1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name: Gold(III) chloride trihydrate
Product Number: 520918
Brand: Aldrich
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Emergency Phone #: (314) 776-6555
Preparation Information: Sigma-Aldrich Corporation Product Safety - Americas Region 1-800-521-8956

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency Overview

OSHA Hazards
Skin sensitiser, Corrosive

GHS Classification
Skin corrosion (Category 1B)
Serious eye damage (Category 1)
Skin sensitization (Category 1)

GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram

Signal word Danger

Hazard statement(s)
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Precautionary statement(s)
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.

HMIS Classification
Health hazard: 3
Flammability: 0
Physical hazards: 0

NFPA Rating
Health hazard: 3
Fire: 0
Reactivity Hazard: 0
Potential Health Effects

Inhalation May be harmful if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to the tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.

Skin May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin burns.

Eyes Causes eye burns.

Ingestion May be harmful if swallowed.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Synonyms:
- Tetrachloroauric(III) acid
- Hydrogen tetrachloroaurate(III)

Formula: \( \text{HAuCl}_4 \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O} \)

Molecular Weight: 393.83 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
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.

5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media
Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

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. - Decomposes on heating to chlorine gas, hydrogen chloride and metallic gold

Further information
The product itself does not burn.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions
Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.

Environmental precautions
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.
Moisture sensitive. Light sensitive.

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
Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.
9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance

Form
Crystals with lumps

Colour
no data available

Safety data

pH
no data available

Melting point/freezing point
no data available

Boiling point
no data available

Flash point
no data available

Ignition temperature
no data available

Autoignition temperature
no data available

Lower explosion limit
no data available

Upper explosion limit
no data available

Vapour pressure
no data available

Density
no data available

Water solubility
no data available

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water
no data available

Relative vapour density
no data available

Odour
no data available

Odour Threshold
no data available

Evaporation rate
no data available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Chemical stability
Light. Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions
no data available

Conditions to avoid
Exposure to moisture.

Materials to avoid
Reducing agents, Metals

Hazardous decomposition products
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Decomposes on heating to chlorine gas, hydrogen chloride and metallic gold

Other decomposition products - no data available

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute toxicity

Oral LD50
no data available

Inhalation LC50
no data available
Dermal LD50
no data available

Other information on acute toxicity
no data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
no data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
no data available

Respiratory or skin sensitization
May cause allergic skin reaction.

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

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

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Eyes Causes eye burns.

Synergistic effects
no data available

Additional Information
RTECS: MD5428000

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: 3260  Class: 8  Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: Corrosive solid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s. (Tetrachloroauric acid trihydrate)
Marine pollutant: No
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG
UN number: 3260  Class: 8  Packing group: II  EMS-No: F-A, S-B
Proper shipping name: CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, INORGANIC, N.O.S. (Tetrachloroauric acid trihydrate)
Marine pollutant: No

IATA
UN number: 3260  Class: 8  Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: Corrosive solid, acidic, inorganic, n.o.s. (Tetrachloroauric acid trihydrate)

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

OSHA Hazards
Skin sensitiser, Corrosive

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 Listed

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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