

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## SECTION 1 - PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

**PRODUCT NAME:** Shandon® Embedding Matrix

PART NUMBER: 230094

GENERAL USE: Embedding media for frozen sections.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: Clear viscous liquid, odorless

**Thermo**  
ELECTRON CORPORATION

MANUFACTURER'S NAME (Distributor in the Americas)  
Thermo Electron Corporation

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SUPERSEDES: November 1, 2001

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## SECTION 2 - HAZARDOUS INGREDIENTS

HAZARDOUS COMPONENTS	% (by weight)	CAS #	EINECS #	Hazard Symbol	RISK PHRASES Full Text Section 16
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No hazardous materials present as defined by OSHA - 29 CFR 1910.1000; EPA - 40 CFR 260 - 281, 302, 355, 370, 372; DOT - 49 CFR 172; WHMIS or EC Directive 91 / 155 / EEC.

## SECTION 3 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

Mild liquid, ingestion may cause gastric distress. Hazard symbols - not classified. Risk phrases - none.

### POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

INHALATION: None expected, however, certain individuals may experience minor nausea or headaches.

SKIN: None expected, however, prolonged contact may cause irritation.

EYES: Contact with eyes may cause irritation.

INGESTION: May cause gastric distress, vomiting and diarrhea.

CARCINOGENICITY

NTP?

No

IARC MONOGRAPHS?

No

OSHA REGULATED?

No

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**SECTION 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES**

INHALATION: Remove affected person to fresh air; if symptoms persist seek medical attention.

SKIN: Remove contaminated clothing; wash affected area with soap and water; launder contaminated clothing before reuse; if irritation persists, seek medical attention.

EYES: Remove contact lenses. Flush eyes with water for 15 minutes; if irritation persists, seek medical attention.

INGESTION: Give two glasses of water for dilution; DO NOT induce vomiting; never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person; seek medical attention.

**SECTION 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

GENERAL HAZARDS: Product is not considered flammable or combustible. Products of combustion include compounds of carbon, hydrogen and oxygen, including carbon monoxide.

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA  
Carbon dioxide, water, water fog, dry chemical, chemical foam

FIRE FIGHTING PROCEDURES  
Keep containers cool with water spray to prevent container rupture due to steam buildup; floor will become slippery if material is released.

UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS  
None

HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS  
Smoke, fumes, oxides of carbon

**SECTION 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

STEPS TO BE TAKEN IN CASE MATERIAL IS RELEASED OR SPILLED: Small spills - wash to sanitary sewer with plenty of water. Large spills - soak up with approved absorbent, shovel product into approved container for disposal. Wash area with plenty of water.

**SECTION 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE**

PRECAUTIONS TO BE TAKEN IN HANDLING AND STORAGE: Keep container closed when not in use; protect containers from abuse; protect from extreme temperatures.

**SECTION 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

HAZARDOUS COMPONENTS	NIOSH				ACGIH			
	TWA ppm	TWA mg/m3	STEL ppm	STEL mg/m3	TWA ppm	TWA mg/m3	STEL ppm	STEL mg/m3
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**PERSONAL PROTECTION:**  
RESPIRATORY PROTECTION (SPECIFY TYPE): None required

PROTECTIVE GLOVES: None required

EYE PROTECTION: Recommended for general protection Refer to 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

OTHER PROTECTIVE CLOTHING OR EQUIPMENT: Safety eyebath nearby

WORK / HYGIENIC PRACTICES: Practice safe workplace habits. Minimize body contact with this, as well as all chemicals in general.

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**SECTION 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

APPEARANCE AND ODOR Colorless to slightly yellow viscous liquid, odorless	VAPOR PRESSURE 17 mm Hg @ 20° C
pH Not specified	SPECIFIC GRAVITY (WATER = 1) 1.010
BOILING POINT / BOILING RANGE 212° F (100° C)	SOLUBILITY IN WATER Complete
FLASH POINT Non-flammable	VISCOSITY Not specified
FLAMMABLE LIMITS LEL: Not applicable UEL: Not applicable	VAPOR DENSITY (AIR = 1) > 1
AUTOIGNITION TEMPERATURE Not established	EVAPORATION RATE (WATER = 1) < 1

**SECTION 10 - STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

STABILITY UNSTABLE: STABLE: XXX	CONDITIONS TO AVOID: Extreme temperatures, keep from freezing
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INCOMPATIBILITY (MATERIALS TO AVOID): Strong oxidizers, strong acids

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION OR BYPRODUCTS: Decomposition will not occur if handled and stored properly. In case of a fire, oxides of carbon, hydrocarbons, fumes, and smoke may be produced.

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION MAY OCCUR: WILL NOT OCCUR: XXX	CONDITIONS TO AVOID: None
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**SECTION 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Hazardous Components	CAS # EINECS #	LD50 of Ingredient (Specify Species and Route)	LC50 of Ingredient (Specify Species)
No hazardous materials present as defined by OSHA - 29 CFR 1910.1000; EPA - 40 CFR 260 - 281, 302, 355, 370, 372; DOT - 49 CFR 172; WHMIS or EC Directive 91 / 155 / EEC.			

**SECTION 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

No data are available on the adverse effects of this material on the environment. Neither COD nor BOD data are available. Based on the chemical composition of this product it is assumed that the mixture can be treated in an acclimatized biological waste treatment plant system in limited quantities. However, such treatment should be evaluated and approved for each specific biological system. None of the ingredients in this mixture are classified as a Marine Pollutant.

**SECTION 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

WASTE DISPOSAL METHOD: According to the European Waste Catalogue, waste codes are application specific and should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product is used. Dispose of in accordance with Local, State, and Federal Regulations. Product is classified as non - hazardous, however, non-hazardous materials may become hazardous waste upon contact with other products. Refer to "40 CFR Protection of Environment Parts 260 - 299" for complete waste disposal regulations. Consult your local, state, or Federal Environmental Protection Agency before disposing of any chemicals.

**SECTION 14 - TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

PROPER SHIPPING NAME: Not Regulated DOT HAZARD CLASS / Pack Group: Not regulated REFERENCE: Not Applicable UN / NA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: None LABEL: None Required HAZARD SYMBOLS: None	IATA HAZARD CLASS / Pack Group: Not regulated IMDG HAZARD CLASS: Not regulated RID/ADR Dangerous Goods Code: Not regulated UN TDG Class / Pack Group: Not regulated
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Note: Transportation information provided is for reference only. Client is urged to consult CFR 49 parts 100 - 177, IMDG, IATA, EU, United Nations TDG, and WHMIS (Canada) TDG information manuals for detailed regulations and exceptions covering specific container sizes, packaging materials and methods of shipping.

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**SECTION 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**TSCA (USA - Toxic Substance Control Act)**

All components of this product are listed on the U.S. Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical Inventory (TSCA Inventory) or are exempted from listing because a Low Volume Exemption has been granted in accordance with 40 CFR 723.50.

**SARA TITLE III (USA - Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act)**

311/312 Hazard Categories  
None

313 Reportable Ingredients:  
None

**CERCLA (USA - Comprehensive Response Compensation and Liability Act)**

None

**CPR (Canadian Controlled Products Regulations)**

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.

**IDL (Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List)**

Components of this product identified by CAS number and listed on the Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List are shown in Section 2.

**DSL / NDSL (Canadian Domestic Substances List / Non-Domestic Substances List)**

Components of this product identified by CAS number are listed on the DSL or NDSL and may or may not be listed in Section 2 of this document. Only ingredients classified as "hazardous" are listed in Section 2 unless otherwise indicated.

**EINECS (European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances)**

Components of this product identified by CAS numbers are on the European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances.

**WGK Water Quality Index: nwg**

**RISK PHRASES:**

None

**SYMBOL(S) REQUIRED FOR LABEL**

None

**SAFETY PHRASES:**

None required

**SECTION 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

Notes & full R-Phrase text

None

**HMIS HAZARD RATINGS**

HEALTH	1	0 = INSIGNIFICANT	3 = HIGH
FLAMMABILITY	0	1 = SLIGHT	4 = EXTREME
REACTIVITY	0	2 = MODERATE	
PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT	A	Safety Glasses	

**REVISION SUMMARY:**

This MSDS has been revised in the following sections:

No revisions available

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The information contained herein is believed to be accurate but is not warranted to be so. Data and calculations are based on information furnished by the manufacturer of the product and manufacturers of the components of the product. Users are advised to confirm in advance of need that information is current, applicable and suited to the circumstances of use. Vendor assumes no responsibility for injury to vendee or third persons proximately caused by the material if reasonable safety procedures are not adhered to as stipulated in the data sheet. Furthermore, vendor assumes no responsibility for injury caused by abnormal use of this material even if reasonable safety procedures are followed. Any questions regarding this product should be directed to the manufacturer of the product as described in Section 1.