SAFETY DATA SHEET

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

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Metronidazole
Product Number : M1547
Brand : Sigma
CAS-No. : 443-48-1

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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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)

Germ cell mutagenicity (Category 1B), H340
Carcinogenicity (Category 1B), H350
Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Category 2), H373

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)
H340      May cause genetic defects.
H350      May cause cancer.
H373      May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Precautionary statement(s)
P201      Obtain special instructions before use.
P202      Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P260      Do not breathe dust.
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
Caution: Physiologically highly active, therapeutically usable substance. The substance must be handled with the care required for hazardous materials.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances
Synonyms: 2-Methyl-5-nitroimidazole-1-ethanol

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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

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**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)
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.

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**SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

6.1 **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**
Advice for non-emergency personnel: Avoid generation and inhalation of dusts in all circumstances. 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. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area. Avoid generation of dusts.

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.

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. Dry. Keep in a well-ventilated place. Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons.

Storage stability
Recommended storage temperature
2 - 8 °C

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
Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

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 impervious gloves.

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 substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN374 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

**Splash contact**
Material: Nitrile rubber  
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm  
Break through time: 480 min  
Material tested: KCL 741 Dermatril® L

**Body Protection**  
protective clothing

**Respiratory protection**  
required when dusts 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**

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### 9.2 Other safety information
No data available

## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity
The following applies in general to flammable organic substances and mixtures: in correspondingly fine distribution, when whirled up a dust explosion potential may generally be assumed.

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

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions
No data available

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid
no information available

### 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 - 3,000 mg/kg
Cyanosis
(RTECS)
Inhalation: No data available
Dermal: No data available

**Skin corrosion/irritation**
No data available

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**
No data available

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**
No data available

**Germ cell mutagenicity**
May cause genetic defects.

**Carcinogenicity**
Presumed to have carcinogenic potential for humans
IARC: 2B - Group 2B: Possibly carcinogenic to humans (Metronidazole)
NTP: RAHC - Reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen (Metronidazole)
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**
May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

**Aspiration hazard**
No data available

11.2 Additional Information

RTECS: NI5600000
Paresthesia.
To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity
Toxicity to fish

**LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout)** - > 100 mg/l - 96 h
Remarks: (ECOTOX Database)

**NOEC - Danio rerio (zebra fish)** - 500 mg/l - 96 h
Remarks: (ECOTOX Database)

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates

**EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea)** - > 1,000 mg/l - 48 h
Remarks: (ECOTOX Database)

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

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**
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**

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which is/are known to the State of California to cause cancer. For more information go to www.P65Warnings.ca.gov.Metronidazole

SECTION 16: Other information

**Further information**
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