

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006

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GENERIC EU MSDS - NO COUNTRY SPECIFIC DATA - NO OEL DATA

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

Product name : Chlorhexidine

Product Number : 282227

Brand : Aldrich

REACH No. : A registration number is not available for this substance as the substance or its uses are exempted from registration, the annual tonnage does not require a registration or the registration is envisaged for a later registration deadline.

CAS-No. : 55-56-1

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

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

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**1.4 Emergency telephone number**

Emergency Phone # : Giftinformationscentralen 112

**SECTION 2: Hazards identification****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture****Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**

Skin irritation (Category 2), H315

Eye irritation (Category 2), H319

Respiratory sensitisation (Category 1), H334

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), H335

Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 1), H400

Chronic aquatic toxicity (Category 1), H410

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

**Classification according to EU Directives 67/548/EEC or 1999/45/EC**

Xi, N Irritant, Dangerous for the environment R36/37/38, R50/53, R43

For the full text of the R-phrases mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

**2.2 Label elements****Labelling according Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**

Pictogram



Signal word : Danger

Hazard statement(s)	
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H334	May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
H410	Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.
Precautionary statement(s)	
P261	Avoid breathing dust.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P342 + P311	If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
P501	Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.
Supplemental Hazard Statements	none

**2.3 Other hazards**  
Photosensitizer.

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**SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients**

**3.1 Substances**

Synonyms	:	1,1'-Hexamethylenebis[5-(4-chlorophenyl)biguanide]
Formula	:	C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>30</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> N <sub>10</sub>
Molecular Weight	:	505,45 g/mol
CAS-No.	:	55-56-1
EC-No.	:	200-238-7

**Hazardous ingredients according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008**

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Chlorhexidine</b>		
	Skin Irrit. 2; Eye Irrit. 2; Resp. Sens. 1; STOT SE 3; Aquatic Acute 1; Aquatic Chronic 1; H315, H319, H334, H335, H410	-

**Hazardous ingredients according to Directive 1999/45/EC**

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Chlorhexidine</b>		
	Xi, N, R36/37/38 - R50/53 - R43	-

For the full text of the H-Statements and R-Phrases 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**

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

**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. Consult a physician.

**In case of eye contact**

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

**If swallowed**

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. 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**

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

**5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Carbon oxides, nitrogen oxides (NOx), Hydrogen chloride gas

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

**5.4 Further information**

no data available

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**SECTION 6: Accidental release measures****6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.  
For personal protection see section 8.

**6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

**6.3 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.

**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**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.  
Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.  
For precautions see section 2.2.

**7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Store in cool place. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

**7.3 Specific end use(s)**

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

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**SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection****8.1 Control parameters****Components with workplace control parameters****8.2 Exposure controls****Appropriate engineering controls**

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

## Personal protective equipment

### Eye/face 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 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.

The selected protective gloves have to satisfy the specifications of EU Directive 89/686/EEC and the standard EN 374 derived from it.

#### Full contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

#### Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0,11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, 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 and safety officer 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.

### 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.

### Respiratory protection

For nuisance exposures use type P95 (US) or type P1 (EU EN 143) particle respirator. For higher level protection use type OV/AG/P99 (US) or type ABEK-P2 (EU EN 143) respirator cartridges. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

### Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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| a) Appearance                              | Form: solid                              |
| b) Odour                                   | no data available                        |
| c) Odour Threshold                         | no data available                        |
| d) pH                                      | no data available                        |
| e) Melting point/freezing point            | Melting point/range: 134 - 136 °C - lit. |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range | no data available                        |
| g) Flash point                             | no data available                        |
| h) Evaporation rate                        | no data available                        |

- i) Flammability (solid, gas) no data available
- j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits no data available
- k) Vapour pressure no data available
- l) Vapour density no data available
- m) Relative density no data available
- n) Water solubility no data available
- o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water no data available
- p) Auto-ignition temperature no data available
- q) Decomposition temperature no data available
- r) Viscosity no data available
- s) Explosive properties no data available
- t) Oxidizing properties no data available

**9.2 Other safety information**  
no data available

**SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity**

**10.1 Reactivity**

no data available

**10.2 Chemical stability**

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

**10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions**

no data available

**10.4 Conditions to avoid**

no data available

**10.5 Incompatible materials**

Strong oxidizing agents

**10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

Other decomposition products - no data available  
In the event of fire: see section 5

**SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

**11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

**Acute toxicity**

LD50 Oral - mouse - 2.515 mg/kg

Remarks: Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration:Acute pulmonary edema.

**Skin corrosion/irritation**

no data available

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

no data available

**Respiratory or skin sensitisation**

no data available

**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.

## **Reproductive toxicity**

Reproductive toxicity - mouse - Oral

Effects on Fertility: Female fertility index (e.g., # females pregnant per # sperm positive females; # females pregnant per # females mated ).

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

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation.

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

no data available

## **Aspiration hazard**

no data available

## **Additional Information**

RTECS: DU1925000

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 LC50 - Danio rerio (zebra fish) - 1,4 mg/l - 96,0 h

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates EC50 - Daphnia - 0,063 mg/l - 48 h

### **12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Biodegradability Result: - According to the results of tests of biodegradability this product is not readily biodegradable.

no data available

Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) 0 mg/l

Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) 110 mg/l

### **12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

no data available

### **12.4 Mobility in soil**

no data available

### **12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

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

### **12.6 Other adverse effects**

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Additional ecological information no data available

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## **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

### **13.1 Waste treatment methods**

#### **Product**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.



**Further information**

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