



LABORATORY CHEMICALS AND CONSUMABLES

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

MERCURIC ACETATE

1. Chemical Product and Company information.

Product name: Mercuric acetate

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2. Hazard Identification

Extremely hazardous in case of ingestion. Very hazardous in case of inhalation. Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of eye contact (irritant). Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (permeator). Severe over-exposure can result in death.

3. Composition / information on ingredients

CAS #: 1600-27-7

Synonym: Mercury (II) Acetate

Chemical Name: Mercuric Acetate

Chemical Formula: $\text{Hg}(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2$

4. First Aid Measures

Eye Contact: Check for and remove any contact lenses. Immediately flush eyes with running water for at least 15 minutes, keeping eyelids open. Cold water may be used. Do not use an eye ointment. Seek medical attention.

Skin Contact: After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. Gently and thoroughly wash the contaminated skin with running water and non-abrasive soap. Be particularly careful to clean folds, crevices, creases and groin. Cold water may be used. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. If irritation persists, seek medical attention. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing.

Serious Skin Contact: Wash with a disinfectant soap and cover the contaminated skin with an anti-bacterial cream. Seek immediate medical attention.

Inhalation: Allow the victim to rest in a well ventilated area. Seek immediate medical attention.



Serious Inhalation: Evacuate the victim to a safe area as soon as possible. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If breathing is difficult, administer oxygen. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Seek medical attention.

Ingestion: Do not induce vomiting. Examine the lips and mouth to ascertain whether the tissues are damaged, a possible indication that the toxic material was ingested; the absence of such signs, however, is not conclusive. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Seek immediate medical attention.

Serious Ingestion: Not available.

5. Fire-fighting measures

Flammability of the Product: May be combustible at high temperature

Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances: Not applicable

Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances: Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available. Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.

Fire Fighting Media and Instructions: SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder. LARGE FIRE: Use water spray, fog or foam. Do not use water jet.

Special Remarks on Fire Hazards: Not applicable

Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards: Not available

6. Accidental release measures

Small Spill: Use appropriate tools to put the spilled solid in a convenient waste disposal container.

Large Spill: Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Be careful that the product is not present at a concentration level above TLV. Check TLV on the MSDS and with local authorities.

7. Handling and storage

Precautions: Keep locked up Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Empty containers pose a fire risk, evaporate the residue under a fume hood. Ground all equipment containing material. Do not ingest. Do not breathe dust. Wear suitable protective clothing In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment If ingested, seek medical advice immediately and show the container or the label. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

Storage: Keep container dry. Keep in a cool place. Ground all equipment containing material. Keep container tightly closed. Keep in a cool, well-ventilated place. Highly toxic or infectious materials should be stored in a separate locked safety storage cabinet or room.

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Engineering Controls: Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

Personal Protection: Splash goggles. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.



Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill: Splash goggles. Full suit. Dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Physical state and appearance: Solid

Odour: Not available

Taste: Not available

Colour: Not available

Boiling Point: Decomposes

Melting Point: 179°C

Critical Temperature: Not available

Specific Gravity: 3.27 (Water = 1)

Vapour Density: Not available

Volatility: Not available

Odour Threshold: Not available

Ionicity (in Water): Not available.

Dispersion Properties: See solubility in water

Solubility: Soluble in cold water

10. Stability and reactivity

Stability: The product is stable.

Instability Temperature: Not available.

Conditions of Instability: Not available

Incompatibility with various substances: Not available

Corrosivity: Non-corrosive in presence of glass

Special Remarks on Reactivity: Not available

Special Remarks on Corrosivity: Not available

Polymerization: Will not occur.

11. Toxicological information

Routes of Entry: Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion

Toxicity to Animals: Acute oral toxicity (LD50): 24 mg/kg [Mouse]. Acute dermal toxicity (LD50): 570 mg/kg [Rat].

Chronic Effects on Humans: CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Classified A5 (Not suspected for human.) by ACGIH. The substance is toxic to blood, the nervous system, mucous membranes.

Other Toxic Effects on Humans: Extremely hazardous in case of ingestion. Very hazardous in case of inhalation. Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant). Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (permeator).

Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals: Not available



Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans: Risk of spontaneous abortion in animal.

Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans: Not available

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity: Not available

BOD5 and COD: Not available

Products of Biodegradation: Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation: The products of degradation are more toxic

Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation: Not available

13. Disposal considerations

Waste Disposal: Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations.

14. Transport information

DOT Classification: CLASS 6.1: Poisonous material

Identification: : Mercury acetate : UN1629 PG: II

Special Provisions for Transport: Marine Pollutant

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