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

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : TRIS borate – EDTA buffer solution
Product Number : 93290
Brand : Sigma

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)
Reproductive toxicity (Category 1B), H360
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) : May damage fertility or the unborn child.
Precautionary statement(s) : Obtain special instructions before use.
Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.
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 - none

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.2 Mixtures
Synonyms : TBE buffer

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

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first-aid measures

General advice
Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

If inhaled
After inhalation: fresh air. Call in physician.

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

In case of eye contact
After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

If swallowed
After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). 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**
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
Nitrogen oxides (NOx)
Borane/boron oxides
Combustible.
Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.

5.3 Advice for firefighters
Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

5.4 Further information
Suppress (knock down) gases/vapors/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures
Advice for non-emergency personnel: Do not breathe vapors, aerosols. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.
For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions
Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up
Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up carefully with liquid-absorbent material (e.g. Chemizorb®). 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

Advice on safe handling
Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture. Avoid generation of vapours/aerosols.

Hygiene measures
Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.
For precautions see section 2.2.
7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions
Tightly closed. Keep in a well-ventilated place. Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons.

Storage class
Storage class (TRGS 510): 6.1C: Combustible, acute toxic Cat.3 / toxic compounds or compounds which causing chronic effects

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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8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls
Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

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
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)
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**
protective clothing

**Respiratory protection**
required when 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.

**Control of environmental exposure**
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**

| a) Appearance | Form: liquid |
| b) Odor       | No data available |
| c) Odor Threshold | No data available |
| d) pH         | No data available |
| e) Melting point/freezing point | No data available |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range | No data available |
| g) Flash point | (No data available |
| h) Evaporation rate | No data available |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas) | No data available |
| j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | No data available |
| k) Vapor pressure | No data available |
| l) Vapor density | No data available |
| m) Density | No data available |
| | Relative density | No data available |
| n) Water solubility | soluble |
| o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water | No data available |
p) Autoignition temperature  No data available
q) Decomposition temperature  No data available
r) Viscosity  No data available
s) Explosive properties  Not classified as explosive.
t) Oxidizing properties  none

9.2 **Other safety information**
No data available

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**SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

**10.1 Reactivity**
No data available

**10.2 Chemical stability**
The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature).

**10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions**
Violent reactions possible with:
The generally known reaction partners of water.

**10.4 Conditions to avoid**
No information available

**10.5 Incompatible materials**
Strong oxidizing agents, Potassium, Acid anhydrides

**10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**
In the event of fire: see section 5

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**SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

**11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

**Mixture**

**Acute toxicity**
Oral: No data available
Acute toxicity estimate Oral - > 5,000 mg/kg
(Calculation method)
Inhalation: No data available
Acute toxicity estimate Dermal - > 5,000 mg/kg
(Calculation method)

**Skin corrosion/irritation**
No data available

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**
No data available
Respiratory or skin sensitization
No data available

Germ cell mutagenicity
No data available

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
May harm the unborn child.
May impair fertility.

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
Toxicity reported for borates in humans: ingestion or absorption may cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal cramps, and erythematous lesions on the skin and mucous membranes. Other symptoms include: circulatory collapse, tachycardia, cyanosis, delirium, convulsions, and coma. Death has been reported to occur in infants from less than 5 grams and in adults from 5 to 20 grams. To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated. Other dangerous properties can not be excluded.

This substance should be handled with particular care.

Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

Components
boric acid

Acute toxicity
LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - 3,450 mg/kg
Remarks: (ECHA)
LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4 h - > 2.12 mg/l - dust/mist (OECD Test Guideline 403)
LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - male and female - > 2,000 mg/kg
Remarks: (ECHA)

Skin corrosion/irritation
Skin - Rabbit
Result: No skin irritation - 24 h
Remarks: (ECHA)
**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**
Eyes - Rabbit
Result: No eye irritation - 24 h
(OECD Test Guideline 405)

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

**Germ cell mutagenicity**
Test Type: sister chromatid exchange assay
Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells
Result: negative
Remarks: (ECHA)
Test Type: Ames test
Test system: S. typhimurium
Result: negative
Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test
Test system: mouse lymphoma cells
Result: negative
Test Type: Mutagenicity (mammal cell test):
Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells
Result: negative
Method: OECD Test Guideline 474
Species: Mouse - male and female
Result: negative

**Carcinogenicity**
No data available

**Reproductive toxicity**
May damage fertility.
May damage the unborn child.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**
No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

**Aspiration hazard**
No data available

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**SECTION 12: Ecological information**

12.1 **Toxicity**
- **Mixture**
  No data available

12.2 **Persistence and degradability**
No data available

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

Components
boric acid
- Toxicity to fish: static test LC50 - *Pimephales promelas* (fathead minnow) - 79.7 mg/l - 96 h (US-EPA)
- Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates: static test EC50 - *Daphnia magna* (Water flea) - 133 mg/l - 48 h Remarks: (ECOTOX Database)
- Toxicity to algae: static test EC50 - *Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata* (green algae) - 52.4 mg/l - 74.5 h (OECD Test Guideline 201)

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

**Product**
Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers. No mixing with other waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product itself.

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**
Sigma - 93290
This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

**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**
Chronic Health Hazard

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

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**SECTION 16: Other information**

**Further information**
The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. 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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