

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

Racumin® Rat and Mouse Blocks

Date of Issue: September 12th, 2006

1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE / MIXTURE AND SUPPLIER

Product name: Racumin® Rat and Mouse Blocks
Other names: None
Product code: 4940619 (5 kg)
Chemical group: Coumarin
Recommended use: Prepared rodenticide bait block for rat and mouse control.
Formulation: Bait
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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

NON-HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE - NON-DANGEROUS GOOD
Not irritating. Not flammable.

Hazard designation: Non-hazardous (National Occupational Health and Safety Commission - NOHSC)
Risk phrases: Not applicable.
Safety phrases: See Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13
ADG classification: Not "dangerous goods" for transport by road or rail according to the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail.
SUSDP classification: Schedule 5 (Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Drugs and Poisons)

3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Ingredients:	CAS Number:	Concentration (g/kg):
Coumatetralyl	[5836-29-3]	0.37
Talc	[14807-96-6]	50
Other ingredients (non-hazardous)	-	To 1 Kg

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4. FIRST AID MEASURES

If poisoning occurs, immediately contact a doctor or Poisons Information Centre (Telephone 13 11 26), and follow the advice given. Show this Material Safety Data Sheet to a doctor.

- Inhalation:** Presentation as a solid block makes inhalation unlikely
- Skin contact:** Wash skin with soap and water.
- Eye contact:** Hold eyes open and flush with clean water for at least 15 minutes.
- Ingestion:** If poisoning via the oral route occurs, seek immediate medical advice. As the concentration of coumatetralyl in the final product is very low, large amounts of the product would have to be ingested.
- First Aid Facilities:** Provide washing facilities in the workplace (including eye-wash).
- Symptoms:** Symptoms of overexposure relate to failure of the blood clotting mechanism and include bleeding gums and failure of blood clotting after skin wounds.
- Medical attention:** Coumatetralyl inhibits vitamin K1-dependant coagulation.

Symptoms

Symptoms after ingestion (though also toxic via the dermal route) may range from increased bleeding tendency (e.g. gingiva bleeding or nose bleeding) to massive haemorrhage in severe cases. Hematuria, bruisability, vomiting blood, cerebrovascular bleeding are possible.

Treatment

Elementary aid, decontamination and symptomatic treatment.

Note for physicians

Gastric lavage should be performed in cases of significant ingestions, followed by administration of activated charcoal and sodium sulfate. The antidote for coumatetralyl is vitamin K1. The efficacy of vitamin K1 treatment should be assessed by monitoring the coagulation parameters, such as prothrombin time or INR. Initial treatment may be done with intravenous vitamin K1 in severe cases, while usually oral vitamin K1 should be sufficient. Severe poisoning cases may require the initial application of blood products:

- whole blood
- fresh frozen plasma and fresh blood should be used in cases of severe bleeding to rapidly restore blood clotting factors

Transfusions may be required in cases of significant blood loss.

It is expected that repeated intake of coumatetralyl would be required to cause an actual poisoning, yet it is prudent to control coagulation parameters for several days after ingestions.

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5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media: Water spray, carbon dioxide, foam, sand.
Hazards from combustion products: In a fire, carbon monoxide may be released.
Precautions for fire fighters: Fire fighters should wear full protective gear, including self-contained breathing apparatus (AS/NZS 1715/1716). Keep unnecessary people away and move all other personnel to windward side of fire. Bund area with sand or earth to prevent contamination of drains or waterways. Dispose of fire control water or other extinguishing agent and spillage safely later.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Dealing with spills and disposals may result in the potential for increased personal exposure. Protective clothing and equipment as described in the PERSONAL PROTECTION section should be worn. Avoid contact with spilled material or contaminated surfaces. Keep people and animals away. Prevent spillage from spreading or entering waterways and drains. Work from up-wind side of spill. Do not inhale dust. Sweep and shovel up spill. Fill material along with any contaminated soil etc., into sealable containers. Clean affected area with an aqueous detergent and a small amount of water. Absorb this with hydrated lime and place in a sealable drum. Spread hydrated lime over the affected area. Do not smoke, eat or drink during clean-up operation.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling: Keep out of reach of children. Should not be used in areas accessible to children. Poisonous if swallowed.

Storage: Store in the tightly closed, original container in a dry, well-ventilated area, as cool as possible out of direct sunlight. Destroy untaken baits. Any spillage of bait should be removed immediately. Break, crush, or puncture and bury empty containers in a local authority landfill. If not available bury the container below 500mm in a disposal pit specifically marked and set up for this purpose clear of waterways, vegetation and roots.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure standards: NOHSC exposure standards have not been established for the active constituent or any inert ingredient in this formulation except:
Talc TWA 2.5 mg/m³ (NOHSC)

Engineering controls: No engineering controls are required for normal use of this product according to label

Personal Protective Equipment: Wear rubber or PVC gloves when handling the blocks.
If product on skin and after each baiting, wash thoroughly with soap and water.

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9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance: Blue block
Odour: No specific odour
Vapour pressure: 8.5×10^{-6} mPa (20°C) (coumatetralyl)
Vapour density: Not relevant
Melting point: 172 – 176 °C (coumatetralyl)
Solubility in water: 425 mg/L at 20°C

Density: Approx 1 kg/L
pH: Not relevant
Flash Point: Not relevant
Flammability (explosive) limits: Not relevant
Auto-ignition temperature: Not relevant
Octanol/water partition coefficient: Not available
Formulation: Ready to use bait block

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability: Stable under normal conditions of use.
Hazardous polymerisation: Hazardous polymerisation will not occur
Conditions to avoid: Keep away from heat or moisture.

Incompatible materials: Avoid strong oxidising agents.

Hazardous decomposition products: In the event of a fire, carbon monoxide gas may be released.

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11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

Inhalation:	Coumatetralyl is poisonous by inhalation, however presentation as a soft block paste containing 0.0375% coumatetralyl makes inhalation unlikely.
Skin contact:	Not a skin irritant
Eye contact:	Not an eye irritant
Ingestion:	Refer below
Other:	Coumatetralyl is a first generation anticoagulant of the warfarin type. Symptoms of overexposure relate to failure of the blood clotting mechanism and include bleeding gums and failure of blood clotting after skin wounds. After one exposure the toxicity of coumatetralyl is relatively low, however if exposure continues over several days the product becomes more toxic. That is, the product must be constantly present in the blood for more than 1 to 2 days in order to be highly toxic. A single exposure, even though relatively large, may not produce toxic symptoms as the compound is quite rapidly metabolised.

ANIMAL TOXICITY DATA – ACTIVE INGREDIENT:

Acute:

Oral toxicity:	Acute oral LD ₅₀ : Rat 16.5 mg/kg [Sub-chronic oral LD ₅₀ (5 d): Rat 0.3 mg/kg/day]
Dermal toxicity:	Acute percutaneous LD ₅₀ rat: 100 - 500 mg/kg
Inhalation toxicity:	LC ₅₀ (4 h) for rats 39 mg/m ³
Skin irritation:	Coumatetralyl is not classified as a skin irritant
Eye irritation:	Coumatetralyl is not classified as an eye irritant
Sensitisation:	Coumatetralyl is not classified as a skin sensitiser

Chronic:

The toxicity of this product is greater after repeated exposure than in a single dose. Animal tests have shown coumatetralyl not to have any carcinogenic or teratogenic potential.

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12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Do not allow dogs, cats or other mammals to contact this product.
No other ecological data available.

Fish toxicity: LC₅₀ (96h) 48 mg/L (rainbow trout) (coumatetralyl)

Daphnia toxicity: LC₅₀ (48h) >14 mg/L (coumatetralyl)

Toxicity to algae: E_rC₅₀ >18 mg/L (coumatetralyl)

Bird toxicity: Acute oral LD₅₀ for Japanese Quail >2000 mg/kg bw.
Dietary LC₅₀ (8d) for hens >50 mg/kg bw daily (coumatetralyl)

Bee toxicity: Not available

Environmental fate, persistence and degradation: Rapidly decomposed in aqueous solutions exposed to sunlight or UV light: DT₅₀ c. 1 Hour (coumatetralyl).

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 1) After intended use: Break, crush or puncture and bury empty containers in a local authority landfill. If not available, bury the containers below 500 mm in a disposal pit specifically marked and set up for this purpose clear of waterways, vegetation and roots. Empty containers and product should not be burnt.
- 2) After spill or accident: Dispose of sealed containers at an approved local waste disposal site.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN number: Not applicable

Proper shipping name: Not applicable

Class and Subsidiary Risk: Not "dangerous goods" for transport by road or rail according to the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail.

Packing Group: Not applicable

EPG: Not applicable

Hazchem code: Not applicable

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Registered according to the Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Act 1988
Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Authority Approval Number: 52098

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16. OTHER INFORMATION

Trademark

information: Racumin® is a Registered Trademark of Bayer

Preparation

information: Replaces May 15 2004 edition.
Reason for update: Hazards Identification, Formulation Composition, First Aid Measures, Hazards from Combustion Products, Accidental Release Measures, Storage.

Data sources:

Bayer CropScience Pty Ltd product safety data and published data

This MSDS summarises our best knowledge of the health and safety hazard information of the product and how to safely handle and use the product in the workplace. Each user should read this MSDS and consider the information in the context of how the product will be handled and used in the workplace including in conjunction with other products.

If clarification or further information is needed to ensure that an appropriate risk assessment can be made, the user should contact this company.

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