Section 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name: Propionic acid
Product Number: W292419
Brand: Aldrich
Index-No.: 607-089-00-0
CAS-No.: 79-09-4

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

Identified uses: Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company: Sigma-Aldrich Inc.
3050 SPRUCE ST
ST. LOUIS MO 63103
UNITED STATES
Telephone: +1 314 771-5765
Fax: +1 800 325-5052

1.4 Emergency telephone

Emergency Phone #: 800-424-9300 CHEMTREC (USA) +1-703-527-3887 CHEMTREC (International) 24 Hours/day; 7 Days/week

Section 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Flammable liquids (Category 3), H226
Skin corrosion (Category 1B), H314
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram

Signal Word: Danger
Hazard statement(s)
H226 Flammable liquid and vapor.
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statement(s)
P210 Keep away from heat/ sparks/ open flames/ hot surfaces. No smoking.
P233 Keep container tightly closed.
P240 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.
P241 Use explosion-proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting/ equipment.
P242 Use only non-sparking tools.
P243 Take precautionary measures against static discharge.
P261 Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapors/ spray.
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P330 + P331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.
P304 + P340 + P310 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.
P305 + P351 + P338 + P310 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.
P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.
P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P403 + P235 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
P405 Store locked up.
P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS
Rapidly absorbed through skin.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

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Synonyms
- Propanoic acid
- Propyl acid
- Acid C3

Formula: C₃H₆O₂
Molecular weight: 74.08 g/mol
CAS-No.: 79-09-4
EC-No.: 201-176-3
Index-No.: 607-089-00-0
SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first-aid measures

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

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

In case of skin contact
Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. 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. Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.

If swallowed
Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

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
Dry powder Dry sand

Unsuitable extinguishing media
Do NOT use water jet.
5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture
Carbon oxides

5.3 Advice for firefighters
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

5.4 Further information
Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures
Use personal protective equipment. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Beware of vapors accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapors can accumulate in low areas.

For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up
Contain spillage, and then collect with non-combustible absorbent material, (e.g. sand, earth, diatomaceous earth, vermiculite) and place in container for disposal according to local / national regulations (see section 13).

6.4 Reference to other sections
For disposal see section 13.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling
Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapor or mist.

Advice on protection against fire and explosion
Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

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

For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

Storage class
Storage class (TRGS 510): 3: Flammable liquids

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

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<td>15 ppm 45 mg/m3</td>
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<td>PEL</td>
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<td>California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)</td>
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Derived No Effect Level (DNEL)

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<td>Skin contact</td>
<td>Long-term systemic effects</td>
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Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

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<td>0.5 mg/l</td>
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<td>1.86 mg/kg</td>
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<td>Aquatic intermittent release</td>
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8.2 Exposure controls

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

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection
Tightly fitting safety goggles. Faceshield (8-inch minimum). Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

Skin 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: butyl-rubber  
Minimum layer thickness: 0.3 mm  
Break through time: 480 min  
Material tested: Butoject® (KCL 897 / Aldrich Z677647, Size M)

Splash contact  
Material: Nature latex/chloroprene  
Minimum layer thickness: 0.6 mm  
Break through time: 41 min  
Material tested: Lapren® (KCL 706 / Aldrich Z677558, 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 EC 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.

**Body Protection**

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

**Respiratory protection**

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) 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).

**Control of environmental exposure**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

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**SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

**9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

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<td>b) Odor</td>
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<td>c) Odor Threshold</td>
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<td>d) pH</td>
<td>2.5 at 100 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F)</td>
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<td>e) Melting point/freezing point</td>
<td>Melting point/range: -24 - -23 °C (-11 - -9 °F) - lit.</td>
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<td>f) Initial boiling point and boiling range</td>
<td>141 °C 286 °F - lit.</td>
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<td>g) Flash point</td>
<td>54 °C (129 °F) - closed cup</td>
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<td>h) Evaporation rate</td>
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<td>i) Flammability (solid, gas)</td>
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Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits

- Upper explosion limit: 12.1 %(V)
- Lower explosion limit: 2.9 %(V)

Vapor pressure

- 3.2 hPa at 20 °C (68 °F)

Vapor density

- 2.56 - (Air = 1.0)

Density

- 0.993 g/mL at 25 °C (77 °F) - lit.
- Relative density: No data available

Water solubility

- Soluble

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water

- log Pow: 0.25

Autoignition temperature

- 440 °C (824 °F) at 1,013 hPa

Decomposition temperature

- No data available

Viscosity

- No data available

Explosive properties

- No data available

Oxidizing properties

- No data available

Surface tension

- 27.21 mN/m at 15 °C (59 °F)

Dissociation constant

- 4.88

Relative vapor density

- 2.56 - (Air = 1.0)

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

- No data available

10.2 Chemical stability

- Stable under recommended storage conditions.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

- No data available

10.4 Conditions to avoid

- Heat, flames and sparks.

10.5 Incompatible materials

- Strong oxidizing agents

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 - male and female - 3,455.1 mg/kg  
(OECD Test Guideline 401)
LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4 h - > 20 mg/l - vapor

(OECD Test Guideline 403)
LD50 Dermal - Rat - female - 3,235 mg/kg  
(OECD Test Guideline 402)
LD50 Parenteral - Rat - 3,500 mg/kg

Skin corrosion/irritation
Skin - Rabbit
Result: Causes burns.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
Eyes - Rabbit
Result: Risk of serious damage to eyes.

Respiratory or skin sensitization
No data available

Germ cell mutagenicity
Test Type: reverse mutation assay
Test system: S. typhimurium
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation
Method: OECD Test Guideline 471
Result: negative

Test Type: Chromosome aberration test in vitro
Species: Hamster

Method: OECD Test Guideline 474
Result: negative

Carcinogenicity
IARC: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.
NTP: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.
OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is on OSHA’s list of regulated carcinogens.

Reproductive toxicity
No data available
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
Repeated dose toxicity - Mouse - female - LOAEL (Lowest observed adverse effect level) - 136.9 mg/kg

RTECS: UE5950000
May cause an asthmatic-like bronchitis., Nausea, Dizziness, Headache, Blood disorders, May cause irritation to eyes and respiratory passages to workers briefly exposed to high concentrations
To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.
Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence
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SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity
No data available

12.2 Persistence and degradability
Biodegradability aerobic - Exposure time 20 d
Result: 93 % - Readily biodegradable.

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential
No data available

12.4 Mobility in soil
No data available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties
No data available

12.7 Other adverse effects
No data available

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product
Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

Contaminated packaging
Dispose of as unused product.
SECTION 14: Transport information

DOT (US)
UN number: 3463  Class: 8 (3)  Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: Propionic acid
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 5000 lbs
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG
UN number: 3463  Class: 8 (3)  Packing group: II  EMS-No: F-E, S-C
Proper shipping name: PROPIONIC ACID

IATA
UN number: 3463  Class: 8 (3)  Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: Propionic acid

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

SARA 302 Components
No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

SARA 313 Components
This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

Massachusetts Right To Know Components

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SECTION 16: Other information

Further information
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