SAFETY DATA SHEET (SDS)  
Nickel Metal Hydride Battery

Section 1 - Product and Company Identification

Manufactured For: Separation Technology, Inc.  
An EKF Diagnostics Company  
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Sanford, FL 32771 USA  
Phone Number: 407-788-8791  
Emergency Phone Number: 703-527-3887

Product Name: Nickel Metal Hydride Battery  
Generic Name: Battery pack  
Catalog No: 280-104

Recommended Use:  
For powering the HemataStat and Creamatocrit Plus centrifuges.

Restrictions on Use:  
It is not intended for use with other centrifuges or products

Section 2 - Hazards Identification

- Most important hazard and effects  
For the battery cell, chemical materials are stored in a hermetically sealed metal case, designed to withstand temperatures and pressures encountered during normal use. As a result, during normal use, there is no physical danger of ignition or explosion and chemical danger of hazardous materials' leakage.

However, if exposed to a fire, added mechanical shocks, decomposed, added electric stress by misuse, the gas release vent will be operated. The battery cell case will be breached at the extreme. Hazardous materials may be released.

Moreover, if heated strongly by the surrounding fire, acrid or harmful fume may be emitted.

Human health effects:
- Inhalation: The electrolyte inhalation affects the respiratory tract membrane and the lungs. Fume may cause a cough, chest pain and dyspnea. Bronchitis and pneumonia may occur. Possibly could be carcinogen.
- Skin contact: The electrolyte skin contact affects the skin seriously and may cause dermatitis.
- Eye contact: The electrolyte leaked from the battery cell is strong alkali. When it goes into an eye, the cornea may be affected and it may lead to blindness.
- Ingestion: The electrolyte ingestion irritates the mouth and the throat seriously results in vomiting, nausea, hematemesis, stomach pains and diarrhea.

Environmental effects: Since a battery cell remains in the environment, do not throw out it into the environment.

- Specific hazards: As previously described.
Section 3 - Composition / Information on Ingredients

- Substance or preparation: Preparation
- Information about the chemical nature of product

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Section 4 - First-Aid Measures

- Internal cell materials of an opened battery cell
  - Inhalation: Cover the victim in a blanket, move to the place of fresh air and keep quiet. Seek medical attention immediately. When dyspnea (breathing difficulty) or asphyxia (breath-hold) give artificial respiration immediately.
  - Skin contact: Remove contaminated clothes and shoes immediately. Wash the adherence or contact region with soap and plenty of water. Seek medical attention immediately.
  - Eye contact: Immediately flush eyes with water continuously for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention immediately.
- A battery cell and internal cell materials of an opened battery cell
  - Ingestion: Do not induce vomiting. Seek medical attention immediately.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

- Although a battery cell is not flammability, in case of fire, move it to the safe place quickly. The following measures are taken when it cannot be moved.
  - Suitable extinguishing media: Dry sand, chemical powder fire extinguishing medium.
  - Specific hazards: Acrid or harmful fume is emitted during fire.
  - Special protective equipment for firefighters: Protective equipment written in Section 8.

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

- Internal cell materials, such as electrolyte leaked from battery cell, are carefully dealt with according to the following.
  - Personal precautions: Forbid unauthorized person to enter. Remove leaked materials with protective equipment. Environmental precautions: Do not throw out into the environment.
  - Method of recovery and neutralization: Dilute the leaked electrolyte with water and neutralize with diluted sulfuric acid. The leaked solid is moved to a container. The leaked place is fully flushed with water.
Section 7 - Handling And Storage

- Handling
  Technical measures
  Prevention of user exposure: Not necessary under normal use.
  Prevention of fire and explosion: Not necessary under normal use.
  Precaution for safe handling: Do not damage or remove the external tube.
  Specific safe handling advice: Never throw out cells in a fire or expose to high temperatures. Do not soak cells in water and seawater. Do not expose to strong oxidizers. Do not give a strong mechanical shock or throw down. Never disassemble, modify or deform. Do not connect the positive terminal to the negative terminal with electrically conductive material. In the case of charging, use only dedicated charger or charge according to the conditions specified by FDK.

- Storage
  Technical measures
  Storage conditions (suitable to be avoided): Avoid direct sunlight, high temperature, high humidity.
  Store in cool place (temperature: -20 ~ 30 degree C, humidity: from 40 to 80%).
  Incompatible products: Conductive materials, water, seawater, strong oxidizers and strong acids
  Packing material (recommended, not suitable): Insulative and tear-proof materials are recommended.

Section 8 - Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

- Engineering measures:
  No engineering measure is necessary during normal use. In case of internal cell materials’ leakage, the information below will be useful.

- Control parameters:

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ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, Inc.
TLV-TWA: Threshold Limit Value-time weighted average concentration
BEI: Biological Exposure Indices

- Personal protective equipment
  Respiratory protection: Protective mask
  Hand protection: Protective gloves
Eye protection: Protective glasses designed to protect against liquid splashes
Skin and body protection: Working clothes with long sleeve and long trousers

Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

- **Appearance**
  - **Physical state:** Solid
  - **Form:** Cylindrical and Prismatic
  - **Color:** Metallic color (without tube/label)
  - **Odor:** No odor
- **pH:** NA
- **Specific temperatures/temperature ranges at which changes in physical state occur:** There is no useful information for the product as a mixture.
- **Flash point:** NA
- **Explosion properties:** NA
- **Density:** Around 1.5 ~ 6.0g/cm³
- **Solubility, with indication of the solvent(s): Insoluble in water

Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

- **Stability:** Stable under normal use
- **Hazardous reactions occurring under specific conditions**
  - By misuse of a battery cell or the like, oxygen or hydrogen accumulates in the cell and the internal pressure rises. These gases may be emitted through the gas release vent. When fire is near, these gases may take fire.
  - When a battery cell is heated strongly by the surrounding fire, acrid or harmful fume may be emitted.
- **Conditions to avoid:** Direct sunlight, high temperature and high humidity
- **Materials to avoid:** Conductive materials, water, seawater, strong oxidizers and strong acids
- **Hazardous decomposition products:** Acrid or harmful fume is emitted during fire.

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

There is no data available on the product itself. The information of the internal cell materials is as follows.

**Nickel, Nickel Compounds**

- **Acute toxicity:**
  - Oral: GHS: out of Category
  - Skin: Unknown
  - Inhalation (gas): GHS: exempt from a classification
  - Inhalation (steam): Unknown
  - Inhalation (mist): Unknown
- **Skin corrosivity:** Unknown
- **Serious damage and irritant property for eyes:** Unknown
- **Respiratory or skin sensitization:**
  - Respiratory sensitization: GHS: Category 1
    - The allergy, asthma or breathing difficulties might be caused when inhaling.
  - Skin sensitization: GHS: Category 1
    - The allergic skin reaction might be caused.
- **Germline mutagenicity:** GHS: It is not possible to classify it due to data deficiency.
- **Carcinogenicity:** GHS: Category 2
  - ACGIH: (Metal) A5 – Not suspected as a human carcinogen
ACGIH: (water-soluble compounds) A4 – Not classified as a human carcinogen obviously
ACGIH: (Insoluble compounds) A1 – Confirmed human carcinogen
NIOSH: Potential occupational carcinogen
NTP: Reasonably anticipated to be human carcinogen IARC:
(Metal) Group 2B possibly carcinogenic to human IARC:
(Compounds) Group 1 carcinogenic to human

- Reproduction Toxicity:
  GHS: It is not possible to classify it due to data deficiency.
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (single exposure):
  GHS: Category 1 (respiratory organ and kidney).
  The disorder of the respiratory organ and the kidney is caused.
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (repeated exposure):
  GHS: Category 1 (respiratory organ).
  The disorder of the respiratory organ is caused by long-term or repeated exposure.

Cobalt Compounds
- Acute toxicity:
  Oral                  GHS: out of Category.
  Skin                  Unknown.
  Inhalation (gas)      GHS: exempt from a classification
  Inhalation (steam)   Unknown
  Inhalation (mist)     GHS: It is not possible to classify it due to data deficiency
- Skin corrosivity:    Unknown.
- Serious damage and irritant property for eyes:     Unknown
- Respiratory or skin sensitization:
  Respiratory sensitization:  GHS: Category 1
  The allergy, asthma or breathing difficulties might be caused when inhaling.
  Skin sensitization:       GHS: Category 1
  The allergic skin reaction might be caused.
- Germline mutagenicity: Unknown
- Carcinogenicity:
  GHS: Category 2
  ACGIH: A3 – Confirmed animal carcinogen but relevance to human carcinogen is unknown. IARC: Group 2B
  Possibly carcinogenic to human
  The cancer might be caused.
- Reproduction Toxicity:
  GHS: Category 2.
  The adverse effect on reproductive competence or the fetus might occur.
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (single exposure):
  GHS: Category 3 (respiratory tract irritating properties)
  The respiratory organ might be stimulated
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (repeated exposure)
  GHS: Category 1 (respiratory organ)
  The disorder of the respiratory organ is caused by long-term or repeated exposure.

Manganese compounds
- Acute toxicity:
  Oral                  GHS: out of Category.
  Skin                  Unknown.
  Inhalation (gas)      GHS: exempt from a classification.
  Inhalation (steam)   Unknown.
- Serious damage and irritant property for eyes:     GHS: Category 2B.  Eye stimulation.
- Respiratory or skin sensitization:
Respiratory sensitization: Unknown.
Skin sensitization: Unknown.

- Germline mutagenicity: GHS: It is not possible to classify.
- Carcinogenicity: GHS: out of Category.
- Reproduction Toxicity: GHS: Category 1B.
  The adverse effect on reproductive competence or the fetus might occur.
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (single exposure):
  GHS: Category 1(respiratory organ).
  The disorder of the respiratory organ is caused.
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (repeated exposure):
  GHS: Category 1(respiratory organ, nerve).
  The disorder of the respiratory organ and nerve system is caused by long-term or repeated inhalation exposure.

**Aluminum Compounds**

- Acute toxicity:
  oral, skin, inhalation(steam, dust) Unknown.
- Skin corrosivity: Unknown.
- Serious damage and irritant property for eyes: Unknown.
- Respiratory or skin sensitization:
  Respiratory sensitization: Unknown.
  Skin sensitization: Unknown.
- Germline mutagenicity: Unknown.
- Carcinogenicity: Unknown.
- Reproduction Toxicity: Unknown.
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (single exposure): Unknown.
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (repeated exposure):
  GHS: Category 1 and 2.
  The disorder of the pulmonary is caused by long-term or repeated inhalation exposure. (Category 1)
  The disorder of the nerve system by long-term or repeated oral exposure might be caused. (Category 2)

**Zinc oxide**

- Acute toxicity:
  Oral rat LD50 > 5000mg/kg
  Inhalation (dust, mist) rat LC50 > 5.7mg/l The harmful might be caused when inhaling.
- Skin corrosivity: GHS: out of Category.
- Serious damage and irritant property for eyes: GHS: out of Category.
- Respiratory or skin sensitization:
  Respiratory sensitization: Unknown.
  Skin sensitization: GHS: out of Category.
- Germline mutagenicity: Unknown.
- Carcinogenicity: GHS: out of Category.
- Reproduction Toxicity: GHS: out of Category.
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (single exposure):
  GHS: Category 1.
  The disorder of the whole body
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (repeated exposure):
  GHS: Category 1.
  The disorder of the pulmonary is caused by long-term or repeated inhalation exposure.
Carbon Black

- **Acute toxicity:**
  - Oral rat LD50 >15400 mg/kg
  - Skin Unknown.
  - Inhalation (dust) Unknown.
- **Skin corrosivity:** Unknown.
- **Serious damage and irritant property for eyes:** Unknown.
- **Respiratory or skin sensitization:**
  - Respiratory sensitization: Unknown.
  - Skin sensitization: Unknown.
- **Germline mutagenicity:** Unknown.
- **Carcinogenicity:**
  - GHS: Category 2
  - ACGIH: A3 –Confirmed animal carcinogen but relevance to human carcinogen is unknown.
  - IARC: Group 2B Possibly carcinogenic to humans.
  - The cancer might be caused.
- **Reproduction Toxicity:** Unknown.
- **Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (single exposure):** Unknown.
- **Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (repeated exposure):**
  - GHS: Category 1
  - The disorder of the pulmonary is caused by long-term or repeated inhalation exposure.

Potassium Hydroxide

- **Acute toxicity:**
  - Oral GHS: Category 3. Harmful if swallowed.
  - Skin GHS: It is not possible to classify.
  - Inhalation (steam) GHS: It is not possible to classify.
  - Inhalation (dust) GHS: It is not possible to classify.
- **Skin corrosivity:** GHS: Category 1B.
  - Serious chemical wound of the skin and damage of eyes is caused.
- **Serious damage and irritant property for eyes:** GHS: Category 1.
- **Respiratory or skin sensitization:**
  - Respiratory sensitization: GHS: It is not possible to classify.
  - Skin sensitization: GHS: out of Category.
- **Germline mutagenicity:** GHS: out of Category.
- **Carcinogenicity:** GHS: It is not possible to classify.
- **Reproduction Toxicity:** GHS: It is not possible to classify.
- **Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (single exposure):**
  - GHS: Category 1.
  - The disorder of the respiratory system is caused.
- **Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (repeated exposure)**
  - GHS: It is not possible to classify.

Sodium Hydroxide

- **Acute toxicity:**
  - Oral GHS: It is not possible to classify.
  - Skin GHS: It is not possible to classify.
  - Inhalation (gas) GHS: out of Category.
  - Inhalation (steam) Unknown.
  - Inhalation (dust) Unknown.
- **Skin corrosivity:** GHS: Category 1.
  - Serious chemical wound of the skin and damage of eyes is caused.
- **Serious damage and irritant property for eyes:** GHS: Category 1. Serious damage of eyes is caused.
- Respiratory or skin sensitization:
  - Respiratory sensitization: GHS: It is not possible to classify.
  - Skin sensitization: GHS: out of Category.
- Germline mutagenicity: GHS: out of Category.
- Carcinogenicity: GHS: It is not possible to classify.
- Reproduction Toxicity: GHS: It is not possible to classify.
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (single exposure):
  - GHS: Category 1 (respiratory system).
    - The disorder of the respiratory organ is caused.
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (repeated exposure):
  - GHS: It is not possible to classify.

**Lithium Hydroxide**

- Acute toxicity:
  - Oral GHS: Category 3. Harmful if swallowed.
  - Skin Unknown.
  - Inhalation (steam) Unknown.
  - Inhalation (dust) GHS: Category 3. Harmful if inhaled.
- Skin corrosivity: GHS: Category 1.
  - Serious chemical wound of the skin and damage of eyes is caused.
- Serious damage and irritant property for eyes: GHS: Category 1.
- Respiratory or skin sensitization:
  - Respiratory sensitization: GHS: It is not possible to classify.
  - Skin sensitization: GHS: It is not possible to classify.
- Germline mutagenicity: Unknown.
- Carcinogenicity: Unknown.
- Reproduction Toxicity: Unknown.
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (single exposure):
  - GHS: Category 1.
    - The disorder of the respiratory system is caused by inhalation exposure.
- Certain target organ/ Systemic toxicity (repeated exposure):
  - GHS: Category 1 and 2.
    - The disorder of the respiratory system is caused by long-term or repeated inhalation exposure. The disorder of the liver and the hematopoietic system by long-term or repeated oral exposure might be caused.

**Section 12 - Ecological Information**

- Persistence/degradability:
  - Since a battery cell and the internal materials remain in the environment, do not bury or throw out into the environment.

**Section 13 - Disposal Considerations**

- Recommended methods for safe and environmentally preferred disposal:
  - Product (waste from residues)
    - Do not throw out a used battery cell. Recycle it through the recycling company.
Contaminated packaging
   Neither a container nor packing is contaminated during normal use. When internal materials leaked from a battery cell contaminates them, dispose them as industrial wastes subject to special control.

Section 14 - Transport Information

This battery does not require the following items.

- TECHNICAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE SAFE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS BY AIR (ICAO)
- code of federal regulations (U.S.DOT)

This battery requires the following items.

- INTERNATIONAL MARITIME DANGEROUS GOODS CODE (IMO)

From the 1st January 2012, Nickel-Metal Hydride Batteries is classed as Dangerous Goods, Class 9 in accordance with United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and will have the following UN Number:

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Instructions and contents of Special Provisions (117 and 963) for this UN number include:

- Specifying it is only regulated when transported by sea,
- Ni-MH button cells are not subject to the provisions of this code.
- Ni-MH cells or batteries packed with or contained in equipment are not subject to the provisions of this code.
- All other Ni-MH cells or batteries shall be securely packed and protected from short circuit. They are not subject to other provisions of this code provided they are loaded in a cargo transport unit in a total quantity of less than 100 Kg gross mass.
  - When loaded in a cargo transport unit in a total quantity of 100 Kg gross mass or more, only subject to:
    - Provided dangerous goods transportation information by a) Consignor and b) Shipper.
    - Stowage and segregation provisions: as prescribed in Chapter 3 of IMDG Code: “away from” sources of heat as minimum horizontal separation of 3 metres.

Prior to transportation, confirmation that there is no leakage and no spillage from a container is necessary. Cargo must be handle without falling, dropping or breakage. Care must be taken to prevent the collapse of cargo piles or saturation by rain. Containers must be handled carefully. Packaging is constructed to prevent short-circuiting and/or electric shock. The product is handled as Non-Dangerous Goods by based on IATA (Special Provision A123) for air shipment.

Section 15 - Regulatory Information

- Regulations specifically applicable to the product :
  Wastes Management and Public Cleaning Law (Japan)
  Law for Promotion Effective Utilization of Resources (Japan)
  Commission Directive 2006/66/EU (EU)
The information contained in this Safety data sheet is based on the present state of knowledge and current legislation.

This safety data sheet provides guidance on health, safety and environmental aspects of the product and should not be construed as any guarantee of technical performance or suitability for particular applications.

Reference

Chemical substances information: Japan Advanced Information center of Safety and Health
International Chemical Safety Cards (ICSCs):
  International Occupational Safety and Health Information Center (CIS)
2011 TLVs and BEIs: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) NIOSH
CARCINOGEN LIST: National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) The Ninth Report on Carcinogen: National Toxicology Program (NTP)
IARC Monographs Program on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risks to Humans:
  International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC)
Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS) National Institute of Technology and Evaluation (NITE)

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