

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### Section 1: Identification of the Substance and Supplier

<b>Product name</b>	<b>Converge</b> Liquid containing 80 g/litre levamisole hydrochloride, 2 g/litre abamectin and 2.4 g/litre sodium selenate
<b>Recommended use</b>	Oral drench for sheep and cattle
<b>Company details</b>	<b>Coopers, 33 Whakatiki Street, Upper Hutt</b> <b>Phone: 0800 800 543 Fax: 0800 808 100</b> <b>Website: www.coopersonline.co.nz</b> <b>Hours: 8 am – 5 pm, Mon – Fri</b>
<b>Emergency telephone</b>	<b>0800 764 766 (0800 POISON) 24 hours human health</b> <b>0800 243 622 (0800 CHEMCALL) 24 hours</b>
<b>Date of preparation</b>	August 2011

### Section 2: Hazards Identification

<b>Hazard classifications</b>	6.1D, 6.4A, 6.5B, 6.6B, 6.8B, 6.8C, 6.9B, 9.1A, 9.2C, 9.3C, 9.4A
<b>Priority identifiers</b>	<b>WARNING - Keep out of reach of children</b> <b>Ecotoxic</b>
<b>Secondary identifier</b>	6.1D May be harmful if swallowed, inhaled or absorbed through the skin 6.4A May cause eye irritation 6.5B May cause an allergic skin reaction 6.6B Suspected of causing genetic defects 6.8B Suspected of damaging fertility or the unborn child from repeated oral exposure 6.8C May cause harm to breast-fed children from repeated oral exposure 6.9B May cause damage to the liver, nervous, cardiovascular, blood and the haematopoietic systems through prolonged or repeated oral exposure at high doses. 9.1A Very toxic to aquatic organisms with long lasting effects 9.2C Harmful to the soil environment 9.3C Harmful to terrestrial vertebrates 9.4A Very toxic to terrestrial invertebrates
<b>Risk &amp; Safety Phrases</b>	R48/22 Harmful: danger of serious damage to health by prolonged exposure if swallowed R63 Possible risk of harm to the unborn child R64 May cause harm to breast-fed babies R50 Very toxic to aquatic organisms

### Section 3: Composition/Information on Ingredients

Chemical name	CAS number	Concentration
Abamectin	71751-41-2	0.2%
Levamisole Hydrochloride	16595-80-5	8%
Citric Acid	77-92-9	<10%
Benzyl Alcohol	100-51-6	<10%
Sodium Selenate	13410-01-0	<1%
Cobalt EDTA	15137-09-4	<10%

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### Section 4: First Aid Measures

#### Necessary first aid measures

**INHALATION** Remove to fresh air and provide oxygen if necessary. If any trouble breathing, get immediate medical attention. Administer artificial respiration if breathing has ceased. If irritation or symptoms occur or persist, consult a doctor.

**SKIN CONTACT** While wearing protective gloves, carefully remove any contaminated clothing, including shoes, and wash skin thoroughly with soap and water. If irritation or symptoms occur or persist, consult a doctor.

**EYE CONTACT** Immediately rinse eyes thoroughly with plenty of water. If wearing contact lenses, remove only after initial rinse, and continue rinsing eyes for at least 15 minutes. If irritation occurs or persists, consult a doctor.

**INGESTION** Rinse mouth and drink a glass of water. Do not induce vomiting unless under the direction of a qualified medical professional or National Poisons Centre. If symptoms persist, consult a doctor.

#### Required instructions

For advice contact the National Poisons Centre 0800 POISON (0800 764 766) or a doctor.

#### Notes for medical personnel

The information presented below pertains to the following individual ingredients, and not to the mixture(s). Only information about the ingredients that are expected to contribute significantly to the potential health hazard profile of the formulation(s) are presented:

Levamisole is an anthelmintic and immunostimulant. Acute exposure to levamisole may cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, abdominal pain, dizziness, or headache. Chronic exposure may cause hypersensitivity reactions including fever, flu-like syndrome, arthralgia, muscle pain, skin rashes, or cutaneous vasculitis, CNS effects including headache, insomnia, dizziness, or convulsions, haematological abnormalities including agranulocytosis, leucopenia, or thrombocytopenia, or gastrointestinal effects including abnormal taste in the mouth.

All selenium salts can produce toxicity by ingestion, inhalation, and dermal absorption; however, acute poisonings with selenium and its salts are rare.

#### Workplace facilities

Emergency showers and eyewashes may be warranted depending on quantity and type of use.

### Section 5: Fire Fighting Measures

#### Type of hazard

Not classified as flammable

#### Fire hazard properties

Not applicable

#### Regulatory requirements

Not applicable

#### Extinguishing media and methods

Water, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), foam, or dry chemical.

#### Hazchem code

3Z (Contain spillage)

#### Recommended protective clothing

Wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).

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### Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

**Emergency procedures**      Wear chemical resistant gloves and overalls, facemask or goggles. Prevent further spillage. Adsorb spilled product and place in sealable container for disposal. Wash down affected area with water plus detergent. Absorb and collect washings and place in the same sealable container for disposal. Seek advice from the local authority regarding disposal. Avoid contamination of any water source or soil with product or empty container.

### Section 7: Handling and Storage

**Precautions for safe handling**      Avoid contact with skin, eyes, and mucosa. Keep containers adequately sealed during material transfer, transport, or when not in use. See Section 8 (Exposure Controls) for additional guidance.

**Regulatory requirements**      Signage required where quantities greater than 100L are present. Emergency Plan required where quantities greater than 100L are present.

**Handling practices**      Avoid contact with skin. Keep containers adequately sealed during material transfer, transport, or when not in use.

**Approved handlers**      Not required.

**Conditions for safe storage**      Store in original container in a cool, dry, ventilated place away from direct heat or direct sunlight. Keep container sealed when not in use. Keep out of reach of children.

**Store site requirements**      Store in a cool, dry, well ventilated area. Store between 5 and 30 °C.

**Packaging**      PG III

### Section 8: Exposure Control/Personal Protection

**Workplace exposure standards**      No WES is set for this substance at this time.

**Application in the workplace**      Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep container sealed when not in use.

**Exposure standards outside the workplace**      No TEL is set for this substance at this time  
No EEL is set for this substance at this time

**Personal protection**      Wear chemical resistant gloves, facemask or goggles.

**Engineering controls**      The health hazard risks of handling this material are dependent on many factors, including physical form, duration and frequency of process or task, and effectiveness of engineering controls. Site-specific risk assessments should be conducted to determine the feasibility and the appropriateness of all exposure control measures. Exposure controls for normal operating or routine procedures follow a tiered strategy. Engineering controls are the preferred means of long-term or permanent exposure control. If engineering controls are not feasible, appropriate use of personal protective equipment (PPE) may be considered as alternative control measures. Exposure controls for non-routine operations must be evaluated and addressed as part of the site-specific risk assessment.



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### Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Appearance	A homogeneous purple viscous liquid
Boiling Point	100°C
Melting/Softening point	Not applicable
Vapour Pressure	Not determined
Specific Gravity	1.060 at 20°C
Solubility (H <sub>2</sub> O)	Miscible
Percent Volatiles	Not determined
Evaporation Rate	Not determined

### Section 10: Stability and Reactivity

<b>Stability of the substance</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to avoid</b>	Avoid high temperatures.
<b>Material to avoid</b>	Avoid food products.
<b>Hazardous decomposition products</b>	Carbon oxides (CO <sub>x</sub> ), Sulphur oxides (SO <sub>x</sub> ), and Nitrogen oxides (NO <sub>x</sub> ).

### Section 11: Toxicological Information

#### Acute effects for individual ingredients only

ORAL	Abamectin: LD50 8.7-12.8mg/kg B1a+B1b [ERMA] Levamisole: LD50 200mg/kg bw (rat/mouse) [ERMA] Citric acid: LD50 5000mg/kg bw (mouse) [IUCLID 2000] Benzyl Alcohol: LD50 1040mg/kg bw (rabbit) [ERMA] Sodium selenate: LD50 25mg/kg/bw [INCLASS]
DERMAL	Benzyl Alcohol: 2000mg/kg (rabbit) Citric Acid - Irritating
INHALATION	Cobalt EDTA LC50 Sodium selenate: Toxic by inhalation [INCLASS]
TEL	No TEL is set for this substance at this time.

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### Chronic/long term effects for individual ingredients only

Citric acid: Anecdotal evidence suggests irritating to skin pH at 1.9% is 2.2 therefore aqueous solution is strongly acidic [ME]

Levamisole: Mutagenic effects -levamisole induced chromosome gaps and breaks in human lymphocytes in vitro and in vivo after volunteers were given 2 mg/kg. No chromosomal damage occurred in mice given 2.5 mg/kg subcutaneously. Levamisole: ADI of 0-6 µg/kg based on LOAEL of 1.25 mg/kg/day haemolytic effects in dogs, safety factor of 200.

Abamectin: No evidence of mutagenic or carcinogenic effects. Abamectin and its delta-8,9 isomer have caused foetal abnormalities including cleft palate, skeletal abnormalities and abdominal wall defects in mice and rabbits at doses toxic to the mother. These effects are considered to be not relevant to normal exposure to this product as the effects on the foetus occurred at doses which were toxic to the mother.

Cobalt: causes respiratory tract irritation, may cause asthma and shortness of breath.

Sodium selenate: NOAEL of 0.37mg/kg/bw/day for Hepatotoxicity/ Alimentary system (liver) effects.

## Section 12: Environmental Information

### Effects for individual ingredients only.

AQUATIC	Abamectin: 96 LC50 3.6ppb (Rainbow trout) [ERMA] Sodium selenate: 96-hr LC50 0.69mg/L (Fathead minnow) [ECOTOX]
SOIL	Abamectin: DT50>30days
TERRESTRIAL VERTEBRATES	Abamectin: 8.7-12.8mg/kg B1a+B1b [ERMA] Levamisole: LD50 200mg/kg bw (rat/mouse) [ERMA]
TERRESTRIAL INVERTEBRATES	Abamectin: Acute oral LD50 0.0094ug/bee, contact LD50 0.002ug/bee [ERMA]
EEL	No EEL is set for this substance at this time.

## Section 13: Disposal Considerations

### Disposal information

#### Disposal

Dispose of unused product through Agrecovery Chemicals. Avoid contamination of any water source or the environment with product or empty container.

#### Container Disposal

Triple rinse empty container, puncture and recycle through Agrecovery. Do NOT burn.

### Reference

Current version of NZS 8409 Management of Agrichemicals

## Section 14: Transport Information

### Relevant information

UN3082 ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, LIQUID, N.O.S. (Abamectin). Marine Pollutant.  
Class 9 PG III  
Limited quantities: 5L  
Maximum quantity for own agricultural use: 1000L

### Other requirements

Refer to Haznote.

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### Section 15: Regulatory Information

**Regulatory status**

HSNO Approval Code: HSR007899.  
For a full listing of controls see [www.epa.govt.nz](http://www.epa.govt.nz)

ACVM registration number: A010119.  
For conditions of registration see [www.foodsafety.govt.nz](http://www.foodsafety.govt.nz)

**HSNO and ACVM controls**

**Signage:** 100 Litres  
**Emergency Plan:** 100 Litres

### Section 16: Other Information

**Additional information**

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