

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Oxalic acid

Product Number : 75688

Brand : Sigma-Aldrich

Index-No. : 607-006-00-8

CAS-No. : 144-62-7

#### 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

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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)

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302  
Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 4), H312  
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)

H302 + H312  
H318

Harmful if swallowed or in contact with skin  
Causes serious eye damage.

Precautionary statement(s)

P264  
P270  
P280

Wash skin thoroughly after handling.  
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.

P301 + P312 + P330

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell.  
Rinse mouth.

P302 + P352 + P312

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician 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.  
P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.  
P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

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

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### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### 3.1 Substances

Formula :  $C_2H_2O_4$   
Molecular weight : 90.03 g/mol  
CAS-No. : 144-62-7  
EC-No. : 205-634-3  
Index-No. : 607-006-00-8

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Oxalic acid</b>	Acute Tox. 4; Eye Dam. 1; H302 + H312, H318	90 - 100 %

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

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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.

##### 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

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

##### If swallowed

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

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

#### 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. 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 contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Further processing of solid materials may result in the formation of combustible dusts. The potential for combustible dust formation should be taken into consideration before additional processing occurs.

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.

Moisture sensitive.

#### 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

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Oxalic acid	144-62-7	TWA	1 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Remarks	Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Eye irritation Skin irritation 2015 Adoption		
		TWA	1.000000 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Eye irritation Skin irritation		
		STEL	2 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Eye irritation Skin irritation 2015 Adoption		
		STEL	2.000000 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Eye irritation		

		Skin irritation		
		TWA	1.000000 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		TWA	1.000000 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		ST	2.000000 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		PEL	1 mg/m3	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)
		STEL	2 mg/m3	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)

## 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.

#### 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, 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

a) Appearance	Form: crystalline Colour: white
b) Odour	odourless
c) Odour Threshold	No data available
d) pH	1.3 at 9 g/l
e) Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: 189.5 °C (373.1 °F) - dec.
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	157 °C (315 °F) at 1,013 hPa (760 mmHg)
g) Flash point	No data available
h) Evaporation rate	No data available
i) Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available
j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available
k) Vapour pressure	< 0.01 hPa (< 0.01 mmHg) at 20 °C (68 °F)
l) Vapour density	No data available
m) Relative density	1.9 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 25 °C (77 °F)
n) Water solubility	108 g/l at 25 °C (77 °F) - soluble
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: -1.7 at 23 °C (73 °F)
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

Surface tension	70.1 mN/m at 0.014 at 25 °C (77 °F)
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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

No data available

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Avoid moisture.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Metals, Alkali 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 - female - 1,080 mg/kg

Inhalation: No data available

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - 20,000 mg/kg

No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: No skin irritation

(OECD Test Guideline 404)

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Risk of serious damage to eyes. - 24 h

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

- Mouse

Result: Does not cause skin sensitisation.

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

S. typhimurium

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.

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

Repeated dose toxicity - LOAEL : 150 mg/kg - OECD Test Guideline 407

RTECS: RO2450000

Kidney injury may occur., Contact with eyes can cause:, Damage to the eyes.

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish static test LC50 - *Leuciscus idus melanotus* - 160 mg/l - 48 h  
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates Immobilization EC50 - *Daphnia magna* (Water flea) - 162.2 mg/l - 48 h (OECD Test Guideline 202)

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability aerobic - Exposure time 20 d  
Result: 89 % - Readily biodegradable.

### 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

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.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### DOT (US)

Not dangerous goods

#### IMDG

Not dangerous goods

#### IATA

Not dangerous goods

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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

Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

#### Massachusetts Right To Know Components

Oxalic acid

CAS-No.  
144-62-7

Revision Date  
1993-04-24

#### Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

CAS-No.

Revision Date

Oxalic acid 144-62-7 1993-04-24

**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

Oxalic acid	CAS-No. 144-62-7	Revision Date 1993-04-24
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**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
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H302 + H312	Harmful if swallowed or in contact with skin
H312	Harmful in contact with skin.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.

**HMIS Rating**

Health hazard:	2
Chronic Health Hazard:	*
Flammability:	0
Physical Hazard	0

**NFPA Rating**

Health hazard:	2
Fire Hazard:	0
Reactivity Hazard:	0

**Further information**

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