



## MAMMALIAN TOXICOLOGY OF ALPHA SULFO METHYL ESTERS (SMES)

**Applicable to these current Stepan products:**

ALPHA-STEP® BSS-45 ALPHA-STEP® PS-65	ALPHA-STEP® MC-48 ALPHA-STEP® PS-85P	ALPHA-STEP® PC-48
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Applicable to these inactive Stepan products:

ALPHA-STEP® BSN-15	ALPHA-STEP® ML-40	
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### Toxicological Information:

<u>Test/Conditions</u>	<u>Results/Classification</u>	<u>References</u>
<b>Mammalian Toxicology:</b>		
Acute Oral Toxicity (rat) (gavage) (14 day) n=5/sex/dose		
a. neat material (waxy solid)	LD <sub>50</sub> (Lethal Dose) > 2000 mg/kg (slightly toxic orally)	Stepan Study No. 94-006A
b. liquid (36.34% active)	LD <sub>50</sub> > 5 g/kg (practically non-toxic orally)	Stepan Study No. 93-008C
Acute Dermal Toxicity (rat) (14 day) n=5/sex/dose (neat material – waxy solid)	LD <sub>50</sub> > 2000 mg/kg (slightly toxic dermally)	Stepan Study No. 94-006B
Primary Eye Irritation (rabbit) (14 day) n=6		
a. neat material (waxy solid)	MMS <sup>1</sup> = 61/110 (severely irritating to eyes)	Stepan Study No. 94-006C
b. liquid (36.34% active)	MMS = 39/110 (severely irritating to eyes)	Stepan Study No. 93-008A

<u>Test/Conditions</u>	<u>Results/Classification</u>	<u>References</u>
c. liquid (10% active)  Primary Skin Irritation (rabbit) (4 hr. contact time) n=6	MMS = 39/110 (moderately irritating to eyes)	Stepan Study No. 95-007A
a. neat material (waxy solid)	PII <sup>2</sup> = 0.5/8 (minimally irritating to skin @ 4 hr. contact time)	Stepan Study No. 94-006D
c. liquid (36% active)	PII = 6.42/8 (severely irritating to skin @ 24 hr. contact time)	Stepan Study No. 93-008B
d. liquid (10% active)	PII = 0.5/8 (minimally irritating to skin @ 4 hr. contact time)	Stepan Study No. 95-004B
Sensitization Study (Magnesson-Kligman) (guinea pig) (neat material)	Not a sensitizer (according to ED labeling regulations)	Stepan Study No. 94-006E
Repeat Insult Patch Test (Dermal sensitization Study) (human) n=103	Not a sensitizer @ 0.75%	Stepan Study No. 95-001A
A 28-day Subchronic Oral Toxicity (neat material) (rat) (gavage) n=10/dose (doses: 15, 150, 1000 mg/kg/day)	No systemic toxicity observed. (gastric effects only)	Stepan Study No. 94-006J
Micronucleus Test in the Mouse (mouse) n=10/dose (neat material)	Non-genotoxic under the conditions of the test.	Stepan Study No. 94-006K
Reverse Mutation Assay (Ames Test) (neat material)	Non-mutagenic under the conditions of the test.	Stepan Study No. 94-006L

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