# Nitro Blue Tetrazolium (chloride)
## SAFETY DATA SHEET

**Section 1. Identification of the Substance/Mixture and of the Company/Undertaking**

### 1.1 Product Code:
17341

**Product Name:** Nitro Blue Tetrazolium (chloride)

**Synonyms:**
2,2′-(3,3′-dimethoxy[1,1′-biphenyl]-4,4′-diyl)bis[3-(4-nitrophenyl)-5-phenyl-2H-tetrazolium, dichloride; NBT; p-Nitroblue Tetrazolium; Nitrotetrazolium Blue; NSC 27622;

### 1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against:

**Relevant identified uses:** For research use only, not for human or veterinary use.

### 1.3 Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet:

**Company Name:** Cayman Chemical Company  
1180 E. Ellsworth Rd.  
Ann Arbor, MI 48108

**Web site address:** www.caymanchem.com

**Information:**  
Cayman Chemical Company  
+1 (734)971-3335

### 1.4 Emergency telephone number:

**Emergency Contact:** CHEMTREC Within USA and Canada: +1 (800)424-9300  
CHEMTREC Outside USA and Canada: +1 (703)527-3887

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## Section 2. Hazards Identification

### 2.1 Classification of the Substance or Mixture:

- **Acute Toxicity:** Oral, Category 4
- **Skin Corrosion/Irritation:** Category 2
- **Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation:** Category 2A
- **Specific Target Organ Toxicity (single exposure):** Category 3

### 2.2 Label Elements:

- **GHS Signal Word:** Warning
- **GHS Hazard Phrases:**
  - H302: Harmful if swallowed.
  - H315: Causes skin irritation.
  - H319: Causes serious eye irritation.
  - H335: May cause respiratory irritation.
- **GHS Precautionary Phrases:**
  - P261: Avoid breathing (dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray).
  - P264: Wash (hands) thoroughly after handling.
  - P280: Wear (protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection).
- **GHS Response Phrases:**
  - P301+312: IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
  - P302+352: IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
  - P304+340: IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
  - P305+351+338: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
  - P312: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
  - P330: Rinse mouth.
  - P332+313: If skin irritation occurs, get medical advice/attention.
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P337+313: If eye irritation persists, get medical advice/attention.
P362+364: Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

GHS Storage and Disposal Phrases:
Please refer to Section 7 for Storage and Section 13 for Disposal information.

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2.3 Adverse Human Health Effects and Symptoms:
Causes serious eye irritation.
Causes skin irritation.
Harmful if swallowed.
Material may be irritating to the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.
May be harmful by inhalation or skin absorption.
May cause respiratory system irritation.

To the best of our knowledge, the toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Section 3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

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<td>STOT (SE) 3: H335 H336</td>
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Section 4. First Aid Measures

4.1 Description of First Aid Measures:
In Case of Inhalation: Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration or give oxygen by trained personnel. Get immediate medical attention.
In Case of Skin Contact: Immediately wash skin with soap and plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing. Get medical attention if symptoms occur. Wash clothing before reuse.
In Case of Eye Contact: Hold eyelids apart and flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Have eyes examined and tested by medical personnel.
In Case of Ingestion: Wash out mouth with water provided person is conscious. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical attention. Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel.

Section 5. Fire Fighting Measures

5.1 Suitable Extinguishing Media:
Use alcohol-resistant foam, carbon dioxide, water, or dry chemical spray.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media:
Use water spray to cool fire-exposed containers.
A solid water stream may be inefficient.

5.2 Flammable Properties and Hazards:
No data available.

Flash Pt:
No data.

Explosive Limits:
LEL: No data. UEL: No data.

Autoignition Pt:
No data.

5.3 Fire Fighting Instructions:
As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand (NIOSH approved or equivalent), and full protective gear to prevent contact with skin and eyes.
Section 6. Accidental Release Measures

6.1 Protective Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures: Avoid raising and breathing dust, and provide adequate ventilation. As conditions warrant, wear a NIOSH approved self-contained breathing apparatus, or respirator, and appropriate personal protection (rubber boots, safety goggles, and heavy rubber gloves).

6.2 Environmental Precautions: Take steps to avoid release into the environment, if safe to do so.

6.3 Methods and Material For Containment and Cleaning: Contain spill and collect, as appropriate. Transfer to a chemical waste container for disposal in accordance with local regulations.

Section 7. Handling and Storage

7.1 Precautions To Be Taken in Handling: Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

7.2 Precautions To Be Taken in Storing: Keep container tightly closed. Store in accordance with information listed on the product insert.

Section 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

8.1 Exposure Parameters:

8.2 Exposure Controls:

8.2.1 Engineering Controls: Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to control airborne levels below recommended exposure limits.

8.2.2 Personal protection equipment:

Eye Protection: Safety glasses
Protective Gloves: Compatible chemical-resistant gloves
Other Protective Clothing: Lab coat
Respiratory Equipment: NIOSH approved respirator, as conditions warrant. (Specify Type):
Work/Hygienic/Maintenance Practices: Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash and a safety shower. Wash thoroughly after handling. Do not take internally. No data available.

Section 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

9.1 Information on Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical States: [ ] Gas [ ] Liquid [ X ] Solid
Appearance and Odor: A crystalline solid
pH: No data.
Melting Point: No data.
Boiling Point: No data.
Flash Pt: No data.
Evaporation Rate: No data.
Flammability (solid, gas): No data available.
Explosive Limits: LEL: No data. UEL: No data.
Vapor Pressure (vs. Air or mm Hg): No data.
Vapor Density (vs. Air = 1): No data.
**Section 10. Stability and Reactivity**

10.1 Reactivity: No data available.

10.2 Stability: Unstable [ ] Stable [ X ]

10.3 Stability Note(s): Stable if stored in accordance with information listed on the product insert.

10.4 Conditions To Avoid: No data available.

10.5 Incompatibility - Materials: strong oxidizing agents

To Avoid:

10.6 Hazardous: carbon dioxide

Decomposition or Byproducts: hydrogen chloride gas

nitrogen oxides

**Section 11. Toxicological Information**

11.1 Information on Toxicological Effects: The toxicological effects of this product have not been thoroughly studied.

Toxicological Effects: Nitro Blue Tetrazolium (chloride) - Toxicity Data: Oral LD50 (mouse): 2 gm/kg;

Chronic Toxicological Effects: Nitro Blue Tetrazolium (chloride) - Investigated as a mutagen. Only select Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) data is presented here. See actual entry in RTECS for complete information. Nitro Blue Tetrazolium (chloride) RTECS Number: XF8045000

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**Section 12. Ecological Information**

12.1 Toxicity: Avoid release into the environment.

Runoff from fire control or dilution water may cause pollution.

12.2 Persistence and Degradability: No data available.

12.3 Bioaccumulative Potential: No data available.

12.4 Mobility in Soil: No data available.

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment: No data available.

12.6 Other adverse effects: No data available.
Section 13. Disposal Considerations

13.1 Waste Disposal Method: Dispose in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations.

Section 14. Transport Information

14.1 LAND TRANSPORT (US DOT):
   DOT Proper Shipping Name: Not dangerous goods.
   DOT Hazard Class: 
   UN/NA Number: 

14.1 LAND TRANSPORT (European ADR/RID):
   ADR/RID Shipping Name: Not dangerous goods.
   UN Number: 
   Hazard Class: 

14.3 AIR TRANSPORT (ICAO/IATA):
   ICAO/IATA Shipping Name: Not dangerous goods.
   UN Number: Packing Group: 
   Hazard Class: 
   Additional Transport Information: Transport in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations.

Section 15. Regulatory Information

EPA SARA (Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986) Lists

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Regulatory Information Statement: This SDS was prepared in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.1200 and Regulation (EC) No.1272/2008.

Section 16. Other Information

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Additional Information About This Product: No data available.

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