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Material Safety Data Sheet Arachidonic Acid MSDS

Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

Product Name: Arachidonic Acid	Contact Information:
Catalog Codes: SLA4006	Sciencelab.com, Inc. 14025 Smith Rd. Houston, Texas 77396
CAS#: 506.32-1	US Sales: 1-800-901-7247 International Sales: 1-281-441-4400
RTECS: CE6675000	Order Online: ScienceLab.com
TSCA: TSCA 8(b) inventory: No products were found.	CHEMTREC (24HR Emergency Telephone), call: 1-800-424-9300
CI#: Not available.	International CHEMTREC, call: 1-703-527-3887
Synonym: cis-5,8,11,14-Eicosatetraenoic acid	For non-emergency assistance, call: 1-281-441-4400
Chemical Name: Arachidonic Acid	
Chemical Formula: C20-H32-O2	

Section 2: Composition and Information on Ingredients

Composition:		
Name	CAS #	% by Weight
Arachidonic Acid	506.32-1	100

Toxicological Data on Ingredients: Arachidonic Acid LD50: Not available. LC50: Not available.

Section 3: Hazards Identification

Potential Acute Health Effects: Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of eye contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

Potential Chronic Health Effects:
 CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.
 MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Mutagenic for mammalian somatic cells.
 TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.
 DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available.
 Repeated or prolonged exposure is not known to aggravate medical condition.

Section 4: First Aid Measures

Eye Contact:
Check for and remove any contact lenses. In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.

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Skin Contact:
In case of contact, immediately flush skin with plenty of water. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse. Thoroughly clean shoes before reuse. Get medical attention.

Serious Skin Contact:
Wash with a disinfectant soap and cover the contaminated skin with an anti-bacterial cream. Seek medical attention.

Inhalation:
If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.

Serious Inhalation: Not available.

Ingestion:
Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If large quantities of this material are swallowed, call a physician immediately. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband.

Serious Ingestion: Not available.

Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data

Flammability of the Product: May be combustible at high temperature.

Auto-Ignition Temperature: Not available.

Flash Points: CLOSED CUP: 113°C (235.4°F).

Flammable Limits: Not available.

Products of Combustion: These products are carbon oxides (CO, CO2).

Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:
Slightly flammable to flammable in presence of open flames and sparks, of heat.
Non-flammable in presence of shocks.

Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:
Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available.
Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.

Fire Fighting Media and Instructions:
SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder.
LARGE FIRE: Use water spray, fog or foam. Do not use water jet.

Special Remarks on Fire Hazards: Not available.

Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards: Not available.

Section 6: Accidental Release Measures

Small Spill: Absorb with an inert material and put the spilled material in an appropriate waste disposal.

Large Spill: Absorb with an inert material and put the spilled material in an appropriate waste disposal. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and allow to evacuate through the sanitary system.

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Section 7: Handling and Storage

Precautions:
Keep locked up. Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Empty containers pose a fire risk, evaporate the residue under a fume hood. Ground all equipment containing material. Do not breathe gas/fumes/vapor/spray. Wear suitable protective clothing. In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment. If you feel unwell, seek medical attention and show the label when possible. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Keep away from incompatibles such as oxidizing agents, reducing agents, alkalis.

Storage: Keep container tightly closed. Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area. Do not store above -20°C (-4°F).

Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

Engineering Controls:
Provide exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls to keep the airborne concentrations of vapors below their respective threshold limit value. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are proximal to the work-station location.

Personal Protection:
Splash goggles. Lab coat. Vapor respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:
Splash goggles. Full suit. Vapor respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

Exposure Limits: Not available.

Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical state and appearance: Liquid.

Odor: Odorless.

Taste: Not available.

Molecular Weight: 304.5 g/mole

Color: Colorless.

pH (1% soln/water): Not available.

Boiling Point: 170°C (338°F)

Melting Point: -49°C (-56.2°F)

Critical Temperature: Not available.

Specific Gravity: 0.922 (Water = 1)

Vapor Pressure: Not available.

Vapor Density: Not available.

Volatility: Not available.

Odor Threshold: Not available.

Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.: Not available.

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Ionicity (in Water): Not available.

Dispersion Properties: Not available.

Solubility: Not available.

Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data

Stability: The product is stable.

Instability Temperature: Not available.

Conditions of Instability: Incompatible materials, light, air, moisture, water.

Incompatibility with various substances:
Reactive with oxidizing agents, reducing agents, alkalis.
Slightly reactive to reactive with moisture.

Corrosivity: Not available.

Special Remarks on Reactivity:
Light Sensitive.
Oxygen Sensitive.
May decompose on exposure to light, air or water.

Special Remarks on Corrosivity: Not available.

Polymerization: Will not occur.

Section 11: Toxicological Information

Routes of Entry: Absorbed through skin. Eye contact.

Toxicity to Animals:
LD50: Not available.
LC50: Not available.

Chronic Effects on Humans: MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Mutagenic for mammalian somatic cells.

Other Toxic Effects on Humans: Hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals: Not available.

Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans:
May cause adverse reproductive effects (maternal effects) based on animal data.
May affect genetic material (mutagenic) based on animal data.

Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans:
Acute Potential Health Effects:
Skin: Causes skin irritation.
Eyes: Causes eye irritation.
Inhalation: Vapor may cause respiratory tract and mucous membrane irritation.
Ingestion: May cause gastrointestinal tract irritation.
Chronic Potential Health Effects: no information found at this time.
The toxicological properties of this substance have not been fully investigated.

Section 12: Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity: Not available.

BOD5 and COD: Not available.

Products of Biodegradation:
Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation: The product itself and its products of degradation are not toxic.

Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation: Not available.

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Section 13: Disposal Considerations

Waste Disposal:
Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations.

Section 14: Transport Information

DOT Classification: Not a DOT controlled material (United States).

Identification: Not applicable.

Special Provisions for Transport: Not applicable.

Section 15: Other Regulatory Information

Federal and State Regulations: No products were found.

Other Regulations: EINECS: This product is on the European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances.

Other Classifications:

WHMIS (Canada): Not controlled under WHMIS (Canada).

DSCL (EEC):
R36/38- Irritating to eyes and skin.
R40- Possible risks of irreversible effects.
S2- Keep out of the reach of children.
S36/37- Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves.
S46- If swallowed, seek medical advice immediately and show this container or label.

HMIS (U.S.A.):

Health Hazard: 2

Fire Hazard: 1

Reactivity: 1

Personal Protection: h

National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.):

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Health: 2

Flammability: 1

Reactivity: 1

Specific hazard:

Protective Equipment:
Gloves.
Lab coat.
Vapor respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent.
Splash goggles.

Section 16: Other Information

References: Not available.

Other Special Considerations: Not available.

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