

# Safety Data Sheet

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**1 Identification of substance****Product details****Trade name****3-(Methylthio)propionic acid****Stock number:**

L12861

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www.alfa-chemcat.com**Informing department:**

Product safety department.

**Emergency information:**Giftnotruf Universität Mainz / Poison Information Center Mainz  
www.giftinfo.uni-mainz.de Telefon: +49(0)6131/19240**2 Hazards identification****Hazard designation:**

C Corrosive

**Information pertaining to particular dangers for man and environment  
GHS label elements**

R 34 Causes burns.

**Danger**

H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P309 IF exposed or if you feel unwell:

P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

**Prevention:****Response:****3 Composition/information on ingredients****Chemical characterization:****Designation: (CAS#)**

3-(Methylthio)propionic acid (CAS# 646-01-5)

**Identification number(s):**

211-460-9

**EINECS Number:****4 First aid measures****General information  
After inhalation**

Instantly remove any clothing soiled by the product.

Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm. Consult doctor if symptoms persist.

Seek immediate medical advice.

**After skin contact**

Instantly wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.

Seek immediate medical advice.

**After eye contact**

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult doctor.

**After swallowing**

Seek immediate medical advice.

**5 Fire fighting measures****Suitable extinguishing agents**

CO2, extinguishing powder or water jet. Fight larger fires with water jet or alcohol-resistant foam.

**Special hazards caused by the material, its products of combustion or flue gases:**

Can be released in case of fire:

Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

Sulphur oxides (SOx)

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus.

Wear full protective suit.

**Protective equipment:****6 Accidental release measures****Person-related safety precautions:**

Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

**Measures for environmental protection:**

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

**Measures for cleaning/collecting:**

Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).

Use neutralizing agent.

Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to item 13.

Ensure adequate ventilation.

See Section 7 for information on safe handling

See section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

See Section 13 for information on disposal.

**Additional information:****7 Handling and storage****Handling****Information for safe handling:**

Keep containers tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.

Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.

**Information about protection against explosions and fires:**

Keep ignition sources away - Do not smoke.

**Storage  
Requirements to be met by storerooms and containers:**

No special requirements.

**Information about storage in one common storage facility:**

Store away from oxidizing agents.

Store away from strong bases.

**Further information about storage conditions:**

Keep container tightly sealed.

Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

Store in a locked cabinet or with access restricted to technical experts or their assistants.

**8 Exposure controls and personal protection****Additional information about design of technical systems:**

Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.

**Components with critical values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

Not required.

**Additional information:**

No data

**Personal protective equipment****General protective and hygienic measures**

The usual precautionary measures should be adhered to in handling the chemicals.

Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and food.

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**Breathing equipment:**  
**Protection of hands:**  
**Material of gloves**

**Penetration time of glove material**  
**Eye protection:**

**Body protection:**

Instantly remove any soiled and impregnated garments.  
 Wash hands during breaks and at the end of the work.  
 Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.  
 Use breathing protection with high concentrations.  
 Check protective gloves prior to each use for their proper condition.  
 The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer.  
 Impervious gloves  
 Not determined  
 Safety glasses  
 Tightly sealed safety glasses.  
 Face protection  
 Full face protection  
 Protective work clothing.

## 9 Physical and chemical properties:

### General Information

**Form:** Liquid  
**Colour:** Colourless  
**Smell:** Unpleasant

**Change in condition**  
**Melting point/Melting range:** ca 16°C  
**Boiling point/Boiling range:** 244-247°C  
**Sublimation temperature / start:** Not determined

**Flash point:** 104°C

**Ignition temperature:** Not determined

**Decomposition temperature:** Not determined

**Danger of explosion:** Product is not explosive.

**Critical values for explosion:**  
**Lower:** Not determined  
**Upper:** Not determined

**Steam pressure:** Not determined

**Density at 20°C** 1.16 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

## 10 Stability and reactivity

**Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:** No decomposition if used and stored according to specifications.  
**Materials to be avoided:** Oxidizing agents  
 Bases  
**Dangerous reactions:** No dangerous reactions known  
**Dangerous products of decomposition:** Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide  
 Sulphur oxides (SO<sub>x</sub>)

## 11 Toxicological information

**Acute toxicity:**  
**Primary irritant effect:**  
**on the skin:** Corrosive effect on skin and mucous membranes.  
**on the eye:** Strong corrosive effect.  
**Sensitization:** No sensitizing effect known.  
**Additional toxicological information:** To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.  
 Swallowing will lead to a strong caustic effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach.  
 No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.

## 12 Ecological information:

**Additional ecological information:**  
**General notes:** Water hazard class 1 (Self-assessment): slightly hazardous for water.  
 Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water bodies or sewage system.  
 Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

## 13 Disposal considerations

**Product:**  
**Recommendation** Hand over to disposers of hazardous waste.  
 Must be specially treated under adherence to official regulations.  
 Consult state, local or national regulations for proper disposal.  
**Uncleaned packagings:**  
**Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

## 14 Transport information

### Land transport ADR/RID and GGVS/GGVE (cross-border/domestic)



**ADR/RID-GGVS/E Class:** 8 (C3) Corrosive substances.  
**Kemler Number:** 80  
**UN-Number:** 3265  
**Packaging group:** III  
**Label** 8  
**Designation of goods:** 3265 CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (3-(Methylthio)propionic acid)  
**Limited quantities (LQ)** LQ7  
**Transport category** 3

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Tunnel restriction code E

Maritime transport IMDG/GGVSea:



IMDG/GGVSea Class: 8  
 UN Number: 3265  
 Label: 8  
 Packaging group: III  
 Marine pollutant: No  
 Segregation groups: Acids  
 Correct technical name: CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (3-(Methylthio)propionic acid)

Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:



ICAO/IATA Class: 8  
 UN/ID Number: 3265  
 Label: 8  
 Packaging group: III  
 Correct technical name: CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (3-(Methylthio)propionic acid)

UN "Model Regulation": UN3265, CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S., 8, III

## 15 Regulatory information

Designation according to EC guidelines:

Code letter and hazard designation of product:



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Risk phrases: 34 Causes burns.

Safety phrases: 26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.  
 36/37/39 Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection.  
 45 In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

National regulations

Information about limitation of use: For use only by technically qualified individuals.  
 Employment restrictions concerning young persons must be observed.

Water hazard class: Water hazard class 1 (Self-assessment): slightly hazardous for water.

## 16 Other information:

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.

Department issuing data specification sheet: Health, Safety and Environmental Department.

Contact: Zachariah Holt

Abbreviations and acronyms: ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)  
 RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)  
 IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods  
 IATA: International Air Transport Association  
 IATA-DGR: Dangerous Goods Regulations by the "International Air Transport Association" (IATA)  
 ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organization  
 ICAO-TI: Technical Instructions by the "International Civil Aviation Organization" (ICAO)  
 GHS: Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals  
 EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances  
 CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)