

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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

Product name : 3,4-Dihydroxybenzoic acid

Product Number : P5630

Brand : Sigma

CAS-No. : 99-50-3

**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)**

Skin irritation (Category 2), H315

Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335

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

Warning

Hazard statement(s)

H315

Causes skin irritation.

H319

Causes serious eye irritation.

H335

May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statement(s)

P261

Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.

P264

Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

P271

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P280

Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.

P302 + P352

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

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

P312 contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
 P321 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell.  
 P332 + P313 Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).  
 P337 + P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.  
 P362 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.  
 P403 + P233 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.  
 P405 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.  
 P501 Store locked up.  
 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

**2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none**

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**3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

**3.1 Substances**

Synonyms : Protocatechuic acid

Formula : C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>4</sub>

Molecular Weight : 154.12 g/mol

CAS-No. : 99-50-3

EC-No. : 202-760-0

**Hazardous components**

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>3,4-Dihydroxybenzoic acid</b>		
	Skin Irrit. 2; Eye Irrit. 2A; STOT SE 3; H315, H319, H335	-

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**

**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.

**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

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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**  
Carbon oxides
- 5.3 Advice for firefighters**  
Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.
- 5.4 Further information**  
no data available

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

- 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.  
For personal protection see section 8.
- 6.2 Environmental precautions**  
Do not let product enter drains.
- 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**  
Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.
- 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 formation of dust and aerosols.  
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.  
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.
- 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**  
Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.
- 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**  
Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166 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: Nitrile rubber  
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm  
Break through time: 480 min  
Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

Splash contact  
Material: Nitrile rubber  
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm  
Break through time: 480 min  
Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, 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**

impervious 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**

For nuisance exposures use type P95 (US) or type P1 (EU EN 143) particle respirator. For higher level protection use type OV/AG/P99 (US) or type ABEK-P2 (EU EN 143) respirator cartridges. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

#### **Control of environmental exposure**

Do not let product enter drains.

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## **9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

### **9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

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|---|---|
| a) Appearance                                   | Form: solid<br>Colour: light brown                      |
| b) Odour  | no data available                                       |
| c) Odour Threshold                              | no data available                                       |
| d) pH   | no data available                                       |
| e) Melting point/freezing point                 | Melting point/range: 197 - 200 °C (387 - 392 °F) - dec. |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | no data available                                       |
| 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                              | no data available                                       |
| l) Vapour density                               | no data available                                       |
| m) Relative density                             | no data available                                       |
| n) Water solubility                             | no data available                                       |
| o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water       | no data available                                       |
| 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

no data available

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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 oxidizing agents, Strong bases

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - no data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

no data available

Dermal: no data available

no data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

no data available

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

no data available

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

no data available

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

mouse

lymphocyte

Mutation in mammalian somatic cells.

Human

lymphocyte

DNA inhibition

Hamster

ovary

Cytogenetic analysis

#### 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**

no data available

no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation.

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

no data available

**Aspiration hazard**

no data available

**Additional Information**

RTECS: UL0560000

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

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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**

no data available

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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)**

Not dangerous goods

**IMDG**

Not dangerous goods

**IATA**

Not dangerous goods

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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

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

### Massachusetts Right To Know Components

No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

### Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
3,4-Dihydroxybenzoic acid	99-50-3	

### New Jersey Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
3,4-Dihydroxybenzoic acid	99-50-3	

### 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.

Eye Irrit.	Eye irritation
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
Skin Irrit.	Skin irritation
STOT SE	Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

### 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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