



SAFETY DATA SHEET

1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name: **L-ASCORBIC ACID**

CAS-No.: **50-81-7**

Product Number: **A66011**

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

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1.4 Emergency telephone number

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Not a dangerous substance according to GHS.

This substance is not classified as dangerous according to Directive 67/548/EEC.

2.2 Label elements

The product does not need to be labelled in accordance with EC directives or respective national laws.

2.3 Other hazards – none

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1 Substances

Ascorbic acid (Synonyms : Antiscorbutic factor; L-Threoascorbic acid; Vitamin C)

Formula: $\text{H}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_6\text{O}_6$

Molecular Weight: 176.12g/mol

Component Concentration: -

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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.

If inhaled:

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.

In case of skin contact:

Wash off with soap and plenty of water.

In case of eye contact:

Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

If swallowed:

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Chronic ingestion of large doses may cause gastrointestinal disturbances including nausea and diarrhea, urinary effects involving urine acidification, oxalate and uric crystallization in the bladder and kidney, and decreased reaction times and psychomotor coordination.

4.3 Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

no data available

5. FIRE-FIGHTING 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 Precautions for fire-fighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

5.4 Further information

no data available

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up and shovel. 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

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store in cool place. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Light sensitive.

7.3 Specific end uses

no data available

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

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. The selected protective gloves have to satisfy the specifications of EU Directive 89/686/EEC and the standard EN 374 derived from it.

Body Protection

Choose body protection in relation to its type, to the concentration and amount of dangerous substances, and to the specific work-place., The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

Respiratory protection

Respiratory protection is not required. Where protection from nuisance levels of dusts are desired, use type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN 143) dust masks. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

- a) Appearance: **Form:** Crystalline **Colour:** no data available
- b) Odour: no data available
- c) Odour Threshold: no data available
- d) pH: 1.0 - 2.5 at 176 g/L at 25 °C
- e) Melting/freezing point: Melting point/range: 190 - 194 °C
- 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: 176 g/L at 20 °C - completely soluble
- o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water: no data available
- p) Autoignition 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

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity

no data available

10.2 Chemical stability

no data available

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

no data available

10.4 Conditions to avoid

Light.

10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - no data available

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - rat - 11,900 mg/kg; Remarks: Sense Organs and Special Senses (Nose, Eye, Ear, and Taste): Eye: Lacrimation. Behavioural: Somnolence (general depressed activity). Diarrhoea, Skin corrosion/irritation

no data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

no data available

Respiratory or skin sensitization

no data available

Germ cell mutagenicity

Genotoxicity in vitro - mouse – Liver; Other mutation test systems

Genotoxicity in vivo - mouse – Intraperitoneal; Micronucleus test

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.

Reproductive toxicity

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

Potential health effects

Inhalation May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.

Ingestion May be harmful if swallowed.

Skin May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.

Eyes May cause eye irritation.

Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

Chronic ingestion of large doses may cause gastrointestinal disturbances including nausea and diarrhea, urinary effects involving urine acidification, oxalate and uric crystallization in the bladder and kidney, and decreased reaction times and psychomotor coordination.

Additional Information

RTECS: CI7650000

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

no data available

12.6 Other adverse effects

no data available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

14.1 UN-Number

ADR/RID: - IMDG: - IATA: -

14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: Not dangerous goods

IMDG: Not dangerous goods

IATA: Not dangerous goods

14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: - IMDG: - IATA: -

14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: - IMDG: - IATA: -

14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: no IMDG Marine pollutant: no IATA: no

14.6 Special precautions for users

no data available

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

This safety datasheet complies with the requirements of Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006.

15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

no data available

15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

no data available

16. OTHER INFORMATION

no data available