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## SECTION – 1: PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** ACTIGARD® 50WG Formulation No.: A9180A  
**Registration Number:** 29756 (Pest Control Products Act)  
**Chemical Class:** A plant growth activator.

**Active Ingredient (%):** Acibenzolar-S-Methyl (50.0%) CAS No.: 135158-54-2  
**Chemical Name:** S-methyl 1,2,3-benzothiadiazole-7-carbothioate  
**Product Use:** Please refer to product label for further details.

## SECTION – 2 : COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Material	OSHA PEL	ACGIH TLV	Other	NTP/IARC/OSHA Carcinogen	WHMIS†
Diatomaceous Earth (CAS No. 61790-53-2)	80mg/m <sup>3</sup> /% SiO <sub>2</sub> (20 mppcf) TWA	10 (inhalable); 3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (respirable) TWA	6 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA **	IARC 3	Not Established
Acibenzolar-S-Methyl (50.0%)	Not Established	Not Established	10 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA***	No	Not Established

\*\* Recommended by NIOSH

\*\*\* Syngenta Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL)

† Material listed in Ingredient Disclosure List under Hazardous Products Act.

Ingredients not precisely identified are proprietary or non-hazardous. Values are not product specifications.  
Syngenta Hazard Category: B, S.

## SECTION – 3: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### Symptoms of Acute Exposure

May cause skin irritation.

### Hazardous Decomposition Products

None known.

### Physical Properties

Appearance: Light brown to dark brown granules.  
 Odour: Moderate, sulphurous-like.

### Unusual Fire, Explosion and Reactivity Hazards

During a fire, irritating and possibly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion.

**Relevant routes of exposure:** Skin, eyes, mouth, lungs.

#### SECTION – 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

**IF POISONING IS SUSPECTED, immediately contact the poison information centre,** doctor or nearest hospital. Have the product container, label or Material Safety Data Sheet with you when calling Syngenta, a poison control center or doctor, or going for treatment. Tell the person contacted the complete product name, and the type and amount of exposure. Describe any symptoms and follow the advice given. Call the Syngenta Emergency Line [**1-800-327-8633 (1-800-FASTMED)**], for further information.

**EYE CONTACT:** Flush eyes with clean water, holding eyelids apart for a minimum of 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present, after 5 minutes, then continue rinsing eye. Call Syngenta, a poison control center or doctor for treatment advice. Obtain medical attention immediately if irritation persists.

**SKIN CONTACT:** Immediately remove contaminated clothing and wash skin, hair and fingernails thoroughly with soap and water. Flush skin with plenty of water for 15-20 minutes. Call Syngenta, a poison control centre or doctor for treatment advice.

**INHALATION:** Move victim to fresh air. If not breathing, call 911 or an ambulance, then give artificial respiration, preferably mouth-to-mouth, if possible. Call Syngenta, a poison control centre or doctor for treatment advice.

**INGESTION:** If swallowed, immediately contact Syngenta, a poison control centre, doctor or nearest hospital for treatment advice. Have person sip a glass of water if able to swallow. Do not give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Do not induce vomiting unless directed by a physician or a poison control center. If spontaneous vomiting occurs, have victim lean forward with head down to avoid breathing in of vomitus, rinse mouth and administer water.

**NOTES TO PHYSICIAN:**  
There is no specific antidote. Treat symptomatically.

**MEDICAL CONDITIONS KNOWN TO BE AGGRAVATED:** None known.

#### SECTION – 5: FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

**Flash point and method:** Not Applicable.

**Upper and lower flammable (explosive) limits in air:** Not applicable.

**Auto-ignition temperature:** Not applicable.

**Flammability:** Not Applicable.

**Hazardous combustion products:** During a fire, irritating and possibly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion.

**Conditions under which flammability could occur:** Keep fire exposed containers cool by spraying with water.

**Extinguishing media:** Use water fog or mist, (avoid use of water jet), foam, carbon dioxide, dry powder or halon extinguishant. Wear full protective clothing and self-contained breathing apparatus. Evacuate nonessential personnel from the area to prevent human exposure to fire, smoke, fumes or products of combustion. Prevent use of contaminated buildings, area, and equipment until decontaminated. Water runoff can cause environmental damage. Contain run-off water with, for example, temporary earth barriers.

**Sensitivity to explosion by mechanical impact:** None known.

**Sensitivity to explosion by static discharge:** None known.

#### SECTION – 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal Precautions:** Make sure all personnel involved in the spill cleanup follow good industrial hygiene practices. A small spill can be handled routinely. Wear suitable protective clothing and eye protection to prevent skin and eye contact. Use adequate ventilation and wear equipment and clothing as described in Section 8 and/or the product label.

**Procedures for dealing with release or spill:** Control the spill at its source. Contain the spill to prevent from spreading or contaminating soil or from entering sewage and drainage systems or any body of water. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions outlined in Sections 7 and 8. Scoop or sweep up material, keeping dust to a minimum, and place into

a disposable container. Wash area with detergent and water. Pick up wash liquid with additional absorbent and place into compatible disposal container. On soils, skim off the upper contaminated layer and collect for disposal. Once all material is cleaned up and placed in a disposal container, seal container and arrange for disposal. Spillages or uncontrolled discharges into watercourses must be reported to the appropriate regulatory authority.

## SECTION – 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

**Handling practices:** KEEP OUT OF REACH OF CHILDREN. Prevent eating, drinking, tobacco use, and cosmetic application in areas where there is a potential for exposure to the material. Wear full protective clothing and equipment (see Section 8). After work, rinse gloves and remove protective equipment. Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water after working with product, and before eating, handling tobacco, drinking, or using the toilet. Wash contaminated clothing separate from household laundry before re-use. Keep containers closed when not in use. Protect product, wash or rinse water, and contaminated materials from uncontrolled release into the environment, or from access by animals, birds or unauthorized people.

**Appropriate storage practices/requirements:** Store in original container only in a well-ventilated, cool, dry, secure area. Protect from heat, sparks and flame. Do not expose sealed containers to temperatures above 40 °C. Keep separate from other products to prevent cross contamination. Rotate stock. Clean up spilled material immediately.

**National Fire Code classification:** Not applicable.

## SECTION – 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Applicable control measures, including engineering controls:** Ensure work areas have ventilation, containment, and procedures sufficient to maintain airborne levels below the TLV. Warehouses, production area, parking lots and waste holding facilities must have adequate containment to prevent environmental contamination. Provide separate shower and eating facilities.

**THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION ARE INTENDED FOR THE MANUFACTURE, FORMULATION, PACKAGING AND USE OF THIS PRODUCT.**

**CONSULT THE PRODUCT LABEL FOR COMMERCIAL APPLICATIONS AND/OR ON-FARM APPLICATIONS.**

### **Personal protective equipment for each exposure route:**

General: Avoid breathing dust, vapours or aerosols. Avoid contact with eye, skin and clothing. Wash thoroughly after handling and before eating, drinking, applying cosmetics or handling tobacco.

**INGESTION:** Do not eat, drink, handle tobacco, or apply cosmetics in areas where there is a potential for exposure to this material. Always wash thoroughly after handling.

**EYES:** To avoid eye contact, wear chemical goggles or a full-face shield.

**SKIN:** Where contact is likely, wear chemical-resistant (such as nitrile or butyl) gloves, coveralls, socks and chemical-resistant footwear. For overhead exposure, wear chemical-resistant headgear.

**INHALATION:** A respirator is not normally required when handling this substance. A combination gas/vapour/particulate respirator should be used until effective engineering controls are installed to comply with occupational exposure limits, or until exposure limits are established. Use a NIOSH certified respirator with a combination acid gas/organic vapour cartridge or canister and any N, P or R prefilter. Use a self-contained breathing apparatus in cases of emergency spills, when exposure levels are unknown, or under any circumstances where air-purifying respirators may not provide adequate protection.

## SECTION – 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance:** Light brown to dark brown granules.

**Formulation Type:** Solid, granules.

**Odour:** Moderate, sulphurous-like.

**pH:** 7 - 11 (1% aqueous solution).

**Vapour pressure and reference temperature:** 1.65 x 10<sup>-6</sup> mmHg @ 20 °C (Acibenzolar-S-Methyl Technical)

**Vapour density:** Not Applicable.

**Boiling point:** Not Applicable.

**Melting point:** Not Available.

**Freezing point:** Not Applicable.  
**Specific gravity or density:** 0.61 g/cm<sup>3</sup>.  
**Evaporation Rate:** Not available.  
**Water/oil partition coefficient:** Not available.  
**Odour threshold:** Not available.  
**Viscosity:** Not Applicable.  
**Solubility in Water:** 7.7 mg/L @ 20 °C (Acibenzolar-S-Methyl Technical).

## SECTION – 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical stability:** Stable under normal use and storage conditions.  
**Conditions to avoid:** None known.  
**Incompatibility with other materials:** None known.  
**Hazardous decomposition products:** During a fire, irritating and possibly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion.  
**Hazardous polymerization:** Will not occur.

## SECTION – 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### **Acute toxicity/Irritation Studies (Finished Product):**

Ingestion:	<u>Low Acute Toxicity</u> Oral (LD50 Rabbit):	> 5,000 mg/kg body weight
Dermal:	<u>Low Acute Toxicity</u> Dermal (LD50 Rat):	> 2,000 mg/kg body weight
Inhalation:	<u>Low Acute Toxicity</u> Inhalation (LC50 Rat):	> 2.79 mg/L air - 4 hours
Eye Contact:	<u>Slightly Irritating (Rabbit)</u>	
Skin Contact:	<u>Mildly Irritating (Rabbit)</u>	
Skin Sensitization:	<u>Not a Sensitizer (Guinea Pig)</u>	

### **Reproductive/Developmental Effects**

Acibenzolar-S-Methyl Technical:  
Developmental toxicity and fetal malformations at high maternal doses (rats).

### **Chronic/Subchronic Toxicity Studies**

Acibenzolar-S-Methyl Technical:  
Slight hemolytic anemia at highest dose level (rats, mice and dogs). Liver and spleen effects observed in highest dose level (rats and dogs).

### **Carcinogenicity**

Acibenzolar-S-Methyl Technical:  
Not carcinogenic at dietary levels up to 7500 ppm (rat) and 6000 ppm (mouse).

### **Other Toxicity Information:**

None.

### **Toxicity of Other Components**

#### Diatomaceous Earth

The carrier in this product is naturally occurring diatomaceous earth. Natural diatomaceous earth contains a small percentage of naturally occurring crystalline silica, which is considered a probable human carcinogen. Chronic inhalation exposure to crystalline silica is known to cause silicosis and pulmonary

fibrosis in humans. The amount of crystalline silica in this product is minimal and the potential for overexposure in manufacturing operations is low.

**Other materials that show synergistic toxic effects together with the product:** None known.

**Target Organs**

Active Ingredient

Acibenzolar-S-Methyl Technical: Blood, liver, spleen.

Inert Ingredients

Diatomaceous Earth Respiratory tract.

**SECTION – 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Summary of Effects**

The active ingredient, acibenzolar-S-methyl, is very toxic to aquatic life.

**Ecotoxicity Effects**

Acibenzolar-S-Methyl Technical:

Green Algae 5-Day EC <sub>50</sub>	80.1 ppm
Invertebrate (Water Flea) 48-hour EC <sub>50</sub>	2.9 ppm
Fish (RainbowTrout) 96-hour LC <sub>50</sub> /EC <sub>50</sub>	0.88 ppm
Birds (Bobwhite Quail) 14-day Dietary LC <sub>50</sub> /EC <sub>50</sub>	> 2,000 ppm

**Environmental Fate**

The active ingredient, Acibenzolar-S-Methyl, is not persistent in soil and water.

**SECTION – 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**Waste disposal information:** Do not reuse empty containers unless they are specifically designed to be re-filled. Empty container retains product residue. Dispose of empty containers in accordance with local regulations. Consult provincial environment ministry for advice on waste disposal. Industrial/commercial waste may be handled at licensed facilities only. Waste shipments must be securely packaged and properly labelled. Only licensed carriers may be used, and proper documents must accompany the shipment.

**SECTION – 14 : TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**Shipping information such as shipping classification:**

TRANSPORTATION OF DANGEROUS GOODS CLASSIFICATION - ROAD/RAIL

Not Regulated.

**SECTION – 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**WHMIS classification for product:** Exempt

**A statement that the MSDS has been prepared to meet WHMIS requirements, except for use of the 16 headings.**

This MSDS has been prepared in accordance with WHMIS requirements, but the data are presented under 16 headings.

Other regulations; restrictions and prohibitions

Pest Control Products (PCP) Act Registration No.: 29756

**SECTION – 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

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