1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name : Ethidium bromide
Product Number : E7637
Brand : Sigma
Supplier : Sigma-Aldrich
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SAINT LOUIS MO  63103
USA
Telephone : +1 800-325-5832
Fax : +1 800-325-5052
Emergency Phone # (For both supplier and manufacturer) : (314) 776-6555
Preparation Information : Sigma-Aldrich Corporation
Product Safety - Americas Region
1-800-521-8956

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

OSHA Hazards
Highly toxic by inhalation, Harmful by ingestion., Mutagen

GHS Classification
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4)
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 2)
Germ cell mutagenicity (Category 2)

GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram
 Signal word : Danger

Hazard statement(s)
H302 Harmful if swallowed.
H330 Fatal if inhaled.
H341 Suspected of causing genetic defects.

Precautionary statement(s)
P260 Do not breathe dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.
P281 Use personal protective equipment as required.
P284 Wear respiratory protection.
P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.

HMIS Classification
Health hazard: 3
Chronic Health Hazard: *
Flammability: 0
Physical hazards: 0

NFPA Rating
Health hazard: 4
Fire: 0
Reactivity Hazard: 0

Potential Health Effects

Inhalation: May be fatal if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.

Skin: Harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.

Eyes: May cause eye irritation.

Ingestion: Harmful if swallowed.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms:
EtBr
3,8-Diamino-5-ethyl-6-phenylphenanthridinium bromide
Homidium bromide

Formula: \( \text{C}_21\text{H}_{20}\text{BrN}_3 \)
Molecular Weight: 394.31 g/mol

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4. 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. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact
Flush eyes with water as a precaution.

If swallowed
Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Conditions of flammability
Not flammable or combustible.

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

Special protective equipment for firefighters
Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

Hazardous combustion products
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides (NOx), Hydrogen bromide gas

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions
Wear respiratory protection. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.

Environmental precautions
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.
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.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling
Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

Conditions for safe storage
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.
Keep in a dry place.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

Personal protective equipment

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).

Hand 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.

Immersion protection
Material: Nitrile rubber
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
Break through time: > 480 min
Material tested: Dermatril® (Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

Splash protection
Material: Nitrile rubber
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
Break through time: > 30 min
Material tested: Dermatril® (Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 873000, 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 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.

Eye 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 and 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.

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

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance
Form powder
Colour: dark red

**Safety data**

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10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**Chemical stability**
Stable under recommended storage conditions.

**Possibility of hazardous reactions**
no data available

**Conditions to avoid**
no data available

**Materials to avoid**
no data available

**Hazardous decomposition products**
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides (NOx), Hydrogen bromide gas
Other decomposition products - no data available

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

**Acute toxicity**

**Oral LD50**
LD50 Oral - rat - 1,503 - 2,177 mg/kg

**Inhalation LC50**
LC50 Inhalation - rat - 1 h - 0.0118 - 0.134 mg/l

**Dermal LD50**
no data available

**Other information on acute toxicity**
LD50 Subcutaneous - mouse - 110 mg/kg
LD50 Intravenous - rat - 16 mg/kg

**Skin corrosion/irritation**
no data available

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**
no data available

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**
no data available

**Germ cell mutagenicity**
In vitro tests showed mutagenic effects

**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

**Teratogenicity**
no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Globally Harmonized System)**
no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System)**
no data available

**Aspiration hazard**
no data available

**Potential health effects**

  - **Inhalation** May be fatal if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.
  - **Ingestion** Harmful if swallowed.
  - **Skin** Harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.
  - **Eyes** May cause eye irritation.

**Synergistic effects**
no data available

**Additional Information**
RTECS: SF7950000

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Toxicity**
no data available

**Persistence and degradability**
no data available

**Bioaccumulative potential**
no data available
Mobility in soil
no data available

PBT and vPvB assessment
no data available

Other adverse effects
no data available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Product
Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.

Contaminated packaging
Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)
UN number: 2811  Class: 6.1  Packing group: I
Proper shipping name: Toxic solids, organic, n.o.s. (3,8-Diamino-1-ethyl-6-phenylphenantridinium bromide)
Marine pollutant: No
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG
UN number: 2811  Class: 6.1  Packing group: I  EMS-No: F-A, S-A
Proper shipping name: TOXIC SOLID, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (3,8-Diamino-1-ethyl-6-phenylphenantridinium bromide)
Marine pollutant: No

IATA
UN number: 2811  Class: 6.1  Packing group: I
Proper shipping name: Toxic solid, organic, n.o.s. (3,8-Diamino-1-ethyl-6-phenylphenantridinium bromide)
IATA Passenger: Not permitted for transport

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

OSHA Hazards
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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, 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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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

Further information
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