

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET



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## 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE MATERIAL AND SUPPLIER

**Product name** Hombre<sup>®</sup> Cereal Seed Treatment

**Other names** None

**Product codes and pack sizes** 4956523 (20 L), 6462766 (100 L)

**Chemical group** Chloronicotinyl and triazole

**Recommended use** Agricultural insecticide and fungicide for seed treatment

**Formulation** Flowable concentrate for seed treatment

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## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### *EMERGENCY OVERVIEW* HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE (see Risk phrases below) – NON DANGEROUS GOOD

**Hazard classification** Not hazardous (National Occupational Health and Safety Commission - NOHSC)

**Risk phrases** Not applicable

**Safety phrases** See Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 13

**ADG classification** Not classified as a "Dangerous good" 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/L)
Imidacloprid	[138261-41-3]	180
Tebuconazole	[107534-96-3]	6.25
Other ingredients, including emulsifiers, stabilisers, thickeners and water	Non-hazardous	914

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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 the doctor.**

<b>Inhalation</b>	If inhaled, remove to fresh air and keep warm and at rest. Seek medical advice if at all worried.
<b>Skin contact</b>	Carefully remove contaminated clothing. Wash affected areas with soap and water. Seek medical advice if at all worried.
<b>Eye contact</b>	Rinse eyes immediately with clean water for at least 15 minutes. Consult an eye specialist.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Obtain immediate medical advice as above.
<b>First aid facilities</b>	Provide washing facilities in the workplace.
<b>Medical attention</b>	Hombre contains 2 active ingredients; imidacloprid, which belongs to the chloronicotinyl or neonicotinoid chemical group, and tebuconazole, which is a triazole compound.

### Symptoms

Apathetic state, depressed muscular tone, respiratory disturbances, hypothermia, trembling, and impaired papillary function. Muscular cramps are also possible in severe cases of poisoning.

### Treatment

As there is no antidote, treatment has to be symptomatic and supportive. Gastric lavage should be considered in cases of significant ingestions within the first 2 hours. Administration of activated charcoal and sodium sulfate is advisable with significant ingestions.

## 5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

<b>Extinguishing media</b>	Sprayed water jet, foam, extinguishing powder, carbon dioxide, sand.
<b>Hazards from combustion products</b>	In a fire, formation of hydrogen chloride, hydrogen cyanide, carbon monoxide and nitrogen oxides can be expected.
<b>Precautions for fire fighters</b>	Firefighters should wear full protective gear, including self-contained breathing apparatus (AS/NZS 1715/1716). Keep unnecessary people away. If it can be done safely, remove intact containers from the fire. Otherwise, use water spray to cool them. 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. Do not release contaminated water into the environment.
<b>Hazchem code</b>	Not applicable

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Avoid contact with the spilled material or contaminated surfaces. When dealing with spills do not eat, drink or smoke and wear protective clothing and equipment as described in Section 8 - PERSONAL PROTECTION. Prevent spilled material from entering drains or watercourses. Contain spill and absorb with earth, sand, clay, or other absorbent material. Collect and store in properly labelled, sealed drums for safe disposal. Clean floor and all contaminated objects with damp cloth. Place used cleaning materials into the drum for disposal. Deal with all spillages immediately. If contamination of drains, streams, watercourses, etc. is unavoidable, warn the local water authority.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

<b>Handling</b>	Keep out of reach of children. When opening the container and loading wear cotton overalls buttoned to the neck and wrist (or equivalent clothing) and elbow length PVC gloves. Wash hands after use. After each day's use, wash gloves, goggles and contaminated clothing.
<b>Storage</b>	Store in the closed, original container in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area. Do not store for prolonged periods in direct sunlight. Store treated seed in clearly marked bags or silos, away from other grain, animal feed or foodstuffs, in a cool, dry storage area. Bags which have held treated seed should not be used for any other purpose.
<b>Flammability</b>	Not flammable – water based product.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

<b>Exposure standards</b>	No exposure standards have been assigned.
<b>Biological limit values</b>	None allocated
<b>Engineering controls</b>	Control process conditions to avoid contact. Use in a well-ventilated area only.
<b>Personal Protective Equipment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Wear goggles if exposure is likely.</li><li>▪ Wear cotton overalls buttoned to the neck and wrist and a washable hat.</li><li>▪ Wear elbow-length PVC gloves.</li><li>▪ Workers exposed to grain dust should wear a disposable dust mask.</li></ul>

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

<b>Appearance:</b>	Red liquid suspension
<b>Odour:</b>	Slight characteristic
<b>pH:</b>	6.0 – 8.0
<b>Vapour pressure:</b>	4 x 10 <sup>-7</sup> mPa at 20 °C (imidacloprid); 1.7 x 10 <sup>-8</sup> hPa at 20 °C (tebuconazole)
<b>Vapour density:</b>	Not available
<b>Boiling point:</b>	Not available
<b>Freezing/melting point:</b>	Not available
<b>Solubility:</b>	Miscible with water
<b>Specific gravity:</b>	1.10 at 20 °C
<b>Flash point:</b>	No flash point up to 100 °C
<b>Flammability (explosive) limits:</b>	Not applicable

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES - continued

Auto-ignition temperature:	Not available
Partition coefficient (octanol/water):	<i>Imidacloprid</i> : Log P <sub>ow</sub> = 0.57 (21 °C) <i>Tebuconazole</i> : Log P <sub>ow</sub> = 3.7 (20 °C)

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability	Stable under normal conditions of use.
Conditions to avoid	Extreme heat.
Incompatible materials	Strong oxidising agents.
Hazardous decomposition products	Hydrogen chloride, hydrogen cyanide, carbon monoxide and oxides of nitrogen may be evolved upon heating.
Hazardous reactions	None

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

Inhalation	May be harmful if inhaled.
Skin contact	May irritate skin.
Eye contact	May irritate eyes.
Ingestion	Harmful if swallowed.

### ANIMAL TOXICITY DATA – SIMILAR PRODUCT

<u>Acute:</u> Oral toxicity	LD <sub>50</sub> rat (male): 1400 – 1500 mg/kg; LD <sub>50</sub> rat (female): 1530 mg/kg
Dermal toxicity	LD <sub>50</sub> rat: > 5000 mg/kg ( <i>derived from active ingredient data and test results of a similar product</i> )
Inhalation toxicity	LC <sub>50</sub> > 1.146 mg/L, aerosol (4 h) (highest attainable concentration)
Skin irritation	Not irritating (rabbit)
Mucous membrane irritation	Not irritating (rabbit)
Sensitisation	Non-sensitising (guinea pig) (Beuhler patch test)

### Chronic:

Animal studies with imidacloprid and with tebuconazole showed no evidence of oncogenic or carcinogenic effects.

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Imidacloprid is toxic to certain aquatic species. It is dangerous to bees. Tebuconazole is toxic to aquatic organisms and may cause long term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

DO NOT contaminate streams, rivers or waterways with Hombre Cereal Seed Dressing, used containers or bags which have held treated seed. DO NOT feed treated seed or otherwise expose wildlife or domestic birds. DO NOT allow seed treated with this product to contaminate seed intended for human or animal consumption.

### Ecotoxicity

#### Imidacloprid:

*Fish toxicity:* LC<sub>50</sub> (96 h): 237 mg/L golden orfe (*Leuciscus idus melanotis*)  
 LC<sub>50</sub> (96 h): 211 mg/L rainbow trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*)  
*Daphnia toxicity:* LC<sub>50</sub> (48 h): 85 mg/L  
*Algae toxicity:* E<sub>r</sub>C<sub>50</sub> (72 h): > 100 mg/L (*Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata*)  
*Bacteria toxicity:* EC<sub>50</sub>: > 10000 mg/L activated sludge  
*Bird toxicity:* LD<sub>50</sub>: 31 mg/kg Japanese quail  
 LD<sub>50</sub>: 152 mg/kg bobwhite quail

#### Tebuconazole:

*Fish toxicity:* LC<sub>50</sub> (96 h): 5.7 mg/L bluegill sunfish (*Lepomis macrochirus*)  
 LC<sub>50</sub> (96 h): 4.4 mg/L rainbow trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*)  
*Daphnia toxicity:* LC<sub>50</sub> (48 h): 4.2 mg/L water flea (*Daphnia magna*)  
*Algal toxicity:* E<sub>r</sub>C<sub>50</sub> (72 h) 3.8 mg/L *Selenastrum capricornutum*  
*Bird toxicity:* LD<sub>50</sub>: 1988 mg/kg bobwhite quail  
 LD<sub>50</sub>: 4438 mg/kg male Japanese quail  
 LD<sub>50</sub>: 2912 mg/kg female Japanese quail  
*Bacteria toxicity:* EC<sub>50</sub>: > 10000 mg/L activated sludge micro-organism

### Environmental fate, persistence and degradability, mobility

Imidacloprid shows a medium adsorption to soil. Classified as immobile in soil. Not expected to leach.

Tebuconazole: In laboratory studies the degradation of tebuconazole in soil was slow, but under field conditions the compound degraded much more rapidly. It has a low mobility in soil and is not expected to leach into groundwater. Tebuconazole was inherently degradable; <70% in 28 days. Bioconcentration factor: 77

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

When returnable container is empty or contents no longer required return it to the point of purchase. For non-returnable containers, triple or (preferably) pressure rinse them before disposal. Do not dispose of undiluted chemicals on-site. Break, crush, or puncture and bury empty containers in a local authority landfill. If no landfill is available, bury the containers below 500 mm in a disposal pit specifically marked and set up for this purpose clear of waterways, desirable vegetation and tree roots. Empty containers and product should not be burnt. Dispose of waste product through a reputable waste contractor.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN number	Not applicable
Proper shipping name	Not applicable
Class and subsidiary risk	Not applicable
Packing group	Not applicable
EPG	Not applicable
Hazchem code	Not applicable
Marine pollutant	No

## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Registered according to the Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Act 1994  
Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority approval number: 56151

See also Section 2.

## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

**Trademark information** Hombre® is a Registered Trademark of Bayer.

**Preparation information** Replaces January 20, 2005 edition.  
Reasons for update: Hazard classification, Risk phrases, Medical attention, Ecological information.

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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