

SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. Identification

Product Identifier: BAL in Oil™ (dimercaprol injection, USP)

Synonyms: Dimercaprol Injection; Dithioglycerol; British anti-Lewisite; BAL; Dimercaprol; 2,3-Dimercapto-1-propanol.

National Drug Code (NDC): 17478-526-03

Recommended Use: Pharmaceutical.

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2. Hazard(s) Identification

Physical Hazards: Not classifiable.

Health Hazards:

Harmful if swallowed	Category 4
Skin irritation	Category 2
Eye irritation	Category 2A
Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure	Category 3



Symbol(s): 

Signal Word: Warning.

Hazard Statement(s):

- H302 Harmful if swallowed.
- H315 Causes skin irritation.
- H319 Causes serious eye irritation.
- H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

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Precautionary Statement(s):	P233	Keep container tightly closed.
	P261	Avoid breathing dust/fumes/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
	P264	Wash potentially exposed skin thoroughly after handling.
	P270	Do not eat, drink, or smoke when using this product.
	P271	Use only in a well-ventilated area.
	P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
	P304 + P312	IF INHALED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
	P340	Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
	P301 + P312	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
	P330	Rinse mouth.
	P302 + P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.
	P362 + P364	Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
	P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
	P321	Specific treatment (see Section 4).
	P403 + P405	Store in a well-ventilated space. Store locked up.
	P501	Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/provincial/federal regulations.
Hazards Not Otherwise Classified:		Possible allergen with anaphylactic response.
Supplementary Information:		None.

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Synonyms	Chemical Formula	Molecular Weight	Percentage
2,3-Dimercapto-1-propanol	59-52-9	Dithioglycerol; British anti-Lewisite; BAL; Dimercaprol	C ₃ H ₈ OS ₂	124.22	10%
Benzyl Benzoate	120-51-4	Benzoic Acid Benzyl Ester; Benzyl Benzenecarboxylate; Benzyl Phenylformate	C ₁₄ H ₁₂ O ₂	212.24	20%
Peanut Oil	120-51-4	Arachis oil	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	70%

4. First Aid Measures

Ingestion:

If a person vomits place them in the recovery position so that vomit will not reenter the mouth and throat. Rinse mouth with water. If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or label. Treat symptomatically and supportively. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved and take precautions to protect themselves.

Eye Contact:

Remove from source of exposure. Flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. If irritation persists or signs of toxicity occur, seek medical attention. Provide symptomatic/supportive care as necessary. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved and are aware of precautions to protect themselves.

Skin Contact:

Remove from source of exposure. Remove and isolate contaminated clothing and shoes. Flush with copious amounts of water for at least 20 minutes. Use soap. If irritation persists or signs of toxicity occur, seek medical attention. Provide symptomatic/supportive care as necessary. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved and are aware of precautions to protect themselves.

Inhalation:

Remove from source of exposure. Move individual(s) to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if individual(s) are not breathing and call emergency medical service. If signs of toxicity occur, seek medical attention. Provide symptomatic/supportive care as necessary. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved and are aware of precautions to protect themselves.

Protection of First-Aiders:

Use personal protective equipment (see section 8).

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Signs and Symptoms: Nausea; vomiting; headache; burning sensation in the lips, mouth and throat; feeling of constriction/pain in the throat, chest, or hands; conjunctivitis; lacrimation; eyelid spasm; runny nose; salivation; tingling of the hands; sweating; abdominal pain; appearance of painful sterile Abscesses; eye inflammation; skin inflammation.

Medical Conditions Aggravated by Exposure: Liver disease; kidney disease; hypersensitivity to any of the components of the product.

Notes to Physician: None.

5. Firefighting Measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media: Use extinguishing media for type of surrounding fire.

Unsuitable Extinguishing Media: Not determined.

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical:

Hazardous Combustion Products: These products include carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides, and sulfur oxides.

Other Specific Hazards: Closed containers may explode from the heat of fire.

Special Protective Equipment/Precautions for Firefighters: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and full and protective gear.

6. Accidental Release Measures

Personal Precautions: Keep unnecessary personnel away. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate personal protective equipment and clothing.

Personal Protective Equipment: For personal protection see section 8.

Methods for Cleaning Up: Dike ahead of liquid spills for later disposal. Absorb with inert material. Recover product and place in an appropriate container for disposal in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

Environmental Precautions: Contain material and prevent release to basements, confined spaces, waterways or soil.

Reference to Other Sections: Refer to Sections 8, 12 and 13 for further information.

7. Handling and Storage

Precautions for Safe Handling: Handle in accordance with product label and/or product insert information. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practices.

Conditions for Safe Storage, Including Any Incompatibilities: Store according to label and/or product insert information. Store away from acids, bases, oxidizing agents, reducing agents, alkali metals.

Specific End Use: Pharmaceuticals.

8. Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Occupational Exposure Guidelines:

Common or Chemical Name	Employee Exposure Limits
Dimercaprol	No data available.
Benzyl Benzoate	No data available.
Peanut Oil	OSHA PEL: 5 mg/m ³ (as oil mist) OSHA PEL: 15 mg/m ³ (total dust) NIOSH REL: 5 mg/m ³ (respirable) NIOSH REL: 10 mg/m ³ (mist)

Engineering Controls: Engineering controls should be used as the primary means to control exposures.

Respiratory Protection: Where respirators are deemed necessary to reduce or control occupational exposures, use NIOSH-approved respiratory protection and have an effective respirator program in place (applicable U.S. regulation OSHA 29 CFR 1910.134).

Eyes Protection: Safety glasses with side shields are recommended. Face shields or goggles may be required if splash potential exists or if corrosive materials are present. Approved eye protection (e.g., bearing the ANSI Z87 or CSA stamp) is preferred. Maintain eyewash facilities in the work area.

Hand Protection: Chemically compatible gloves. For handling solutions, ensure that the glove material is protective against the solvent being used. Use handling practices that minimize direct hand contact. Employees who are sensitive to natural rubber (latex) should use nitrile or other synthetic non-latex gloves. Use of powdered latex gloves should be avoided due to the risk of latex allergy.

Skin Protection: Protective laboratory coat, apron, or disposable garment.

9. Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical State/Color:	Semi-solid/Colorless to light yellowish translucent.
Odor:	Pungent.
Odor Threshold:	No data available.
pH:	No data available.
Melting Point:	No data available.
Freezing Point:	No data available.
Boiling Point:	No data available.
Flash Point:	No data available.
Evaporation Rate:	No data available.
Flammability (solid, gas):	No data available.
Flammability Limit - Lower:	No data available.
Flammability Limit - Upper:	No data available.
Vapor Pressure:	No data available.
Vapor Density:	No data available.
Relative Density:	No data available.
Solubility(ies):	Slightly miscible in water.
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water):	No data available.
Auto-Ignition Temperature:	No data available.
Decomposition Temperature:	No data available.
Viscosity:	No data available.

10. Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity:	No data available.
Chemical Stability:	Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:	No data available.
Conditions to Avoid (e.g., static discharge, shock, or vibration):	No data available.
Incompatible Materials:	Acids, Bases, Oxidizing agents, Reducing agents, Alkali metals.
Hazardous Decomposition Products:	No data available.

11. Toxicological Information**Information on the Likely Routes of Exposure:**

Inhalation:	May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.
Ingestion:	May be toxic if swallowed.
Skin Contact:	May be harmful if absorbed through the skin. May cause skin irritation.
Eye Contact:	May cause eye irritation.

Symptoms Related to the Physical, Chemical and Toxicological Characteristics:

See Section 4. To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Delayed and Immediate Effects of Exposure:

No data available.

Acute Toxicity:

Compound	Species	Route	Test Type	Dose
Dimercaprol	Mouse	Oral	LD ₅₀	217 mg/kg
Benzyl Benzoate	Rabbit	Oral	LD ₅₀	1,680 mg/kg
Benzyl Benzoate	Rat	Oral	LD ₅₀	1,700 mg/kg
Benzyl Benzoate	Rabbit	Oral	LD ₅₀	4,000 mg/kg

Acute Toxicity – Dermal:

No data available.

Acute Toxicity – Inhalation:

No data available.

Corrosivity:

No data available.

Dermal Irritation:

No data available.

Eye Irritation:

No data available.

Sensitization:

No data available.

Toxicokinetics/Metabolism:

No data available.

Target Organ Effects:

No data available.

Reproductive Effects:

No data available.

Carcinogenicity:

No data available.

National Toxicology Program (NTP):

Not considered to be a carcinogen.

International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC):

Not considered to be a carcinogen.

Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA):

Not considered to be a carcinogen.

Mutagenicity:

No data available.

Aspiration Hazard:

No data available.

12. Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity

Aquatic:

No data available.

Terrestrial:

No data available.

Persistence and Degradability:

No data available.

Bioaccumulative Potential:

No data available.

Mobility in Soil:

No data available.

Mobility in Environment:

No data available.

Other Adverse Effects:

No data available.

13. **Disposal Considerations**

Dispose of all waste in accordance with Federal, State and Local regulations.

14. **Transport Information**

UN Number: Not applicable.
UN Proper Shipping Name: Not applicable.
Transport Hazard Class(es): Not applicable.
Packing Group: Not applicable.

Department of Transportation: Not regulated as a hazardous material.

International Air Transport Association (IATA): Not regulated as a dangerous good.

International Maritime Dangerous Good (IMDG): Not regulated as a dangerous good.

15. **Regulatory Information**

US Federal Regulations:

Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA): This product is a drug regulated by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and is not regulated by TSCA.

CERCLA Hazardous Substance and Reportable Quantity: Not listed.

SARA 313: Not listed.
SARA 302: Not listed.

State Regulations

Massachusetts: Not listed.

New Jersey: Dimercaprol; Benzyl Benzoate; Peanut oil extractives and their physically modified derivatives.

Pennsylvania: Dimercaprol; Benzyl Benzoate; Peanut oil extractives and their physically modified derivatives.

California Proposition 65: Not listed.

16. **Other Information**

Not made with natural rubber latex.

NFPA Rating:		HMIS Classification:	
Health:	2	Health:	2
Flammability:	1	Flammability:	1
Reactivity:	0	Physical Hazard:	0



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