SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

Product name: ELECTROLYTE A2-II
Cat. No. 40900010 (part of 40900008)
CAS-No.: 7601-90-3
EC No.: 231-512-4
Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against
Application: For electrolytic preparation of metallographic specimens.
Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet
Supplier: Struers Australia
27 Mayneview Street
Milton QLD 4064, Australia
Responsible for safety data sheet authoring: Responsible for safety data sheet authoring: DHI
Any questions to the contents of this safety data sheet should be sent to: struers@struers.dk
Emergency telephone number
+61 7 3512 9600
(Only during office hours)
SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

WHS:
- Oxidising liquid - Category 1
- Acute toxicity – oral – Category 4
- Skin corrosion/irritation - Category 1A
- Serious eye damage/eye irritation - Category 1
- Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) - Category 2

Label elements

![Danger symbol]

Contains:
- Perchloric acid 60%

H271 May cause fire or explosion; strong oxidizer.
H302 Harmful if swallowed.
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H371 May cause damage to organs.
P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.
P221 Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles, alkalis and organic materials.
P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
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.

Other hazards

Vapours are corrosive. After 24-36 hours, injured persons may develop serious shortness of breath and lung oedema. The product may affect the acidity (pH-factor) in water with risk of harmful effects to aquatic organisms.

PBT/vPvB:
- No information available.

SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Mixtures

The product contains: acid and water.
SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

Description of first aid measures

Inhalation: Move injured person into fresh air immediately. Call an ambulance. Be aware that symptoms of lung oedema (shortness of breath) may develop up to 24 hours after exposure. Bring these instructions.

Skin contact: Flush immediately with plenty of water and remove contaminated clothing. Call an ambulance, continue to rinse during transportation to hospital a bring these instructions.

Eye contact: Immediately flush with plenty of water. Remove any contact lenses and open eyes wide apart. Call an ambulance and continue flushing during transportation to hospital. Bring these instructions.

Ingestion: Immediately call a Poison Center/doctor. Rinse mouth. Do not induce vomiting. Do not drink anything without first consulting a doctor. Have these instructions at hand. (*)

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Symptoms/effects: See section 11 for more detailed information on health effects and symptoms.

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Medical attention/treatments: Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing media

Extinguishing media: Extinguish with water fog.

Unsuitable extinguishing media: No special precautions.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Specific hazards: Heating may cause an explosion. Contact with combustible material may cause fire. In case of major fire and large quantities: Evacuate area. Fight fire remotely due to the risk of explosion. When heated and in case of fire, toxic vapours/gases may be formed.

Advice for firefighters

Protective equipment for fire-fighters: Selection of respiratory protection for fire fighting: follow the general fire precautions indicated in the workplace.
SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Protective equipment: Avoid inhalation of vapours and contact with skin and eyes. For personal protection, see section 8.

Emergency procedures: No specific recommendations. For personal protection, see section 8.

Environmental precautions: Do not discharge into drains, water courses or onto the ground.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Spill Cleanup Methods: Absorb spillage with non-combustible, absorbent material. Flush with plenty of water to clean spillage area.

Reference to other sections

References: For personal protection, see section 8. For waste disposal, see section 13.

SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

Safe handling advice: Avoid inhalation of vapours and contact with skin and eyes. Observe good chemical hygiene practices.

Technical measures: Work practice should minimise contact. Explosive perchlorates may develop. Carefully avoid drying of perchloric acid solution in inaccessible places.

Technical precautions: Mechanical ventilation required.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Technical measures for safe storage: No special precautions.

Storage conditions: Store in tightly closed original container. Store in a cool and well-ventilated place. Do not store near heat sources or expose to high temperatures. Store segregated from other chemicals (oxidizing agent). Keep/Store away from clothing, reducing agents and combustible materials.

Specific end use(s)

Specific use(s): No information available.
SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Control parameters
No occupational exposure limit assigned.

Exposure controls

Engineering measures: An eye wash bottle must be available at the work site. Provide adequate ventilation.

Personal protection: Personal protection equipment should be chosen according to relevant AS/NZS standards and in discussion with the supplier of the personal protective equipment.

Respiratory equipment: In case of inadequate ventilation, use air-supplied full-mask.

Hand protection: Wear protective gloves. Nitrile gloves are recommended. The most suitable glove must be chosen in consultation with the gloves supplier, who can inform about the breakthrough time of the glove material.

Eye protection: Wear goggles/face shield.

Skin protection: Wear apron or protective clothing in case of splashes.

Environmental Exposure Controls: Not available.
SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Form: Liquid.
Colour: Colourless.
Odour: Odourless.
Odour threshold: Not available.
pH: < 1
Melting point: Not available.
Boiling point: 160°C
Flash point: Not available.
Evaporation rate: Not available.
Flammability (solid, gas): Not available.
Explosion limits: Not available.
Vapour pressure: Not available.
Vapour density: Not available.
Relative density: Not available.
Solubility: soluble in water
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): Not available.
Auto-ignition temperature (°C): Not available.
Decomposition temperature (°C): Not available.
Viscosity: Not available.
Explosive properties: May decompose explosively above 75°C. Can explode spontaneously as a result of dehydration.
Oxidising properties: Not available.

Other information

Other data: Volatile Organic Compound (VOC): 0 g/l (calculated)
SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity

Reactivity: Heating may cause an explosion.

Chemical stability

Stability: Stable under normal temperature conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous Reactions: In contact with metals generates hydrogen gas, which together with air can form explosive mixtures.

Conditions to avoid

Conditions/materials to avoid: Avoid heat, flames and other sources of ignition. Oxidising, avoid contact with reducing agents. Keep/Store away from clothing, reducing agents and combustible materials.

Incompatible materials


Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products: When heated and in case of fire, toxic gases of hydrogenchloride may be formed.
SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects

Acute Toxicity (Oral): Harmful if swallowed.
Acute Toxicity (Dermal): Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
Acute Toxicity (Inhalation): Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
Skin Corrosion/Irritation: Causes severe burns.
Serious eye damage/irritation: Causes serious eye damage.
Respiratory or skin sensitisation: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
Germ cell mutagenicity: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
Carcinogenicity: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
National Toxicology Program (NTP): No.
I.A.R.C. Monographs: No.
Reproductive Toxicity: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
STOT - Single exposure: May cause damage to organs.
STOT - Repeated exposure: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
Aspiration hazard: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
Inhalation: Vapours are corrosive. After 24-36 hours, injured persons may develop serious shortness of breath and lung oedema.
Ingestion: Strongly corrosive. Even small amounts may be fatal. Symptoms are severe burning pains in mouth, throat and stomach.
Specific effects: Risk of long-term effects is expected to be minimal from occupational exposure.

SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity
Ecotoxicity: The product may affect the acidity (pH-factor) in water with risk of harmful effects to aquatic organisms.

Persistence and degradability
Degradability: The degradability of the product has not been stated.

Bioaccumulative potential
Bioaccumulative potential: No data available on bioaccumulation.

Mobility in soil
Mobility: No data available.

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT/vPvB: No information available.

Other adverse effects
Other adverse effects: No information available.
SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods

Waste from residues: Dispose of waste and residues in accordance with local authority requirements. For personal protection, see section 8. Hazardous characteristics of waste: H5.1 (Oxidizing) and H8 (Corrosives)

Contaminated packaging: Dispose of waste and residues in accordance with local authority requirements.

SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

The product is covered by international regulation on the transport of dangerous goods (IMDG, IATA).

UN number

UN-No: 1873

UN proper shipping name

Proper Shipping Name: PERCHLORIC ACID

Additional IMDG information:
EmS: F-A, S-Q
MFAG: 1

Transport hazard class(es)

Class: 5.1 (8)

Packing group

PG: I

Environmental hazards

Marine pollutant: No.
Environmentally Hazardous substance: No.

Special precautions for user

Special precautions: None known.

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Transport in bulk: Not relevant.
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SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

Special provisions:
AICS: Listed.

National regulation:
Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011, with amendments.
National model Code of Practice for the Labelling of Workplace Hazardous Chemicals (2011), with amendments.
Hazardous Waste (Regulation of Exports and Imports) Act 1989, with amendments.
The Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Act 1989, as amended.

SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

The user must be instructed in the proper work procedure and be familiar with the contents of these instructions.

The following sections contain revisions or new statements: 4.
The (*) indicates the changes made with respect to the previous version.

Approved by DHI.

Additional information: Classification according to WHS Regulations 2011:
Calculation method.

Wording of H-statements:
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The information on this data sheet represents our current data and is reliable provided that the product is used under the prescribed conditions and in accordance with the application specified on the packaging and/or in the technical guidance literature. Any other use of the product which involves using the product in combination with any other product or any other process is the responsibility of the user.

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