

**SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING****1.1. Product identifier**

Product Description: **4-Methyloctanoic acid**  
Cat No. : **B22616**  
CAS No **54947-74-9**  
EC No **259-404-2**  
Molecular Formula **C9 H18 O2**

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

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.  
Uses advised against No Information available

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

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**1.4. Emergency telephone number**

For information **US** call: 001-800-227-6701 / **Europe** call: +32 14 57 52 11  
Emergency Number **US**:001-201-796-7100 / **Europe**: +32 14 57 52 99  
**CHEMTREC** Tel. No. **US**:001-800-424-9300 / **Europe**:001-703-527-3887

**SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture****CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567****Physical hazards**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Health hazards**

Skin Corrosion/Irritation

Category 1 B (H314)

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Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation

Category 1 (H318)

## Environmental hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## 2.2. Label elements



Signal Word

Danger

## Hazard Statements

H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

## Precautionary Statements

P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

P301 + P330 + P331 - IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting

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

P303 + P361 + P353 - IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower

## 2.3. Other hazards

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## **SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

### 3.1. Substances

Component	CAS No	EC No	Weight %	CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567
Octanoic acid, 4-methyl-	54947-74-9	EEC No. 259-404-2	>95	Skin Corr. 1B (H314) Eye Dam. 1 (H318)

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## **SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

#### General Advice

Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.

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<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Call a physician immediately.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Clean mouth with water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Call a physician immediately.
<b>Inhalation</b>	If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Remove from exposure, lie down. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Call a physician immediately.
<b>Self-Protection of the First Aider</b>	No special precautions required.

## **4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

Causes burns by all exposure routes. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation

## **4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

**Notes to Physician** Treat symptomatically.

## **SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

### **5.1. Extinguishing media**

#### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Powder. Water spray. In case of major fire and large quantities: Evacuate area. Fight fire remotely due to the risk of explosion. CO<sub>2</sub>, dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam.

#### **Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons**

No information available.

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

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

### **5.3. Advice for firefighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

## **SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

### **6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.

### **6.2. Environmental precautions**

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Should not be released into the environment.

## 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 6.4. Reference to other sections

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## **SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE**

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

#### **Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Corrosives area. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

Technical Rules for Hazardous Substances (TRGS) 510      Class 8A  
Storage Class (LGK) (Germany)

### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Use in laboratories

## **SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

### 8.1. Control parameters

#### **Exposure limits**

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

#### **Biological limit values**

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

#### **Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) / Derived Minimum Effect Level (DMEL)**

No information available

#### **Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)**

No information available.

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## 8.2. Exposure controls

### Engineering Measures

None under normal use conditions. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye Protection

Goggles (European standard - EN 166)

#### Hand Protection

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	EU standard	Glove comments (minimum requirement)
Natural rubber	See manufacturers recommendations	-	EN 374	
Butyl rubber				
Nitrile rubber				
Neoprene				
PVC				

#### Skin and body protection

Long sleeved clothing.

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves.  
(Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatibility, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

#### Respiratory Protection

No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.

#### Large scale/emergency use

Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 136 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced

**Recommended Filter type:** Particle filter

#### Small scale/Laboratory use

Maintain adequate ventilation

**Recommended half mask:-** Valve filtering: EN405; or; Half mask: EN140; plus filter, EN 141

#### Environmental exposure controls

No information available.

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

#### Physical State

Liquid

#### Appearance

Colorless

#### Odor

Rancid

#### Odor Threshold

No data available

#### Melting Point/Range

No data available

#### Softening Point

No data available

#### Boiling Point/Range

149 °C / 300.2 °F

#### Flammability (liquid)

No data available

#### Flammability (solid,gas)

Not applicable

Liquid

#### Explosion Limits

No data available

#### Flash Point

113 °C / 235.4 °F

**Method -** No information available

#### Autoignition Temperature

No data available

#### Decomposition Temperature

No data available

#### pH

No information available

#### Viscosity

No data available

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Water Solubility	No information available	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Vapor Pressure	No data available	
Density / Specific Gravity	0.91 g/cm3	@ 20 °C
Bulk Density	Not applicable	Liquid
Vapor Density	No data available	(Air = 1.0)
Particle characteristics	Not applicable (liquid)	

## 9.2. Other information

Molecular Formula	C9 H18 O2
Molecular Weight	158.24

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1. Reactivity

None known, based on information available

### 10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous Polymerization	No information available.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Incompatible products. Excess heat.

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents. Strong bases.

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1. Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

#### Product Information

##### (a) acute toxicity;

Oral	No data available
Dermal	No data available
Inhalation	No data available

##### (b) skin corrosion/irritation;

Category 1 B

##### (c) serious eye damage/irritation;

Category 1

##### (d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

Respiratory	No data available
Skin	No data available

##### (e) germ cell mutagenicity;

No data available

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**(f) carcinogenicity:** No data available  
There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

**(g) reproductive toxicity:** No data available

**(h) STOT-single exposure:** No data available

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure:** No data available

**Target Organs** No information available.

**(j) aspiration hazard:** No data available

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated. Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation.

## 11.2. Information on other hazards

**Endocrine Disrupting Properties** Assess endocrine disrupting properties for human health. This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

## **SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### 12.1. Toxicity

**Ecotoxicity effects** .

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

**12.3. Bioaccumulative potential** No information available

**12.4. Mobility in soil** No information available

**12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment** No data available for assessment.

### 12.6. Endocrine disrupting properties

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

### 12.7. Other adverse effects

**Persistent Organic Pollutant** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance  
**Ozone Depletion Potential** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## **SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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## 13.1. Waste treatment methods

Waste from Residues/Unused Products	Waste is classified as hazardous. Dispose of in accordance with the European Directives on waste and hazardous waste. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.
Contaminated Packaging	Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.
European Waste Catalogue (EWC)	According to the European Waste Catalog, Waste Codes are not product specific, but application specific.
Other Information	Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains. Do not flush to sewer. Large amounts will affect pH and harm aquatic organisms.

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### IMDG/IMO

<b>14.1. UN number</b>	UN3265
<b>14.2. UN proper shipping name</b>	Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. (4-Methyloctanoic acid)
<b>14.3. Transport hazard class(es)</b>	8
<b>14.4. Packing group</b>	II

### ADR

<b>14.1. UN number</b>	UN3265
<b>14.2. UN proper shipping name</b>	Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. (4-Methyloctanoic acid)
<b>14.3. Transport hazard class(es)</b>	8
<b>14.4. Packing group</b>	II

### IATA

<b>14.1. UN number</b>	UN3265
<b>14.2. UN proper shipping name</b>	Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. (4-Methyloctanoic acid)
<b>14.3. Transport hazard class(es)</b>	8
<b>14.4. Packing group</b>	II

### 14.5. Environmental hazards

No hazards identified

### 14.6. Special precautions for user

No special precautions required.

### 14.7. Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

Not applicable, packaged goods

## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

### 15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

#### International Inventories

Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), China (IECSC), Taiwan (TCSI), Korea (KECL), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Australia (AICS), New Zealand (NZIoC), Philippines (PICCS). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	IECSC	TCSI	KECL	ENCS	ISHL
Octanoic acid, 4-methyl-	54947-74-9	259-404-2	-	-	X	X	KE-24535	X	X

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Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Octanoic acid, 4-methyl-	54947-74-9	X	ACTIVE	-	X	X	X	X

Legend: X - Listed '-' - Not Listed

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

## Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Not applicable

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Octanoic acid, 4-methyl-	54947-74-9	-	-	-

## Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC)

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements
Octanoic acid, 4-methyl-	54947-74-9	Not applicable	Not applicable

## Regulation (EC) No 649/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals

Not applicable

## Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?

Not applicable

Take note of Directive 98/24/EC on the protection of the health and safety of workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work .

## National Regulations

UK - Take note of Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) 2002 and 2005 Amendment

## WGK Classification

See table for values

Component	Germany - Water Classification (AwSV)	Germany - TA-Luft Class
Octanoic acid, 4-methyl-	WGK1	

## 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

A Chemical Safety Assessment/Report (CSA/CSR) has not been conducted

## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3

H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

H318 - Causes serious eye damage

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## Legend

**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

**DSL/NDSL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

**NZIoC** - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

**WEL** - Workplace Exposure Limit

**TWA** - Time Weighted Average

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

**IARC** - International Agency for Research on Cancer

**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level

**Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)**

**RPE** - Respiratory Protective Equipment

**LD50** - Lethal Dose 50%

**LC50** - Lethal Concentration 50%

**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50%

**NOEC** - No Observed Effect Concentration

**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

**PBT** - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

**vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

**ADR** - European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

**ICAO/IATA** - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association

**IMO/IMDG** - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

**ATE** - Acute Toxicity Estimate

**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

**VOC** - (Volatile Organic Compound)

## **Key literature references and sources for data**

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

## **Training Advice**

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

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**Revision Summary**

New emergency telephone response service provider.

**This safety data sheet complies with Regulation UK SI 2019/758 and UK SI 2020/1577 as amended.**

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