



MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/PREPARATION AND THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

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Material Name: NORVASC® (Amlodipine besylate) tablets - 2.5, 5, and 10 mg

Trade Name:	NORVASC
Chemical Family:	Mixture
Intended Use:	Pharmaceutical product used as Antianginal; antihypertensive

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Appearance: White tablet
Signal Word: WARNING

Statement of Hazard: Toxic to aquatic life.

Additional Hazard Information:
Short Term: May be harmful if swallowed. May cause eye irritation (based on components) .
Antihypertensive drug: has blood pressure-lowering properties

Known Clinical Effects: Ingestion of this material may cause effects similar to those seen in clinical use including abdominal pain, dizziness, flushing, heart palpitations, and swelling.

EU Indication of danger: Dangerous for the Environment

EU Hazard Symbols:



EU Risk Phrases:

R51 - Toxic to aquatic organisms.
Hazardous Substance. Non-Dangerous Goods.

Australian Hazard Classification (NOHSC):

Note: This document has been prepared in accordance with standards for workplace safety, which require the inclusion of all known hazards of the product or its ingredients regardless of the potential risk. The precautionary statements and warnings included may not apply in all cases. Your needs may vary depending upon the potential for exposure in your workplace.

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3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Hazardous

Ingredient	CAS Number	EU EINECS/ELINCS List	Classification	%
Amlodipine besylate	111470-99-6	Not listed	N;R51 Xn;R22 Xi;R41	3.5
Microcrystalline cellulose	9004-34-6	232-674-9	Not Listed	*
Calcium phosphate dibasic, anhydrous	7757-93-9	231-826-1	Not Listed	*
Magnesium stearate	557-04-0	209-150-3	Not Listed	*

Ingredient	CAS Number	EU EINECS/ELINCS List	Classification	%
Sodium starch glycolate	9063-38-1	Not listed	Not Listed	*

Additional Information:

* Proprietary
Ingredient(s) indicated as hazardous have been assessed under standards for workplace safety.

For the full text of the R phrases mentioned in this Section, see Section 16

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Eye Contact:	Flush with water while holding eyelids open for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention immediately.
Skin Contact:	Remove contaminated clothing. Flush area with large amounts of water. Use soap. Seek medical attention.
Ingestion:	Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Wash out mouth with water. Do not induce vomiting unless directed by medical personnel. Seek medical attention immediately.
Inhalation:	Remove to fresh air and keep patient at rest. Seek medical attention immediately.
Symptoms and Effects of Exposure:	For information on potential signs and symptoms of exposure, See Section 2 - Hazards Identification and/or Section 11 - Toxicological Information.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing Media:	Use carbon dioxide, dry chemical, or water spray.
Hazardous Combustion Products:	Emits toxic fumes of carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, nitrogen oxides, sulfur oxides, hydrogen chloride and other chlorine- and sulfur-containing compounds.
Fire Fighting Procedures:	Wear approved positive pressure, self-contained breathing apparatus and full protective turn out gear. Use caution in approaching fire.
Fire / Explosion Hazards:	Not determined

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Health and Safety Precautions:	Personnel involved in clean-up should wear appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Minimize exposure.
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Measures for Cleaning / Collecting: Contain the source of spill if it is safe to do so. Collect spilled material by a method that controls dust generation. A damp cloth or a filtered vacuum should be used to clean spills of dry solids. Clean spill area thoroughly.

Measures for Environmental Protections: Place waste in an appropriately labeled, sealed container for disposal. Care should be taken to avoid environmental release.

Additional Consideration for Large Spills: Non-essential personnel should be evacuated from affected area. Report emergency situations immediately. Clean up operations should only be undertaken by trained personnel.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

General Handling: Minimize dust generation and accumulation. If tablets or capsules are crushed and/or broken, avoid breathing dust and avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. When handling, use appropriate personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Wash hands and any exposed skin after removal of PPE. Refer to Section 12 - Ecological Information, for information on potential effects on the environment. Releases to the environment should be avoided.

Storage Conditions: Store as directed by product packaging.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Refer to available public information for specific member state Occupational Exposure Limits.

Amlodipine besylate

Pfizer OEL TWA-8 Hr: 100µg/m³

Microcrystalline cellulose

ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TWA) = 10 mg/m³ TWA
Australia TWA = 10 mg/m³ TWA
Belgium OEL - TWA Listed
Estonia OEL - TWA Listed
France OEL - TWA Listed
Ireland OEL - TWAs = 10 mg/m³ TWA
= 4 mg/m³ TWA
Latvia OEL - TWA Listed
OSHA - Final PELs - TWAs: = 15 mg/m³ TWA total
= 5 mg/m³ TWA
Portugal OEL - TWA Listed
Romania OEL - TWA Listed
Spain OEL - TWA Listed

Calcium phosphate dibasic, anhydrous

Latvia OEL - TWA Listed

Magnesium stearate

ACGIH Threshold Limit Value (TWA) = 10 mg/m³ TWA except stearates of toxic metals
Australia TWA = 10 mg/m³ TWA
Belgium OEL - TWA Listed
Ireland OEL - TWAs = 10 mg/m³ TWA except lead stearate
Lithuania OEL - TWA Listed
Portugal OEL - TWA Listed
Spain OEL - TWA Listed
Sweden OEL - TWAs = 5 mg/m³ LLV

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The exposure limit(s) listed for solid components are only relevant if dust may be generated.

Analytical Method:	Analytical method available for Amlodipine. Contact Pfizer Inc for further information.
Engineering Controls:	Engineering controls should be used as the primary means to control exposures. General room ventilation is adequate unless the process generates dust, mist or fumes. Keep airborne contamination levels below the exposure limits listed above in this section.
Environmental Exposure Controls:	Refer to specific Member State legislation for requirements under Community environmental legislation.
Personal Protective Equipment:	Refer to applicable national standards and regulations in the selection and use of personal protective equipment (PPE).
Hands:	Impervious gloves are recommended if skin contact with drug product is possible and for bulk processing operations.
Eyes:	Wear safety glasses or goggles if eye contact is possible.
Skin:	Impervious protective clothing is recommended if skin contact with drug product is possible and for bulk processing operations.
Respiratory protection:	If the applicable Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL) is exceeded, wear an appropriate respirator with a protection factor sufficient to control exposures to below the OEL.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES:

Physical State:	Tablet	Color:	White
Odor:	Odorless	Molecular Formula:	Mixture
Molecular Weight:	Mixture		

Polymerization: Will not occur

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability:	Stable under normal conditions of use.
Conditions to Avoid:	None known
Incompatible Materials:	As a precautionary measure, keep away from strong oxidizers
Hazardous Decomposition Products:	None known

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11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

General Information: The information included in this section describes the potential hazards of the individual ingredients.

Acute Toxicity: (Species, Route, End Point, Dose)

Magnesium stearate

Rat Oral LD50 > 2000 mg/kg
Rat Inhalation LC50 > 2000mg/m³

Microcrystalline cellulose

Rat Oral LD50 > 5000 mg/kg
Rabbit Dermal LD50 > 2000mg/kg

Amlodipine besylate

Rat (M) Oral LD50 393 mg/kg
Rat (F) Oral LD50 686mg/kg

Acute Toxicity Comments: A greater than symbol (>) indicates that the toxicity endpoint being tested was not achievable at the highest dose used in the test.

Irritation / Sensitization: (Study Type, Species, Severity)

Microcrystalline cellulose

Skin Irritation Rabbit Non-irritating
Eye Irritation Rabbit Non-irritating

Amlodipine besylate

Eye Irritation Rabbit Severe
Skin Irritation Rabbit Non-irritating
Skin Sensitization - GPMT Guinea Pig Negative

Repeated Dose Toxicity: (Duration, Species, Route, Dose, End Point, Target Organ)

Amlodipine besylate

3 Month(s) Rat Oral 3 mg/kg/day NOAEL Adrenal gland, Heart
1 Month(s) Rat Oral 3.5 mg/kg/day LOEL Heart
1 Year(s) Rat Oral 2 mg/kg/day NOAEL Adrenal gland Heart

Reproduction & Development Toxicity: (Duration, Species, Route, Dose, End Point, Effect(s))

Amlodipine besylate

Fertility and Embryonic Development Rat Oral 25 mg/kg/day NOAEL Not teratogenic, Maternal toxicity
Peri-/Postnatal Development Rat Oral 4 mg/kg/day NOAEL Fetotoxicity, Fetal mortality
Prenatal & Postnatal Development Rat Oral 25 mg/kg/day NOAEL Not Teratogenic
Prenatal & Postnatal Development Rabbit Oral 25 mg/kg/day NOAEL Not Teratogenic

Genetic Toxicity: (Study Type, Cell Type/Organism, Result)

Amlodipine besylate

Bacterial Mutagenicity (Ames) *Salmonella*, *E. coli* Negative
In Vivo Cytogenetics Mouse Bone Marrow Negative
In Vitro Cytogenetics Mouse Bone Marrow Negative
In Vitro Chromosome Aberration Human Lymphocytes Negative

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Carcinogenicity: (Duration, Species, Route, Dose, End Point, Effect(s))

Amlodipine besylate

24 Month(s) Rat Oral, in feed 2.5 mg/kg/day NOAEL Not carcinogenic, No effects at maximum dose
24 Month(s) Mouse Oral, in feed 0.5 mg/kg/day NOAEL Not carcinogenic

Carcinogen Status:

None of the components of this formulation are listed as a carcinogen by IARC, NTP or OSHA.

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Environmental Overview:

The environmental characteristics of this mixture have not been fully evaluated. The active ingredient in this formulation may be harmful to aquatic organisms. Releases to the environment should be avoided. See aquatic toxicity data, below:

Aquatic Toxicity: (Species, Method, End Point, Duration, Result)

Amlodipine besylate

Daphnia Magna OECD EC50 48 Hours 9.9 mg/L
Rainbow Trout OECD LC50 96 Hours 14 mg/L
Green algae OECD EbC50 72 Hours 0.28 mg/L
Green Algae OECD ErC50 72 Hours > 0.91 mg/L

Aquatic Toxicity Comments:

A greater than (>) symbol indicates that acute ecotoxicity was not observed at the maximum solubility. Since the substance is insoluble in aqueous solutions above this concentration, an acute ecotoxicity value (i.e. LC/EC50) is not achievable.

Bacterial Inhibition: (Species, Method, End Point, Duration, Result)

Amlodipine besylate

Nostoc sp. (Freshwater Cyanobacteria) MIC 20 mg/L
Aspergillus Niger MIC > 100 mg/L
Trichoderma viride MIC > 100 mg/L
Clostridium perfringens MIC >100 mg/L
Bacillus subtilis MIC 80 mg/L

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13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal Procedures:

Dispose of waste in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations. Member State specific and Community specific provisions must be considered. Considering the relevant known environmental and human health hazards of the material, review and implement appropriate technical and procedural waste water and waste disposal measures to prevent occupational exposure and environmental release. It is recommended that waste minimization be practiced. The best available technology should be utilized to prevent environmental releases. This may include destructive techniques for waste and wastewater.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Not regulated for transport under USDOT, EUADR, IATA, or IMDG regulations.

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15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

EU Symbol: N
EU Indication of danger: Dangerous for the Environment
EU Risk Phrases: R51 - Toxic to aquatic organisms.
EU Safety Phrases: S57 - Use appropriate containment to avoid environmental contamination.

OSHA Label:
WARNING
Toxic to aquatic life.

Canada - WHMIS: Classifications

WHMIS hazard class:
Class D, Division 1, Subdivision B
Class D, Division 2, Subdivision B



Sodium starch glycolate	
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	XU
Australia (AICS):	Present
Microcrystalline cellulose	
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	XU
Australia (AICS):	Present
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	232-674-9
Calcium phosphate dibasic, anhydrous	
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	231-826-1
Magnesium stearate	
Inventory - United States TSCA - Sect. 8(b)	Present
Australia (AICS):	Present
EU EINECS/ELINCS List	209-150-3

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Text of R phrases mentioned in Section 3

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R22 - Harmful if swallowed.

R41 - Risk of serious damage to eyes.

R50 - Very toxic to aquatic organisms.

Data Sources:

Publicly available toxicity information. Pfizer proprietary drug development information.

Reasons for Revision:

Updated Section 1 - Identification of the Substance/Preparation and the Company/Undertaking.
Updated Section 2 - Hazard Identification. Updated Section 3 - Composition / Information on
Ingredients. Updated Section 4 - First Aid Measures. Updated Section 7 - Handling and
Storage. Updated Section 8 - Exposure Controls / Personal Protection. Updated Section 13 -
Disposal Considerations. Updated Section 15 - Regulatory Information.

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