

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : 2,3-Butanedione

Product Number : B85307

Brand : Aldrich

CAS-No. : 431-03-8

#### 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  
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SAINT LOUIS MO 63103  
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Telephone : +1 800-325-5832

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#### 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)

Flammable liquids (Category 2), H225  
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302  
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 3), H331  
Skin irritation (Category 2), H315  
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318  
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335

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)

H225 Highly flammable liquid and vapour.  
H302 Harmful if swallowed.  
H315 Causes skin irritation.  
H318 Causes serious eye damage.  
H331 Toxic if inhaled.  
H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statement(s)

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.  
P233 Keep container tightly closed.

P240	Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.
P241	Use explosion-proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting/ equipment.
P242	Use only non-sparking tools.
P243	Take precautionary measures against static discharge.
P261	Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.
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.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P312 + P330	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth.
P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.
P304 + P340 + P311	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.
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.
P332 + P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam for extinction.
P403 + P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P403 + P235	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
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

Stench.

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms	:	Biacetyl Diacetyl
Formula	:	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub>
Molecular weight	:	86.09 g/mol
CAS-No.	:	431-03-8
EC-No.	:	207-069-8

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Butanedione</b>		
	Flam. Liq. 2; Acute Tox. 4; Acute Tox. 3; Skin Irrit. 2; Eye Dam. 1; STOT SE 3; H225, H302, H315, H318, H331, H335	90 - 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. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

**In case of eye contact**

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

**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**

For small (incipient) fires, use media such as "alcohol" foam, dry chemicals as far as possible. Use very large quantities (flooding) of water applied ineffective. Cool all affected containers with flooding quantities of water.

**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**

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

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**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES****6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Wear respiratory protection. 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, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13).

**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**

Use with local exhaust ventilation. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. 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**

Store in cool place. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

Recommended storage temperature 2 - 8 °C

**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
Butanedione	431-03-8	TWA	0.010000 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Remarks	Lung damage (Bronchiolitis obliteranslike illness) Not classifiable as a human carcinogen		
		STEL	0.020000 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Lung damage (Bronchiolitis obliteranslike illness) Not classifiable as a human carcinogen		

### 8.2 Exposure controls

#### Appropriate engineering controls

This compound should be handled in a closed system. All operations should avoid accidental contact. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

#### Personal protective equipment

##### Eye/face protection

Tightly fitting safety goggles. Faceshield (8-inch minimum). 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: butyl-rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.3 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Butoject® (KCL 897 / Aldrich Z677647, Size M)

##### Splash contact

Material: butyl-rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.3 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Butoject® (KCL 897 / Aldrich Z677647, 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

Long sleeved clothing, Preventive skin protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, 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

PAPR (powered air purifying respirator) with organic vapor cartridges and particulate filters are acceptable during mixing activities.

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

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**9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES****9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

a) Appearance	Form: clear, liquid Colour: dark yellow
b) Odour	Stench.
c) Odour Threshold	No data available
d) pH	3.2
e) Melting point/freezing point	No data available
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	88 °C (190 °F) - lit.
g) Flash point	7 °C (45 °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: 13 %(V) Lower explosion limit: 2.4 %(V)
k) Vapour pressure	69.6 hPa (52.2 mmHg) at 20 °C (68 °F)
l) Vapour density	3.45
m) Relative density	0.981 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
n) Water solubility	200 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F) - soluble
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: -0.467
p) Auto-ignition temperature	No data available
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 3.45

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**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**

Vapours may form explosive mixture with air.

**10.4 Conditions to avoid**

Heat, flames and sparks. Extremes of temperature and direct sunlight.

**10.5 Incompatible materials**

Oxidizing agents, Strong bases, Reducing agents, Metals

## 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

Other decomposition products - No data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - Rat - 1,580 mg/kg

Remarks: Behavioral:Somnolence (general depressed activity). Behavioral:Convulsions or effect on seizure threshold.

Inhalation: Irritating to respiratory system.

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - 4 h - 2.25 - 5.2 mg/l

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - > 5,000 mg/kg

No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Skin irritation

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Severe eye irritation

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

Rat

Unscheduled DNA synthesis

#### 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 identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

#### Reproductive toxicity

No data available

No data available

#### Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation.

#### Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

#### Aspiration hazard

No data available

#### Additional Information

RTECS: EK2625000

Nausea, Headache, Vomiting

For additional studies related to this product, review OSHA literature on Diacetyl and flavorings ([www.OSHA.gov](http://www.OSHA.gov)), the OSHA NEP for Microwave Popcorn Processing Plants, NIOSH publication 2004-110d, and other NIOSH literature regarding flavorings ([www.cdc.gov/NIOSH](http://www.cdc.gov/NIOSH)). Animals exposed to diacetyl and other related diacetyl substitutes experienced damage to the nose and upper airways, including severe damage to cells lining the respiratory tract. NIOSH has reported that employees exposed to butter flavorings containing diacetyl are at risk of developing occupational lung

diseases and that in one instance, similar illnesses have been found among employees producing butter and vanilla flavorings containing diacetyl.

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence  
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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1 Toxicity

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

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## 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.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### DOT (US)

UN number: 2346      Class: 3      Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Butanedione

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Marine pollutant:yes

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

#### IMDG

UN number: 2346      Class: 3      Packing group: II      EMS-No: F-E, S-D

Proper shipping name: BUTANEDIONE

#### IATA

UN number: 2346      Class: 3      Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Butanedione

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## 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, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

Butanedione

CAS-No.  
431-03-8Revision Date  
1993-04-24**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

Butanedione

CAS-No.  
431-03-8Revision Date  
1993-04-24**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

Butanedione

CAS-No.  
431-03-8Revision Date  
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.

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**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
H225	Highly flammable liquid and vapour.
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H331	Toxic if inhaled.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
Skin Irrit.	Skin irritation
STOT SE	Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

**HMIS Rating**

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

**NFPA Rating**

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

**Further information**

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