

## SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

### 1.1. Product identifier

Product Description:	<b>Boric oxide</b>
Cat No. :	<b>B/3850/53</b>
Synonyms	Boron trioxide
Index No	005-008-00-8
CAS No	1303-86-2
EC No	215-125-8
Molecular Formula	B <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>

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

Recommended Use	Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against	No Information available

### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

#### Company

**UK entity/business name**  
Fisher Scientific UK  
Bishop Meadow Road, Loughborough,  
Leicestershire LE11 5RG, United Kingdom

**EU entity/business name**  
Thermo Fisher Scientific  
Janssen Pharmaceuticaaan 3a  
2440 Geel, Belgium

**E-mail address** begel.sdsdesk@thermofisher.com

### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

Tel: 01509 231166  
Chemtrec US: (800) 424-9300  
Chemtrec EU: 001-703-527-3887

## SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

**CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567**

#### Physical hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

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## Health hazards

Reproductive Toxicity

Category 1B (H360FD)

## Environmental hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## 2.2. Label elements



Signal Word

Danger

## Hazard Statements

H360FD - May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child

## Precautionary Statements

P201 - Obtain special instructions before use

P308 + P313 - IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention

## Additional EU labelling

Restricted to professional users

## 2.3. Other hazards

In accordance with Annex XIII of the REACH Regulation, inorganic substances do not require assessment

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1. Substances

Component	CAS No	EC No	Weight %	CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567
Boron oxide	1303-86-2	EEC No. 215-125-8	>95	Repr. 1B (H360FD)

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

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<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical attention.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.
<b>Self-Protection of the First Aider</b>	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.

## **4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

No information available.

## **4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

**Notes to Physician** Treat symptomatically.

## **SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

### **5.1. Extinguishing media**

#### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Substance is nonflammable; use agent most appropriate to extinguish surrounding fire.

#### **Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons**

No information available.

### **5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Non-combustible.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Oxides of boron.

### **5.3. Advice for firefighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

## **SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

### **6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.

### **6.2. Environmental precautions**

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

### **6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up**

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

### **6.4. Reference to other sections**

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Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid dust formation. Do not breathe (dust, vapor, mist, gas). Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

### Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

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

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

Technical Rules for Hazardous Substances (TRGS) 510 Class 6.1D  
Storage Class (LGK) (Germany)

### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Use in laboratories

## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1. Control parameters

#### Exposure limits

List source(s): **UK** - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020. **IRE** - 2021 Code of Practice for the Chemical Agents Regulations, Schedule 1. Published by the Health and Safety Authority

Component	The United Kingdom	European Union	Ireland
Boron oxide	STEL: 20 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr		TWA: 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr. STEL: 30 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min

#### Biological limit values

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

#### Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) / Derived Minimum Effect Level (DMEL)

See table for values

Component	Acute effects local (Dermal)	Acute effects systemic (Dermal)	Chronic effects local (Dermal)	Chronic effects systemic (Dermal)
Boron oxide 1303-86-2 (>95)				DNEL = 220.6mg/kg bw/day

Component	Acute effects local (Inhalation)	Acute effects systemic (Inhalation)	Chronic effects local (Inhalation)	Chronic effects systemic (Inhalation)
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Boron oxide 1303-86-2 ( >95 )				DNEL = 4.66mg/m <sup>3</sup>
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## Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

See values below.

Component	Fresh water	Fresh water sediment	Water Intermittent	Microorganisms in sewage treatment	Soil (Agriculture)
Boron oxide 1303-86-2 ( >95 )	PNEC = 2.9mg/L		PNEC = 13.7mg/L	PNEC = 10mg/L	PNEC = 5.7mg/kg soil dw

Component	Marine water	Marine water sediment	Marine water intermittent	Food chain	Air
Boron oxide 1303-86-2 ( >95 )	PNEC = 2.9mg/L				

## 8.2. Exposure controls

### Engineering Measures

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye Protection

Goggles (European standard - EN 166)

#### Hand Protection

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	EU standard	Glove comments
Natural rubber Nitrile rubber Neoprene PVC	See manufacturers recommendations	-	EN 374	(minimum requirement)

#### Skin and body protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatibility, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

#### Respiratory Protection

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators.  
To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly

#### Large scale/emergency use

Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 136 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced  
**Recommended Filter type:** Particulates filter conforming to EN 143

#### Small scale/Laboratory use

Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149:2001 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.  
**Recommended half mask:-** Particle filtering: EN149:2001  
When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

#### Environmental exposure controls

No information available.

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## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Solid	
Appearance	White	
Odor	Odorless	
Odor Threshold	No data available	
Melting Point/Range	450 °C / 842 °F	
Softening Point	No data available	
Boiling Point/Range	1860 °C / 3380 °F	@ 760 mmHg
Flammability (liquid)	Not applicable	Solid
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available	
Explosion Limits	No data available	
Flash Point	No information available	Method - No information available
Autoignition Temperature	No data available	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
pH	4	10 g/L (25°C)
Viscosity	Not applicable	Solid
Water Solubility	36 g/L (25°C)	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Vapor Pressure	No data available	
Density / Specific Gravity	2.460	
Bulk Density	No data available	
Vapor Density	Not applicable	Solid
Particle characteristics	No data available	

### 9.2. Other information

Molecular Formula	B2 O3
Molecular Weight	69.61
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable - Solid

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1. Reactivity

None known, based on information available

### 10.2. Chemical stability

Hygroscopic.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Incompatible products. Excess heat. Avoid dust formation. Exposure to moist air or water.

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents. Acids. Fluorine. Strong reducing agents.

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

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Oxides of boron.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1. Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

#### Product Information

(a) acute toxicity;	
Oral	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met
Dermal	No data available
Inhalation	No data available

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; No data available

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;	
Respiratory	No data available
Skin	No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available

(f) carcinogenicity; No data available  
There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

(g) reproductive toxicity;	Category 1B
Reproductive Effects	May impair fertility.
Developmental Effects	May cause harm to the unborn child.

(h) STOT-single exposure; No data available

(i) STOT-repeated exposure;	No data available
Target Organs	No information available.

(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable  
Solid

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed No information available.

### 11.2. Information on other hazards

Endocrine Disrupting Properties	Assess endocrine disrupting properties for human health. This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.
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## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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## 12.1. Toxicity

### Ecotoxicity effects

Do not empty into drains. .

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae
Boron oxide	LC50: 570 mg/L/72h (Carassius auratus)	EC50: 370 - 490 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna)	

## 12.2. Persistence and degradability

### Persistence

Not readily biodegradable

### Degradability

Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.

Not relevant for inorganic substances.

## 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulation is unlikely

## 12.4. Mobility in soil

The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility. Highly mobile in soils

## 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

In accordance with Annex XIII of the REACH Regulation, inorganic substances do not require assessment.

## 12.6. Endocrine disrupting properties

### Endocrine Disruptor Information

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## 12.7. Other adverse effects

### Persistent Organic Pollutant

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

### Ozone Depletion Potential

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

#### Waste from Residues/Unused Products

Waste is classified as hazardous. Dispose of in accordance with the European Directives on waste and hazardous waste. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

#### Contaminated Packaging

Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.

#### European Waste Catalogue (EWC)

According to the European Waste Catalog, Waste Codes are not product specific, but application specific.

#### Other Information

Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains.

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### IMDG/IMO

Not regulated

### 14.1. UN number

### 14.2. UN proper shipping name

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## 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

## 14.4. Packing group

ADR

Not regulated

## 14.1. UN number

## 14.2. UN proper shipping name

## 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

## 14.4. Packing group

IATA

Not regulated

## 14.1. UN number

## 14.2. UN proper shipping name

## 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

## 14.4. Packing group

## 14.5. Environmental hazards

No hazards identified

## 14.6. Special precautions for user

No special precautions required.

## 14.7. Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Not applicable, packaged goods

## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

### 15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

#### International Inventories

Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), China (IECSC), Taiwan (TCSI), Korea (KECL), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Australia (AICS), New Zealand (NZIoC), Philippines (PICCS). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	IECSC	TCSI	KECL	ENCS	ISHL
Boron oxide	1303-86-2	215-125-8	-	-	X	X	KE-09919	X	X

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Boron oxide	1303-86-2	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X

Legend: X - Listed '-' - Not Listed

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

#### Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Boron oxide	1303-86-2	-	Use restricted. See item 30. (see link for restriction details) Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)	SVHC Candidate list - Toxic for reproduction (Article 57 c)

After the sunset date the use of this substance requires either an authorization or can only be used for exempted uses, e.g. use in

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scientific research and development which includes routine analytics or use as intermediate.

## REACH links

<https://echa.europa.eu/authorisation-list>

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

<https://echa.europa.eu/candidate-list-table>

## Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC)

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements
Boron oxide	1303-86-2	Not applicable	Not applicable

## Regulation (EC) No 649/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals

Not applicable

## Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?

Not applicable

Take note of Directive 98/24/EC on the protection of the health and safety of workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work .

Take note of Directive 94/33/EC on the protection of young people at work

Take note of Dir 92/85/EC on the protection of pregnant and breastfeeding women at work

## National Regulations

**UK** - Take note of Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) 2002 and 2005 Amendment

## WGK Classification

See table for values

Component	Germany - Water Classification (AwSV)	Germany - TA-Luft Class
Boron oxide	WGK1	

## 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

A Chemical Safety Assessment/Report (CSA/CSR) has not been conducted

## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3

H360FD - May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child

H360Fd - May damage fertility. Suspected of damaging the unborn child

### Legend

**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

**DSL/NDL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

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**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances  
**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances  
**NZIoC** - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

**WEL** - Workplace Exposure Limit  
**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists  
**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level  
**RPE** - Respiratory Protective Equipment  
**LC50** - Lethal Concentration 50%  
**NOEC** - No Observed Effect Concentration  
**PBT** - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

**TWA** - Time Weighted Average  
**IARC** - International Agency for Research on Cancer  
Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)  
**LD50** - Lethal Dose 50%  
**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50%  
**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water  
**vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

**ADR** - European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road  
**IMO/IMDG** - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code  
**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development  
**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

**ICAO/IATA** - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association  
**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships  
**ATE** - Acute Toxicity Estimate  
**VOC** - (Volatile Organic Compound)

## Key literature references and sources for data

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

## Training Advice

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

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**Revision Summary** Not applicable.

**This safety data sheet complies with Regulation UK SI 2019/758 and UK SI 2020/1577 as amended.**

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