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	M43 STAPHYLOCOCCUS LATEX
Material Safety Data Sheet	Issue: 2 February 2003
Product Name	Microscreen Staphylococcus Latex
Product Code	M43
1. Product Description	Latex agglutination kit for confirmation of the presence of Staphylococcus aureus on solid media
2. Product Composition	M43a – Latex Reagent: polystyrene latex coated with human fibrinogen and human immunoglobulin, suspended in glycine saline buffer. Preserved with <0.1% sodium azide.
	M43b — Positive Control — inactivated Staphylococcus aureus organisms suspended in glycine saline buffer. Preserved with <0.1% sodium azide.
3. Health Hazards	Sodium azide is toxic if ingested.
	May irritate eyes.  Material of human origin has been tested as individual donor units for HBsAg, HIV 1&2 and HCV and found to be negative. This material should however be handled in accordance with local guidelines for the safe handling of blood or body tissues.
4. First Aid Measures	Irrigate eyes thoroughly with water. If discomfort continues, obtain medical assistance.
	Wash out mouth thoroughly with water. In severe cases, obtain medical assistance.
5. Fire Precautions	Not applicable.
6. Spill and Release Measures	Mop up with plenty of water and run to waste, diluting greatly with running water. Wash site of spillage with detergent and water.
7. Handling and Storage	Store at 2-8°C, no special handling requirements.
8. Exposure Control/ Personal Protection a. Eye Protection b. Respiratory Protection c. Skin d. Other	Wear plastic or rubber gloves  a. Irrigate eyes with excess water  b. None  c. Wash off with soap and water  d. May be harmful if ingested in large quantities

9. Physical Properties	M43a – milky white aqueous suspension M43b – white/off-white aqueous suspension
10. Stability	Stable until expiry date shown on carton, when stored at 2-8°C. Sodium azide can react with copper and lead to form explosive metal azides. When disposing via copper or lead plumbing, flush with copious quantities of water.
11. Toxicological Information	May be toxic if ingested in large quantities
12. Environmental Information	
13. Waste Disposal	Sodium azide can react with copper and lead to form explosive metal azides. When disposing via copper or lead plumbing, flush with copious quantities of water.
14. Transportation	This material is not considered dangerous or hazardous for transportation.

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