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

Product name : Trifluoromethanesulfonic acid

Product Number : 347817

Brand : Aldrich

CAS-No. : 1493-13-6

**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  
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USA

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**1.4 Emergency telephone number**

Emergency Phone # : +1-703-527-3887 (CHEMTREC)

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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)**

Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302

Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 4), H312

Skin corrosion (Category 1A), H314

Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318

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 + H312

H314

H318

Harmful if swallowed or in contact with skin  
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
Causes serious eye damage.

Precautionary statement(s)

P264

P270

P280

P301 + P312 + P330

P301 + P330 + P331

Wash skin thoroughly after handling.  
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.  
IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth.  
IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.
P304 + P340 + P310	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.
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 or doctor/ physician.
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

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms	: Triflic acid
Formula	: CHF <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S
Molecular weight	: 150.08 g/mol
CAS-No.	: 1493-13-6
EC-No.	: 216-087-5

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Trifluoromethanesulphonic acid</b>		
	Acute Tox. 4; Skin Corr. 1A; Eye Dam. 1; H302 + H312, H314, H318	<= 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

Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician. Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.

#### 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

## 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

#### Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

### **Unsuitable extinguishing media**

Water

### **5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Carbon oxides, Sulphur oxides, Hydrogen fluoride

### **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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## **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. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

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**

Soak up with inert absorbent material and dispose of as hazardous waste. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

### **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.

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.

Store under inert gas.

Storage class (TRGS 510): Non-combustible, corrosive 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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## **8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

### **8.1 Control parameters**

#### **Components 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**

Tightly fitting safety goggles. Faceshield (8-inch minimum). 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: Fluorinated rubber  
Minimum layer thickness: 0.7 mm  
Break through time: 480 min  
Material tested: Vitoject® (KCL 890 / Aldrich Z677698, Size M)

Splash contact  
Material: Nitrile rubber  
Minimum layer thickness: 0.4 mm  
Break through time: 188 min  
Material tested: Camatril® (KCL 730 / Aldrich Z677442, 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, 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 ABEK (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

Do not let product enter drains.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

- |   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| a) Appearance                                   | Form: liquid<br>Colour: light yellow |
| b) Odour  | pungent                              |
| c) Odour Threshold                              | No data available                    |
| d) pH   | < 1                                  |
| e) Melting point/freezing point                 | -39.99 °C (-39.98 °F)                |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | 162 °C (324 °F) - lit.               |
| 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) Vapour pressure                              | 11 hPa (8 mmHg) at 25 °C (77 °F)     |
| l) Vapour density                               | 5.18 - (Air = 1.0)                   |
| m) Relative density                             | 1.696 g/mL at 25 °C (77 °F)          |
| n) Water solubility                             | slightly soluble                     |
| o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water       | log Pow: -0.49                       |
| p) Auto-ignition                                | No data available                    |

temperature

- 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 5.18 - (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.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Exposure to moisture

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents, Strong bases, Water, Metals

### 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 - 1,605 mg/kg

Inhalation: No data available

LD50 Dermal - Rat - 400 - 2,000 mg/kg

No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

No data available

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

No data available

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

#### Carcinogenicity

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**

No data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available

**Additional Information**

RTECS: Not available

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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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**12.1 Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - > 2,000 mg/l - 96 h

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Biodegradability Result: - Not readily biodegradable.

**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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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

**13.1 Waste treatment methods**

**Product**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

**DOT (US)**

UN number: 3265 Class: 8 Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. (Trifluoromethanesulphonic acid)  
Reportable Quantity (RQ):

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG**

UN number: 3265 Class: 8 Packing group: II EMS-No: F-A, S-B  
Proper shipping name: CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (Trifluoromethanesulphonic acid)

**IATA**

UN number: 3265

Class: 8

Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. (Trifluoromethanesulphonic acid)

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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**

Acute Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Trifluoromethanesulphonic acid	1493-13-6	

**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Trifluoromethanesulphonic acid	1493-13-6	

**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
Eye Dam.	Serious eye damage
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H302 + H312	Harmful if swallowed or in contact with skin
H312	Harmful in contact with skin.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.

**HMIS Rating**

Health hazard: 3

Chronic Health Hazard:

Flammability: 0

Physical Hazard 0

**NFPA Rating**

Health hazard: 3

Fire Hazard: 0

Reactivity Hazard: 0

**Further information**

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