

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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**SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking****1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : (R)-(-)-Epichlorohydrin

Product Number : 540072

Brand : Aldrich

Index-No. : 603-166-00-8

CAS-No. : 51594-55-9

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

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527-3887 CHEMTREC (International) 24  
Hours/day; 7 Days/week

**SECTION 2: Hazards identification****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture****GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)**

Flammable liquids (Category 3), H226

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 3), H301

Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 3), H331

Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 3), H311

Skin corrosion (Category 1B), H314

Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318

Skin sensitization (Category 1), H317

Carcinogenicity (Category 1B), H350

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)

H226

Flammable liquid and vapor.

H301 + H311 + H331

Toxic if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled.

H314

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H317

May cause an allergic skin reaction.

H350

May cause cancer.

Precautionary statement(s)

P201

Obtain special instructions before use.

P202

Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.

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/ vapors/ 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.

P272

Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace.

P280

Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.

P301 + P310 + P330

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor. Rinse mouth.

P301 + P330 + P331

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P303 + P361 + P353

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.

P304 + P340 + P310

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.

P305 + P351 + P338 +

P310

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.

P308 + P313

IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.

P333 + P313

If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.

P362

Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

P370 + P378

In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.

P403 + P233

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

P403 + P235

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.

P405

Store locked up.

P501

Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

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

## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms	: (R)-(-)-2-(Chloromethyl)oxirane
Formula	: C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ClO
Molecular weight	: 92.52 g/mol
CAS-No.	: 51594-55-9
EC-No.	: 424-280-2
Index-No.	: 603-166-00-8

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>(R)-1-Chloro-2,3-epoxypropane</b>		
	Flam. Liq. 3; Acute Tox. 3; Skin Corr. 1B; Eye Dam. 1; Skin Sens. 1; Carc. 1B; H226, H301, H331, H311, H314, H318, H317, H350	<= 100 %

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first-aid measures

#### General advice

First aiders need to protect themselves. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

#### If inhaled

After inhalation: fresh air. Immediately call in physician. If breathing stops: immediately apply artificial respiration, if necessary also oxygen.

#### In case of skin contact

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Call a physician immediately.

#### In case of eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Immediately call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

#### If swallowed

If swallowed: give water to drink (two glasses at most). Seek medical advice immediately. In exceptional cases only, if medical care is not available within one hour, induce vomiting (only in persons who are wide awake and fully conscious), administer activated charcoal (20 - 40 g in a 10% slurry) and consult a doctor as quickly as possible. Do not attempt to neutralise.

### 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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## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

#### **Suitable extinguishing media**

Water Foam Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) Dry powder

#### **Unsuitable extinguishing media**

For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Carbon oxides

Hydrogen chloride gas

Combustible.

Vapors are heavier than air and may spread along floors.

Forms explosive mixtures with air at elevated temperatures.

Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.

### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

### 5.4 Further information

Remove container from danger zone and cool with water. Suppress (knock down) gases/vapors/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

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## SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Do not breathe vapors, aerosols. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert. For personal protection see section 8.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Do not let product enter drains. Risk of explosion.

### 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up carefully with liquid-absorbent material (e.g. Chemizorb®). Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

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## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

#### **Advice on safe handling**

Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture. Avoid generation of vapours/aerosols.

#### **Advice on protection against fire and explosion**

Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

### **Hygiene measures**

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

For precautions see section 2.2.

## **7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

### **Storage conditions**

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons.

### **Storage class**

Storage class (TRGS 510): 3: Flammable liquids

## **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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## **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

### **8.1 Control parameters**

#### **Ingredients with workplace control parameters**

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

### **8.2 Exposure controls**

#### **Appropriate engineering controls**

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

#### **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). Tightly fitting safety goggles

##### **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 EC 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**

Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing.

### **Respiratory protection**

required when vapours/aerosols are generated.

Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

### **Control of environmental exposure**

Do not let product enter drains. Risk of explosion.

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## **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

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

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|---|---|
| a) Appearance                                   | Form: clear, liquid<br>Color: colorless                           |
| b) Odor   | No data available   |
| c) Odor Threshold                               | No data available   |
| d) pH   | No data available   |
| e) Melting point/freezing point                 | No data available   |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | 114 °C 237 °F - lit.  |
| g) Flash point                                  | 32 °C (90 °F) - closed cup  |
| h) Evaporation rate                             | No data available   |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas)                    | No data available   |
| j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | Upper explosion limit: 21 %(V)<br>Lower explosion limit: 3.8 %(V) |
| k) Vapor pressure                               | 16.7 hPa at 20 °C (68 °F)<br>13 hPa at 16.6 °C(61.9 °F)           |
| l) Vapor density                                | 3.19 - (Air = 1.0)  |
| m) Density                                      | 1.18 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 20 °C (68 °F) - lit.                    |
| Relative density                                | No data available   |
| n) Water solubility                             | No data available   |
| o) Partition coefficient:                       | No data available   |

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n-octanol/water

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|----|---------------------------|-------------------|
| 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      | none              |

## 9.2 Other safety information

Relative vapor density	3.19 - (Air = 1.0)
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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

Vapor/air-mixtures are explosive at intense warming.

### 10.2 Chemical stability

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Violent reactions possible with:

acids  
Bases  
Ammonia  
Amines  
sodium  
Zinc  
Magnesium  
Aluminum  
halides

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Heating.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

No data available

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

Acute toxicity estimate Oral - 100 mg/kg  
(Expert judgment)

Remarks: Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

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Acute toxicity estimate Inhalation - 4 h - 3 mg/l - vapor

(Expert judgment)

Remarks: Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

Acute toxicity estimate Dermal - 300 mg/kg

(Expert judgment)

Remarks: Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

#### **Skin corrosion/irritation**

Causes skin burns. Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

#### **Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Causes serious eye damage. Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

#### **Respiratory or skin sensitization**

May cause an allergic skin reaction. Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

#### **Germ cell mutagenicity**

No data available

#### **Carcinogenicity**

Presumed to have carcinogenic potential for humans

IARC: No ingredient 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 ingredient 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 on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

#### **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

### **11.2 Additional Information**

RTECS: RR0427000

Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin., Cough

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

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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## SECTION 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 Endocrine disrupting properties

No data available

### 12.7 Other adverse effects

No data available

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## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

#### Product

Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers. No mixing with other waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product itself. See [www.retrologistik.com](http://www.retrologistik.com) for processes regarding the return of chemicals and containers, or contact us there if you have further questions.

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## SECTION 14: Transport information

#### DOT (US)

UN number: 2023    Class: 6.1 (3)    Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Epichlorohydrin  
Reportable Quantity (RQ):  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

#### IMDG

UN number: 2023    Class: 6.1 (3)    Packing group: II    EMS-No: F-E, S-D  
Proper shipping name: EPICHLOROHYDRIN  
Marine pollutant : yes

#### IATA

UN number: 2023    Class: 6.1 (3)    Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Epichlorohydrin

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## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

**SARA 302 Components**

This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

**SARA 313 Components**

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**

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

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

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**SECTION 16: Other information****Further information**

The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Sigma-Aldrich Corporation and its Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See [www.sigma-aldrich.com](http://www.sigma-aldrich.com) and/or the reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale.

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