1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name: Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate
Product Number: 90520
Brand: Sigma-Aldrich
CAS-No.: 368-39-8

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
3050 Spruce Street
SAINT LOUIS MO 63103
USA
Telephone: +1 800-325-5832
Fax: +1 800-325-5052

1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency Phone #: +1-703-527-3887 (CHEMTREC)

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)
Skin corrosion (Category 1B), H314
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318

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)
H314: Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary statement(s)
P260: Do not breathe dust or mist.
P264: Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P280: Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P330 + P331: IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303 + P361 + P353: IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.
P304 + P340: IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305 + P351 + P338: IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
2.3 **Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS**
Reacts violently with water.
Strong hydrogen fluoride-releaser

3. **COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

3.1 **Substances**

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<th>Component</th>
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<th>Concentration</th>
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<td>Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-)</td>
<td>Skin Corr. 1B; Eye Dam. 1;</td>
<td>90 - 100 %</td>
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<td>H314</td>
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<tr>
<td>Diethyl ether</td>
<td>Flam. Liqu. 1; Acute Tox. 4; STOT SE 3; H224, H302, H336</td>
<td>1 - 5 %</td>
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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. Hydrofluoric (HF) acid burns require immediate and specialized first aid and medical treatment. Symptoms may be delayed up to 24 hours depending on the concentration of HF. After decontamination with water, further damage can occur due to penetration/absorption of the fluoride ion. Treatment should be directed toward binding the fluoride ion as well as the effects of exposure. Skin exposures can be treated with a 2.5% calcium gluconate gel repeated until burning ceases. More serious skin exposures may require subcutaneous calcium gluconate except for digital areas unless the physician is experienced in this technique, due to the potential for tissue injury from increased pressure. Absorption can readily occur through the subungual areas and should be considered when undergoing decontamination. Prevention of absorption of the fluoride ion in cases of ingestion can be obtained by giving milk, chewable calcium carbonate tablets or Milk of Magnesia to conscious victims. Conditions such as hypocalcemia, hypomagnesemia and cardiac arrhythmias should be monitored for, since they can occur after exposure.

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

**In case of skin contact**
Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician. First treatment with calcium gluconate paste.

**In case of eye contact**
Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician. Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.

**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

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5. **FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

5.1 **Extinguishing media**
Suitable extinguishing media
Dry powder

5.2 **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**
No data available

5.3 **Advice for firefighters**
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

5.4 **Further information**
No data available

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6. **ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

6.1 **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**
Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust. 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**
Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Do not flush with water. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

6.4 **Reference to other sections**
For disposal see section 13.

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7. **HANDLING AND STORAGE**

7.1 **Precautions for safe handling**
Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.
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. Never allow product to get in contact with water during storage.
Recommended storage temperature 2 - 8 °C
Hygroscopic. Store under inert gas. Moisture sensitive. Handle and store under inert gas. Do not store in glass
Storage class (TRGS 510): 8B: Non-combustible, corrosive hazardous materials

7.3 **Specific end use(s)**
Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

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8. **EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

8.1 **Control parameters**
Components with workplace control parameters
<table>
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### Remarks
- Central Nervous System impairment
- Upper Respiratory Tract irritation

See Appendix D - Substances with No Established RELs

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<th>TWA</th>
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<td>STEL</td>
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The value in mg/m³ is approximate.

### 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.
- 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)

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**
Complete suit protecting against chemicals, Flame retardant 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 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).

**Control of environmental exposure**
Do not let product enter drains.

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**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

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity
No data available

10.2 Chemical stability
Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Contains the following stabiliser(s):
Diethyl ether (>1 - <3 %)

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions
Reacts violently with water.

10.4 Conditions to avoid
Exposure to moisture
Reacts dangerously with glass.

10.5 Incompatible materials
Strong oxidizing agents

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions.
- Carbon oxides, Hydrogen fluoride, Borane/boron oxides
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 (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))
Inhalation: No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))
Dermal: No data available
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Skin corrosion/irritation
No data available
No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
No data available
No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

Respiratory or skin sensitisation
No data available
No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

Germ cell mutagenicity
No data available
No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

**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

No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

No data available

No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

**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: Not available

spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx, spasm, inflammation and edema of the bronchi, pneumonitis, pulmonary edema, burning sensation, Cough, wheezing, laryngitis, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea, Vomiting Fluoride ion can reduce serum calcium levels possibly causing fatal hypocalcemia.

Cough, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea, Vomiting (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

Liver - Ingestion may provoke the following symptoms:, Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

Liver - Ingestion may provoke the following symptoms:, Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence (Diethyl ether)

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**12.1 Toxicity**

No data available

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 Other adverse effects**

No data available

No data available

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**13.1 Waste treatment methods**

**Product**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.
Contaminated packaging
Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)
UN number: 3261  Class: 8  Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: Corrosive solid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 3333 lbs
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG
UN number: 3261  Class: 8  Packing group: II  EMS-No: F-A, S-B
Proper shipping name: CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

IATA
UN number: 3261  Class: 8  Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: Corrosive solid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

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
Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

Massachusetts Right To Know Components
Diethyl ether  CAS-No.  60-29-7  Revision Date  1993-04-24

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components
Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-)  CAS-No.  368-39-8  Revision Date  1993-04-24
Diethyl ether  60-29-7  1993-04-24

New Jersey Right To Know Components
Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-)  CAS-No.  368-39-8  Revision Date  1993-04-24
Diethyl ether  60-29-7  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.

Acute Tox.  Acute toxicity
Eye Dam.  Serious eye damage
Flam. Liq.  Flammable liquids
H224  Extremely flammable liquid and vapour.
H302  Harmful if swallowed.
H314  Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H318  Causes serious eye damage.
H336  May cause drowsiness or dizziness.
Skin Corr.  Skin corrosion
STOT SE  Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure
HMIS Rating
Health hazard: 3
Chronic Health Hazard: *
Flammability: 0
Physical Hazard 2

NFPA Rating
Health hazard: 3
Fire Hazard: 0
Reactivity Hazard: 0

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