

• SAFETY DATA SHEET

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SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide
Product Number : 36932
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich
CAS-No. : 57-09-0

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances
Uses advised against : The product is being supplied under the TSCA R&D Exemption (40 CFR Section 720.36). It is the recipient's responsibility to comply with the requirements of the R&D exemption. The product may not be used for a non-exempt commercial purpose under TSCA unless appropriate consent is granted in writing by MilliporeSigma.

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Sigma-Aldrich Inc.
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1.4 Emergency telephone number

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

SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

GHS classification in accordance with the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Hazards for the product as supplied

Acute toxicity (Oral) : Category 4

Skin irritation : Category 2

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Serious eye damage : Category 1

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure : Category 3 (Respiratory system)

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Oral) : Category 2 (Gastrointestinal tract)

Short-term (acute) aquatic hazard : Category 1

Long-term (chronic) aquatic hazard : Category 1

Other hazards

None known.

GHS label elements

Hazard pictograms : 

Signal word : Danger

Hazard statements : H302 Harmful if swallowed.
H315 Causes skin irritation.
H318 Causes serious eye damage.
H335 May cause respiratory irritation.
H373 May cause damage to organs (Gastrointestinal tract) through prolonged or repeated exposure if swallowed.
H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statements : **Prevention:**
P260 Do not breathe dust.
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P273 Avoid release to the environment.
P280 Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.

Response:
P301 + P312 + P330 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth.
P302 + P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

P304 + P340 + P312 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell.
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.
P314 Get medical advice/ attention if you feel unwell.
P332 + P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.
P362 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.
P391 Collect spillage.

Storage:

P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P405 Store locked up.

Disposal:

P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance / Mixture : Substance
CAS-No. : 57-09-0

Components

Chemical name	CAS No./Unique ID	Concentration (% w/w)	Trade secret
N-Cetyl-N'N'N-trimethylammonium bromide	57-09-0*	>= 90 - <= 100	-

* Indicates that the identifier is a CAS No.
Actual concentration is withheld as a trade secret

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

General advice : Show this 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.
In case of eye contact : After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water.

	Immediately call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.
If swallowed	: After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). Consult a physician.
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
Protection of first-aiders	: For personal protection see section 8.
Notes to physician	: No data available

SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media	: Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.
Specific hazards during fire fighting	: Combustible. Vapours are heavier than air and may spread along floors. Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating. Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.
Hazardous combustion products	: Carbon oxides Nitrogen oxides (NO _x) Hydrogen bromide gas
Specific extinguishing methods	: No data available
Further information	: Suppress (knock down) gases/vapours/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating

surface water or the ground water system.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters : Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures : Advice for non-emergency personnel:
Avoid inhalation of dusts.
Avoid substance contact.
Ensure adequate ventilation.
Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.
Advice for emergency responders:
For personal protection see section 8.

Environmental precautions : Do not let product enter drains.

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 dry. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area. Avoid generation of dusts.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

For precautions see section 2.2.

Further information on storage conditions : Tightly closed.
Dry.

Storage class : 11, Combustible Solids

Recommended storage temperature : Recommended storage temperature see product label.

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Ingredients with workplace control parameters

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

Engineering measures : No data available

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection : Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) 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).

Hand protection
Material : Nitrile rubber
Break through time : 480 min
Glove thickness : 0.11 mm
Protective index : Full contact
Manufacturer : KCL 741 Dermatril® L

Material : Nitrile rubber
Break through time : 480 min
Glove thickness : 0.11 mm
Protective index : Splash contact
Manufacturer : KCL 741 Dermatril® L

Remarks : 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 EN 16523-1 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: www.kcl.de).

Eye 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 and body protection : protective clothing

Hygiene measures : Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance : solid

Color : white

Odor	: weak
Odor Threshold	: No data available
pH	: 5.0 - 7 (77 °F / 25 °C) Concentration: 36.4 g/l
Melting point/ range	: 478 - 484 °F / 248 - 251 °C
Boiling point/boiling range	: No data available
Flash point	: 471 °F / 244 °C Method: closed cup
Evaporation rate	: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	: No data available
Flammability (liquids)	: No data available
Burning rate	: No data available
Self-ignition	: 410 °F / 210 °C 0.3 hPa GLP: yes
Upper explosion limit / Upper flammability limit	: No data available
Lower explosion limit / Lower flammability limit	: No data available
Vapor pressure	: No data available
Relative vapour density	: No data available
Relative density	: No data available
Density	: 2.30 g/cm ³
Solubility(ies)	
Water solubility	: 36.4 g/l completely soluble (68 °F / 20 °C)
Partition coefficient: n- octanol/water	: log Pow: 2.26 (Lit.) Bioaccumulation is not expected.
Autoignition temperature	: 410 °F / 210 °C (300 hPa) GLP: yes
Decomposition	: No data available

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temperature

Viscosity, dynamic : No data available

Viscosity, kinematic : No data available

Flow time : No data available

Explosive properties : No data available

Oxidizing properties : none

Surface tension : 39 mN/m, 77 °F / 25 °C

Molecular weight : 364.45 g/mol

Particle characteristics

Particle size : No data available

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity : Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.

A range from approx. 15 Kelvin below the flash point is to be rated as critical.

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.

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

Possibility of hazardous reactions : Violent reactions possible with:
Strong oxidizing agents
Caution! In contact with nitrites, nitrates, nitrous acid possible liberation of nitrosamines!

Conditions to avoid : Strong heating.

Incompatible materials : No data available

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 - female - 1,550 mg/kg
(OECD Test Guideline 401)

Remarks: (in analogy to similar products)

The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Hexadecyltrimethylammonium chloride

Inhalation: No data available

Inhalation: Irritating to respiratory system.

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - male and female - 2,150 mg/kg

Remarks: (in analogy to similar products)

(ECHA)

The value is given in analogy to the following substances: Hexadecyltrimethylammonium chloride

No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Irritating to skin. - 24 h

Remarks: (ECHA)

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Causes serious eye damage.

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

Remarks: (in analogy to similar products)

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Maximisation Test - Guinea pig

Result: negative

(OECD Test Guideline 406)

Remarks: Aqueous solution

Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component 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 component 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

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation. - Respiratory system

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

Oral - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

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- Gastrointestinal tract

Aspiration hazard

No data available

11.2 Additional Information

Repeated dose toxicity - Rabbit - male and female - Dermal - 28 d - Lowest observed adverse effect level - 10 mg/kg
Remarks: (in analogy to similar products)

Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - male and female - Oral - 28 d - No observed adverse effect level - 100 mg/kg
Remarks: (as aqueous solution)
(ECHA)

RTECS: BQ7875000

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

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Components:

N-Cetyl-N'N'N-trimethylammonium bromide:

Toxicity to fish	:	LC50 (Danio rerio (zebra fish)): 0.2 mg/l End point: mortality Exposure time: 96 h Test Type: semi-static test Analytical monitoring: yes Method: OECD Test Guideline 203 GLP: yes
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	:	EC50 (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 0.037 mg/l End point: Immobilization Exposure time: 48 h Test Type: semi-static test Analytical monitoring: yes Method: OECD Test Guideline 202 GLP: yes
Toxicity to algae/aquatic plants	:	ErC50 (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae)): 0.00411 mg/l Exposure time: 72 h Test Type: static test Analytical monitoring: yes Method: OECD Test Guideline 201 GLP: yes

NOEC (Desmodesmus subspicatus (green algae)):
0.001 mg/l
Exposure time: 72 h
Test Type: static test
Analytical monitoring: yes
Method: OECD Test Guideline 201
GLP: yes

M-Factor (Acute aquatic toxicity) : 100

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates (Chronic toxicity) : NOEC (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 0.023 mg/l
Exposure time: 21 d
Method: OECD Test Guideline 211

M-Factor (Chronic aquatic toxicity) : 10

Toxicity to microorganisms : EC50 (activated sludge): 19 mg/l
Remarks: (ECHA)

Persistence and degradability

Components:

N-Cetyl-N'N'N-trimethylammonium bromide:

Biodegradability : aerobic
Inoculum: activated sludge
Chemical oxygen demand
Result: Readily biodegradable.
Biodegradation: 100 %
Exposure time: 11 d
Method: OECD Test Guideline 301E

Bioaccumulative potential

Components:

N-Cetyl-N'N'N-trimethylammonium bromide:

Bioaccumulation : Species: Cyprinus carpio (Carp)
Bioconcentration factor (BCF): 407 - 741
Exposure time: 8 Weeks
Concentration: 0.05 mg/l

Remarks: Due to the distribution coefficient n-octanol/water, accumulation in organisms is not expected.

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water : log Pow: 2.26
Remarks: (Lit.)
Bioaccumulation is not expected.

Mobility in soil

No data available

Other adverse effects**Components:****N-Cetyl-N'N'N-trimethylammonium bromide:**

Additional ecological information : An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Very toxic to aquatic life.

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**Disposal methods**

Waste from residues : 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**International Regulations****IATA-DGR**

UN/ID No. : UN 3077
Proper shipping name : Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s. (N-Cetyl-N'N'N-trimethylammonium bromide)
Class : 9
Packing group : III
Labels : Class 9 - Miscellaneous dangerous substances and articles
Packing instruction (cargo aircraft) : 956
Packing instruction (passenger aircraft) : 956

IMDG-Code

UN number : UN 3077
Proper shipping name : ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (N-Cetyl-N'N'N-trimethylammonium bromide)
Class : 9
Packing group : III
Labels : 9
EmS Code : F-A, S-F
Marine pollutant : yes

Transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Not applicable for product as supplied.

National Regulations

49 CFR Road

Not regulated as a dangerous good

Poison Inhalation Hazard : No

Special precautions for user

Remarks : EHS-Mark required (ADR 2.2.9.1.10, IMDG code 2.10.3) for single packagings and combination packagings containing inner packagings with Dangerous Goods > 5L for liquids or > 5kg for solids. Packages smaller than or equal to 5 kg / L , not dangerous goods of Class 9

The transport classification(s) provided herein are for informational purposes only, and solely based upon the properties of the unpackaged material as it is described within this Safety Data Sheet. Transportation classifications may vary by mode of transportation, package sizes, and variations in regional or country regulations.

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

CERCLA Reportable Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a CERCLA RQ.

SARA 304 Extremely Hazardous Substances Reportable Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a section 304 EHS RQ.

SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances Threshold Planning Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

SARA 311/312 Hazards : Acute Health Hazard

SARA 313 : 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.

US State Regulations

Massachusetts Right To Know

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

Maine Chemicals of High Concern

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

Vermont Chemicals of High Concern

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

Washington Chemicals of High Concern

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

The components of this product are reported in the following inventories:

TSCA : All substances listed as active on the TSCA inventory

TSCA list

No substances are subject to a Significant New Use Rule.

No substances are subject to TSCA 12(b) export notification requirements.

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Full text of other abbreviations

AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DOT - Department of Transportation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; EHS - Extremely Hazardous Substance; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; ERG - Emergency Response Guide; GHS - Globally Harmonised System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; HMIS - Hazardous Materials Identification System; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organisation; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardisation; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; MSHA - Mine Safety and Health Administration; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; NFPA - National Fire Protection Association; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NTP - National Toxicology Program; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; RCRA - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; RQ - Reportable Quantity; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SARA - Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

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