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#### 1. Identification

Product identifier used on the label

## MOTHEREARTH® GRANULAR SCATTER BAIT

#### Recommended use of the chemical and restriction on use

Recommended use\*: insecticide

## Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company:

BASF CORPORATION 100 Park Avenue Florham Park, NJ 07932, USA

Telephone: +1 973 245-6000

## **Emergency telephone number**

CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300

BASF HOTLINE: 1-800-832-HELP (4357)

Registrant:

Whitmire Micro-Gen Research Laboratories, Inc.

3568 Tree Court Industrial Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63122

## Other means of identification

Substance number: 395344 EPA Register number: 499-515 Synonyms: Boric acid

### 2. Hazards Identification

## According to Regulation 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard; 29 CFR Part 1910.1200

## Classification of the product

No need for classification according to GHS criteria for this product.

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#### Label elements

The product does not require a hazard warning label in accordance with GHS criteria.

#### Hazards not otherwise classified

#### Labeling of special preparations (GHS):

This product is not combustible in the form in which it is shipped by the manufacturer, but may form a combustible dust through downstream activities (e.g. grinding, pulverizing) that reduce its particle size.

### According to Regulation 1994 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard; 29 CFR Part 1910.1200

## **Emergency overview**

CAUTION:

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS.

HARMFUL IF ABSORBED THROUGH SKIN.

Moderately irritating to the eyes.

Avoid contact with the skin, eyes and clothing.

Wash thoroughly after handling.

## 3. Composition / Information on Ingredients

## According to Regulation 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard; 29 CFR Part 1910.1200

CAS Number	<u>Weight %</u>	Chemical name
10043-35-3	5.0 %	boric acid
57-50-1	> 1.0 - < 5.0%	Sucrose
8002-75-3	> 7.0 - < 15.0%	Palm oil

## According to Regulation 1994 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard; 29 CFR Part 1910.1200

CAS Number	<u>Weight %</u>	Chemical name
10043-35-3	5.0 %	Boric acid (H3BO3)
	95.0 %	Proprietary ingredients

## 4. First-Aid Measures

## Description of first aid measures

### **General advice:**

First aid providers should wear personal protective equipment to prevent exposure. Remove contaminated clothing. Move person to fresh air. If person is not breathing, call 911 or ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth if possible. Call a poison control center or physician for treatment advice. Have the product container or label with you when calling a poison control center or doctor or going for treatment.

#### If inhaled:

Remove the affected individual into fresh air and keep the person calm.

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#### If on skin:

Rinse skin immediately with plenty of water for 15 - 20 minutes.

#### If in eyes:

Hold eyes open and rinse slowly and gently with water for 15 to 20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after first 5 minutes, then continue rinsing.

#### If swallowed:

Never induce vomiting or give anything by mouth if the victim is unconscious or having convulsions. Do not induce vomiting. Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow.

## Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms: The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2) and/or in section 11., Further important symptoms and effects are so far not known.

## Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Note to physician

Treatment: Symptomatic treatment (decontamination, vital functions).

## 5. Fire-Fighting Measures

## **Extinguishing media**

Suitable extinguishing media: foam, dry powder, water spray

Unsuitable extinguishing media for safety reasons: carbon dioxide

## Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Hazards during fire-fighting:

carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide,

If product is heated above decomposition temperature, toxic vapours will be released. The substances/groups of substances mentioned can be released in case of fire.

#### **Advice for fire-fighters**

Protective equipment for fire-fighting:

Firefighters should be equipped with self-contained breathing apparatus and turn-out gear.

#### Further information:

Evacuate area of all unnecessary personnel. Contain contaminated water/firefighting water. Do not allow to enter drains or waterways. Dusty conditions may ignite explosively in the presence of an ignition source causing flash fire.

## 6. Accidental release measures

## Further accidental release measures:

Avoid dispersal of dust in the air (i.e., clearing dust surfaces with compressed air). Avoid the formation and build-up of dust - danger of dust explosion. Dust in sufficient concentration can result in an explosive mixture in air. Handle to minimize dusting and eliminate open flame and other sources of ignition.

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## Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Take appropriate protective measures. Clear area. Shut off source of leak only under safe conditions. Extinguish sources of ignition nearby and downwind. Ensure adequate ventilation. Wear suitable personal protective clothing and equipment.

## **Environmental precautions**

Do not discharge into the subsoil/soil. Do not discharge into drains/surface waters/groundwater. Contain contaminated water/firefighting water. A spill of or in excess of the reportable quantity requires notification to state, local and national emergency authorities. This product is not regulated by CERCLA ('Superfund').

## Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Dike spillage. Sweep/shovel up. Avoid raising dust. Use wet cleaning methods when applicable. Place into suitable containers for reuse or disposal in a licensed facility. Spilled substance/product should be recovered and applied according to label rates whenever possible. If application of spilled substance/product is not possible, then spills should be contained, solidified, and placed in suitable containers for disposal. After decontamination, spill area can be washed with water. Collect wash water for approved disposal.

For small amounts: Contain with dust binding material and dispose of.

For large amounts: Sweep/shovel up.

Avoid raising dust. Dispose of absorbed material in accordance with regulations. Collect waste in suitable containers, which can be labeled and sealed. Clean contaminated floors and objects thoroughly with water and detergents, observing environmental regulations.

## 7. Handling and Storage

#### Precautions for safe handling

RECOMMENDATIONS ARE FOR MANUFACTURING, COMMERCIAL BLENDING, AND PACKAGING WORKERS. PESTICIDE APPLICATORS & WORKERS must refer to the Product Label and Directions for Use attached to the product. Provide good ventilation of working area (local exhaust ventilation if necessary). Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Keep container tightly sealed. Protect against heat. Handle and open container with care. Do not open until ready to use. Once container is opened, content should be used as soon as possible. Provide means for controlling leaks and spills. Follow label warnings even after container is emptied. The substance/product may be handled only by appropriately trained personnel. Avoid all direct contact with the substance/product. Avoid contact with the skin, eyes and clothing. Avoid inhalation of dusts/mists/vapours. Wear suitable personal protective clothing and equipment.

### Protection against fire and explosion:

The relevant fire protection measures should be noted. Fire extinguishers should be kept handy. Avoid all sources of ignition: heat, sparks, open flame. Avoid extreme heat. Ground all transfer equipment properly to prevent electrostatic discharge. Electrostatic discharge may cause ignition. Avoid dust formation. Dust in sufficient concentration can result in an explosive mixture in air. Handle to minimize dusting and eliminate open flame and other sources of ignition. Routine housekeeping should be instituted to ensure that dusts do not accumulate on surfaces. Dry powders can build static electricity charges when subjected to the friction of transfer and mixing operations. Provide adequate precautions, such as electrical grounding and bonding, or inert atmospheres. Refer to NFPA 654, Standard for the Prevention of Fire and Dust Explosions from the Manufacturing, Processing, and Handling of Combustible Particulate Solids (2013 Edition) for safe handling.

#### Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Segregate from incompatible substances. Segregate from foods and animal feeds. Segregate from textiles and similar materials.

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Further information on storage conditions: Protect containers from physical damage. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area. Avoid all sources of ignition: heat, sparks, open flame.

#### Storage stability:

May be kept indefinitely if stored properly.

If an expiry date is mentioned on the packaging/label this takes priority over the statements on storage duration in this safety data sheet.

## 8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Users of a pesticidal product should refer to the product label for personal protective equipment requirements.

#### Components with occupational exposure limits

Sucrose OSHA PEL PEL 5 mg/m3 Respirable fraction ; PEL 15

mg/m3 Total dust; TWA value 15 mg/m3 Total dust; TWA value 5 mg/m3 Respirable fraction

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ACGIH TLV TWA value 10 mg/m3;

boric acid

ACGIH TLV TWA value 2 mg/m3; STEL value 6 mg/m3;

TWA value 2 mg/m3 Inhalable fraction; STEL value 6 mg/m3 Inhalable fraction; TWA value 2 mg/m3 Inhalable fraction; STEL value 6

mg/m3 Inhalable fraction;

Palm oil OSHA PEL PEL 5 mg/m3 Respirable fraction; PEL 15

mg/m3 Total dust; TWA value 15 mg/m3 Total dust; TWA value 5 mg/m3 Respirable fraction

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## Advice on system design:

Whenever possible, engineering controls should be used to minimize the need for personal protective equipment. It is recommended that all dust control equipment such as local exhaust ventilation and material transport systems involved in handling of this product contain explosion relief vents or an explosion suppression system or an oxygen deficient environment. Ensure that dust-handling systems (such as exhaust ducts, dust collectors, vessels, and processing equipment) are designed in a manner to prevent the escape of dust into the work area (i.e., there is no leakage from the equipment). Use only appropriately classified electrical equipment and powered industrial trucks.

## Personal protective equipment

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MANUFACTURING, COMMERCIAL BLENDING, AND PACKAGING WORKERS:

#### Respiratory protection:

Wear respiratory protection if ventilation is inadequate. Wear a NIOSH-certified (or equivalent) organic vapour/particulate respirator. For situations where the airborne concentrations may exceed the level for which an air purifying respirator is effective, or where the levels are unknown or Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health (IDLH), use NIOSH-certified full facepiece pressure demand self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) or a full facepiece pressure demand supplied-air respirator (SAR) with escape provisions.

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#### Hand protection:

Chemical resistant protective gloves, Protective glove selection must be based on the user's assessment of the workplace hazards.

#### Eye protection:

Safety glasses with side-shields. Tightly fitting safety goggles (chemical goggles). Wear face shield if splashing hazard exists.

#### **Body protection:**

Body protection must be chosen depending on activity and possible exposure, e.g. head protection, apron, protective boots, chemical-protection suit.

## General safety and hygiene measures:

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MANUFACTURING, COMMERCIAL BLENDING, AND PACKAGING WORKERS Wear long sleeved work shirt and long work pants in addition to other stated personal protective equipment. Work place should be equipped with a shower and an eye wash. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Personal protective equipment should be decontaminated prior to reuse. Gloves must be inspected regularly and prior to each use. Replace if necessary (e.g. pinhole leaks). Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Store work clothing separately. Hands and/or face should be washed before breaks and at the end of the shift. No eating, drinking, smoking or tobacco use at the place of work. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs.

## 9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Form: granules

Odour: almost odourless

Odour threshold: Not determined due to potential health hazard by inhalation.

Colour: yellow to dark yellow pH value: approx. 3 - 5

(30 g/l, 20 °C)

The values mentioned are those of

the active ingredient.

Melting point: not determined

Boiling point: The product has not been tested. Flash point: not applicable, the product is a solid

Flammability: not highly flammable

Lower explosion limit: As a result of our experience with this

product and our knowledge of its composition we do not expect any hazard as long as the product is used appropriately and in accordance with

the intended use.

Upper explosion limit: As a result of our experience with this

product and our knowledge of its composition we do not expect any hazard as long as the product is used appropriately and in accordance with

the intended use.

Bulk density: 0.6169 kg/m3

(20°C)

Vapour density: not applicable

Self-ignition not self-igniting The statements are temperature: based on the properties of the

individual components.

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Thermal decomposition: carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide

Stable at ambient temperature. If product is heated above decomposition temperature toxic vapours may be released. To

avoid thermal decomposition, do not overheat.

Viscosity, dynamic: not applicable, the product is a solid

Solubility in water: not soluble Evaporation rate: not applicable

Other Information: If necessary, information on other physical and chemical

parameters is indicated in this section.

## 10. Stability and Reactivity

#### Reactivity

No hazardous reactions if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

Corrosion to metals:

Corrosive effects to metal are not anticipated.

Oxidizing properties: not fire-propagating

## **Chemical stability**

The product is stable if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated.

## Possibility of hazardous reactions

The product is chemically stable.

### Conditions to avoid

Avoid all sources of ignition: heat, sparks, open flame. Avoid prolonged storage. Avoid electro-static discharge. Avoid contamination. Avoid prolonged exposure to extreme heat. Avoid extreme temperatures. This product may form an explosive mixture if: 1. the dust is suspended in the atmosphere as a dust cloud AND 2. the concentration of the dust is above the lower explosion limit (LEL) AND 3. the limiting oxygen concentration (LOC) is exceeded.

## Incompatible materials

No substances known that should be avoided.

## **Hazardous decomposition products**

Decomposition products:

No hazardous decomposition products if stored and handled as prescribed/indicated., Prolonged thermal loading can result in products of degradation being given off.

Thermal decomposition:

Possible thermal decomposition products:

carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide

Stable at ambient temperature. If product is heated above decomposition temperature toxic vapours may be released. To avoid thermal decomposition, do not overheat.

## 11. Toxicological information

## Primary routes of exposure

Routes of entry for solids and liquids are ingestion and inhalation, but may include eye or skin contact. Routes of entry for gases include inhalation and eye contact. Skin contact may be a route of entry for liquefied gases.

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## **Acute Toxicity/Effects**

#### Acute toxicity

Assessment of acute toxicity: Relatively nontoxic after single ingestion. Slightly toxic after short-term skin contact.

#### Oral

Type of value: LD50 Species: rat

Value: > 5,000 mg/kg

#### Inhalation

The product has not been tested.

#### Derma

Type of value: LD50 Species: rabbit Value: > 2,000 mg/kg

#### Irritation / corrosion

Assessment of irritating effects: May cause moderate but temporary irritation to the eyes. May cause slight irritation to the skin.

#### Skin

May cause slight irritation to the skin.

#### <u>Eye</u>

May cause slight irritation to the eyes.

## Sensitization

Assessment of sensitization: Skin sensitizing effects were not observed in animal studies.

#### Buehler test

Species: guinea pig

Result: Skin sensitizing effects were not observed in animal studies.

## **Chronic Toxicity/Effects**

#### Repeated dose toxicity

Assessment of repeated dose toxicity: The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

#### Information on: Boric acid (H3BO3)

Assessment of repeated dose toxicity: The substance may cause damage to the testes after repeated ingestion.

#### Genetic toxicity

Assessment of mutagenicity: The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components. Mutagenicity tests revealed no genotoxic potential.

#### Carcinogenicity

Assessment of carcinogenicity: The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components. The results of various animal studies gave no indication of a carcinogenic effect.

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#### Reproductive toxicity

Assessment of reproduction toxicity: The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

Information on: Boric acid (H3BO3)

Assessment of reproduction toxicity: Causes impairment of fertility in laboratory animals. EU-

classification

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#### Teratogenicity

Assessment of teratogenicity: The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

Information on: Boric acid (H3BO3)

Assessment of teratogenicity: The substance caused malformations/developmental toxicity in

laboratory animals. EU-classification

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#### Other Information

Misuse can be harmful to health.

## Symptoms of Exposure

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2) and/or in section 11., Further important symptoms and effects are so far not known.

## 12. Ecological Information

## **Toxicity**

Aquatic toxicity

Assessment of aquatic toxicity:

There is a high probability that the product is not acutely harmful to fish. There is a high probability that the product is not acutely harmful to aquatic invertebrates. Acutely harmful for aquatic plants.

## Toxicity to fish

Information on: boric acid LC50 (96 h) 125 mg/l (static)

The details of the toxic effect relate to the nominal concentration.

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#### Aquatic invertebrates

Information on: boric acid

LC50 (48 h) 133 mg/l, Daphnia magna (static)

The details of the toxic effect relate to the nominal concentration.

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## Aquatic plants

Information on: boric acid

EC50 (72 h) 52.4 mg/l (growth rate), Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (OECD Guideline 201, static) EC10 (72 h) 35 mg/l (growth rate), Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (OECD Guideline 201, static)

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## **Bioaccumulative potential**

## Assessment bioaccumulation potential

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

## Mobility in soil

#### Assessment transport between environmental compartments

The product has not been tested. The statement has been derived from the properties of the individual components.

#### Additional information

Other ecotoxicological advice:

Do not discharge product into the environment without control.

## 13. Disposal considerations

#### Waste disposal of substance:

Pesticide wastes are regulated. Improper disposal of excess pesticide, spray mix or rinsate is a violation of federal law. If pesticide wastes cannot be disposed of according to label instructions, contact the State Pesticide or Environmental Control Agency or the Hazardous Waste representative at the nearest EPA Regional Office for guidance.

#### Container disposal:

Do not cut, puncture, crush, or incinerate empty aerosol containers. Consult state or local disposal authorities for approved alternative procedures such as container recycling.

## 14. Transport Information

#### Land transport

**USDOT** 

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

## Sea transport

**IMDG** 

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

## Air transport

Not classified as a dangerous good under transport regulations

## 15. Regulatory Information

## **Federal Regulations**

## Registration status:

Crop Protection TSCA, US released / exempt

Chemical TSCA, US blocked / not listed

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EPCRA 311/312 (Hazard categories): Acute; Chronic

#### State regulations

<u>State RTK</u> <u>CAS Number</u> <u>Chemical name</u>

PA 57-50-1 Sucrose 8002-75-3 Palm oil MA 57-50-1 Sucrose 8002-75-3 Palm oil

**NFPA Hazard codes:** 

Health: 1 Fire: 1 Reactivity: 1 Special:

## Labeling requirements under FIFRA

This chemical is a pesticide product registered by the Environmental Protection Agency and is subject to certain labeling requirements under federal pesticide law. These requirements differ from the classification criteria and hazard information required for safety data sheets, and workplace labels of non-pesticide chemicals. Following is the hazard information as required on the pesticide label.

#### CAUTION:

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN.

KEEP OUT OF REACH OF DOMESTIC ANIMALS.

HARMFUL IF ABSORBED THROUGH SKIN.

May cause moderate but temporary irritation to the eyes.

Avoid contact with the skin, eyes and clothing.

Wash thoroughly after handling.

### 16. Other Information

#### SDS Prepared by:

BASF NA Product Regulations SDS Prepared on: 2015/06/01

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