

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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**1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION****1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : 1,1,2,2-Tetrabromoethane  
Product Number : 185574  
Brand : Aldrich  
Index-No. : 602-016-00-9  
CAS-No. : 79-27-6

**1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

Company : Sigma-Aldrich  
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USA  
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**1.4 Emergency telephone number**

Emergency Phone # : (314) 776-6555

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**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, Inhalation (Category 2), H330  
Skin irritation (Category 2), H315  
Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319  
Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 3), H402  
Chronic aquatic toxicity (Category 3), H412

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 Harmful if swallowed.  
H315 Causes skin irritation.  
H319 Causes serious eye irritation.  
H330 Fatal if inhaled.  
H412 Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statement(s)

P260 Do not breathe 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.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear eye protection/ face protection.
P280	Wear protective gloves.
P284	Wear respiratory protection.
P301 + P312 + P330	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth.
P302 + P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P304 + P340 + P310	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.
P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P332 + P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.
P337 + P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.
P403 + P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
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 - none

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms : Acetylene tetrabromide  
Muthmanns liquid

Formula : C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub>Br<sub>4</sub>  
Molecular weight : 345.65 g/mol  
CAS-No. : 79-27-6  
EC-No. : 201-191-5  
Index-No. : 602-016-00-9

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>1,1,2,2-Tetrabromoethane</b>	Acute Tox. 4; Acute Tox. 2; Skin Irrit. 2; Eye Irrit. 2A; Aquatic Acute 3; Aquatic Chronic 3; H302, H315, H319, H330, H412	<= 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

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

## 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**  
Carbon oxides, Hydrogen bromide gas
- 5.3 Advice for firefighters**  
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.
- 5.4 Further information**  
No data available

## 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. Evacuate personnel to safe 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. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.
- 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**  
Soak up with inert absorbent material and dispose of as hazardous waste. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.
- 6.4 Reference to other sections**  
For disposal see section 13.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

- 7.1 Precautions for safe handling**  
Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist.  
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. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.  
Storage class (TRGS 510): Non-combustible, acute toxic Cat. 1 and 2 / very toxic hazardous materials
- 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
1,1,2,2-Tetrabromoethane	79-27-6	TWA	0.1 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Remarks	Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Eye irritation Pulmonary edema Liver damage		

		TWA	0.100000 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Upper Respiratory Tract irritation Eye irritation Pulmonary edema Liver damage		
		TWA	1.000000 ppm 14.000000 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		The value in mg/m3 is approximate.		
		See Appendix D - Substances with No Established RELs		
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		TWA	1 ppm 14 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		The value in mg/m3 is approximate.		

## 8.2 Exposure controls

### Appropriate engineering controls

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

### 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: 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

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 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. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Appearance	Form: clear, liquid Colour: colourless, light yellow
b) Odour	No data available
c) Odour Threshold	No data available
d) pH	No data available
e) Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: -1 - 1 °C (30 - 34 °F) - lit.
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	119 °C (246 °F) at 20 hPa (15 mmHg) - lit.
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	0.1 hPa (0.1 mmHg) at 20 °C (68 °F)
l) Vapour density	11.93 - (Air = 1.0)
m) Relative density	2.967 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 25 °C (77 °F)
n) Water solubility	No data available
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 1.98
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	11.93 - (Air = 1.0)
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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

No data available

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong bases, Strong oxidizing agents, Chemically active metals, Aluminum, Magnesium, Zinc

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - No data available

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - Rat - 1,200 mg/kg

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - 4 h - 549 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

LD50 Dermal - Rat - 5,250 mg/kg

No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Skin irritation - 24 h

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Mild eye irritation

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

Hamster

ovary

Sister chromatid exchange

#### Carcinogenicity

Carcinogenicity - Mouse - Skin

Tumorigenic:Neoplastic by RTECS criteria. Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration:Tumors. Skin and Appendages: Other: Tumors.

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

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

RTECS: KI8225000

Nausea, Dizziness, Headache, Anorexia., Cholestatic jaundice., To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

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

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal. Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

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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.

#### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### DOT (US)

UN number: 2504      Class: 6.1      Packing group: III

Proper shipping name: Tetrabromoethane

Reportable Quantity (RQ):

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

### IMDG

UN number: 2504      Class: 6.1      Packing group: III      EMS-No: F-A, S-A

Proper shipping name: TETRABROMOETHANE

Marine pollutant: yes

### IATA

UN number: 2504      Class: 6.1      Packing group: III

Proper shipping name: Tetrabromoethane

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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

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### Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

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**New Jersey 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**

**Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.**

Acute Tox.	Acute toxicity
Aquatic Acute	Acute aquatic toxicity
Aquatic Chronic	Chronic aquatic toxicity
Eye Irrit.	Eye irritation
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H330	Fatal if inhaled.

**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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