

## 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 : 2-Methylimidazole

Product Number : M50850  
Brand : Aldrich  
CAS-No. : 693-98-1

**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**

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

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302  
Skin corrosion (Category 1C), H314  
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318  
Carcinogenicity (Category 2), H351  
Reproductive toxicity (Category 1B), H360

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)	
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H351	Suspected of causing cancer.
H360	May damage fertility or the unborn child.
Precautionary statement(s)	
P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P260	Do not breathe dusts or mists.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P312 + P330	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell. 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.
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
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	: 2-Methylglyoxaline
Formula	: C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>6</sub> N <sub>2</sub>
Molecular weight	: 82.10 g/mol
CAS-No.	: 693-98-1
EC-No.	: 211-765-7

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>2-Methylimidazole</b>		
	Acute Tox. 4; Skin Corr. 1C; Eye Dam. 1; Carc. 2; Repr. 1B; H302, H314, H318, H351, H360	<= 100 %

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

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## 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. Call in physician.

#### 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

After swallowing: make victim drink water (two glasses at most), avoid vomiting (risk of perforation). Call a physician immediately. 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

Nature of decomposition products not known.

Combustible.

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

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: Avoid inhalation of dusts. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. 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.

### **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. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area. Avoid generation of dusts.

### **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.

#### **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**

Tightly closed. Dry. Keep in a well-ventilated place. Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons.

Storage class (TRGS 510): 6.1C: Combustible, acute toxic Cat.3 / toxic compounds or compounds which causing chronic effects

### **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

This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN374 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: [www.kcl.de](http://www.kcl.de)).

Full contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: KCL 741 Dermatril® L

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Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: KCL 741 Dermatril® L

### Body Protection

protective clothing

### Respiratory protection

required when dusts 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.

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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: powder<br>Color: white                            |
| b) Odor                                    | No data available                                       |
| c) Odor Threshold                          | No data available                                       |
| d) pH                                      | No data available                                       |
| e) Melting point/freezing point            | Melting point/range: 142 - 143 °C (288 - 289 °F) - lit. |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range | 267 - 268 °C 513 - 514 °F - lit.                        |

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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) Vapor pressure	0.011 hPa at 50 °C (122 °F) - OECD Test Guideline 104
l) Vapor density	No data available
m) Density	1.09 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 20 °C (68 °F) - OECD Test Guideline 109
Relative density	No data available
n) Water solubility	267 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F)
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 0.22 at 25 °C (77 °F) - OECD Test Guideline 107
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

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

The following applies in general to flammable organic substances and mixtures: in correspondingly fine distribution, when whirled up a dust explosion potential may generally be assumed.

### 10.2 Chemical stability

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

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Exothermic reaction with:

Acid chlorides

Acid anhydrides

Strong oxidizing agents

acids

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

no information available

### 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

LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - 1,500 mg/kg

(OECD Test Guideline 401)

Inhalation: No data available

LD50 Dermal - Rat - male and female - > 2,000 mg/kg

(OECD Test Guideline 402)

No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Corrosive after 1 to 4 hours of exposure - 4 h

(OECD Test Guideline 404)

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Corrosive

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

#### Respiratory or skin sensitization

Local lymph node assay (LLNA) - Mouse

Result: Does not cause skin sensitization.

(OECD Test Guideline 429)

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: Salmonella typhimurium

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 471

Result: negative

Test Type: Micronucleus test

Species: Mouse

Application Route: Intraperitoneal

Method: OECD Test Guideline 474

Result: negative

Test Type: dominant lethal test

Species: Mouse

Application Route: Intraperitoneal

Method: OECD Test Guideline 478

Result: negative

#### Carcinogenicity

Suspected of causing cancer.

IARC: 2B - Group 2B: Possibly carcinogenic to humans (2-Methylimidazole)

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**

May damage the unborn child.  
Suspected of damaging fertility.

**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: NI7175000

burning sensation, Cough, wheezing, laryngitis, Shortness of breath, spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx, spasm, inflammation and edema of the bronchi, pneumonitis, pulmonary edema, Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin.

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

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**SECTION 12: Ecological information**

**12.1 Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish	static test LC50 - Leuciscus idus (Golden orfe) - 190 mg/l - 96 h (DIN 38412)
	static test NOEC - Leuciscus idus (Golden orfe) - 100 mg/l - 96 h (DIN 38412)
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 200 mg/l - 48 h (OECD Test Guideline 202)
Toxicity to algae	static test EC50 - Desmodesmus subspicatus (green algae) - 256.3 mg/l - 72 h (DIN 38412)
Toxicity to bacteria	static test EC50 - Pseudomonas putida - 459.9 mg/l - 7 h (DIN 38 412 Part 8)

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Biodegradability      aerobic - Exposure time 28 d  
Result: 67 % - Readily biodegradable.  
(OECD Test Guideline 301B)

**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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## 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: 3259    Class: 8    Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Amines, solid, corrosive, n.o.s. (2-Methylimidazole)  
Reportable Quantity (RQ):  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

### IMDG

UN number: 3259    Class: 8    Packing group: II    EMS-No: F-A, S-B  
Proper shipping name: AMINES, SOLID, CORROSIVE, N.O.S. (2-Methylimidazole)

### IATA

UN number: 3259    Class: 8    Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Amines, solid, corrosive, n.o.s. (2-Methylimidazole)

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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

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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