1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name: Oxalic acid
Product Number: 241172
Brand: Aldrich
Company: Sigma-Aldrich
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USA
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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

OSHA Hazards
Target Organ Effect, Irritant, Teratogen

Target Organs
Kidney, Nerves., Blood, Eyes

GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram

Signal word: Danger

Hazard statement(s)
H302 + H312 Harmful if swallowed or in contact with skin.
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H332 Harmful if inhaled.

Precautionary statement(s)

P260 Do not breathe dust or mist.
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/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P301 + P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell.
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.
P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
P322 Specific measures (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).
P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P405 Store locked up.
P501 Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.
Health hazard: 2
Chronic Health Hazard: *
Flammability: 0
Physical hazards: 0

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

Potential Health Effects
Inhalation: May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.
Skin: May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.
Eyes: Causes eye irritation.
Ingestion: May be harmful if swallowed.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Formula: C₂H₂O₄
Molecular Weight: 90.03 g/mol

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4. 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.

5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

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

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters
Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions
Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing dust. Ensure adequate ventilation.

Environmental precautions
Do not let product enter drains.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up
Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling
Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.

**Conditions for safe storage**
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Moisture sensitive.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

**Components with workplace control parameters**

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**Personal protective equipment**

**Respiratory protection**
Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a dust mask type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN 143) respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

**Hand protection**
Handle with gloves.

**Eye protection**
Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166

**Skin and body protection**
Choose body protection according to the amount and concentration of the dangerous substance at the work place.

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

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

**Appearance**

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Lower explosion limit  no data available  
Upper explosion limit  no data available  
Vapour pressure  < 0.01 hPa (< 0.01 mmHg) at 20 °C (68 °F)  
Density  1.900 g/cm3 at 20 °C (68 °F)  
Water solubility  no data available  

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability
Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Conditions to avoid
Avoid moisture.

Materials to avoid
Metals, Alkali metals

Hazardous decomposition products
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity
Skin corrosion/irritation
Skin - rabbit - Mild skin irritation - 24 h

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
Eyes - rabbit - Severe eye irritation - 24 h

Respiratory or skin sensitization
no data available

Germ cell mutagenicity
no data available

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
Possible risk of congenital malformation in the fetus.

Reproductive toxicity - mouse - Oral
Effects on Fertility: Other measures of fertility Effects on Embryo or Fetus: Fetotoxicity (except death, e.g., stunted fetus).

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (GHS)
no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (GHS)
no data available

Aspiration hazard
no data available

Potential health effects
Inhalation May be harmful if inhaled. Causes respiratory tract irritation.
Ingestion May be harmful if swallowed.
Skin May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin irritation.
Eyes Causes eye irritation.

Signs and Symptoms of Exposure
To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Additional Information
RTECS: RO2450000

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity
- Toxicity to fish LC0 - Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill) - 24 mg/l - 96 h
- Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates. EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 125 - 150 mg/l - 48 h

Persistence and degradability
no data available

Bioaccumulative potential
no data available

Mobility in soil
no data available

PBT and vPvB assessment
no data available

Other adverse effects
no data available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Product
Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations. 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: III
- Proper shipping name: Corrosive solid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. (Oxalic acid)
- Marine pollutant: No
- Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG**
- UN-Number: 3261
- Class: 8
- Packing group: III
- EMS-No: F-A, S-B
- Proper shipping name: CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (Oxalic acid)
- Marine pollutant: No

**IATA**
- UN-Number: 3261
- Class: 8
- Packing group: III
- Proper shipping name: Corrosive solid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. (Oxalic acid)

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**OSHA Hazards**
Target Organ Effect, Irritant, Teratogen
DSL Status
All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL list.

SARA 302 Components
SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

SARA 313 Components
SARA 313: 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

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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.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

Further information
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