

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Dimethyl ether

Product Number : 295299
Brand : Aldrich
Index-No. : 603-019-00-8

CAS-No. : 115-10-6

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4 Emergency telephone number

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Flammable gases (Category 1), H220
Gases under pressure (Liquefied gas), H280
Simple Asphyxiant,

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)

H220 : Extremely flammable gas.
H280 : Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.
May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation.

Precautionary statement(s)

P210 : Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.
P377 : Leaking gas fire: Do not extinguish, unless leak can be stopped safely.
P381 : Eliminate all ignition sources if safe to do so.
P410 + P403 : Protect from sunlight. Store in a well-ventilated place.

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

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1 Substances

Synonyms : Methyl ether

Formula : C₂H₆O

Molecular weight : 46.07 g/mol

CAS-No. : 115-10-6

EC-No. : 204-065-8

Index-No. : 603-019-00-8

Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
Dimethyl ether		
	Flam. Gas 1; Press. Gas Liquefied gas; SA ; H220, H280,	<= 100 %

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

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact

Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

If swallowed

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. 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

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

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Beware of vapours accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapours can accumulate in low areas.

For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Contain spillage, soak up with non-combustible absorbent material, (e.g. sand, earth, diatomaceous earth, vermiculite) and transfer to a container for disposal according to local / national regulations (see section 13). Clean up promptly by sweeping or vacuum.

6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.

Use explosion-proof equipment. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Contents under pressure.

Storage class (TRGS 510): Gases

7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control parameters

Components with workplace control parameters

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Dimethyl ether	115-10-6	TWA	1,000.000000 ppm	USA. Workplace Environmental Exposure Levels (WEEL)

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

Face shield and safety glasses 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.

Splash contact

Material: Fluorinated rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.7 mm

Break through time: 30 min

Material tested: Vitoject® (KCL 890 / Aldrich Z677698, 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 CE 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

impervious clothing, Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing., The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type AXBEK (EN 14387) 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).

Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Appearance	Form: Liquefied gas
b) Odour	No data available
c) Odour Threshold	No data available
d) pH	No data available
e) Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: -141 °C (-222 °F) - lit.
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	-24.8 °C (-12.6 °F) - lit.
g) Flash point	-40.99 °C (-41.78 °F) - closed cup
h) Evaporation rate	No data available
i) Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available
j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	Upper explosion limit: 27 %(V) Lower explosion limit: 3.4 %(V)
k) Vapour pressure	5,333 hPa (4,000 mmHg) at 20 °C (68 °F)
l) Vapour density	1.59 - (Air = 1.0)
m) Relative density	No data available
n) Water solubility	353 g/l at 24 °C (75 °F) at 1,013 hPa (760 mmHg)
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	No data available
p) Auto-ignition temperature	226 °C (439 °F) at 1,013 - 1,027 hPa (760 - 770 mmHg)
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

Relative vapour density 1.59 - (Air = 1.0)

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

Heat, flames and sparks.

10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - No data available
In the event of fire: see section 5

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

No data available

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male - 4 h - 164000 ppm

Remarks: Behavioral:Ataxia. Behavioral:General anesthetic. Behavioral:Coma.

Dermal: No data available

No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

No data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

No data available

Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

Germ cell mutagenicity

Ames test

S. typhimurium

Result: negative

Chromosome aberration test in vitro

Human lymphocytes

Result: negative

OECD Test Guideline 477

Drosophila melanogaster - male

Result: negative

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.

ACGIH: No component 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 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 identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

Reproductive toxicity

No data available

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

Additional Information

RTECS: PM4780000

Blurred vision, Headache, Dizziness, Convulsions, Asphyxia, Unconsciousness, Liver disorders

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish semi-static test LC50 - *Poecilia reticulata* (guppy) - > 4.1 g/l - 96 h

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates static test EC50 - *Daphnia magna* (Water flea) - > 4.4 g/l - 48 h

Toxicity to bacteria Respiration inhibition EC10 - *Pseudomonas putida* - ca. > 1,600 mg/l - 30 min

12.2 Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability aerobic - Exposure time 28 d
Result: 5 % - Not readily biodegradable.
(OECD Test Guideline 301D)

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

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product

Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)

UN number: 1033 Class: 2.1
Proper shipping name: Dimethyl ether
Reportable Quantity (RQ):

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG

UN number: 1033 Class: 2.1
Proper shipping name: DIMETHYL ETHER

EMS-No: F-D, S-U

IATA

UN number: 1033 Class: 2.1
Proper shipping name: Dimethyl ether
IATA Passenger: Not permitted for transport

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

Fire Hazard, Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard

Massachusetts Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Dimethyl ether	115-10-6	1993-04-24

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Dimethyl ether	115-10-6	1993-04-24

New Jersey Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Dimethyl ether	115-10-6	1993-04-24

California Prop. 65 Components

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

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

Flam. Gas	May displace oxygen and cause rapid suffocation.
H220	Flammable gases
H280	Extremely flammable gas.
Press. Gas	Contains gas under pressure; may explode if heated.
SA	Gases under pressure
	Simple Asphyxiant

HMIS Rating

Health hazard:	0
Chronic Health Hazard:	
Flammability:	4
Physical Hazard	3

NFPA Rating

Health hazard:	0
Fire Hazard:	4
Reactivity Hazard:	0

Further information

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