

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name	: Iron(III) chloride hexahydrate		
Product Number	: 236489		
Brand	: Sigma-Aldrich		
Product Use	: For laboratory research purposes.		
Supplier	: Sigma-Aldrich Canada Co. 2149 Winston Park Drive OAKVILLE ON L6H 6J8 CANADA	Manufacturer	: Sigma-Aldrich Corporation 3050 Spruce St. St. Louis, Missouri 63103 USA
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Preparation Information	: Sigma-Aldrich Corporation Product Safety - Americas Region 1-800-521-8956		

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### Emergency Overview

#### WHMIS Classification

D2B	Toxic Material Causing Other Toxic Effects	Moderate skin irritant Severe eye irritant
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#### GHS Classification

Corrosive to metals (Category 1)  
 Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4)  
 Skin corrosion/irritation (Category 2)  
 Serious eye damage/eye irritation (Category 1)

#### GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H290	May be corrosive to metals.
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.

Precautionary statement(s)

P280	Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.
P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

#### HMIS Classification

Health hazard:	2
Flammability:	0
Physical hazards:	0

## Potential Health Effects

<b>Inhalation</b>	May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.
<b>Skin</b>	Harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.
<b>Eyes</b>	Causes eye irritation.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Harmful if swallowed.

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## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms : Ferric chloride hexahydrate

Formula :  $\text{Cl}_3\text{Fe} \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Molecular weight : 270.30 g/mol

CAS-No.	EC-No.	Index-No.	Concentration
<b>Iron trichloride hexahydrate</b>			
10025-77-1	231-729-4	-	<=100%

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## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### General advice

Move out of dangerous area. Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

### In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

### If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

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## 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

### Conditions of flammability

Not flammable or combustible.

### Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

### Special protective equipment for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

### Hazardous combustion products

### Explosion data - sensitivity to mechanical impact

No data available

### Explosion data - sensitivity to static discharge

No data available

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### Personal precautions

Wear respiratory protection. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.

### Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains.

### Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.  
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

### Conditions for safe storage

Store under inert gas. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Iron trichloride hexahydrate	10025-77-1	TWA	1.000000 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta, Occupational Health and Safety Code (table 2: OEL)
Remarks	Occupational exposure limit is based on irritation effects and its adjustment to compensate for unusual work schedules is not required			
		TWAEV	1.000000 mg/m3	Québec. Regulation respecting occupational health and safety, Schedule 1, Part 1: Permissible exposure values for airborne contaminants
		TWAEV	1.000000 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OELs
		TWA	1.000000 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OEL
		STEL	2.000000 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OEL
		TWA	1 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta, Occupational Health and Safety Code (table 2: OEL)
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		TWA	1 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OEL
		STEL	2 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OEL
		TWA	1.000000 mg/m3	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
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## Personal protective equipment

### Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

### Hand protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

#### Full contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

#### Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374  
If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

### Eye protection

Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

### Skin and body protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

### Hygiene measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

### Specific engineering controls

Use mechanical exhaust or laboratory fumehood to avoid exposure.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### Appearance

Form solid

Colour yellow

### Safety data

pH No data available

Melting point/freezing point Melting point/range: 37 °C (99 °F) - lit.

Boiling point 280 - 285 °C (536 - 545 °F) - lit.

Flash point No data available

Ignition temperature No data available

Auto-ignition temperature No data available

Lower explosion limit No data available

Upper explosion limit	No data available
Vapour pressure	1 hPa (1 mmHg) at 194 °C (381 °F)
Density	1.820 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Water solubility	No data available
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	No data available
Relative vapour density	No data available
Odour	No data available
Odour Threshold	No data available
Evaporation rate	No data available

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

### Conditions to avoid

Exposure to moisture

### Materials to avoid

Strong oxidizing agents, Forms shock-sensitive mixtures with certain other materials., Sodium/sodium oxides, Potassium

### Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Hydrogen chloride gas, Iron oxides  
Other decomposition products - No data available

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Acute toxicity

#### Oral LD50

LD50 Oral - Rat - 900 mg/kg

#### Inhalation LC50

No data available

#### Dermal LD50

No data available

#### Other information on acute toxicity

No data available

### Skin corrosion/irritation

No data available

### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

No data available

### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

### Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

### Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

### Reproductive toxicity

No data available

### Teratogenicity

No data available

#### Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

No data available

#### Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)

No data available

#### Aspiration hazard

No data available

#### Potential health effects

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#### Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

Overdose of iron compounds may have a corrosive effect on the gastrointestinal mucosa and be followed by necrosis, perforation, and stricture formation. Several hours may elapse before symptoms that can include epigastric pain, diarrhea, vomiting, nausea, and hematemesis occur. After apparent recovery a person may experience metabolic acidosis, convulsions, and coma hours or days later. Further complications may develop leading to acute liver necrosis that can result in death due to hepatic coma., To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

#### Synergistic effects

No data available

#### Additional Information

RTECS: NO5425000

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Toxicity

No data available

### Persistence and degradability

No data available

### Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

### Mobility in soil

No data available

### PBT and vPvB assessment

No data available

### Other adverse effects

No data available

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## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Product

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### DOT (US)

UN number: 3260 Class: 8 Packing group: III  
Proper shipping name: Corrosive solid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s. (Iron trichloride hexahydrate)  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 1000 lbs  
Marine pollutant: No  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

### IMDG

UN number: 3260 Class: 8 Packing group: III EMS-No: F-A, S-B  
Proper shipping name: CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S. (Iron trichloride hexahydrate)  
Marine pollutant: No

### IATA

UN number: 3260 Class: 8 Packing group: III  
Proper shipping name: Corrosive solid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s. (Iron trichloride hexahydrate)

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## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### WHMIS Classification

D2B	Toxic Material Causing Other Toxic Effects	Moderate skin irritant Severe eye irritant
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This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all the information required by the Controlled Products Regulations.

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

### Further information

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