

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Poly(vinyl alcohol)

Product Number : P1763
 Brand : Sigma
 Product Use : For laboratory research purposes.

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

WHMIS Classification

Not Rated

Not a hazardous substance or mixture.

HMIS Classification

Health hazard: 0
 Flammability: 0
 Physical hazards: 0

Potential Health Effects

Inhalation : May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.
Skin : May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.
Eyes : May cause eye irritation.
Ingestion : May be harmful if swallowed.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

| CAS-No. | EC-No. | Index-No. | Concentration |
|-----------------------------|--------|-----------|---------------|
| Ethenol, homopolymer | | | |
| 9002-89-5 | - | - | <=100% |

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

If inhaled

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

In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water.

In case of eye contact

Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

If swallowed

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

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

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Nature of decomposition products not known.

Explosion data - sensitivity to mechanical impact

No data available

Explosion data - sensitivity to static discharge

No data available

Further information

Under fire conditions, material may decompose to form flammable and/or explosive mixtures in air.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**Personal precautions**

Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas.

Environmental precautions

No special environmental precautions required.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**Precautions for safe handling**

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

Conditions for safe storage

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**Personal protective equipment****Respiratory protection**

Respiratory protection is not required. Where protection from nuisance levels of dusts are desired, use type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN 143) dust masks. 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: Dermatrill® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

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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

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

Skin and body protection

Choose body protection in relation to its type, to the concentration and amount of dangerous substances, and to the specific work-place. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

Hygiene measures

General industrial hygiene practice.

Specific engineering controls

Use mechanical exhaust or laboratory fumehood to avoid exposure.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance

| | |
|--------|-------------|
| Form | crystalline |
| Colour | colourless |

Safety data

| | |
|--|---|
| pH | No data available |
| Melting point/freezing point | 200 °C (392 °F) |
| Boiling point | No data available |
| Flash point | No data available |
| Flammability (solid, gas) | May form combustible dust concentrations in air |
| 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 | No data available |
| Density | 1.269 g/cm ³ |
| 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 |

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

Conditions to avoid

Exposure to light may affect product quality.

Materials to avoid

Strong oxidizing agents

Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - No data available

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Nature of decomposition products not known.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity

Oral LD50

LD50 Oral - Rat - > 20,000 mg/kg

Remarks: Behavioral:Altered sleep time (including change in righting reflex). Behavioral:Somnolence (general depressed activity). Behavioral:Muscle weakness.

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: 3 - Group 3: Not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans (Ethenol, homopolymer)

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

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

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: TR8100000

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

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**Product**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**DOT (US)**

Not dangerous goods

IMDG

Not dangerous goods

IATA

Not dangerous goods

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**WHMIS Classification**

Not Rated

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.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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Further information

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