# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Ethephon

Product Number : C0143
Brand : Sigma
Index-No. : 015-154-00-4

CAS-No. : 16672-87-0

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)

### 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, Inhalation (Category 4), H332 Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 3), H311 Skin corrosion (Category 1C), H314 Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318 Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 3), H402 Chronic aquatic toxicity (Category 2), H411

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 + H332 Harmful if swallowed or if inhaled

H311 Toxic in contact with skin.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H318 Causes serious eye damage.

H402 Harmful to aquatic life.

H411 Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statement(s)

P260 Do not breathe dust or mist.

P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. P270 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. P271

Avoid release to the environment. P273

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

protection.

P301 + P312 + P330 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you

feel unwell. Rinse mouth.

P301 + P330 + P331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing.

Rinse skin with water/shower.

P304 + P340 + P310 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for

> breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove

P305 + P351 + P338 + P310

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

call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

P362 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

P391 Collect spillage. Store locked up. P405

P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

#### 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS

Corrosive to the respiratory tract.

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### 3.1 **Substances**

Synonyms Ethephon

2-Chloroethylphosphonic acid

Formula C2H6CIO3P Molecular weight 144.49 g/mol CAS-No. 16672-87-0 EC-No. 240-718-3 Index-No. 015-154-00-4

### Hazardous components

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Component	Classification	Concentration		
Ethephon				
	Acute Tox. 4; Acute Tox. 3; Skin Corr. 1C; Eye Dam. 1; Aquatic Acute 3; Aquatic Chronic 2; H302 + H332, H311, H314, H318, H402,	<= 100 %		
	H411			

No components need to be disclosed according to the applicable regulations. 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 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. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

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#### 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.

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

Carbon oxides, Oxides of phosphorus, Hydrogen chloride gas

#### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

#### 5.4 Further information

No data available

### **6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

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

Wear respiratory protection. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, 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.

### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Further processing of solid materials may result in the formation of combustible dusts. The potential for combustible dust formation should be taken into consideration before additional processing occurs.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

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.

Recommended storage temperature 2 - 8 °C

strongly hygroscopic Handle and store under inert gas.

Storage class (TRGS 510): Non-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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### 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

Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

### 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.

Full contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm Break through time: 480 min

Material tested:Dermatril® (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 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 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.

### 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Appearance Form: solid

b) Odourc) Odour Thresholdd) pHNo data availableNo data available

e) Melting point/freezing Melting point/range: 70 - 72 °C (158 - 162 °F) - lit.

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f)	Initial boiling point and boiling range	No data available
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	No data available
l)	Vapour density	No data available
m)	Relative density	No data available

n) Water solubility No data available
 o) Partition coefficient: n- octanol/water

No data available

p) Auto-ignition temperature

No data available

q) Decomposition temperature

No data available

No data available

r) Viscosity No data availables) Explosive properties No data available

t) Oxidizing properties

Other safety information No data available

### 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 Reactivity

9.2

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

Avoid moisture.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents, Strong bases

## 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - No data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

# 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### **Acute toxicity**

Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

No data available

### Skin corrosion/irritation

Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

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#### 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: SZ7100000

Cholinesterase inhibitors can cause heavy salivation and secretion in the lungs, lachrymation, blurred vision, involuntary defecation, diarrhea, tremor, ataxia, sweating, hypothermia, lowered heart rate, and/or a fall in blood pressure as a result of their action at cholinergic nerve sites., Dizziness, Drowsiness, Confusion., Weakness, Muscle cramps/spasms., Change in pupil size., Fever, Seizures., Incoordination., Convulsions, Coma.

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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### 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 130 mg/l - 96.0 h

Toxicity to daphnia and EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 31.7 mg/l - 48 h

other aquatic invertebrates

#### 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.

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Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

### 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.

### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

### 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)

UN number: 2928 Class: 6.1 (8) Packing group: II Proper shipping name: Toxic solids, corrosive, organic, n.o.s. (Ethephon)

Reportable Quantity (RQ):

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG** 

UN number: 2928 Class: 6.1 (8) Packing group: II EMS-No: F-A, S-B

Proper shipping name: TOXIC SOLID, CORROSIVE, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (Ethephon)

IATA

UN number: 2928 Class: 6.1 (8) Packing group: II Proper shipping name: Toxic solid, corrosive, organic, n.o.s. (Ethephon)

#### 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, Chronic Health Hazard

# **Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

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

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

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New Jersey Right To Know Components

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### 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.

### **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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

Acute Tox. Acute toxicity
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Aquatic Acute Acute aquatic toxicity
Aquatic Chronic Chronic aquatic toxicity

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Eye Dam. Serious eye damage H302 Harmful if swallowed.

H302 + H332 Harmful if swallowed or if inhaled

H311 Toxic in contact with skin.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

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H332 Harmful if inhaled. H402 Harmful to aquatic life.

### **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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