1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name: Tetrafluoroboric acid solution
Product Number: 207934
Brand: Sigma-Aldrich

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

Identified uses: Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company: Sigma-Aldrich
3050 Spruce Street
SAINT LOUIS MO 63103 USA

Telephone: +1 800-325-5832
Fax: +1 800-325-5052

1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency Phone #: (314) 776-6555

2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 3), H301
Skin corrosion (Category 1A), H314
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram

Signal word: Danger

Hazard statement(s)
H301: Toxic if swallowed.
H314: Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary statement(s)
P264: Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P270: Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P280: Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P310: IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.
P301 + P330 + P331: IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303 + P361 + P353: IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.
P304 + P340: IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position
comfortable for breathing.

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.
P321 Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).
P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P405 Store locked up.
P501 Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.

2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS
Lachrymator.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.2 Mixtures
Formula: HBF4
Molecular Weight: 87.81 g/mol

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Index-No. 009-010-00-X

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General advice
Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

If inhaled
If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

In case of skin contact
Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact
Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician. Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.

If swallowed
Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

4.2 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

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed
no data available

5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media
Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.
5.2 **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**
Hydrogen fluoride, Borane/boron oxides

5.3 **Advice for firefighters**
Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

5.4 **Further information**
no data available

6. **ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

6.1 **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**
Wear respiratory protection. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 **Environmental precautions**
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 **Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**
Soak up with inert absorbent material and dispose of as hazardous waste. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

6.4 **Reference to other sections**
For disposal see section 13.

7. **HANDLING AND STORAGE**

7.1 **Precautions for safe handling**
Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of vapour or mist. For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

7.3 **Specific end use(s)**
Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

8. **EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

8.1 **Control parameters**

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8.2 **Exposure controls**

**Appropriate engineering controls**
Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing. Wash hands before breaks and immediately after handling the product.

**Personal protective equipment**

**Eye/face protection**
Tightly fitting safety goggles. Faceshield (8-inch minimum). Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).
Skin protection
Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

Full contact
Material: Nature latex/chloroprene
Minimum layer thickness: 0.6 mm
Break through time: 480 min
Material tested: Lapren® (KCL 706 / Aldrich Z677558, Size M)

Splash contact
Material: Nitrile rubber
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
Break through time: 30 min
Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374
If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

Body Protection
Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

Respiratory protection
Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multipurpose combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Control of environmental exposure
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES
9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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9.2 Other safety information
no data available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity
no data available

10.2 Chemical stability
Stable under recommended storage conditions.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions
no data available

10.4 Conditions to avoid
no data available

10.5 Incompatible materials
Strong bases

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products
Other decomposition products - no data available
In the event of fire: see section 5

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity
no data available
Inhalation: no data available
Dermal: no data available
no data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
no data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
no data available

Respiratory or skin sensitisation
no data available

Germ cell mutagenicity
no data available

Carcinogenicity
IARC: No component 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 component 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 identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

Reproductive toxicity
no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure
no data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure
no data available

Aspiration hazard
no data available

Additional Information
RTECS: Not available

Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin., spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx, spasm, inflammation and edema of the bronchi, pneumonitis, pulmonary edema, burning sensation, Cough, wheezing, laryngitis, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Toxicity
no data available

12.2 Persistence and degradability
no data available

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential
no data available

12.4 Mobility in soil
no data available

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

12.6 Other adverse effects
no data available

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product
Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.

Contaminated packaging
Dispose of as unused product.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)
UN number: 1775 Class: 8 Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: Fluoroboric acid
Reportable Quantity (RQ):
Marine pollutant: No
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG
UN number: 1775 Class: 8 Packing group: II EMS-No: F-A, S-B
Proper shipping name: FLUOROBORIC ACID
15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

**SARA 302 Components**
SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

**SARA 313 Components**
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.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**
Acute Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**
No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

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**California Prop. 65 Components**
This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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

- **Acute Tox.** Acute toxicity
- **Eye Dam.** Serious eye damage
- **H301** Toxic if swallowed.
- **H314** Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
- **H318** Causes serious eye damage.
- **Skin Corr.** Skin corrosion

**HMIS Rating**
- Health hazard: 3
- Chronic Health Hazard:
- Flammability: 0
- Physical Hazard: 0

**NFPA Rating**
- Health hazard: 3
- Fire Hazard: 0
- Reactivity Hazard: 0

**Further information**
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