

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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**SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking****1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : Acetonitrile

Product Number : 360457  
Brand : SIGALD  
Index-No. : 608-001-00-3  
CAS-No. : 75-05-8

**1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

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**1.4 Emergency telephone**

Emergency Phone # : +1-703-527-3887 CHEMTREC  
(International)  
24 Hours/day; 7 Days/week

**SECTION 2: Hazards identification****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture****GHS Classification in accordance with Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) (SOR/2015-17)**

Flammable liquids (Category 2), H225  
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302  
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 4), H332  
Acute toxicity, Dermal (Category 4), H312  
Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319

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

**2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements**

Pictogram



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Signal Word	Danger
Hazard statement(s) H225 H302 + H312 + H332 H319	Highly flammable liquid and vapor. Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled. Causes serious eye irritation.
Precautionary statement(s) P210  P233 P240 P241 P242 P243 P261 P264 P270 P271 P280  P301 + P312 + P330  P303 + P361 + P353  P304 + P340 + P312  P305 + P351 + P338   P337 + P313 P362 + P364 P370 + P378  P403 + P235 P501	Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking. Keep container tightly closed. Ground and bond container and receiving equipment. Use explosion-proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting/ equipment. Use non-sparking tools. Take action to prevent static discharges. Avoid breathing mist or vapors. Wash skin thoroughly after handling. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area. Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection. IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water. IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell. IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention. Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse. In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish. Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool. Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

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

- none

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## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms	: Methyl cyanide ACN
Formula	: C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>3</sub> N
Molecular weight	: 41.05 g/mol
CAS-No.	: 75-05-8
EC-No.	: 200-835-2
Index-No.	: 608-001-00-3

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Component	Classification	Concentration *
<b>Acetonitrile</b>		
	Flam. Liq. 2; Acute Tox. 4; Eye Irrit. 2A; H225, H302, H332, H312, H319	<= 100 %
* Weight %		

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

Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

#### If inhaled

After inhalation: fresh air. If breathing stops: mouth-to-mouth breathing or artificial respiration. Oxygen if necessary. Immediately call in physician.

#### In case of skin contact

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

#### If swallowed

After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). 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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## 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

Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)

Combustible.

Pay attention to flashback.

Vapors are heavier than air and may spread along floors.

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Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.  
Forms explosive mixtures with air at ambient temperatures.

### **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. Risk of explosion.

### **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 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**

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.

Handle and store under inert gas.

#### **Storage class**

Storage class (TRGS 510): 3: Flammable liquids

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Ingredients with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	TWA	20 ppm 34 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	Canada. Alberta, Occupational Health and Safety Code (table 2: OEL)
Remarks	Occupational exposure limit is based on irritation effects and its adjustment to compensate for unusual work schedules is not required			
		TWA	20 ppm	Canada. British Columbia OEL
	Contributes significantly to the overall exposure by the skin route.			
		TWAEV	20 ppm	Québec. Regulation respecting occupational health and safety, Schedule 1, Part 1: Permissible exposure values for airborne contaminants
	Skin (percutaneous)			
		TWA	20 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)

#### Derived No Effect Level (DNEL)

Application Area	Routes of exposure	Health effect	Value
Workers	Inhalation	Acute local effects, Acute systemic effects	68 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Workers	Skin contact	Long-term systemic effects	32.2mg/kg BW/d
Workers	Inhalation	Long-term local effects, Long-term systemic effects	68 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Consumers	Inhalation	Acute local effects	220 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Consumers	Inhalation	Acute systemic effects	22 mg/m <sup>3</sup>
Consumers	Inhalation	Long-term systemic effects	4.8 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

#### Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

Compartment	Value
Water	10 mg/l
Soil	2.41 mg/kg
Sea water	1 mg/l
Fresh water	10 mg/l
Fresh water sediment	7.53 mg/kg

## 8.2 Exposure controls

### Appropriate engineering controls

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

### 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). Safety glasses

#### 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: Chloroprene

Minimum layer thickness: 0.65 mm

Break through time: 10 min

Material tested: KCL 720 Camapren®

#### Body Protection

Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing.

#### Respiratory protection

required when vapours/aerosols are generated. Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

#### Control of environmental exposure

Do not let product enter drains. Risk of explosion.

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## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

- |                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| a) Appearance     | Form: clear, liquid<br>Color: colorless |
| b) Odor           | ether-like                              |
| c) Odor Threshold | 39.8 ppm                                |

d) pH	No data available
e) Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: -48 °C (-54 °F)
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	81 - 82 °C 178 - 180 °F
g) Flash point	2.0 °C (35.6 °F) - closed cup
h) Evaporation rate	5.8
i) Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available
j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	Upper explosion limit: 16 %(V) Lower explosion limit: 4.4 %(V)
k) Vapor pressure	98.64 hPa at 20 °C (68 °F)
l) Vapor density	1.42 - (Air = 1.0)
m) Density	0.786 g/mL at 25 °C (77 °F)
Relative density	No data available
n) Water solubility	1,000 g/l at 25 °C (77 °F)completely soluble
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: -0.54 at 25 °C (77 °F) - Bioaccumulation is not expected.
p) Autoignition temperature	524.0 °C (975.2 °F)
q) Decomposition temperature	No data available
r) Viscosity	No data available
s) Explosive properties	No data available
t) Oxidizing properties	none

## 9.2 Other safety information

Surface tension	29.0 mN/m at 20.0 °C (68.0 °F)
Relative vapor density	1.42 - (Air = 1.0)

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

Vapors may form explosive mixture with air.

### 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 bases

strong reducing agents

Risk of explosion with:

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nitrates  
perchlorates  
perchloric acid  
conc. sulfuric acid  
with  
Heat.  
Risk of ignition or formation of inflammable gases or vapours with:  
Oxidizing agents  
Nitric acid  
nitrogen dioxide  
with  
Catalyst  
Generates dangerous gases or fumes in contact with:  
Acids

#### **10.4 Conditions to avoid**

Warming.

#### **10.5 Incompatible materials**

rubber, various plastics, 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 - male and female - 617 mg/kg

(OECD Test Guideline 401)

LC50 Inhalation - Mouse - male and female - 4 h - 6.022 mg/l - vapor

(OECD Test Guideline 403)

Acute toxicity estimate Dermal - 1,500 mg/kg

(Expert judgment)

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

##### **Skin corrosion/irritation**

Skin - Rabbit

Result: No skin irritation - 4 h

(OECD Test Guideline 404)

##### **Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Causes serious eye irritation.

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

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

##### **Respiratory or skin sensitization**

Buehler Test - Guinea pig

Result: negative

(OECD Test Guideline 406)

##### **Germ cell mutagenicity**

Test Type: Ames test



Test system: *S. typhimurium*  
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation  
Result: negative  
Remarks: (ECHA)  
Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test  
Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells  
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation  
Method: US-EPA  
Result: negative  
Test Type: Mutagenicity (mammal cell test): chromosome aberration.  
Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells  
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation  
Result: Positive results were obtained in some in vitro tests.  
Remarks: (National Toxicology Program)  
Test Type: sister chromatid exchange assay  
Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells  
Metabolic activation: Metabolic activation  
Result: negative  
Remarks: Sister chromatid exchange  
Test system: *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*  
Metabolic activation: without metabolic activation  
Result: positive  
Remarks: Cytogenetic analysis  
(ECHA)  
Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test  
Test system: Mouse lymphoma test  
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 476  
Result: negative

Test Type: Micronucleus test  
Species: Mouse

Application Route: Intraperitoneal  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 474  
Result: negative

#### **Carcinogenicity**

No evidence of carcinogenicity in animal studies.

#### **Reproductive toxicity**

Animal testing did not show any effects on fertility.

#### **Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, single exposure.

#### **Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, repeated exposure.

#### **Aspiration hazard**

No aspiration toxicity classification

### **11.2 Additional Information**

RTECS: AL7700000

Treat as cyanide poisoning., Always have on hand a cyanide first-aid kit, together with proper instructions., The onset of symptoms is generally delayed pending conversion to

cyanide., Nausea, Vomiting, Diarrhea, Headache, Dizziness, Rash, Cyanosis, excitement, depression, Drowsiness, impaired judgment, Lack of coordination, stupor, death  
To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

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## SECTION 12: Ecological information

### 12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish	flow-through test LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 1,640 mg/l - 96 h Remarks: (ECHA)
Toxicity to algae	static test NOEC - Phaeodactylum tricornutum - 400 mg/l - 72 h (ISO 10253) static test ErC50 - Phaeodactylum tricornutum - 9,696 mg/l - 72 h (ISO 10253)
Toxicity to bacteria	
Toxicity to fish(Chronic toxicity)	flow-through test NOEC - Oryzias latipes - 102 mg/l - 21 d (OECD Test Guideline 204)

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

Biodegradability	Result: 70 % - Readily biodegradable. (OECD Test Guideline 310)
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### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No bioaccumulation is to be expected (log Pow <= 4).

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

Not expected to adsorb on soil.

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

### 12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties

No data available

### 12.7 Other adverse effects

Avoid release to the environment.

Stability in water	DT50 - > 9,999 d pH 7 at 25 °C Remarks: (calculated)Hydrolyzes slowly.
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## SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

#### Product

Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers. No mixing with other waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product itself.

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**SECTION 14: Transport information****TDG**

UN number: 1648    Class: 3    Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: ACETONITRILE  
Labels: 3  
ERG Code: 127  
Marine pollutant: no

**IMDG**

UN number: 1648    Class: 3    Packing group: II    EMS-No: F-E, S-D  
Proper shipping name: ACETONITRILE

**IATA**

UN number: 1648    Class: 3    Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Acetonitrile

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**SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and the SDS contains all the information required by the HPR.

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**SECTION 16: Other information****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 damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See [www.sigma-aldrich.com](http://www.sigma-aldrich.com) and/or the reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale.

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