

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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

Product name : Diethyl ether  
  
Product Number : 673811  
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich  
Index-No. : 603-022-00-4  
  
CAS-No. : 60-29-7

**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  
3050 Spruce Street  
SAINT LOUIS MO 63103  
USA  
  
Telephone : +1 800-325-5832  
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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)**

Flammable liquids (Category 1), H224  
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302  
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Central nervous system, H336

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)

H224 : Extremely flammable liquid and vapour.  
H302 : Harmful if swallowed.  
H336 : May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

Precautionary statement(s)

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/ vapours/ 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.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P312 + P330	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth.
P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.
P304 + P340 + P312	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell.
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam for extinction.
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

May form explosive peroxides., Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness or cracking.  
May form explosive peroxides.

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms	:	Ether Ethyl ether
Formula	:	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O
Molecular weight	:	74.12 g/mol
CAS-No.	:	60-29-7
EC-No.	:	200-467-2
Index-No.	:	603-022-00-4

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Diethyl ether</b>		
	Flam. Liq. 1; Acute Tox. 4; STOT SE 3; H224, H302, H336	<= 100 %

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

## 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

Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

#### If swallowed

Do NOT induce vomiting. 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 firefighting if necessary.

#### 5.4 Further information

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

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### 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Remove all sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Beware of vapours accumulating to form explosive concentrations. Vapours can accumulate in low areas.

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.

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

Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13).

#### 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 inhalation of vapour or mist.

Use explosion-proof equipment. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

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. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

Storage class (TRGS 510): 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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### 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

#### 8.1 Control parameters

##### Components with workplace control parameters

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Diethyl ether	60-29-7	TWA	400.000000 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Remarks	Central Nervous System impairment Upper Respiratory Tract irritation		

		STEL	500.000000 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Central Nervous System impairment Upper Respiratory Tract irritation		
		See Appendix D - Substances with No Established RELs		
		TWA	400.000000 ppm 1,200.000000 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		The value in mg/m3 is approximate.		

## 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

Face shield and safety glasses 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.

Splash contact

Material: Fluorinated rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.7 mm

Break through time: 30 min

Material tested: Vitoject® (KCL 890 / Aldrich Z677698, 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

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, Flame retardant antistatic protective 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 respirator with multi-purpose combination (US) or type AXBEK (EN 14387) 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.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| a) Appearance      | Form: liquid<br>Colour: colourless |
| b) Odour           | sweet, ether-like                  |
| c) Odour Threshold | No data available                  |

d) pH	No data available
e) Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: -115.99 °C (-176.78 °F)
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	34.6 °C (94.3 °F) at 1,013 hPa (760 mmHg)
g) Flash point	-39.99 °C (-39.98 °F) - closed cup - DIN 51755 Part 1
h) Evaporation rate	No data available
i) Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available
j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	Upper explosion limit: 48 %(V) Lower explosion limit: 1.8 %(V)
k) Vapour pressure	189 hPa (142 mmHg) at 0 °C (32 °F) 389 hPa (292 mmHg) at 10 °C (50 °F) 563 hPa (422 mmHg) at 20 °C (68 °F) 863 hPa (647 mmHg) at 30 °C (86 °F) 1,228 hPa (921 mmHg) at 40 °C (104 °F) 2,311 hPa (1,733 mmHg) at 60 °C (140 °F)
l) Vapour density	2.56 - (Air = 1.0)
m) Relative density	0.71 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 20 °C (68 °F)
n) Water solubility	65 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F)
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: 1.1
p) Auto-ignition temperature	170 °C (338 °F)
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

Relative vapour density 2.56 - (Air = 1.0)

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 Reactivity

No data available

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Contains the following stabiliser(s):

BHT (1 ppm)

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Vapours may form explosive mixture with air.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Heat, flames and sparks.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Oxidizing agents, Strong acids

### 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

LD50 Oral - Rat - 1,215 mg/kg  
(OECD Test Guideline 401)

LC50 Inhalation - Mouse - 30 min - 31000 ppm

Remarks: Behavioral:Convulsions or effect on seizure threshold.

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - 4 h - 32000 ppm

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - > 14.2 g/kg

No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: No skin irritation

(OECD Test Guideline 404)

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: No eye irritation

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

in vivo assay - Mouse

Result: Did not cause sensitisation on laboratory animals.

(OECD Test Guideline 429)

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

#### Carcinogenicity

No data available

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

May cause drowsiness or dizziness.

#### Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

#### Aspiration hazard

No data available

#### Additional Information

RTECS: KI5775000

Inhalation may provoke the following symptoms:

Cough, chest pain, Difficulty in breathing, Dizziness, Drowsiness, Contact with eyes can cause:, Redness, Provokes tears., Blurred vision, Prolonged or repeated exposure to skin causes defatting and dermatitis.

Liver - Ingestion may provoke the following symptoms:, Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence  
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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish	LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 2,560 mg/l - 96 h
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 165 mg/l - 24 h (DIN 38412)
Toxicity to algae	NOEC - Desmodesmus subspicatus (green algae) - > 100 mg/l - 72 h (OECD Test Guideline 201)

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability Result: - Not readily biodegradable.

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No bioaccumulation is to be expected (log Pow <= 4).

### 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

Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. 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)

UN number: 1155 Class: 3 Packing group: I  
Proper shipping name: Diethyl ether  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 100 lbs

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

### IMDG

UN number: 1155 Class: 3 Packing group: I EMS-No: F-E, S-D  
Proper shipping name: DIETHYL ETHER

### IATA

UN number: 1155 Class: 3 Packing group: I  
Proper shipping name: Diethyl ether

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## 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

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

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Diethyl ether	60-29-7	1993-04-24

### Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Diethyl ether	60-29-7	1993-04-24

### New Jersey Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Diethyl ether	60-29-7	1993-04-24

### 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.

Acute Tox.	Acute toxicity
Flam. Liq.	Flammable liquids
H224	Extremely flammable liquid and vapour.
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H336	May cause drowsiness or dizziness.
STOT SE	Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

### HMIS Rating

Health hazard:	1
Chronic Health Hazard:	*
Flammability:	4
Physical Hazard	0

### NFPA Rating

Health hazard:	0
Fire Hazard:	4
Reactivity Hazard:	0

### Further information

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