



## Safety Data Sheet

Classified according to WHMIS 2015

### SECTION 1: Identification

#### 1.1. Product Identifier

**Trade Name or Designation:** Hematoxylin Stain Solution, Gill 3 Formulation, Triple Strength  
for Frozen or Plastic Imbedded Sections, and for More Intense Nuclei in Progressive Histology

**Product Number:** 3537

**Other Identifying Product Numbers:** 3537-1, 3537-16, 3537-32, 3537-5, 3537-8

#### 1.2. Recommended Use and Restrictions on Use

General Laboratory Reagent

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

**Company:** Ricca Chemical Company  
**Address:** 448 West Fork Drive

Arlington, TX 76012 USA

**Telephone:** 888-467-4222

#### 1.4. Emergency Telephone Number (24 hours)

CHEMTREC (USA) 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC (International) 1+ 703-527-3887

### SECTION 2: Hazard(s) Identification

#### 2.1. Classification of the Substance or Mixture

For the full text of the Hazard and Precautionary Statements listed below, see Section 16.

Hazard Class	Category	Hazard Statements	Precautionary Statements:
Acute Toxicity - Oral	Category 4	H302	P264, P270, P301+P312, P330, P501
Skin Corrosion / Irritation	Category 1	H314	P260, P264, P280, P301+P330+P331, P303+P361+P353, P363, P304+P340, P310, P321, P305+P351+P338, P405, P501
Eye Damage / Irritation	Category 1	H318	P280, P305+P351+P338, P310
Specific Target Organs/Systemic Toxicity Following Single Exposure	Category 1	H370	P260, P264, P270, P307+P311, P321, P405, P501

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## 2.2. GHS Label Elements

Pictograms:



Signal Word: **Danger**

Hazard Statements:

Hazard Number	Hazard Statement
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H370	Causes damage to organs.

Precautionary Statements:

Precautionary Number	Precautionary Statement
P260	Do not breathe fumes, mist, vapors, or spray.
P264	Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P280	Wear protective gloves and eye protection.
P301+P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.
P301+P330+P331	IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water.
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P307+P311	IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician.
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician.
P321	Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water).
P330	Rinse mouth.
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

## 2.4. Hazards not Otherwise Classified or Covered by GHS

Data not available.

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## SECTION 3: Composition / Information on Ingredients

### 3.1. Components of Substance or Mixture

Chemical Name	Formula	Molecular Weight	CAS Number	Weight%
Water	H <sub>2</sub> O	18.01 g/mol	7732-18-5	59.92
Ethylene Glycol	HOCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	62.06 g/mol	107-21-1	27.84
Acetic Acid	CH <sub>3</sub> COOH	60.05 g/mol	64-19-7	6.30
Aluminum Sulfate Hydrate	Al <sub>2</sub> (SO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> ·18H <sub>2</sub> O	594 g/mol	7784-31-8	5.28
Hematoxylin	C <sub>16</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>6</sub>	302.27 g/mol	517-28-2	0.60
Sodium Iodate	NaIO <sub>3</sub>	197.89 g/mol	7681-55-2	< 0.1

## SECTION 4: First-Aid Measures

### 4.1. General First Aid Information

**Eye Contact:** IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. May cause slight irritation.

**Inhalation:** IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

**Skin Contact:** IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water. May cause irritation, allergic reaction and rash.

**Ingestion:** IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. Dilute immediately with water or milk. Induce vomiting. Call a physician.

### 4.2. Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Acute and Delayed

Harmful if swallowed. Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. Causes serious eye damage. Causes damage to organs. May cause irritation to the eyes. May be harmful if swallowed. Wash areas of contact with plenty of water. If ingested, dilute with water, induce vomiting then call a physician. EYE CONTACT: May cause slight irritation. SKIN CONTACT: May cause irritation, allergic reaction and rash. CHRONIC EFFECTS / CARCINOGENICITY: Chronic exposure may lead to kidney and liver damage.

### 4.3. Medical Attention or Special Treatment Needed

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Irrigate immediately with large quantity of water for at least 15 minutes. Call a physician if irritation develops. Remove to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if necessary. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Wash areas of contact with soap and water for at least 15 minutes. Call a physician if irritation develops. Dilute immediately with water or milk. Induce vomiting. Call a physician.



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### SECTION 5: Fire-Fighting Measures

#### 5.1. Extinguishing Media

Water spray, fog, carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, alcohol foam, polymer foam

#### 5.2. Specific Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture

Not considered to be a fire or explosion hazard.

#### 5.3. Special Protective Equipment for Firefighters

Wear full protective clothing and NIOSH-approved self-contained breathing apparatus with full facepiece operated in the pressure demand or other positive pressure mode.

### SECTION 6: Accidental Release Measures

#### 6.1. Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

#### 6.2. Cleanup and Containment Methods and Materials

Absorb with suitable material and dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

### SECTION 7: Handling and Storage

#### 7.1. Precautions for Safe Handling and Storage Conditions

Store locked up. As with all chemicals, wash hands thoroughly after handling. Avoid contact with eyes and skin. Protect from freezing and physical damage. Store at controlled room temperature, 15 - 30°C.

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### SECTION 8: Exposure Controls / Personal Protection

#### 8.1 Control Parameters

Chemical Name	Limit Type	Country	Exposure Limit	Information Source
Ethylene Glycol (107-21-1)	TLV-TWA	USA	25 ppm TWA (vapor fraction)	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA)
Ethylene Glycol (107-21-1)	TLV-STEL	USA	50 ppm STEL (vapor fraction); 10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL (inhalable particulate matter, aerosol only)	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Short Term Exposure Limits (TLV-STEL)
Acetic Acid (64-19-7)	TLV-TWA	USA	10 ppm TWA	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Time Weighted Averages (TLV-TWA)
Acetic Acid (64-19-7)	TLV-STEL	USA	15 ppm STEL	ACGIH - Threshold Limit Values - Short Term Exposure Limits (TLV-STEL)
Acetic Acid (64-19-7)	TWA	USA	10 ppm TWA; 25 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA	U.S. - OSHA - Final PELs - Time Weighted Averages (TWAs)

#### 8.2. Exposure Controls

**Engineering Controls:** No specific controls are needed. Normal room ventilation is adequate.

**Respiratory Protection:** Normal room ventilation is adequate.

**Skin Protection:** Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Chemical resistant gloves.

**Eye Protection:** Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Safety glasses or goggles.

#### 8.3. Personal Protective Equipment

Wear protective gloves and eye protection. Normal room ventilation is adequate. Chemical resistant gloves. Safety glasses or goggles.



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### SECTION 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

#### 9.1. Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

**Appearance:** Dark purple liquid

**Physical State:** Liquid

**Odor:** Data not available.

**Odor Threshold:** Data not available.

**pH:** 2 - 4

**Melting/Freezing Point:** Approximately 0°C

**Initial Boiling Point/Range:** Approximately 100°C - Approximately 100°C

**Flash Point:** Data not available.

**Evaporation Rate:** Data not available.

**Flammability:** Data not available.

**Flammability/Explosive Limits:** Data not available.

**Vapor Pressure:** Data not available.

**Vapor Density:** Data not available.

**Relative Density:** Data not available.

**Solubility:** Miscible

**Partition Coefficient:** Data not available.

**Auto-Ignition Temperature:** Data not available.

**Decomposition Temperature:** Data not available.

**Viscosity:** Data not available.

**Explosive Properties:** Data not available.

**Oxidizing Properties:** Data not available.

### SECTION 10: Stability and Reactivity

#### 10.1. Reactivity and Chemical Stability

Stable under normal conditions of use and storage.

#### 10.2. Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

Data not available.

#### 10.3. Conditions to Avoid and Incompatible Materials

Strong oxidizers (ex. Potassium Permanganate, Chromium Trioxide), Sulfuric Acid, Perchloric Acid.

#### 10.4. Hazardous Decomposition Products

Will not occur.



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### SECTION 11: Toxicological Information

#### 11.1. Information on Toxicological Effects

**Acute Toxicity - Oral Exposure:**

Harmful if swallowed. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

**Acute Toxicity - Dermal Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Acute Toxicity - Inhalation Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Acute Toxicity - Other Information:**

LD50, Oral, Rat: (Ethylene Glycol) 4700 mg/kg, (Acetic Acid) 3310 mg/kg, (Aluminum Sulfate) > 9 gm/kg, details of toxic effects not reported other than lethal dose value.

**Skin Corrosion and Irritation:**

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. Do not breathe fumes, mist, vapors, or spray. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

**Serious Eye Damage and Irritation:**

Causes serious eye damage. Wear protective gloves and eye protection. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or physician.

**Respiratory Sensitization:**

Not applicable.

**Skin Sensitization:**

Not applicable.

**Germ Cell Mutagenicity:**

Not applicable.

**Carcinogenicity:**

Not applicable.

**Reproductive Toxicity:**

Not applicable.

**Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Single Exposure:**

Causes damage to organs. Do not breathe fumes, mist, vapors, or spray. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Store locked up. Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.



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**Specific Target Organ Toxicity from Repeated Exposure:**

Not applicable.

**Aspiration Hazard:**

Not applicable.

**Additional Toxicology Information:**

Data not available.

### SECTION 12: Ecological Information

**12.1. Ecotoxicity**

Not applicable.

**12.2. Persistence and Degradability**

Data not available.

**12.3. Bioaccumulative Potential**

Data not available.

**12.4. Mobility in Soil**

Data not available.

**12.5. Other Adverse Ecological Effects**

Data not available.

### SECTION 13: Disposal Considerations

**13.1. Waste Treatment Methods**

Data not available.





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### **SECTION 14: Transportation Information**

#### **14.1. Transportation by Land-Department of Transportation (DOT, United States of America)**

Not regulated according to DOT Regulations.

#### **14.2. Transportation by Air - International Air Transport Association (IATA)**

Not regulated according to IATA Dangerous Goods Regulations.

#### **14.3 Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG, Canada)**

Not regulated according to TDG Regulations.

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### SECTION 15: Regulatory Information

#### 15.1. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Hazards

Not listed.

#### 15.2. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances

Not listed.

#### 15.3. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 311/312 Hazardous Chemicals

Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): 5000 lb final RQ; 2270 kg final RQ

Acetic Acid (CAS # 64-19-7): 5000 lb final RQ; 2270 kg final RQ

Aluminum Sulfate Hydrate (CAS # 7784-31-8): 5000 lb final RQ; 2270 kg final RQ

#### 15.4. Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) 313 Toxic Release Inventory (TRI)

Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): 1.0 % de minimis concentration

#### 15.5. Massachusetts Right-to-Know Substance List

Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): Present

Acetic Acid (CAS # 64-19-7): Present (including glacial)

Aluminum Sulfate Hydrate (CAS # 7784-31-8): Present

#### 15.6. Pennsylvania Right-to-Know Hazardous Substances

Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): Environmental hazard

Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): Present

Acetic Acid (CAS # 64-19-7): Environmental hazard; Environmental hazard (water solutions)

Acetic Acid (CAS # 64-19-7): Present (including water solutions)

Water (CAS # 7732-18-5): "Present" As Ethyl alcohol and water [RR-00802-6]

Water (CAS # 7732-18-5): Present

Aluminum Sulfate Hydrate (CAS # 7784-31-8): "Present" As Aluminum soluble salts [RR-00021-5]

Aluminum Sulfate Hydrate (CAS # 7784-31-8): Environmental hazard

Aluminum Sulfate Hydrate (CAS # 7784-31-8): Present

#### 15.7. New Jersey Worker and Community Right-to-Know Components

Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): sn 0878

Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): SN 0878 500 lb TPQ

Acetic Acid (CAS # 64-19-7): corrosive

Acetic Acid (CAS # 64-19-7): sn 0004

Aluminum Sulfate Hydrate (CAS # 7784-31-8): corrosive

Aluminum Sulfate Hydrate (CAS # 7784-31-8): sn 0068

#### 15.8. California Proposition 65

Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): developmental toxicity, 6/19/2015 (ingested)

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### 15.9. Canada Domestic Substances List / Non-Domestic Substances List (DSL/NDSL)

Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): Present (DSL)  
Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): Present (NDSL)  
Hematoxylin (CAS # 517-28-2): Present (DSL)  
Acetic Acid (CAS # 64-19-7): Present (DSL)  
Acetic Acid (CAS # 64-19-7): Present (NDSL)  
Sodium Iodate (CAS # 7681-55-2): Present (DSL)  
Water (CAS # 7732-18-5): Present (DSL)  
Aluminum Sulfate Hydrate (CAS # 7784-31-8): Present (DSL)

### 15.10. United States of America Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) List

**All components of this solution are listed as active on the TSCA Inventory or are mixtures (hydrates) of active items listed on the TSCA Inventory.**

Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): Present (ACTIVE)  
Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): Present [FRI; XU] (INACTIVE)  
Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): Present [PMN; XU] (ACTIVE)  
Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): Present [XU] (ACTIVE)  
Hematoxylin (CAS # 517-28-2): Present (ACTIVE)  
Acetic Acid (CAS # 64-19-7): Present (ACTIVE)  
Sodium Iodate (CAS # 7681-55-2): Present (ACTIVE)  
Water (CAS # 7732-18-5): Present (ACTIVE)  
Aluminum Sulfate Hydrate (CAS # 7784-31-8): Present (ACTIVE)

### 15.11. European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS), European List of Notified Chemical Substances (ELINCS), and No Longer Polymers (NLP)

Ethylene Glycol (CAS # 107-21-1): 203-473-3  
Hematoxylin (CAS # 517-28-2): 208-237-3  
Acetic Acid (CAS # 64-19-7): 200-580-7  
Acetic Acid (CAS # 64-19-7): 273-079-4  
Sodium Iodate (CAS # 7681-55-2): 231-672-5  
Water (CAS # 7732-18-5): 231-791-2  
Aluminum Sulfate Hydrate (CAS # 7784-31-8): 233-135-0

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## SECTION 16: Other Information

### 16.1. Full Text of Hazard Statements and Precautionary Statements

Harmful if swallowed. Causes severe skin burns and eye damage. Causes damage to organs.

Do not breathe fumes, mist, vapors, or spray. Wash arms, hands and face thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Wear protective gloves and eye protection.

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water. IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or physician. Specific treatment (Wash areas of contact with water). Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

Store locked up.

Dispose of contents in accordance with local, state, federal and international regulations.

### 16.2. Miscellaneous Hazard Classes

**Canadian Carcinogenicity Hazard Class:** Not Applicable.

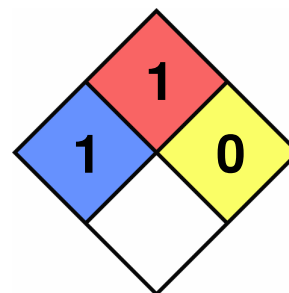
**Physical Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (PHNOC):** Not Applicable.

**Health Hazards Not Otherwise Classified (HHNOC):** Not Applicable.

**Biohazardous Infectious Materials Hazard Class:** Not Applicable.

### 16.3. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Rating

**Health:** 1  
**Flammability:** 1  
**Reactivity:** 0  
**Special Hazard:**



### 16.4. Document Revision

**Last Revision Date:** 2023-11-13

## DISCLAIMER

When handled properly by qualified personnel, the product described herein does not present a significant health or safety hazard. Alteration of its characteristics by concentration, evaporation, addition of other substances, or other means may present hazards not specifically addressed herein and which must be evaluated by the user. The information furnished herein is believed to be accurate and represents the best data currently available to us. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made and RICCA CHEMICAL COMPANY assumes no legal responsibility or liability whatsoever resulting from its use.