

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

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GENERIC EU MSDS - NO COUNTRY SPECIFIC DATA - NO OEL DATA

## SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : 2-Mercaptoethanol  
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Product Number : M3148  
Brand : Sigma  
REACH No. : 01-2119517582-41-XXXX  
CAS-No. : 60-24-2

### 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 Chimie Sarl  
L'Isle D'Abeau Chesnes  
F-38297 ST. QUENTIN FALLAVIER  
Telephone : 0800 211408  
Fax : 0800 031052  
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### 1.4 Emergency telephone

Emergency Phone # : +33 (0)9 75 18 14 07 (CHEMTREC)  
+33 (0)1 45 42 59 59 (I.N.R.S.)

## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

#### Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 3), H301

Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 3), H331

Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 2), H310

Skin irritation (Category 2), H315

Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318

Skin sensitization (Sub-category 1A), H317

Reproductive toxicity (Category 2), H361d

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure, Oral (Category 2), Liver, Heart, H373

Short-term (acute) aquatic hazard (Category 1), H400

Long-term (chronic) aquatic hazard (Category 2), H411

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



## 2.2 Label elements

### Labelling according Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Pictogram



Signal Word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H301 + H331

Toxic if swallowed or if inhaled.

H310

Fatal in contact with skin.

H315

Causes skin irritation.

H317

May cause an allergic skin reaction.

H318

Causes serious eye damage.

H361d

Suspected of damaging the unborn child.

H373

May cause damage to organs (Liver, Heart) through prolonged or repeated exposure if swallowed.

H410

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statement(s)

P273

Avoid release to the environment.

P280

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

P301 + P310

IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.

P302 + P352 + P310

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.

P304 + P340 + P311

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

P305 + P351 + P338

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

Supplemental Hazard Statements

none

### Reduced Labeling (<= 125 ml)

Pictogram



Signal Word

Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H310

Fatal in contact with skin.

H317

May cause an allergic skin reaction.

H318

Causes serious eye damage.

H361d

Suspected of damaging the unborn child.

H301 + H331

Toxic if swallowed or if inhaled.

Precautionary statement(s)

P280

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

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P305 + P351 + P338

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes.



Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

Supplemental Hazard Statements : none

### 2.3 Other hazards

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

Stench.

Stench., Rapidly absorbed through skin.

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## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms : 2-Hydroxyethylmercaptan  
β-Mercaptoethanol  
beta mercaptoethanol  
Thioethylene glycol  
BME

Formula : C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>O<sub>S</sub>  
Molecular weight : 78,13 g/mol  
CAS-No. : 60-24-2  
EC-No. : 200-464-6

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Mercaptoethanol</b>		
CAS-No. 60-24-2 EC-No. 200-464-6	Acute Tox. 3; Acute Tox. 2; Skin Irrit. 2; Eye Dam. 1; Skin Sens. 1A; Repr. 2; STOT RE 2; Aquatic Acute 1; Aquatic Chronic 2; H301, H331, H310, H315, H318, H317, H361d, H373, H400, H411 M-Factor - Aquatic Acute: 1	<= 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. 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.

**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

Sulfur oxides

Combustible.

Vapors are heavier than air and may spread along floors.

Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.

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.

## 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

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

#### Storage class

Storage class (TRGS 510): 6.1A: Combustible, acute toxic Cat. 1 and 2 / very toxic hazardous materials

### 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

### 8.2 Exposure controls

#### 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: butyl-rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,7 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Butoject® (KCL 898)

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Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,4 mm

Break through time: 120 min

Material tested: Camatril® (KCL 730 / Aldrich Z677442, Size M)

### **Body Protection**

protective clothing

### **Respiratory protection**

Recommended Filter type: Filter B-(P3)

The entrepreneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer. These measures have to be properly documented.

### **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) Physical state                               | liquid  |
| b) Color  | colorless   |
| c) Odor   | characteristic  |
| d) Melting point/freezing point                 | Melting point: < -50 °C   |
| e) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | 157 °C  |
| f) Flammability (solid, gas)                    | No data available   |
| g) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | Upper explosion limit: 18 %(V)<br>Lower explosion limit: 2,3 %(V) |
| h) Flash point                                  | 68 °C - closed cup  |
| i) Autoignition temperature                     | No data available   |
| j) Decomposition                                | No data available   |



- temperature
- k) pH 4,5 - 6 at 500 g/l at 20 °C
- l) Viscosity Viscosity, kinematic: No data available  
Viscosity, dynamic: 3,4 mPa.s at 20 °C
- m) Water solubility at 20 °C soluble
- n) Partition coefficient: log Pow: -0,056 at 25 °C - Bioaccumulation is not expected.  
n-octanol/water
- o) Vapor pressure 0,76 hPa at 20 °C
- p) Density 1,114 g/mL at 25 °C  
Relative density No data available
- q) Relative vapor density No data available
- r) Particle characteristics No data available
- s) Explosive properties No data available
- t) Oxidizing properties none

## 9.2 Other safety information

- Relative vapor density 2,70 - (Air = 1.0)

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.  
A range from approx. 15 Kelvin below the flash point is to be rated as critical.

### 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:

Strong oxidizing agents

A risk of explosion and/or of toxic gas formation exists with the following substances:

Acids

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Strong heating.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Metals, Oxidizing agents, 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

LD50 Oral - Mouse - 190 mg/kg

Remarks: (RTECS)

Symptoms: Irritations of mucous membranes in the mouth, pharynx, oesophagus and gastrointestinal tract.

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male - 4 h - 2,05 mg/l - vapor

Remarks: (ECHA)

Symptoms: Possible damages:, mucosal irritations, Cough, Shortness of breath

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - male and female - 112 - 224 mg/kg

Remarks: (ECHA)

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Irritations

(OECD Test Guideline 404)

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Severe irritations

(Draize Test)

Remarks: (External MSDS)

Risk of corneal clouding.

#### Respiratory or skin sensitization

Maximization Test - Guinea pig

Result: positive

(OECD Test Guideline 406)

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

Test Type: Chromosome aberration test

Species: Mouse

Cell type: Bone marrow

Application Route: Intraperitoneal

Method: OECD Test Guideline 474

Result: negative

#### Carcinogenicity

No data available

#### Reproductive toxicity

Suspected of damaging the unborn child.

Suspected of damaging fertility.

#### Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

No data available

#### Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

Ingestion - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. - Liver, Heart

#### Aspiration hazard

No data available





## 11.2 Additional Information

### Endocrine disrupting properties

#### **Product:**

Assessment	The substance/mixture does not contain components considered to have endocrine disrupting properties according to REACH Article 57(f) or Commission Delegated regulation (EU) 2017/2100 or Commission Regulation (EU) 2018/605 at levels of 0.1% or higher.
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Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - male and female - Oral - 49 d - NOAEL (No observed adverse effect level) - 15 mg/kg - LOAEL (Lowest observed adverse effect level) - 50 mg/kg

RTECS: KL5600000

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

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

Systemic effects:

CNS disorders  
Nausea  
Vomiting  
Convulsions  
narcosis

The following applies to mercaptans in general: offensive odour.

Other dangerous properties can not be excluded.

This substance should be handled with particular care.

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## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### 12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish	static test LC50 - Leuciscus idus (Golden orfe) - 37 mg/l - 96 h (DIN 38412 T15)
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 0,4 mg/l - 48 h (OECD Test Guideline 202)
Toxicity to algae	static test ErC50 - Desmodemus subspicatus (green algae) - 19 mg/l - 72 h (OECD Test Guideline 201)
Toxicity to bacteria	static test EC50 - Pseudomonas putida - 125 mg/l - 17 h (DIN 38 412 Part 8)



## 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability Result: > 70 % - rapidly biodegradable  
Remarks: (ECHA)

Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) 105 mg/g  
Remarks: (IUCLID)

Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) 1,894 mg/g  
Remarks: (IUCLID)

## 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Does not accumulate in organisms.

## 12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

## 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

This substance/mixture contains no components considered to be either persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT), or very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB) at levels of 0.1% or higher.

## 12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties

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## 12.7 Other adverse effects

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## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

#### **Product**

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

### 14.1 UN number

ADR/RID: 2966

IMDG: 2966

IATA: 2966

### 14.2 UN proper shipping name

ADR/RID: THIOGLYCOL

IMDG: THIOGLYCOL

IATA: Thioglycol

### 14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 6.1

IMDG: 6.1

IATA: 6.1

### 14.4 Packaging group

ADR/RID: II

IMDG: II

IATA: II



#### 14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: yes

IMDG Marine pollutant: yes

IATA: no

#### 14.6 Special precautions for user

No data available

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### SECTION 15: Regulatory information

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

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

##### National legislation

Seveso III: Directive 2012/18/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on the control of major-accident hazards involving dangerous substances.

: ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

: ACUTE TOXIC

: ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS

##### Other regulations

Observe work restrictions regarding maternity protection in accordance to Dir 92/85/EEC or stricter national regulations where applicable.

Take note of Dir 94/33/EC on the protection of young people at work.

#### 15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

For this product a chemical safety assessment was not carried out

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### SECTION 16: Other information

#### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

H301	Toxic if swallowed.
H301 + H331	Toxic if swallowed or if inhaled.
H310	Fatal in contact with skin.
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H331	Toxic if inhaled.
H361d	Suspected of damaging the unborn child.
H373	May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure if swallowed.
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life.
H410	Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.
H411	Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

#### 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



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