

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

## 1. PRODUCT

### 1.1 Product identifiers

Name: Acetonitrile

CAS-No.: 75-05-8

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

## 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 4), H332

Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 4), H312

Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319

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 + H312 + H332 Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled H319 Causes serious eye 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/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection. P301 + P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell. 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. P312 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell. P322 Specific measures (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label). P330 Rinse mouth. P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention. P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam for extinction. P403 + P235 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool. P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

### 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS

No data available

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### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms:	Methyl cyanide ACN
Formula:	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> N
CAS-No.:	75-05-8
EC-No.:	200-835-2

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
Acetonitrile	Flam. Liq. 2; Acute Tox. 4; Eye Irrit. 2A; H225, H302 + H312 + H332, H319	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

<b>General advice</b>
Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.
<b>If inhaled</b>
If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.
<b>In case of skin contact</b>
Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.
<b>In case of eye contact</b>
Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.
<b>If swallowed</b>
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

#### 4.2 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 fire fighting 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

Use personal protective equipment. 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

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

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.

Handle and store under inert gas.

### 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
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	TWA	20 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Remarks	Lower Respiratory Tract irritation Not classifiable as a human carcinogen Danger of cutaneous absorption		
		TWA	20 ppm 34 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		Forms cyanide in the body.		
		TWA	40 ppm 70 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) -Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		The value in mg/m <sup>3</sup> is approximate.		
		TWA	40 ppm 70 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. OSHA -TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants -1910.1000
		STEL	60 ppm 105 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. OSHA -TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants -1910.1000

## Derived No Effect Level (DNEL)

Application Area	Exposure routes	Health effect	Value
Workers	Inhalation	Acute local effects, Acute systemic effects	68 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Workers	Skin contact	Long-term systemic effects	32.2mg/kg BW/d
Workers	Inhalation	Long-term local effects, Long-term systemic effects	68 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Consumers	Inhalation	Acute local effects	220 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Consumers	Inhalation	Acute systemic effects	22 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Consumers	Inhalation	Long-term systemic effects	4.8 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

## Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

Compartment	Value
Water	10 mg/l
Soil	2.41 mg/kg
Marine water	1 mg/l
Fresh water	10 mg/l
Fresh water sediment	7.53 mg/kg
Onsite sewage treatment plant	32 mg/l

## 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: 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, 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	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.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Form: clear, liquid Colour: colourless
Odour	ether-like

Odour Threshold	no data available
pH	no data available
Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: -48 °C (-54 °F)
Initial boiling point and boiling range	81 - 82 °C (178 - 180 °F)
Flash point	2.0 °C (35.6 °F) - closed cup
Evaporation rate	5.8
Flammability (solid, gas)	no data available
Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	Upper explosion limit: 16 %(V) Lower explosion limit: 3 %(V)
Vapour pressure	73.18 hPa (54.89 mmHg) at 15 °C (59 °F) 121.44 hPa (91.09 mmHg) at 25 °C (77 °F) 413.23 hPa (309.95 mmHg) at 55 °C (131 °F) 98.64 hPa (73.99 mmHg) at 20 °C (68 °F)
Vapour density	1.42 - (Air = 1.0)
Relative density	0.786 g/mL at 25 °C (77 °F)
Water solubility	completely soluble
Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: -0.54 at 25 °C (77 °F)
Auto-ignition temperature	524.0 °C (975.2 °F)
Decomposition temperature	no data available
Viscosity	no data available
Explosive properties	Not explosive
Oxidizing properties	The substance or mixture is not classified as oxidizing.

## 9.2 Other safety information

Surface tension: 29.0 mN/m at 20.0 °C (68.0 °F)

Relative vapour density: 1.42 - (Air = 1.0)

## 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

acids, Bases, Oxidizing agents, Reducing agents, Alkali metals

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - no data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

<b>Acute toxicity</b>
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LD50 Oral - rat - male - 1,320 - 6,690 mg/kg LC50 Inhalation - mouse - 4 h - 3587 ppm (OECD Test Guideline 403) LC50 Inhalation - rat - 4 h - 26.8 mg/l LD50 Dermal - rabbit - male and female - > 2,000 mg/kg (OECD Test Guideline 402) no data available
<b>Skin corrosion/irritation</b>
Skin - rabbit Result: No skin irritation (OECD Test Guideline 404)
<b>Serious eye damage/eye irritation</b>
Eyes - rabbit Result: Irritating to eyes. (OECD Test Guideline 405)
<b>Respiratory or skin sensitisation</b>
Buehler Test - guinea pig Did not cause sensitisation on laboratory animals. (OECD Test Guideline 406)
<b>Germ cell mutagenicity</b>
Hamster ovary Result: negative Mutation in mammalian somatic cells. Ames test S. typhimurium Result: Not mutagenic in Ames Test. Hamster ovary Result: Equivocal evidence. Sister chromatid exchange Mutagenicity (micronucleus test) mouse Result: Positive results were obtained in some in vivo tests.
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>
No evidence of carcinogenicity in animal studies (when indicated) 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.
<b>Reproductive toxicity</b>
no data available Animal testing did not show any effects on fertility.
<b>Specific target organ toxicity -single exposure</b>
The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, single exposure.
<b>Specific target organ toxicity -repeated exposure</b>
The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, repeated exposure.
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>
No aspiration toxicity classification
<b>Additional Information</b>
RTECS: AL7700000 Treat as cyanide poisoning., Always have on hand a cyanide first-aid kit, together with proper instructions., The onset of symptoms is generally delayed pending conversion to cyanide., Nausea, Vomiting, Diarrhoea, Headache, Dizziness, Rash, Cyanosis, excitement, depression, Drowsiness, impaired judgment, Lack of coordination, stupor, death Lungs - Lung oedema - Based on Human Evidence

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish	LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 1,640.00 mg/l - 96 h NOEC - Oryzias latipes - 102 mg/l - 21 d
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 3,600 mg/l - 48 h (OECD Test Guideline 202) NOEC - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 160 mg/l - 21 d
Toxicity to algae	No data available
Toxicity to bacteria	No data available

## 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability	Result: 84 % - Readily biodegradable. (OECD Test Guideline 301C)
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## 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No bioaccumulation is to be expected (log Pow <= 4).

## 12.4 Mobility in soil

Not expected to adsorb on soil.

## 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

Avoid release to the environment.

Stability in water

Remarks: Hydrolyses slowly.

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## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

<b>Product</b>
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.
<b>Contaminated packaging</b>
Dispose of as unused product.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### DOT (US)

UN number: 1648 Class: 3 Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Acetonitrile

Reportable Quantity (RQ): 5000 lbs

Marine pollutant: No

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

### IMDG

UN number: 1648 Class: 3 Packing group: II EMS-No: F-E, S-D

Proper shipping name: ACETONITRILE

Marine pollutant: No

### IATA

UN number: 1648 Class: 3 Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Acetonitrile

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## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### 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



The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:

Component	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	2007-07-01

#### SARA 311/312 Hazards

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

#### Massachusetts Right To Know Components

Component	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	2007-07-01

#### Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

Component	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	2007-07-01

#### New Jersey Right To Know Components

Component	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	2007-07-01

#### 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 Irrit. Eye irritation

Flam. Liq. Flammable liquids

H225 Highly flammable liquid and vapour.

H302 Harmful if swallowed.

H302 + H312 +H332 Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled

H312 Harmful in contact with skin.

### HMIS Rating

Health hazard: 2

Chronic Health Hazard: \*

Flammability: 3

Physical Hazard 0

### NFPA Rating

Health hazard: 2

Fire Hazard: 3

Reactivity Hazard: 0

Health hazard: 2

Fire Hazard: 3

Reactivity Hazard: 0

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