



# TCI AMERICA

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product name:** 3,4-Dihydroxybenzyl Alcohol  
**Product code:** D2620

**Product use:** For laboratory research purposes.  
**Restrictions on use:** Not for drug or household use.

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### 2. HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION

**OSHA Haz Com: CFR 1910.1200:** Skin Corrosion/Irritation [Category 2]  
Eye Damage/Irritation [Category 2A]

**Signal word:** Warning!

**Hazard Statement(s):** Causes serious eye irritation  
Causes skin irritation

**Pictogram(s) or Symbol(s):**



**Precautionary Statement(s):**

[Prevention]  
[Response]

Wash hands and face thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves. Wear eye and face protection.  
If on skin: Wash with plenty of water. If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice or attention.

[Storage]  
[Disposal]

None  
None

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

**Substance/Mixture:** Substance  
**Components:** 3,4-Dihydroxybenzyl Alcohol  
**Percent:** >96.0%(GC)  
**CAS Number:** 3897-89-0  
**Molecular Weight:** 140.14  
**Chemical Formula:** C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>8</sub>O<sub>3</sub>  
**Synonyms:** 4-Hydroxymethylpyrocatechol , α,3,4-Trihydroxytoluene

**4. FIRST-AID MEASURES**

<b>Inhalation:</b>	Call a poison center or doctor if you feel unwell. Move victim to fresh air. Give artificial respiration if victim is not breathing. Administer oxygen if breathing is difficult. Keep victim warm and quiet. Treat symptomatically and supportively. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved and take precautions to protect themselves.
<b>Skin contact:</b>	If skin irritation occurs get medical advice/attention. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use. In case of contact with substance, immediately flush skin with running water for at least 20 minutes. Treat symptomatically and supportively. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved and take precautions to protect themselves.
<b>Eye contact:</b>	IMMEDIATELY flush eyes with running water for at least 15 minutes, keeping eyelids open. Contact with material may irritate or burn eyes. Call emergency medical service. Move victim to fresh air. Check for and remove any contact lenses. Keep victim warm and quiet. Treat symptomatically and supportively. Effects of exposure to substance may be delayed. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved and take precautions to protect themselves.
<b>Ingestion:</b>	Do not induce vomiting with out medical advice. If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or label. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If a person vomits place them in the recovery position so that vomit will not reenter the mouth and throat. Rinse mouth. Keep victim warm and quiet. Treat symptomatically and supportively. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved and take precautions to protect themselves.

**Symptoms/effects:**

<b>Acute:</b>	Redness.
<b>Delayed:</b>	No data available

<b>Immediate medical attention:</b>	If breathing has stopped, perform artificial respiration. Use first aid treatment according to the nature of the injury. Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved and take precautions to protect themselves.
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**5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

<b>Suitable extinguishing media:</b>	Dry chemical, CO <sub>2</sub> , sand, earth, water spray or regular foam Consult with local fire authorities before attempting large scale fire fighting operations.
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**Specific hazards arising from the chemical**

<b>Hazardous combustion products:</b>	These products include: Carbon oxides
<b>Other specific hazards:</b>	Closed containers may explode from heat of a fire.

**Special precautions for fire-fighters:**

Use water spray or fog; do not use straight streams. Dike fire-control water for later disposal; do not scatter the material. Containers may explode when heated. Move containers from fire area if you can do it without risk.

**Special protective equipment for fire-fighters:**

Wear positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Structural fire fighters' protective clothing provides limited protection in fire situations ONLY; it may not be effective in spill situations. Wear chemical protective clothing which is specifically recommended by the manufacturer. It may provide little or no thermal protection.

**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

<b>Personal precautions:</b>	Avoid contact with skin, eyes, and clothing. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing (Section 8). Warn unnecessary personnel to move away. Stop leak if you can do it without risk. Ensure adequate ventilation. Isolate the hazard area and deny entry to unnecessary and unprotected personnel.
<b>Personal protective equipment:</b>	Wear eye protection (splash goggles) and face protection (full length face shield). Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use a MSHA/NIOSH approved respirator or equivalent. Wear protective gloves (nitrile).
<b>Emergency procedures:</b>	Prevent dust cloud. In case of a spill and/or a leak, always shut off any sources of ignition, ventilate the area, and exercise caution. Do not touch damaged containers or spilled material unless wearing appropriate protective clothing. Warn personnel to move away. Prevent entry into sewers, basements or confined areas; dike if needed.

**Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up:**

ELIMINATE all ignition sources (no smoking, flares, sparks, or flames in immediate area). Stop leak if without risk. Ventilate the area. Absorb with an inert material and put the spilled material in an appropriate waste disposal container. Use clean non-sparking tools to collect absorbed material.

**Environmental precautions:**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Water runoff can cause environmental damage. Prevent entry into sewers, basements or confined areas; dike if needed.

**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

<b>Precautions for safe handling:</b>	Avoid inhalation of vapor or mist. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Good general ventilation should be sufficient to control airborne levels. Keep container dry. Handle and open container with care. Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection. When using do not eat, drink, or smoke. Keep away from sources of ignition.
<b>Conditions for safe storage:</b>	Keep only in the original container in a cool well-ventilated place. Keep away from incompatibles. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage. Avoid prolonged storage periods. Store under inert gas (e.g. Argon). Store in a freezer.
<b>Storage incompatibilities:</b>	Store away from oxidizing agents

**8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION**

**Exposure limits:** No data available

**Appropriate engineering controls:**

Good general ventilation should be sufficient to control airborne levels. Ventilation is normally required when handling or using this product. Eyewash fountains should be provided in areas where there is any possibility that workers could be exposed to the substance. Follow safe industrial engineering/laboratory practices when handling any chemical.

**Personal protective equipment**

<b>Respiratory protection:</b>	Dust respirator. Be sure to use a MSHA/NIOSH approved respirator or equivalent.
<b>Hand protection:</b>	Nitrile gloves.
<b>Eye protection:</b>	Safety glasses.
<b>Skin and body protection:</b>	Lab coat.

**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

<b>Physical state (20°C):</b>	Solid
<b>Form:</b>	Crystal - Powder
<b>Color:</b>	White - Pale reddish yellow
<b>Odor:</b>	No data available
<b>Odor threshold:</b>	No data available

<b>Melting point/freezing point:</b>	117°C (243°F)	<b>pH:</b>	No data available
<b>Boiling point/range:</b>	No data available	<b>Vapor pressure:</b>	No data available
<b>Decomposition temperature:</b>	No data available	<b>Vapor density:</b>	No data available
<b>Relative density:</b>	No data available	<b>Dynamic Viscosity:</b>	No data available
<b>Kinematic Viscosity:</b>	No data available		
<b>Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water (log P<sub>ow</sub>)</b>	No data available	<b>Evaporation rate: (Butyl Acetate = 1)</b>	No data available
<b>Flash point:</b>	No data available	<b>Autoignition temperature:</b>	No data available
<b>Flammability (solid, gas):</b>	No data available	<b>Flammability or explosive limits:</b>	
		<b>Lower:</b>	No data available
		<b>Upper:</b>	No data available

**Solubility(ies):**

**10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

<b>Reactivity:</b>	Not Available.
<b>Chemical Stability:</b>	Air sensitive. Heat sensitive.
<b>Possibility of Hazardous Reactions:</b>	No hazardous reactivity has been reported.
<b>Conditions to avoid:</b>	Air sensitive. Exposure to air. Heat sensitive.
<b>Incompatible materials:</b>	Oxidizing agents
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products:</b>	No data available

**11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Acute Toxicity:**  
No data available

**Skin corrosion/irritation:**  
No data available

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

**Respiratory or skin sensitization:**  
No data available

**Germ cell mutagenicity:**  
No data available

**Carcinogenicity:**  
No data available

**IARC:** No data available

**NTP:** No data available

**OSHA:** No data available

**Reproductive toxicity:**  
No data available

**Routes of Exposure:** Inhalation, Eye contact, Ingestion, Skin contact.

**Symptoms related to exposure:**

Skin contact may result in inflammation; characterized by itching, scaling, reddening, or occasionally blistering. Skin contact may result in redness, pain or dry skin. Eye contact may result in redness or pain.

**Potential Health Effects:**

Skin and eye contact may result in irritation.

**Target organ(s):** No data available

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Ecotoxicity**

**Fish:** No data available  
**Crustacea:** No data available  
**Algae:** No data available

**Persistence and degradability:** No data available  
**Bioaccumulative potential (BCF):** No data available  
**Mobility in soil:** No data available  
**Partition coefficient:** No data available  
**n-octanol/water (log P<sub>ow</sub>):**  
**Soil adsorption (K<sub>oc</sub>):** No data available  
**Henry's Law:** No data available  
**constant (PaM<sup>3</sup>/mol)**

## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

**Disposal of product:** Recycle to process if possible. It is the generator's responsibility to comply with Federal, State and Local rules and regulations. You may be able to dissolve or mix material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber system. This section is intended to provide assistance but does not replace these laws, nor does compliance in accordance with this section ensure regulatory compliance according to the law. US EPA guidelines for Identification and Listing of Hazardous Waste are listed in 40 CFR Parts 261. The product should not be allowed to enter the environment, drains, water ways, or the soil.

**Disposal of container:** Dispose of as unused product. Do not re-use empty containers.

**Other considerations:** Observe all federal, state and local regulations when disposing of the substance.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

**DOT (US)** Non-hazardous for transportation.

**IATA** Non-hazardous for transportation.

**IMDG** Non-hazardous for transportation.

**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION****Toxic Substance Control Act (TSCA 8b.):**

This product is NOT on the EPA Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory. The following notices are required by 40 CFR 720.36 (C) for those products not on the inventory list:

- (i) These products are supplied solely for use in research and development by or under the supervision of a technically qualified individual as defined in 40 CFR 720.0 et sec.
- (ii) The health risks of these products have not been fully determined. Any information that is or becomes available will be supplied on a SDS sheet.

**US Federal Regulations****CERCLA Hazardous substance and Reportable Quantity:**

SARA 313: Not Listed  
SARA 302: Not Listed

**State Regulations****State Right-to-Know**

Massachusetts Not Listed  
New Jersey Not Listed  
Pennsylvania Not Listed  
California Proposition 65: Not Listed

**Other Information****NFPA Rating:**

Health: 0  
Flammability: 0  
Instability: 0

**HMIS Classification:**

Health: 0  
Flammability: 0  
Physical: 0

**International Inventories**

WHMIS hazard class: D2B: Materials causing other toxic effects. (Toxic)

**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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