



LABORATORY CHEMICALS AND CONSUMABLES

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

MERCURY AA STANDARD

1. Chemical Product and Company information.

Product name: Mercury AA Standard

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2. Hazard Identification

Very hazardous in case of skin contact (corrosive, irritant, permeator), of eye contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation. Liquid or spray mist may produce tissue damage particularly on mucous membranes of eyes, mouth and respiratory tract. Skin contact may produce burns. Inhalation of the spray mist may produce severe irritation of respiratory tract, characterized by coughing, choking, or shortness of breath. Severe over-exposure can result in death. Inflammation of the eye is characterized by redness, watering, and itching. Skin inflammation is characterized by itching, scaling, reddening, or, occasionally, blistering.

3. Composition / information on ingredients

CAS #: Mixture

Synonym:

Chemical Name: Not available

Chemical Formula: Not applicable

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: If the chemical got onto the clothed portion of the body, remove the contaminated clothes as quickly as possible, protecting your own hands and body. Place the victim under a deluge shower. If the chemical got on the victim's exposed skin, such as the hands: 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. 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. **WARNING:** It may be hazardous to the person providing aid to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation when the inhaled material is toxic, infectious or corrosive. Seek immediate 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: Non-flammable

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. Slightly explosive to explosive in presence of reducing materials, of combustible materials, of organic materials.

Fire Fighting Media and Instructions: Not applicable

Special Remarks on Fire Hazards: Not applicable

Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards: Not applicable

6. Accidental release measures

Small Spill: Dilute with water and mop up, or absorb with an inert dry material and place in an appropriate waste disposal container. If necessary: Neutralize the residue with a dilute solution of sodium carbonate.

Large Spill: Corrosive liquid. Stop leak if without risk. Absorb with DRY earth, sand or other non-combustible material. Do not get water inside container. Do not touch spilled material. Use water spray curtain to divert vapour drift. Prevent entry into sewers, basements or confined areas; dike if needed. Call for assistance on disposal. Neutralize the residue with a dilute solution of sodium carbonate. 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 container dry. Do not ingest. Do not breathe gas/fumes/ vapour/spray. Never add water to this product 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 Keep away from incompatibles such as alkalis. May corrode metallic surfaces. Store in a metallic or coated fibreboard drum using a strong polyethylene inner package.

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8. Exposure controls/personal protection

Engineering Controls: Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapours below their respective threshold limit value. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are proximal to the work-station location.

Personal Protection: Face shield. Full suit. Vapour respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves. Boots.

Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill: Splash goggles. Full suit. Vapour 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: Liquid

Odour: Not available

Taste: Not available

Colour: Clear Colourless

Boiling Point: The lowest known value is 82.6°C (Nitric acid, fuming). Weighted average: 98.78°C

Melting Point: May start to solidify at -41.6°C based on data for: Nitric acid, fuming

Critical Temperature: Not available

Specific Gravity: Weighted average: 1.02 (Water = 1)

Vapour Density: The highest known value is 0.62 (Air = 1) (Water)

Volatility: Not available

Odour Threshold: The highest known value is 0.29 ppm (Nitric acid, fuming)

Ionicity (in Water): Not available.

Dispersion Properties: See solubility in water

Solubility: Easily 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: Highly reactive with alkalis. Slightly reactive to reactive with reducing agents, combustible materials, organic materials, metals, acids.

Corrosivity: Highly corrosive in presence of aluminium, of zinc, of copper. Corrosive in presence of steel. Slightly corrosive to corrosive in presence of stainless steel (304), of stainless steel (316). 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: Dermal contact. Eye contact. Inhalation. Ingestion.

Toxicity to Animals: WARNING: THE LC50 VALUES HEREUNDER ARE ESTIMATED ON THE BASIS OF A 4-HOUR EXPOSURE. Acute toxicity of the vapour (LC50): 957 ppm 4 hour(s) (Rat) (Calculated value for the mixture).

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

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

Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals: Not available

Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans: Passes through the placental barrier in animal. (Mercury)

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 less toxic than the product itself.

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 8: Corrosive liquid

Identification: : Corrosive liquid, n.o.s. (Nitric acid; Mercury, solution) (Nitric acid, fuming) : UN1760 PG: II

Special Provisions for Transport: Marine Pollutant

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