1. IDENTIFICATION

Product identifier

Product name: ELECTROLYTE A2-I
Cat. No. 40900009 (part of Cat. No.40900008)

Container size: 920 ml

Recommended use and restrictions on use

Application: For electrolytic preparation of metallographic specimens. (*)

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Supplier: Struers Ltd
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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:
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Emergency telephone number

Alberta & NWT:
Poison & Drug Information Service (PADIS): 1-800-332-1414

British Columbia:
Drug and Poison Information Centre (DPIC): 604-682-5050 / 1-800-567-8911

Ontario:
Poison Centre: 1-800-268-9017

Québec:
Poison Control Centre: 1-800-463-5060

Infotrac:
1-800-535-5053

Struers CAN:
+1 (905) 8148855
(Only during office hours)

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the hazardous product

WHMIS 2015:
Flammable Liquids — Category 2
Skin Irritation — Category 2
Eye Irritation — Category 2
SAFETY DATA SHEET

Product name: ELECTROLYTE A2-I
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Label elements

Danger
H225 Highly flammable liquid and vapour.
H315 Causes skin irritation.
H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

P210 Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking.
P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.
P403 + P235 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local regulations.

P233 Keep container tightly closed.
P240 Ground and bond container and receiving equipment.
P241 Use explosion-proof electrical, ventilating and lighting equipment.
P242 Use non-sparking tools.
P243 Take action to prevent static discharges.
P264 Wash contaminated skin thoroughly after handling.
P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water.
P332 + P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention.
P362 + P364 Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.
P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use alcohol resistant foam, carbon dioxide or dry powder to extinguish.

Other hazards
The product is highly flammable, and explosive vapors/air mixtures may be formed even at normal room temperatures. Organic solvents may be absorbed into the body by inhalation and ingestion and cause permanent damage to the nervous system, including the brain.
PBT/vPvB: No information available.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Mixtures
The product contains: organic solvents and water.
4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

Description of first-aid measures

Burns: Flush with water immediately. While flushing, remove clothes which do not adhere to affected area. Call an ambulance. Continue flushing during transport to hospital.

Inhalation: Move into fresh air and keep at rest.

Skin contact: Remove contaminated clothes and rinse skin thoroughly with water.

Eye contact: Immediately flush with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove any contact lenses and open eyelids widely. If irritation persists: Continue flushing during transport to hospital. Bring along these instructions.

Ingestion: Immediately rinse mouth and drink plenty of water. Keep person under observation. If person becomes uncomfortable seek hospital and bring these instructions. Do not induce vomiting.

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.
5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

**Extinguishing media**

Extinguish with alcohol-resistant foam, carbon dioxide, dry powder or water fog. Cool containers exposed to heat with water spray and remove container, if no risk is involved.

Unsuitable extinguishing media: Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.

**Specific hazards arising from the hazardous product**

Specific hazards: The product is flammable, and heating may generate vapors which may form explosive vapor/air mixtures. Vapors are heavier than air and may travel along the floor and in the bottom of containers. Vapors may be ignited by a spark, a hot surface or an ember.

**Advice for fire-fighters**

Selection of respiratory protection for fire fighting: follow the general fire precautions indicated in the workplace.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Protective equipment: Do not smoke or use open fire, or other sources of ignition. Avoid inhalation of vapors 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: Large quantities of concentrate should not be discharged into the drain but removed with absorbing material. Absorb spillage with non-combustible, absorbent material.

**Reference to other items**

References: For personal protection, see section 8. For waste disposal, see section 13.
7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Precautions for safe handling

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

Technical measures: Do not smoke or use open fire or other sources of ignition.

Technical precautions: Local exhaust is recommended.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities


Storage conditions: Store in a cool and well-ventilated place. Avoid contact with oxidizing agents.

Specific end-use(s)

Specific use(s): No information available.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Control parameters

Other provincial OEL's may apply.

Occupational exposure limits:

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Exposure controls

Engineering measures: Provide adequate ventilation. Observe occupational exposure limits and minimise the risk of inhalation of vapours.

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

Respiratory equipment: In case of inadequate ventilation and work of brief duration, use suitable respiratory equipment. Use respiratory equipment with gas filter, type A2.

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: Risk of splashes: Wear goggles/face shield.

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

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

**Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

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**Other information**

**Other data:**

Volatile Organic Compound (VOC): 747 g/l (calculated)
10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity
Reactivity: No data available.

Chemical stability
Stability: Stable under normal temperature conditions.

Possibility of hazardous reactions
Hazardous Reactions: No data available.

Conditions to avoid
Conditions/materials to avoid: Avoid exposing to heat and contact with strong oxidizing substances.

Incompatible materials
Incompatible materials: No information available.

Hazardous decomposition products
Hazardous decomposition products: None in particular.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects
Acute Toxicity (Oral): Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
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 skin irritation.
Serious eye damage/irritation: Causes serious eye irritation.
Respiratory or skin sensitization: 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.
IARC Cancer Review: Group 3 for 2-Butoxyethanol.
Reproductive Toxicity: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
STOT - Single exposure: Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met.
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: Vapors may irritate throat and respiratory system and cause coughing. Vapors may have a narcotic effect and may cause headache, fatigue, dizziness and nausea. In serious cases, unconsciousness and permanent damage to the brain and liver may be seen.
Skin contact: Contains butoxyethanol which may penetrate the skin.
Ingestion: May irritate and cause malaise.
Specific effects: The product contains butoxyethanol which is suspected of having harmful longterm effects on the kidneys and nervous system.
12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity
Ecotoxicity: The environmental hazard of the product is considered to be limited.

Persistence and degradability
Degradability: The product is potentially degradable. BOD20 ≥ 78%

Bioaccumulative potential
Bioaccumulative potential: The product is not bio-accumulating.

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.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods
Waste from residues: Dispose of waste material according to Local, State, Federal, and Provincial Environmental Regulations. Waste is classified as hazardous waste.

Contaminated packaging: Dispose of waste material according to Local, State, Federal, and Provincial Environmental Regulations.
14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

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

**UN number**

UN-No: 1993

**UN proper shipping name**

Proper Shipping Name: FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S (Ethanol, 2-Butoxyethanol mixture)

Additional IMDG information:

EmS: F-E, S-E (*)

MFAG: 1

**Transport hazard class(es)**

Class: 3

**Packing group**

PG: II

**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
15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, health and environmental regulations specific to the product

Special provisions: This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and the SDS contains all the information required by the HPR.

DSL: All chemicals included in the product are DSL listed or exempt.

National regulation: Hazardous Products Regulations, with amendments.
Canadian Environmental Protection Act, Reporting for the Domestic Substances List (DSL), with amendments.
Ontario: Control of Exposure to Biological or Chemical Agents R.R.O. 1990, Reg. 833, with amendments (2016).
Quebec: Regulation respecting the quality of the work environment, with amendments (2013-12-13).

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: 1, 6, 9, 14.
The (*) indicates the changes made with respect to the previous version.

Approved by DHI.

Allan Vorup

Additional information: Classification according to WHMIS 2015:
Calculation method.

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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