

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

## 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : 3-Methylbenzyl cyanide

Product Number : M31600

Brand : Aldrich

CAS-No. : 2947-60-6

## 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

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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, Inhalation (Category 4), H332

Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 4), H312

Skin irritation (Category 2), H315

Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335

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

Warning

Hazard statement(s)

H302 + H312 + H332

H315

H319

H335

Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled

Causes skin irritation.

Causes serious eye irritation.

May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statement(s)

P261

P264

P270

P271

Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.

Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P280	Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P312	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell.
P302 + P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P304 + P340	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P312	Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell.
P322	Specific measures (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).
P330	Rinse mouth.
P332 + P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.
P337 + P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.
P403 + P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
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

Lachrymator.

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms : 3-Methylphenylacetonitrile

Formula : C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N  
Molecular Weight : 131.17 g/mol  
CAS-No. : 2947-60-6  
EC-No. : 220-962-7

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>m-Methylphenylacetonitrile</b>		
	Acute Tox. 4; Skin Irrit. 2; Eye Irrit. 2A; STOT SE 3; H302 + H312 + H332, H315, H319, H335	-

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

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

#### If swallowed

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, nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)

### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting 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.

Normal measures for preventive fire protection.

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.

### 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**

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.

**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**

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| a) Appearance                                   | Form: liquid                             |
| b) Odour  | no data available                        |
| c) Odour Threshold                              | no data available                        |
| d) pH   | no data available                        |
| e) Melting point/freezing point                 | no data available                        |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | 240 - 241 °C (464 - 466 °F) - lit.       |
| g) Flash point                                  | 113 °C (235 °F) - closed cup             |
| 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                             | 1.002 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 25 °C (77 °F) |
| 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                        |
| r) Viscosity                                    | no data available                        |
| s) Explosive properties                         | no data available                        |
| t) Oxidizing properties                         | no data available                        |

**9.2 Other safety information**

no data available

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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

no data available

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong acids, Strong bases, Strong oxidizing agents, Strong reducing agents

### 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

no data available

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

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation.

#### 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, Headache, Nausea, Vomiting, 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**

no data available

**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**

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. 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: 3276      Class: 6.1      Packing group: III  
Proper shipping name: Nitriles, liquid, toxic, n.o.s. (m-Methylphenylacetonitrile)  
Marine pollutant: No  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG**

UN number: 3276      Class: 6.1      Packing group: III      EMS-No: F-A, S-A  
Proper shipping name: NITRILES, LIQUID, TOXIC, N.O.S. (m-Methylphenylacetonitrile)  
Marine pollutant: No

**IATA**

UN number: 3276      Class: 6.1      Packing group: III  
Proper shipping name: Nitriles, liquid, toxic, n.o.s. (m-Methylphenylacetonitrile)

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION****SARA 302 Components**

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

**SARA 313 Components**

SARA 313: 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**

m-Methylphenylacetone nitrile

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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.

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## **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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

Acute Tox.	Acute toxicity
Eye Irrit.	Eye irritation
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H302 + H312 + H332	Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled
H312	Harmful in contact with skin.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.

### **HMIS Rating**

Health hazard:	2
Chronic Health Hazard:	
Flammability:	1
Physical Hazard	0

### **NFPA Rating**

Health hazard:	2
Fire Hazard:	1
Reactivity Hazard:	0

### **Further information**

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