

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Boric acid

Product Number : B6768

Brand : Sigma

Index-No. : 005-007-00-2

CAS-No. : 10043-35-3

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

Uses advised against : The product is being supplied under the TSCA R&D Exemption (40 CFR Section 720.36). It is the recipient's responsibility to comply with the requirements of the R&D exemption. The product may not be used for a non-exempt commercial purpose under TSCA unless appropriate consent is granted in writing by MilliporeSigma.

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

GHS classification in accordance with the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Reproductive toxicity : Category 1B

Short-term (acute) : Category 3

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aquatic hazard

Other hazards

None known.

GHS label elements

Hazard pictograms :



Signal Word : Danger

Hazard Statements : H360 May damage fertility or the unborn child.
H402 Harmful to aquatic life.

Precautionary Statements : **Prevention:**
P201 Obtain special instructions before use.
P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P273 Avoid release to the environment.
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
Response:
P308 + P313 IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.
Storage:
P405 Store locked up.
Disposal:
P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substance / Mixture : Substance

Components

Chemical name	CAS No./Unique ID	Concentration (% w/w)	Trade secret
boric acid	10043-35-3*	>= 90 - <= 100	-

* Indicates that the identifier is a CAS No.
Actual concentration is withheld as a trade secret

SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

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General advice	: Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
If inhaled	: After inhalation: fresh air. Call in physician.
In case of skin contact	: In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Consult a physician.
In case of eye contact	: After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.
If swallowed	: After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). Consult a physician.
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
Protection of first-aiders	: For personal protection see section 8.
Notes to physician	: No data available

SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Suitable extinguishing media	: Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	: For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.
Specific hazards during fire fighting	: Not combustible. Ambient fire may liberate hazardous vapours.
Hazardous combustion products	: Borane/boron oxides
Specific extinguishing methods	: No data available
Further information	: Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

Special protective equipment for fire-fighters : Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures : Advice for non-emergency personnel:
Avoid inhalation of dusts.
Avoid substance contact.
Ensure adequate ventilation.
Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.
Advice for emergency responders:
For personal protection see section 8.

Environmental precautions : Do not let product enter drains.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up : Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills.
Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10).
Take up carefully. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.
Avoid generation of dusts.

SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

For precautions see section 2.2.

Advice on safe handling : Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture.

Further information on storage conditions : Tightly closed.
Dry.
Keep in a well-ventilated place.
Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons.

Storage class : 6.1C, Combustible, acute toxic Cat.3 / toxic compounds or compounds which causing chronic effects

Recommended storage temperature : Recommended storage temperature see product label.

Further information on storage stability : Moisture sensitive.

Packaging material : Suitable material: LDPE Bottle/Jar

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Ingredients with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value type (Form of exposure)	Control parameters / Permissible concentration	Basis
boric acid	10043-35-3	TWA (Inhalable particulate matter)	2 mg/m ³ (Borate)	ACGIH
		STEL (Inhalable particulate matter)	6 mg/m ³ (Borate)	ACGIH

Engineering measures : No data available

Personal protective equipment

Respiratory protection : required when dusts are generated.

Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

Recommended Filter type: : Filter type P3

The entrepreneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer. These measures have to be properly documented.

Hand protection

Material : Nitrile rubber
Break through time : 480 min
Glove thickness : 0.11 mm
Protective index : Full contact
Manufacturer : KCL 741 Dermatril® L

Material : Nitrile rubber
Break through time : 480 min
Glove thickness : 0.11 mm
Protective index : Splash contact

Manufacturer	: KCL 741 Dermatril® L
Remarks	: This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN 16523-1 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: www.kcl.de).
Eye protection	: Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU). Safety glasses
Skin and body protection	: protective clothing
Hygiene measures	: Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance	: crystalline
Color	: white
Odor	: odorless
Odor Threshold	: Not applicable
pH	: 5.1 (77 °F / 25 °C) Concentration: 1.8 g/l : > 212 °F / > 100 °C Method: Regulation (EC) No. 440/2008, Annex, A.1 GLP: yes Decomposition Decomposes without melting.
Boiling point/boiling range	: No data available
Flash point	: Not applicable
Evaporation rate	: No data available
Burning rate	: No data available

Upper explosion limit / Upper flammability limit	: No data available
Lower explosion limit / Lower flammability limit	: No data available
Vapor pressure	: < 0.1 hPa (77 °F / 25 °C) Method: Regulation (EC) No. 440/2008, Annex, A.4 GLP: yes
Relative vapor density	: No data available
Relative density	: 1.49 (73 °F / 23 °C) Method: Regulation (EC) No. 440/2008, Annex, A.3 GLP: yes
Density	: 1.48 g/cm ³ (73 °F / 23 °C) Method: OECD Test Guideline 109 GLP: yes
Solubility(ies) Water solubility	: 49.2 g/l completely soluble (68 °F / 20 °C) pH: 3.7 Method: Regulation (EC) No. 440/2008, Annex, A.6 GLP: yes
Partition coefficient: n- octanol/water	: log Pow: -1.09 (72 °F / 22 °C) pH: 7.5 Method: Regulation (EC) No. 440/2008, Annex, A.8 GLP: yes Bioaccumulation is not expected.
Autoignition temperature	: not combustible
Decomposition temperature	: No data available
Viscosity, dynamic	: No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	: No data available
Flow time	: No data available
Explosive properties	: Not classified as explosive.
Oxidizing properties	: none
Molecular weight	: 61.83 g/mol
Particle characteristics Particle size	: No data available

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity	: No data available
Chemical stability	: The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .
Possibility of hazardous reactions	: Risk of explosion with: Acetic anhydride Violent reactions possible with: strong oxidising agents Bases
Conditions to avoid	: Exposure to moisture. no information available
Incompatible materials	: No data available
Hazardous decomposition products	: In the event of fire: see section 5

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - 3,450 mg/kg

Remarks: (ECHA)

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4 h - > 2.12 mg/l - dust/mist

(OECD Test Guideline 403)

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - male and female - > 2,000 mg/kg

Remarks: (ECHA)

Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: No skin irritation - 24 h

Remarks: (ECHA)

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: No eye irritation - 24 h

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

Respiratory or skin sensitization

Buehler Test - Guinea pig

Result: negative

(OECD Test Guideline 406)

Germ cell mutagenicity

Test Type: sister chromatid exchange assay

Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells

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Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation
Result: negative
Remarks: (ECHA)
Test Type: Ames test
Test system: *S. typhimurium*
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation
Method: OECD Test Guideline 471
Result: negative
Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test
Test system: mouse lymphoma cells
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation
Method: OECD Test Guideline 476
Result: negative
Test Type: Mutagenicity (mammal cell test):
Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation
Method: OECD Test Guideline 482
Result: negative

Test Type: Micronucleus test
Species: Mouse

Application Route: Oral
Method: OECD Test Guideline 474
Result: negative

Carcinogenicity

IARC: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.
NTP: No ingredient 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 on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

Reproductive toxicity

May damage fertility.
May damage the unborn child.

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

Aspiration hazard

No data available

11.2 Additional Information

Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - male and female - Oral - 2 yr - NOAEL (No observed adverse effect level) - 17.5 mg/kg - LOAEL (Lowest observed adverse effect level) - 58.5 mg/kg
Remarks: (ECHA)

RTECS: ED4550000

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Toxicity reported for borates in humans: ingestion or absorption may cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal cramps, and erythematous lesions on the skin and mucous membranes. Other symptoms include: circulatory collapse, tachycardia, cyanosis, delirium, convulsions, and coma. Death has been reported to occur in infants from less than 5 grams and in adults from 5 to 20 grams.

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

After absorption of large quantities:

Vomiting
Nausea
Diarrhea
agitation, spasms
Tiredness
ataxia (impaired locomotor coordination)
drop in temperature

This substance should be handled with particular care.

Liver - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Components:

boric acid:

Toxicity to fish	: LC50 (Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow)): 79.7 mg/l Exposure time: 96 h Test Type: static test Analytical monitoring: yes Method: US-EPA
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	: EC50 (Daphnia magna (Water flea)): 133 mg/l Exposure time: 48 h Test Type: static test Remarks: (ECOTOX Database)
Toxicity to algae/aquatic plants	: EC50 (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae)): 52.4 mg/l Exposure time: 74.5 h Test Type: static test Analytical monitoring: yes Method: OECD Test Guideline 201 GLP: yes

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Ecotoxicology Assessment

Chronic aquatic toxicity : This product has no known ecotoxicological effects.

Persistence and degradability

Components:

boric acid:

Biodegradability : Remarks: The methods for determining biodegradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

Bioaccumulative potential

Components:

boric acid:

Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water : log Pow: -1.09 (72 °F / 22 °C)
pH: 7.5
Method: Regulation (EC) No. 440/2008, Annex, A.8
GLP: yes
Remarks: Bioaccumulation is not expected.

Mobility in soil

No data available

Other adverse effects

Product:

Ozone-Depletion Potential : Regulation: 40 CFR Protection of Environment; Part 82 Protection of Stratospheric Ozone - CAA Section 602 Class I Substances
Remarks: This product neither contains, nor was manufactured with a Class I or Class II ODS as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 602 (40 CFR 82, Subpt. A, App.A + B).

Components:

boric acid:

Additional ecological information : Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal methods

Waste from residues : Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers. No mixing with other

waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product itself.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

International Regulations

IATA-DGR

Not regulated as a dangerous good

IMDG-Code

Not regulated as a dangerous good

Transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Not applicable for product as supplied.

National regulation

49 CFR Road

Not regulated as a dangerous good

Poison Inhalation Hazard : No

Special precautions for user

Remarks : Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

CERCLA Reportable Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a CERCLA RQ.

SARA 304 Extremely Hazardous Substances Reportable Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a section 304 EHS RQ.

SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances Threshold Planning Quantity

This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

SARA 311/312 Hazards : Chronic Health Hazard

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.

Clean Air Act

This product neither contains, nor was manufactured with a Class I or Class II ODS as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 602 (40 CFR 82, Subpt. A, App.A + B).

This product does not contain any hazardous air pollutants (HAP), as defined by the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112 (40 CFR 61).

This product does not contain any chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 112(r) for Accidental Release Prevention (40 CFR 68.130, Subpart F).

This product does not contain any chemicals listed under the U.S. Clean Air Act Section 111 SOCM I Intermediate or Final VOC's (40 CFR 60.489).

Clean Water Act

This product does not contain any Hazardous Substances listed under the U.S. CleanWater Act, Section 311, Table 116.4A.

This product does not contain any Hazardous Chemicals listed under the U.S. CleanWater Act, Section 311, Table 117.3.

This product does not contain any toxic pollutants listed under the U.S. Clean Water Act Section 307

This product does not contain any priority pollutants related to the U.S. Clean Water Act

US State Regulations

Massachusetts Right To Know

No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

Maine Chemicals of High Concern

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

Vermont Chemicals of High Concern

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

Washington Chemicals of High Concern

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

The ingredients of this product are reported in the following inventories:

TSCA : All substances listed as active on the TSCA inventory

TSCA list

No substances are subject to a Significant New Use Rule.

No substances are subject to TSCA 12(b) export notification requirements.

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Full text of other abbreviations

ACGIH : USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
ACGIH / TWA : 8-hour, time-weighted average
ACGIH / STEL : Short-term exposure limit

AIIC - Australian Inventory of Industrial Chemicals; ASTM - American Society for the Testing of Materials; bw - Body weight; CERCLA - Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; CMR - Carcinogen, Mutagen or Reproductive Toxicant; DIN - Standard of the German Institute for Standardisation; DOT - Department of Transportation; DSL - Domestic Substances List (Canada); ECx - Concentration associated with x% response; EHS - Extremely Hazardous Substance; ELx - Loading rate associated with x% response; EmS - Emergency Schedule; ENCS - Existing and New Chemical Substances (Japan); ErCx - Concentration associated with x% growth rate response; ERG - Emergency Response Guide;

GHS - Globally Harmonized System; GLP - Good Laboratory Practice; HMIS - Hazardous Materials Identification System; IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer; IATA - International Air Transport Association; IBC - International Code for the Construction and Equipment of Ships carrying Dangerous Chemicals in Bulk; IC50 - Half maximal inhibitory concentration; ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization; IECSC - Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances in China; IMDG - International Maritime Dangerous Goods; IMO - International Maritime Organization; ISHL - Industrial Safety and Health Law (Japan); ISO - International Organisation for Standardization; KECI - Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory; LC50 - Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population; LD50 - Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose); MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships; MSHA - Mine Safety and Health Administration; n.o.s. - Not Otherwise Specified; NFPA - National Fire Protection Association; NO(A)EC - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Concentration; NO(A)EL - No Observed (Adverse) Effect Level; NOELR - No Observable Effect Loading Rate; NTP - National Toxicology Program; NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals; OECD - Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development; OPPTS - Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention; PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance; PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances; (Q)SAR - (Quantitative) Structure Activity Relationship; RCRA - Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; REACH - Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals; RQ - Reportable Quantity; SADT - Self-Accelerating Decomposition Temperature; SARA - Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act; SDS - Safety Data Sheet; TCSI - Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory; TECI - Thailand Existing Chemicals Inventory; TSCA - Toxic Substances Control Act (United States); UN - United Nations; UNRTDG - United Nations Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Goods; vPvB - Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative

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