

Material Safety Data Sheet
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1 Identification of substance:

Product details:

Product name: Gibberellic acid
Stock number: 45569
Manufacturer/Supplier:
Alfa Aesar, A Johnson Matthey Company
Johnson Matthey Catalog Company, Inc.
30 Bond Street
Ward Hill, MA 01835-8099
Emergency Phone: (978) 521-6300
CHEMTREC: (800) 424-9300
Web Site: www.alfa.com

Information Department: Health, Safety and Environmental Department
Emergency information:
During normal hours the Health, Safety and Environmental Department.
After normal hours call Chemtrec at (800) 424-9300.

2 Composition/Data on components:

Chemical characterization:
Description: (CAS#)
Gibberellic acid (CAS# 77-06-5): 100%
Identification number(s):
EINECS Number: 201-001-0

3 Hazards identification

Hazard description: Not applicable
Information pertaining to particular dangers for man and environment
Not applicable

Classification system
HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)
(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH	1	Health (acute effects) = 1
FIRE	1	Flammability = 1
REACTIVITY	1	Reactivity = 1

4 First aid measures

After inhalation
Supply fresh air. If required, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.
Seek immediate medical advice.
After skin contact
Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.
Seek immediate medical advice.
After eye contact
Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.
After swallowing Seek medical treatment.

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5 Fire fighting measures

Suitable extinguishing agents
Carbon dioxide, extinguishing powder or water spray. Fight larger fires with water spray or alcohol resistant foam.
Special hazards caused by the material, its products of combustion or resulting gases:
In case of fire, the following can be released:
Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide
Protective equipment:
Wear self-contained respirator.
Wear fully protective impervious suit.

6 Accidental release measures

Person-related safety precautions:
Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
Ensure adequate ventilation
Measures for environmental protection:
Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.
Measures for cleaning/collecting: Pick up mechanically.
Additional information:
See Section 7 for information on safe handling
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.
See Section 13 for disposal information.

7 Handling and storage

Handling
Information for safe handling:
Keep container tightly sealed.
Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.
No special precautions are necessary if used correctly.
Information about protection against explosions and fires:
Keep ignition sources away.
Storage
Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:
No special requirements.
Information about storage in one common storage facility:
Store away from oxidizing agents.
Further information about storage conditions:
Keep container tightly sealed.
Store in cool, dry conditions in well sealed containers.

8 Exposure controls and personal protection

Additional information about design of technical systems:
Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.
Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:
Not required.
Additional information: No data

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Personal protective equipment
General protective and hygienic measures
The usual precautionary measures for handling chemicals should be followed.
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.
Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.
Breathing equipment:
Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.
Protection of hands:
Impervious gloves
Check protective gloves prior to each use for their proper condition.
Material of gloves
The selection of suitable gloves not only depends on the material, but also on quality. Quality will vary from manufacturer to manufacturer.
Eye protection: Safety glasses
Body protection: Protective work clothing.

9 Physical and chemical properties:

General Information	
Form:	Powder
Odor:	Not determined
Change in condition	
Melting point/Melting range:	230°C (446°F) (dec)
Boiling point/Boiling range:	Not determined
Sublimation temperature / start:	Not determined
Flash point:	Not applicable
Ignition temperature:	Not determined
Decomposition temperature:	Not determined
Danger of explosion:	Product does not present an explosion hazard.
Explosion limits:	
Lower:	Not determined
Upper:	Not determined
Vapor pressure:	Not determined
Density:	Not determined
Solubility in / Miscibility with	
Water at 20°C (68°F):	5 g/l

10 Stability and reactivity

Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:
Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.
Materials to be avoided: Oxidizing agents
Dangerous reactions No dangerous reactions known

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Dangerous products of decomposition: Carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide

11 Toxicological information

Acute toxicity:
LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:
Oral LD50 6300 mg/kg (rat)
Dermal LD50 >2000 mg/kg (rabbit)
Primary irritant effect:
on the skin: May cause irritation
on the eye: May cause irritation
Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.
Other information (about experimental toxicology):
Tumorigenic effects have been observed on tests with laboratory animals.
Equivocal tumorigen by RTECS criteria.
Bacterial mutagenicity test: Ames Salmonella Typhimurium Negative.
Subacute to chronic toxicity:
Subacute to chronic toxicity:
The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances (RTECS) reports the following effects in laboratory animals:
Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration - tumors.
Liver - tumors.
Tumorigenic - equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria.
Additional toxicological information:
To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.
No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.

12 Ecological information:

General notes:
Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.
Do not allow material to be released to the environment without proper governmental permits.

13 Disposal considerations

Product:
Recommendation
Consult state, local or national regulations to ensure proper disposal.
Uncleaned packaging:
Recommendation: Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

14 Transport information

Not a hazardous material for transportation.

DOT regulations:
Hazard class: None

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Land transport ADR/RID (cross-border)
ADR/RID class: None

Maritime transport IMDG:
IMDG Class: None

Air transport ICAO-TI and IATA-DGR:
ICAO/IATA Class: None

15 Regulations

Product related hazard informations:
Observe the general safety regulations when handling chemicals
National regulations
All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.
All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL).
Information about limitation of use:
For use only by technically qualified individuals.

16 Other information:

Employers should use this information only as a supplement to other information gathered by them, and should make independent judgement of suitability of this information to ensure proper use and protect the health and safety of employees. This information is furnished without warranty, and any use of the product not in conformance with this Material Safety Data Sheet, or in combination with any other product or process, is the responsibility of the user.
Department issuing MSDS: Health, Safety and Environmental Department.
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