

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

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GENERIC EU MSDS - NO COUNTRY SPECIFIC DATA - NO OEL DATA

## SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

## 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Stearic acid

Product Number : S4751 Brand : Sigma

REACH No. : 01-2119543894-28-XXXX

CAS-No. : 57-11-4

# 1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

## 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company :

# 1.4 Emergency telephone

Emergency Phone #: +(44)-870-8200418 (CHEMTREC (GB))

+(353)-19014670 (CHEMTREC Ireland) 001-803-017-9114 (CHEMTREC India)

## **SECTION 2: Hazards identification**

## 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Not a hazardous substance or mixture according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008.

## 2.2 Label elements

No hazard pictogram, no signal word, no hazard statement(s), no precautionary statement(s) required.

#### 2.3 Other hazards

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

## Ecological information:

The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher. Toxicological information:

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## **SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**

## 3.1 Substances

Synonyms : Octadecanoic acid

Formula :  $C_{18}H_{36}O_2$  Molecular weight : 284.48 g/mol CAS-No. : 57-11-4 EC-No. : 200-313-4

No components need to be disclosed according to the applicable regulations.

#### **SECTION 4: First aid measures**

## 4.1 Description of first-aid measures

#### If inhaled

After inhalation: fresh air.

## In case of skin contact

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.

# In case of eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Remove contact lenses.

#### If swallowed

After swallowing: make victim drink water (two glasses at most). Consult doctor if feeling unwell.

# 4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

# 4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

## **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

## 5.1 Extinguishing media

#### Suitable extinguishing media

Water Foam Carbon dioxide (CO2) Dry powder

# Unsuitable extinguishing media

For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

## 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Carbon oxides

Combustible.

Vapors are heavier than air and may spread along floors.

Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.

Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.

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## 5.3 Advice for firefighters

In the event of fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

#### 5.4 Further information

none

#### **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

## 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Avoid inhalation of vapours/aerosols or dusts. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert. For personal protection see section 8.

## 6.2 Environmental precautions

No special precautionary measures necessary.

## 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up with suitable equipment. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.

## 6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

## **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

#### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

For precautions see section 2.2.

## 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

## Storage conditions

Tightly closed. Dry.

**Storage stability**Recommended storage temperature

2 - 8 °C

## Storage class

Storage class (TRGS 510): 11: Combustible Solids

## 7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

## **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

## 8.1 Control parameters

Ingredients with workplace control parameters

## 8.2 Exposure controls

**Personal protective equipment** 

# **Eye/face protection**

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

#### Skin protection

This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other

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substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN 16523-1 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell,

Internet: www.kcl.de).

Full contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: KCL 741 Dermatril® L

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Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: KCL 741 Dermatril® L

## **Respiratory protection**

required when dusts/vapours/aerosols are generated.

Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

Recommended Filter type: Filter type ABEK-P

The entrepeneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer. These measures have to be properly documented.

## **Control of environmental exposure**

No special precautionary measures necessary.

# **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

# 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Physical state Wax likeb) Color whitec) Odor mild

d) Melting Melting point/ range: 67 - 72 °C - lit. point/freezing point

e) Initial boiling point 361 and boiling range

361 °C - lit.

f) Flammability (solid, gas)

No data available

g) Upper/lower flammability or

No data available

flammability or explosive limits

h) Flash point ca.200 °C - Cleveland open cup - ASTM D 92

i) Autoignition ca.400 °C

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temperature

Decomposition No data available j)

temperature

No data available k) pH

Viscosity, kinematic: 12 mm2/s at 70 °C - ASTM D 445 Viscosity

Viscosity, dynamic: 9.87 mPa.s at 70 °C

m) Water solubility No data available No data available

n) Partition coefficient:

n-octanol/water

No data available o) Vapor pressure

p) Density 0.845 g/cm3

No data available Relative density q) Relative vapor No data available

density

r) Particle

characteristics

No data available

Not classified as explosive. s) Explosive properties

t) Oxidizing properties

# 9.2 Other safety information

Surface tension ca.0.03 mN/m at 20 °C

## **SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

# 10.1 Reactivity

Risk of dust explosion.

Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.

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# 10.2 Chemical stability

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature). The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature).

# 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Violent reactions possible with: Strong oxidizing agents Reducing agents strong alkalis

# 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Strong heating. Strong heating.

# 10.5 Incompatible materials

No data available

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## 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

In the event of fire: see section 5

## **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

## 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

## **Acute toxicity**

LD50 Oral - Rat - > 5,000 mg/kg (OECD Test Guideline 401) Inhalation: No data available

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - male and female - > 2,000 mg/kg

(OECD Test Guideline 434)

## Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: No skin irritation - 24 h

(Patch Test 24 Hrs.)

## Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: No eye irritation

Remarks: (ECHA)

## Respiratory or skin sensitization

No data available

## Germ cell mutagenicity

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: S. typhimurium

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 471

Result: negative

Remarks: (National Toxicology Program)

# Carcinogenicity

No data available

# Reproductive toxicity

No data available

## Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

No data available

## Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

#### **Aspiration hazard**

No data available

# 11.2 Additional Information

## **Endocrine disrupting properties**

## Product:

Assessment

The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.

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Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - male and female - Oral - NOAEL (No observed adverse effect

level) - 1,000 mg/kg

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Docosanoic acid

RTECS: WI2800000

Cough, Gastrointestinal discomfort, irritant effects

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not

been thoroughly investigated.

## **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

## 12.1 Toxicity

static test ErC50 - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata - > 0.9 mg/l - 72 Toxicity to algae

(OECD Test Guideline 201)

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances:

palmitic acid (stearic acid)

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic

semi-static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - > 0.22 mg/l -

invertebrates(Chronic (OECD Test Guideline 211)

toxicity)

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances:

palmitic acid

## 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability aerobic - Exposure time 21 d

Result: 95 % - Readily biodegradable.

Remarks: (ECHA)

Ratio BOD/ThBOD 44 %

Remarks: (HSDB)

# 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulation Danio rerio (zebra fish) - 28 d

at 21.5 °C - 6.4 mg/l(stearic acid)

Bioconcentration factor (BCF): 238 - 288

(OECD Test Guideline 305)

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances:

Sodium laurate

# 12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

## 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

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## 12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties

**Product:** 

Assessment : The substance/mixture does not contain components

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#### 12.7 Other adverse effects

No data available

# **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

#### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

No data available

## **SECTION 14: Transport information**

#### 14.1 UN number

ADR/RID: - IMDG: - IATA: -

## 14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: Not dangerous goods IMDG: Not dangerous goods IATA: Not dangerous goods

## 14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: - IMDG: - IATA: -

14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: - IMDG: - IATA: -

14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: no IMDG Marine pollutant: no IATA: no

## 14.6 Special precautions for user

## **Further information**

Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

## 14.7 Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Not applicable for product as supplied.

## **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

# 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

This material safety data sheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

## 15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

For this product a chemical safety assessment was not carried out

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#### **SECTION 16: Other information**

#### Full text of other abbreviations

ADN - European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways; ADR - Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road; AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ASTM -American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS -Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx -Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; GHS - Globally Harmonized System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organization; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardization; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; n.o.s. -Not Otherwise Specified; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention: PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance: PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; RID - Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SDS -Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

## **Further information**

The information is believed to be correct but is not exhaustive and will be used solely as a guideline, which is based on current knowledge of the chemical substance or mixture and is applicable to appropriate safety precautions for the product. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Sigma-Aldrich Corporation and its Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See www.sigma-aldrich.com and/or the reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale.

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