

## 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 : Benz[*a*]anthracene

Product Number : B2209

Brand : Aldrich

Index-No. : 601-033-00-9

CAS-No. : 56-55-3

**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)**

Carcinogenicity (Category 1B), H350  
Short-term (acute) aquatic hazard (Category 1), H400  
Long-term (chronic) aquatic hazard (Category 1), H410

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)        |                                                                               |
| H350                       | May cause cancer.                                                             |
| H410                       | Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.                         |
| Precautionary statement(s) |                                                                               |
| P201                       | Obtain special instructions before use.                                       |
| P202                       | Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.     |
| P273                       | Avoid release to the environment.                                             |
| P280                       | Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection. |
| P308 + P313                | IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.                       |
| P391                       | Collect spillage.                                                             |
| 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         | : 1,2-Benzanthracene<br>Tetraphene |
| Formula          | : C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>12</sub>  |
| Molecular weight | : 228.29 g/mol                     |
| CAS-No.          | : 56-55-3                          |
| EC-No.           | : 200-280-6                        |
| Index-No.        | : 601-033-00-9                     |

| Component                                                                                                                                            | Classification                                                                                                       | Concentration |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Benz[a]anthracene</b> Included in the Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH) |                                                                                                                      |               |
|                                                                                                                                                      | Carc. 1B; Aquatic Acute 1; Aquatic Chronic 1; H350, H400, H410<br>M-Factor - Aquatic Acute: 10 - Aquatic Chronic: 10 | <= 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

Consult a physician. Show this material 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**

Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

**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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**SECTION 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

Nature of decomposition products not known.

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

**5.4 Further information**

No data available

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**SECTION 6: Accidental release measures****6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust. For personal protection see section 8.

**6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

**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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## **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

### **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

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

Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.

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

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

#### **Hygiene measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

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.

Storage class (TRGS 510): 6.1D: Non-combustible, acute toxic Cat.3 / toxic hazardous materials or hazardous materials 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**

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: Dermatrill® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Dermatrill® (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 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**

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**

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

### **Control of environmental exposure**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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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: solid                                      |
| b) Odor                                         | No data available                                |
| c) Odor Threshold                               | No data available                                |
| d) pH                                           | No data available                                |
| e) Melting point/freezing point                 | Melting point/range: 157 - 159 °C (315 - 318 °F) |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | 437.6 °C 819.7 °F                                |
| 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                               | No data available                                |
| l) Vapor density                                | No data available                                |
| m) Density                                      | No data available                                |

|    |                                           |                   |
|----|-------------------------------------------|-------------------|
|    | Relative density                          | No data available |
| n) | Water solubility                          | No data available |
| o) | Partition coefficient:<br>n-octanol/water | No data available |
| p) | Autoignition<br>temperature               | No data available |
| q) | Decomposition<br>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

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

### 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

Oral: No data available

Inhalation: 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 sensitization

No data available

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

No data available

**Carcinogenicity**

This product is or contains a component that has been reported to be probably carcinogenic based on its IARC, OSHA, ACGIH, NTP, or EPA classification.

Possible human carcinogen

IARC: 2B - Group 2B: Possibly carcinogenic to humans (Benz[a]anthracene)

NTP: RAHC - Reasonably anticipated to be a human carcinogen (Benz[a]anthracene)

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

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**

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**

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**

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Very toxic to aquatic life.

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## SECTION 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. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.

#### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

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## SECTION 14: Transport information

### DOT (US)

Not dangerous goods

### IMDG

UN number: 3077 Class: 9 Packing group: III EMS-No: F-A, S-F

Proper shipping name: ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.  
(Benz[a]anthracene)

Marine pollutant : yes

### IATA

UN number: 3077 Class: 9 Packing group: III

Proper shipping name: Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s.  
(Benz[a]anthracene)

### Further information

EHS-Mark required (ADR 2.2.9.1.10, IMDG code 2.10.3) for single packagings and combination packagings containing inner packagings with Dangerous Goods > 5L for liquids or > 5kg for solids. Packages smaller than or equal to 5 kg / L , not dangerous goods of Class 9

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## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### SARA 302 Components

No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

### SARA 313 Components

The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:

|                   | CAS-No. | Revision Date |
|-------------------|---------|---------------|
| Benz[a]anthracene | 56-55-3 | 1993-02-16    |

### SARA 311/312 Hazards

Chronic Health Hazard

### Massachusetts Right To Know Components

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**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

Benz[a]anthracene

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, which is/are known to the State of California to  
cause cancer. For more information go to  
[www.P65Warnings.ca.gov](http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov). Benz[a]anthracene

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

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