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## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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### 1. Identification

**Product Name** Trichloroacetic acid

**Cat No. :** C8370, C8374

**Synonyms** TCA; Trichloroethanoic acid (Crystalline/Flakes/Certified/Certified ACS)

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.

**Uses advised against** No Information available

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

**Company**

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**Emergency Telephone Number**

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300  
CHEMTREC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

### 2. Hazard(s) identification

**Classification**

This chemical is considered hazardous by the 2012 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

Skin Corrosion/irritation	Category 1 A
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Carcinogenicity	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	

**Label Elements**

**Signal Word**

Danger

**Hazard Statements**

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage  
May cause respiratory irritation  
Suspected of causing cancer



### Precautionary Statements

#### Prevention

Obtain special instructions before use  
 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood  
 Use personal protective equipment as required  
 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
 Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

#### Response

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

#### Inhalation

IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

#### Skin

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower  
 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse

#### Eyes

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

#### Ingestion

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. DO NOT induce vomiting

#### Storage

Store locked up  
 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

#### Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

## 3. Composition / information on ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Trichloroacetic acid	76-03-9	>95

## 4. First-aid measures

#### General Advice

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

#### Eye Contact

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required. Keep eye wide open while rinsing.

#### Skin Contact

Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Call a physician immediately.

#### Inhalation

Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; induce artificial respiration with a respiratory medical device. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.

#### Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. Immediate medical attention is required. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Drink plenty of water.

<b>Most important symptoms/effects</b>	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
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

<b>Suitable Extinguishing Media</b>	CO <sub>2</sub> , dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam.
<b>Unsuitable Extinguishing Media</b>	Dry chemical
<b>Flash Point Method -</b>	No information available No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	Not applicable
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact</b>	No information available
<b>Sensitivity to Static Discharge</b>	No information available

### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes. Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses.

### Hazardous Combustion Products

Chloroform Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) Hydrogen chloride gas Phosgene Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors

### Protective Equipment and Precautions 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.

### NFPA

<b>Health</b> 3	<b>Flammability</b> 0	<b>Instability</b> 1	<b>Physical hazards</b> N/A
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## 6. Accidental release measures

<b>Personal Precautions</b>	Use personal protective equipment. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.
<b>Environmental Precautions</b>	Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. See Section 12 for additional ecological information. Avoid release to the environment. Collect spillage.
<b>Methods for Containment and Clean Up</b>	Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

## 7. Handling and storage

<b>Handling</b>	Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not breathe dust. Do not ingest.
<b>Storage</b>	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Corrosives area.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

### Exposure Guidelines

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH IDLH
Trichloroacetic acid	TWA: 0.5 ppm	(Vacated) TWA: 1 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 7 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 1 ppm TWA: 7 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

Component	Quebec	Mexico OEL (TWA)	Ontario TWAEV
Trichloroacetic acid	TWA: 1 ppm TWA: 6.7 mg/m <sup>3</sup>		TWA: 1 ppm

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH IDLH: The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Immediately Dangerous to Life or Health

**Engineering Measures**

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

**Personal Protective Equipment****Eye/face Protection**

Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166. Tightly fitting safety goggles. Face-shield.

**Skin and body protection**

Long sleeved clothing.

**Respiratory Protection**

Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

**Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Solid
<b>Appearance</b>	White
<b>Odor</b>	of vinegar
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available
<b>pH</b>	1.2 (0.1M)
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	52 - 58 °C / 125.6 - 136.4 °F
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	196 °C / 384.8 °F @ 760 mmHg
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available
<b>Flammability or explosive limits</b>	
<b>Upper</b>	No data available
<b>Lower</b>	No data available
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	1.2 mbar @ 50°C, 0.08 mbar @25C
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable
<b>Relative Density</b>	1.620
<b>Solubility</b>	Soluble in water
<b>Partition coefficient; n-octanol/water</b>	No data available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	Not applicable
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No information available
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C2 H Cl3 O2
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	163.39

## 10. Stability and reactivity

**Reactive Hazard**

None known, based on information available

<b>Stability</b>	Stable under normal conditions.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Incompatible products. Excess heat.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Bases, Metals
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Chloroform, Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Hydrogen chloride gas, Phosgene, Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

## 11. Toxicological information

### Acute Toxicity

#### Product Information

#### Component Information

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Trichloroacetic acid	3320 mg/kg rat	Not listed	Not listed

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

### Delayed and immediate effects as well as chronic effects from short and long-term exposure

<b>Irritation</b>	Causes severe burns by all exposure routes
<b>Sensitization</b>	No information available
<b>Carcinogenicity</b>	The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen.

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Trichloroacetic acid	76-03-9	Group 2B	Not listed	A3	X	Not listed

*IARC: (International Agency for Research on Cancer)*

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*Group 1 - Carcinogenic to Humans*

*Group 2A - Probably Carcinogenic to Humans*

*Group 2B - Possibly Carcinogenic to Humans*

*A1 - Known Human Carcinogen*

*A2 - Suspected Human Carcinogen*

*A3 - Animal Carcinogen*

*ACGIH: (American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists)*

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<b>Mutagenic Effects</b>	No information available
<b>Reproductive Effects</b>	Experiments have shown reproductive toxicity effects on laboratory animals.
<b>Developmental Effects</b>	Developmental effects have occurred in experimental animals.
<b>Teratogenicity</b>	Teratogenic effects have occurred in experimental animals.
<b>STOT - single exposure</b>	Respiratory system
<b>STOT - repeated exposure</b>	None known
<b>Aspiration hazard</b>	No information available
<b>Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed</b>	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
<b>Endocrine Disruptor Information</b>	No information available
<b>Other Adverse Effects</b>	Tumorigenic effects have been reported in experimental animals. See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Trichloroacetic acid	0.27 mg/l	>277 mg/l	Not listed	110 mg/l

**Persistence and Degradability** Soluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Trichloroacetic acid	1,44

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

## 14. Transport information

### DOT

UN-No UN1839  
 Proper Shipping Name TRICHLOROACETIC ACID  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

### TDG

UN-No UN1839  
 Proper Shipping Name TRICHLOROACETIC ACID  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

### IATA

UN-No UN1839  
 Proper Shipping Name Trichloroacetic acid  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

### IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN1839  
 Proper Shipping Name Trichloroacetic acid, solid  
 Hazard Class 8  
 Packing Group II

## 15. Regulatory information

All of the components in the product are on the following Inventory lists: X = listed

### International Inventories

Component	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	PICCS	ENCS	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Trichloroacetic acid	X	X	-	200-927-2	-		X	X	X	X	X

### Legend:

X - Listed

E - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(e) Consent order under TSCA.

F - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 5(f) Rule under TSCA.

N - Indicates a polymeric substance containing no free-radical initiator in its inventory name but is considered to cover the designated polymer made with any free-radical initiator regardless of the amount used.

P - Indicates a commenced PMN substance

R - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 6 risk management rule under TSCA.

S - Indicates a substance that is identified in a proposed or final Significant New Use Rule

T - Indicates a substance that is the subject of a Section 4 test rule under TSCA.

XU - Indicates a substance exempt from reporting under the Inventory Update Rule, i.e. Partial Updating of the TSCA Inventory Data Base Production and Site Reports (40 CFR 710(B)).

Y1 - Indicates an exempt polymer that has a number-average molecular weight of 1,000 or greater.

Y2 - Indicates an exempt polymer that is a polyester and is made only from reactants included in a specified list of low concern reactants that comprises one of the eligibility criteria for the exemption rule.

### U.S. Federal Regulations

TSCA 12(b) Not applicable

SARA 313 Not applicable

#### SARA 311/312 Hazardous Categorization

Acute Health Hazard	Yes
Chronic Health Hazard	Yes
Fire Hazard	No
Sudden Release of Pressure Hazard	No
Reactive Hazard	No

Clean Water Act Not applicable

Clean Air Act Not applicable

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
Not applicable

CERCLA  
Not applicable

California Proposition 65 This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals

### State Right-to-Know

Component	Massachusetts	New Jersey	Pennsylvania	Illinois	Rhode Island
Trichloroacetic acid	X	X	X	-	X

### U.S. Department of Transportation

Reportable Quantity (RQ):	N
DOT Marine Pollutant	N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant	N

### U.S. Department of Homeland Security

This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

### Other International Regulations

Mexico - Grade No information available

### Canada

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations (CPR) and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR

WHMIS Hazard Class	D1B Toxic materials
	D2A Very toxic materials
	E Corrosive material



## 16. Other information

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### Disclaimer

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**End of SDS**