SAFETY DATA SHEET

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

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Cetyl alcohol

Product Number : 68824
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich
CAS-No. : 36653-82-4

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.
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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

Not a hazardous substance or mixture.

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Not a hazardous substance or mixture.

2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

Synonyms : Palmityl alcohol
1-Hexadecanol

Formula : C_{16}H_{34}O
Molecular weight : 242.44 g/mol  
CAS-No. : 36653-82-4  
EC-No. : 253-149-0  

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
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.

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

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
No data available

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures
Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas.
For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions
No special environmental precautions required.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up
Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.
SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Advice on safe handling
Further processing of solid materials may result in the formation of combustible dusts. The potential for combustible dust formation should be taken into consideration before additional processing occurs.

Advice on protection against fire and explosion
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

Hygiene measures
General industrial hygiene practice.
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.

Storage class
Storage class (TRGS 510): 13: Non 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
Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls
General industrial hygiene practice.

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).

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: Nitrile rubber
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
Break through time: 480 min
Material tested:Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

Sigma-Aldrich - 68824
The life science business of Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany operates as MilliporeSigma in the US and Canada
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 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
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.

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).

Control of environmental exposure
No special environmental precautions required.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Appearance
   Form: solid
   Color: white

b) Odor
   odorless

c) Odor Threshold
   No data available

d) pH
   No data available

e) Melting point/freezing point
   Melting point/range: 49 - 51 °C (120 - 124 °F)

f) Initial boiling point and boiling range
   190 °C 374 °F at 20 hPa - lit.

g) Flash point
   170 °C (338 °F) - ISO 2719

h) Evaporation rate
   No data available

i) Flammability (solid, gas)
   No data available

j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits
   Upper explosion limit: 8 %(V)
   Lower explosion limit: 1 %(V)

k) Vapor pressure
   < 0.01 hPa at 43 °C (109 °F)
I) Vapor density 8.37 - (Air = 1.0)

m) Density 0.805 - 0.815 g/cm³ at 60 °C (140 °F) - DIN 51757
   Relative density No data available

n) Water solubility insoluble

o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water log Pow: 6.73 at 25 °C (77 °F)

p) Autoignition temperature does not ignite

q) Decomposition temperature No data available

r) Viscosity 3.394 mm²/s at 100 °C (212 °F) - ASTM D 445 -

s) Explosive properties No data available

t) Oxidizing properties No data available

9.2 Other safety information
   Relative vapor density 8.37 - (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
   No data available

10.5 Incompatible materials
   Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Humid air

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 - 2,000 mg/kg
   (OECD Test Guideline 401)
   Inhalation: No data available
   Dermal: No data available
   No data available
**Skin corrosion/irritation**  
Skin - Rabbit  
Result: No skin irritation - 4 h  
(OECD Test Guideline 404)

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**  
Eyes - Rabbit  
Result: No eye irritation - 72 h  
(OECD Test Guideline 405)  
After eye contact: Slight irritations.

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**  
Maximization Test - Guinea pig  
Result: negative  
(OECD Test Guideline 406)

**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

**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.

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

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

**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

**RTECS:** MM0225000  
To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

The following applies to aliphatic alcohols in general: effect when product is not handled and used properly: mucosal irritations; after absorption of large quantities: narcosis.

Further data:

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.
SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity
Toxicity to fish semi-static test LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - > 0.4 mg/l - 96 h (OECD Test Guideline 203)
Remarks: Aquatic toxicity is unlikely due to low solubility.

12.2 Persistence and degradability
Biodegradability aerobic - Exposure time 28 d
Result: 82.4 % - Readily biodegradable. (OECD Test Guideline 301B)

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.

Contaminated packaging
Dispose of as unused product.

SECTION 14: Transport information

DOT (US)
Not dangerous goods

IMDG
Not dangerous goods
IATA
Not dangerous goods

Further information
Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

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.

SARA 311/312 Hazards
No SARA Hazards

Massachusetts Right To Know Components
No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

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California Prop. 65 Components
This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth, or any other reproductive defects.

SECTION 16: Other information

Further information
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