SAFETY DATA SHEET

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

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Tetramethylammonium hydroxide solution
Product Number : 331635
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich

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

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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)

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 2), H300
Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 2), H310
Skin corrosion (Category 1), H314
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 1), Central nervous system, H370
Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure, Dermal (Category 1), Liver, thymus, H372
Short-term (acute) aquatic hazard (Category 2), H401
Long-term (chronic) aquatic hazard (Category 2), H411

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

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements
The life science business of Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany operates as MilliporeSigma in the US and Canada.

### Pictogram

**Signal word** Danger

**Hazard statement(s)**
- **H300 + H310** Fatal if swallowed or in contact with skin.
- **H314** Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
- **H370** Causes damage to organs (Central nervous system).
- **H372** Causes damage to organs (Liver, thymus) through prolonged or repeated exposure in contact with skin.
- **H411** Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

**Precautionary statement(s)**
- **P260** Do not breathe dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapors/ spray.
- **P262** Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.
- **P264** Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
- **P270** Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
- **P273** Avoid release to the environment.
- **P280** Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
- **P301 + P310 + P330** IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor. Rinse mouth.
- **P301 + P330 + P331** IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
- **P302 + P350 + P310** IF ON SKIN: Gently wash with plenty of soap and water. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.
- **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.
- **P307 + P311** IF exposed: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.
- **P362** Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.
- **P391** Collect spillage.
- **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

#### 3.2 Mixtures

**Molecular weight**: 91.15 g/mol

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<td>Acute Tox. 2; Acute Tox. 1; Skin Corr. 1B; Eye Dam. 1; STOT SE 1; STOT RE 1; Aquatic Acute 2;</td>
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SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first-aid measures

General advice
First aiders need to protect themselves. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

If inhaled
After inhalation: fresh air. Immediately call in physician. If breathing stops: immediately apply artificial respiration, if necessary also oxygen.

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

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

If swallowed
If swallowed: give water to drink (two glasses at most). Seek medical advice immediately. In exceptional cases only, if medical care is not available within one hour, induce vomiting (only in persons who are wide awake and fully conscious), administer activated charcoal (20 - 40 g in a 10% slurry) and consult a doctor as quickly as possible. Do not attempt to neutralise.

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 extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

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)  
Not combustible.  
Ambient fire may liberate hazardous vapours.

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: 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.

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**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 (TRGS 510): 6.1B: Non-combustible, acute toxic Cat. 1 and 2 / very toxic hazardous materials

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). Tightly fitting safety goggles

**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 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: Latex gloves
Minimum layer thickness: 0.6 mm
Break through time: > 480 min
Material tested: Lapren® (KCL 706 / Aldrich Z677558, Size M)

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Splash contact
Material: Nitrile rubber
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
Break through time: > 30 min
Material tested: KCL 741 Dermatril® L

**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.
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  
   > 13 at 20 °C (68 °F)

e) Melting point/freezing point  
   No data available

f) Initial boiling point and boiling range  
   No data available

g) Flash point  
   > 100 °C (> 212 °F) - closed cup

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  
   23.33 hPa at 20 °C (68 °F)

l) Vapor density  
   No data available

m) Relative density  
   No data available

n) Water solubility  
   soluble

o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water  
   No data available

p) Autoignition temperature  
   Not applicable

q) Decomposition temperature  
   No data available

r) Viscosity  
   No data available

s) Explosive properties  
   No data available

t) Oxidizing properties  
   No data available

9.2 Other safety information

No data available

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**
Aluminum, bronze, Zinc, Tin
Gives off hydrogen by reaction with metals.

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**
Acute toxicity estimate Oral - 16.67 mg/kg
(Calculation method)

Symptoms: If ingested, severe burns of the mouth and throat, as well as a danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach.

Symptoms: mucosal irritations, Cough, Shortness of breath, Possible damages:, damage of respiratory tract

Acute toxicity estimate Dermal - 83.33 mg/kg
(Calculation method)
No data available

**Skin corrosion/irritation**
No data available

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**
Mixture causes serious eye damage. Risk of blindness!

**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
No data available
No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure
Remarks: No data available
Mixture causes damage to organs. - Central nervous system

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure
Remarks:
No data available
Mixture causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. - Liver, thymus

Aspiration hazard
No data available

11.2 Additional Information
Not available

Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin. Symptoms of exposure may include burning sensation, coughing, wheezing, laryngitis, shortness of breath, headache, nausea, and vomiting. Inhalation of vapors may cause: pulmonary edema, spasm, inflammation and edema of the bronchi, spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx. 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.

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

Components
Tetramethylammonium hydroxide

Acute toxicity
LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - 12.5 - 125 mg/kg
(OECD Test Guideline 401)
LD50 Dermal - Guinea pig - 25 mg/kg
Remarks:
Prolonged skin contact may cause skin irritation and/or dermatitis.
No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
Skin - Rabbit
Result: Corrosive - 4 h
(OECD Test Guideline 404)

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

**Germ cell mutagenicity**
Ames test
S. typhimurium
Result: negative

**Carcinogenicity**

**Reproductive toxicity**
No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**
Causes damage to organs. - Central nervous system

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**
Skin contact - Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. - Liver, thymus

**Aspiration hazard**
No data available

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**SECTION 12: Ecological information**

12.1 **Toxicity**

**Mixture**
No data available

Toxicity to daphnia
EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 3.0 mg/l - 48 h
and other aquatic invertebrates

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 **Other adverse effects**
No data available

**Components**

**Tetramethylammonium hydroxide**

Toxicity to fish
flow-through test LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 462 mg/l - 96 h
(OECD Test Guideline 203)

Toxicity to daphnia
and other aquatic
static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 3 mg/l - 48 h
(OECD Test Guideline 202)
invertebrates

Toxicity to algae  
static test ErC50 - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae) - 96.3 mg/l - 72 h  
(OECD Test Guideline 201)

static test NOEC - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae) - 6.25 mg/l - 72 h  
(OECD Test Guideline 201)

Toxicity to bacteria  
static test EC50 - activated sludge - > 503 mg/l - 3 h  
(OECD Test Guideline 209)

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**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. See www.retrologistik.com for processes regarding the return of chemicals and containers, or contact us there if you have further questions.

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**SECTION 14: Transport information**

**DOT (US)**
- UN number: 1835  
- Class: 8  
- Packing group: II  
- Proper shipping name: Tetramethylammonium hydroxide solution  
- Reportable Quantity (RQ):  
- Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG**
- UN number: 1835  
- Class: 8  
- Packing group: II  
- EMS-No: F-A, S-B  
- Proper shipping name: TETRAMETHYLAMMONIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION

**IATA**
- UN number: 1835  
- Class: 8  
- Packing group: II  
- Proper shipping name: Tetramethylammonium hydroxide, solution

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**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**
Acute Health Hazard

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