNA extraction kit. For research use only
<b>REACH Registration number</b>	A registration number is not available for this substance as the substance or its use are exempted from registration according to Article 2 REACH Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, the annual tonnage does not require a registration.
<b>CAS #</b>	NA – mixture
<b>Date of Revision</b>	June 2019
<b>Company Support</b>	Email: <a href="mailto:info@microgembio.com">info@microgembio.com</a>

<b>Supplier Details in NZ</b>	ZyGEM NZ Ltd, Subsidiary of MicroGEM International PLC Waikato Innovation Park Ruakura Road, Hamilton. Emergency telephone: +64 0800-764-766 (National Poison Centre)
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### SECTION 2: HAZARD IDENTIFICATION

#### Potential Health Effects:

Australia: NOHSC 2011 National Code of Practice: This material is not considered hazardous according to safe work Australia

New Zealand: This substance is hazardous according to the EPA Hazardous Substances (Classification) Notice 2017

EPA Approval No: Reagent Kits Group Standard 2017 -HSR002647

Signal Word: **DANGER**

#### Pictograms:



Irritant

Chronic

Kit Includes two separate clear liquids and one lyophilized powder as follows:

<b>forensicGEM Sperm: HSNO Classification</b>	<b>Hazard Code</b>	<b>Hazard Statement</b>	<b>GHS Category</b>
6.5A	H334	May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.	Resp. Sens. 1
6.5B	H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction.	Skin Sens. 1

<b>ORANGE+ Buffer:</b> HSNO Classification	<b>Hazard Code</b>	<b>Hazard Statement</b>	<b>GHS Category</b>
6.3B	H316	Causes mild skin irritation.	Skin Irrit. 3
6.4A	H319	Causes serious eye irritation.	Eye Irrit. 2A
9.3C	H433	Harmful to terrestrial vertebrates.	

<b>Acrosolv:</b> HSNO Classification	<b>Hazard Code</b>	<b>Hazard Statement</b>	<b>GHS Category</b>
6.5A	H334	May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.	Resp. Sens. 1
6.5B	H317	May cause an allergic skin reaction.	Skin Sens. 1

### CONSOLIDATED PREVENTION AND RESPONSE STATEMENT

<b>Prevention Code</b>	<b>Prevention Statement</b>
P103	Read label before use.
P261	Avoid breathing vapours or dust.
P264	Wash hands thoroughly after handling.
P272	Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective clothing as detailed in Section 8.
P285	In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.

<b>Response code</b>	<b>Response Statement</b>
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P302 + P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P304 + P341	IF INHALED: If breathing is difficult, remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305 + P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P333 + P313	If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P337 + P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
P342 + P311	If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

<b>Storage code</b>	<b>Storage Statement</b>
None allocated	Keep in a tightly closed container. This product can be stored at 4°C. Once opened store at -20°C. Protect material from long-term exposure to light. Short periods of exposure to light are acceptable.

<b>Disposal code</b>	<b>Disposal Statement</b>
P501	

### SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

<b>Product Kit Name</b>	<b>Catalog Codes</b>	<b>Reactions per kit</b>	<b>Total Solution volume per kit (rounded)</b>	<b>Description of kit components</b>
<i>forensicGEM Sperm</i>	FSC0050	50	1 ml	•..... <i>forensicGEM</i>
	FSC0100	100	1 ml	•.....ORANGE+ Buffer
	FSC0500	500	7 ml	•..... <i>Acrosolv</i>
	FSC1000	1000	17 ml	

### SECTION 3B: HAZARDOUS COMPONENTS

Kit Component	Contains	CAS #	Weight %
<i>forensic</i> GEM Sperm	EA1 Enzyme – Proteinase Glycerol	Proprietary 56-81-5	0.1-0.2 18-23
<i>Acrosolv</i>	Purified lyophilised powder. Histosolv is an hydrolytic enzyme cocktail whose formulation is protected as a trade secret as defined by WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organisation) <a href="http://www.wipo.int/sme/en/ip_business/trade_secrets/protection.htm">http://www.wipo.int/sme/en/ip_business/trade_secrets/protection.htm</a>		≤5%
ORANGE+ Buffer	Potassium Chloride	7447-40-7	10-15%

### SECTION 3C: NON HAZARDOUS COMPONENTS

Non-hazardous components may or may not be listed. Carcinogens are listed when present at 0.1% or more; components which are otherwise hazardous according to OSHA are listed when present at 1.0% or more. This is not intended to be complete compositional disclosure. See Section 15 for applicable states right to know and other regulatory information.

Some reagents are Trade Secrets as permitted under USA: 29 CFR 1910.1200, Canadian CPR Sections 12 and 19, European Union Directive 1999/45/EC. All such reagents are highly purified enzymes from non-pathogenic organisms. These reagents are at concentrations of < 1%.

### SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. Not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention
<b>Ingestion</b>	Drink several glasses of water or milk. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention
<b>Skin</b>	Immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention if irritation develops.
<b>Eyes</b>	Remove contact lenses immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids occasionally. Get medical attention immediately.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed</b>	Ingestion: Not applicable Inhalation: May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled. Skin: Causes mild skin irritation. May cause an allergic skin reaction. Eye: Causes serious eye irritation

### SECTION 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

<b>Fire</b>	Flash point: Not flammable
<b>Extinguishing Media</b>	Use appropriate media for the surrounding fire
<b>Explosion</b>	Not considered an explosion hazard
<b>Special Precautions</b>	Use appropriate media for the surrounding fire

In the event of a fire, wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full face piece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

### SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Ventilate area of leak or spill. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment as specified in Section 8.

Do not allow to enter waterways.

Collect liquid in an appropriate container or absorb with an inert material (e. g., vermiculite, dry sand, earth), and place in a chemical waste container. Wash contaminated area with plenty of water. Dispose as per Section 15.




## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

Read label before use. Avoid breathing vapours or dust. Wash hands thoroughly after handling. Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace. Avoid release to the environment. Wear protective clothing as detailed in Section 8.

In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.

Keep in a tightly closed container. This product can be stored at 4°C. Once opened store at -20°C. Protect material from long-term exposure to light. Short periods of exposure to light are acceptable.

## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROL/ PERSONAL PROTECTION

<b>Exposure Guidelines</b>	WORKPLACE EXPOSURE STANDARDS (provided for guidance only)													
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<b>Skin and body Protection</b>	  <p>Lightweight protective clothing. Wear protective latex gloves and handle in accordance with good laboratory safety practice</p>													
<b>Eye Contact</b>	 <p>Safety glasses with side shields in accordance with good laboratory safety practice</p>													
<b>Inhalation</b>	In case of insufficient ventilation wear suitable respiratory equipment.													
<b>Engineering Controls</b>	Ensure adequate ventilation.													

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

	All buffer solutions	Lyophilized Enzymes	Enzyme solution
<b>Appearance</b>	Liquid	Powder	Liquid
<b>Colour</b>	Clear	White	Clear
<b>Odour</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available
<b>Odour Threshold</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available
<b>pH</b>	8.3	Not available	7.0
<b>Boiling Point</b>	> 100°C	Not available	> 100°C
<b>Melting Point</b>	< 0°C	Not available	< 0°C
<b>Freezing Point</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available
<b>Flammability</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available
<b>Upper and Lower Explosive Limits</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available
<b>Vapour Pressure</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available
<b>Vapour Density</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available
<b>Specific Gravity</b>	About 1.0	Not available	About 1.0
<b>Water Solubility</b>	Complete	Complete	Complete
<b>Partition Coefficient:</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available
<b>Auto-ignition Temperature</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available
<b>Kinematic Viscosity</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available
<b>Particle Characteristics</b>	Not available	Not available	Not available

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical Stability	This product is stable in closed containers at room temperature.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon oxides (CO, CO <sub>2</sub> ), nitrogen oxides (NO, NO <sub>2</sub> , N <sub>2</sub> O), hydrogen chloride
Incompatibilities	Strong oxidizers, heat
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible materials, combustible materials.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Acute Effects:

Swallowed	Not applicable.
Dermal	Not applicable.
Inhalation	May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.
Eye	Causes serious eye irritation.
Skin	Causes mild skin irritation. May cause an allergic skin reaction.

### Chronic Effects:

Carcinogenicity	Not applicable
Reproductive Toxicity	Not applicable
Germ Cell Mutagenicity	Not applicable
Aspiration	Not applicable
STOT/SE	Not applicable
STOT/RE	Not applicable

## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

New Zealand:		
HSNO Classes:	9.3 C	Harmful to terrestrial vertebrates.
Environmental Fate:	This product is not expected to bioaccumulate. When released into water or air its expected half-life is 1- 10 days.	
Ecotoxicity:	Dilute nature and small volumes of products makes any ecological effect highly unlikely.	

## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

As a waste, this material in its raw form IS NOT considered a HAZARDOUS WASTE under RCRA (29 CFR 261).

Whatever cannot be saved for recovery or recycling should be managed in an appropriate and approved waste disposal facility. Processing, use or contamination of this product may change the waste management options. State and local disposal regulations may differ from federal disposal regulations. Dispose of container and unused contents in accordance with federal, state and local requirements.

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

New Zealand:	
This product is NOT classified as a Dangerous Good for transport in NZ ; NZS 5433:2012	
Proper Shipping Name:	Not regulated by DOT, TDG, IATA, IMDG
DOT Hazard Class:	N/A
UN Number:	N/A
Packing Group:	N/A
CERCLA Reportable Quantity (RQ):	N/A

Releases exceeding the reportable quantity (RQ) must be reported to the National Response Center (800) 424-8802. This data provided for information only. The description shown may not apply to all shipping situations. Consult 49 CFR, or appropriate regulations to properly classify your shipment for transportation.

## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

### New Zealand:

This substance is classified hazardous according to the EPA Hazardous Substances (Classification) Notice 2017

EPA Approval Code: Reagent Kits Group Standard 2017 -HSR002647

HSNO Classification: 6.3B, 6.4A, 6.5A/B, 9.3C

HSW (HS) Regulations 2017 and EPA Notices	Trigger Quantity
Certified Handler	Not required
Location Certificate	Not required
Tracking Trigger Quantities	Not required
Signage Trigger Quantities	1000L/kg (9.3C)
Emergency Response Plan	1000L/kg (6.5A)
Secondary Containment	1000L/kg (6.5A)
Restriction of Use	Only use for the intended purpose.

**TSCA Chemical Inventory:** All of the chemicals in this product are listed on the TSCA Inventory.

**TSCA Sec 4 Chemical Test Rule:** None of the chemicals in this product are under a Chemical Test Rule.

**TSCA Sec 8(d):** None of the chemicals in this product are on the Health and Safety Reporting List.

**TSCA Sec 12(b) Notices of Export:** None of the chemicals in this product are on this list.

**TSCA Significant New Use Rule (SNUR):** None of the chemicals in this product are on this list.

**SARA Sec 302 (EHS) TPQ:** None of the chemicals in this product have a TPQ.

**SARA Sec 302 (EHS) RQ:** None of the chemicals in this product have a RQ.

**SARA Sec 311/312:** Acute – NO; Chronic – NO; Fire – NO; Release of Pressure – NO; Reactivity – NO

**SARA 313 List:** No materials in this product are reportable under Section 313 Title III and 40 CFR Part 372.

**CERCLA Hazardous Substances and corresponding RQs:** N/A

**RCRA:** None of the chemicals in this product are on this list.

**Clean Air Act: Hazardous Air Pollutants?** NO **Class 1 Ozone Depletors?** NO **Class 2 Ozone Depletors?** NO

**Clean Water Act: Hazardous Substance?** NO **Priority Pollutant?** NO **Toxic Pollutant?** NO

**Chemical Weapons Convention:** None of the chemicals in this product are on this list.

**Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) CDTA:** None of the chemicals in this product are on this list.

**OSHA:** None of the chemicals in this product are considered Highly Hazardous by OSHA.

**State Right-to-Know Lists:** None of the materials in this product are found on the Right-to-Know lists of California, Florida, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts or Minnesota.

### Canada

All materials are listed on Canada's DSL List. One compound is listed on Canada's Ingredient Disclosure List, but below the *de minimus* concentration.

**WHMIS:** Not WHMIS controlled.

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the **Controlled Products Regulations** and the MSDS contains all the information required by the **Controlled Products Regulations**.

### European Union

<b>Hazard Symbols:</b>	Xi
<b>Risk Phrases:</b>	R36/38- Irritating to eyes and skin
<b>Safety Phrases:</b>	S1/2 Keep locked up and out of the reach of children S 26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. S 37/39 Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection. S45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible). S46 If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label.
<b>REACH Registration Number:</b>	Not available

## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

### Abbreviations and acronyms used:

ACGIH	American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists	NA	not applicable, not available
ANSI	American National Standards Institute	NIOSH	National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
atm	atmosphere (pressure unit)	ND	not determined
BOD	biological oxygen demand	NFPA	National Fire Prevention Association
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service	NTP	National Toxicology Program
CC	closed cup	OC	open cup
CDTA	Chemical Drug and Trafficking Act	OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
COC	Cleveland Open Cup	Part	partition
COD	chemical oxygen demand	PEL	permissible exposure limits
coeff.	coefficient	ppb	parts per billion
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations	PPE	personal protective equipment
CPR	cardio-pulmonary resuscitation	ppm	parts per million
DEA	Drug Enforcement Agency	psi	pounds per square inch
DOT	Department of Transportation	RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
FDA	Food and Drug Administration	RQ	Reportable quantity
IARC	Internat'l Agency for Research on Cancer	RTK	Right to Know
IDLH	immediate danger to life and health	SARA	Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act
kg	kilogram	STEL	short-term exposure limit
L	liter	TCC	Tagliabue Closed Cup
LC50	median lethal concentration	TPQ	threshold planning quantity
LD50	median lethal dose	TQ	threshold quantity
LEL	lower explosive limit	TSCA	Toxic Substances Control Act
mg	milligram	TWA	time-weighted average
mL	milliliter	WHMIS	Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System

### References:

1. EPA Hazardous Substances (Safety Data Sheets) Notice 2017
2. Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices Nov 2017 edition.
3. Assigning a hazardous substance to a HSNO Approval (Aug 2013).
4. Transport of Dangerous goods on land NZS 5433:2012
5. HSW (Hazardous Substances) Regulations 2017

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