

1 Identification

- **Product identifier**
- **Trade name:** *β-Mercaptoethanol Molecular biology grade*
- **Article number:** A1108
- **CAS Number:**
60-24-2
- **EC number:**
200-464-6
- **Application of the substance / the mixture**
Molecular biology
Laboratory chemical
- **Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**
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2 Hazard(s) identification

- **Classification of the substance or mixture**
Flam. Liq. 4 H227 Combustible liquid.
Acute Tox. 3 H301 Toxic if swallowed.
Acute Tox. 2 H310 Fatal in contact with skin.
Acute Tox. 3 H331 Toxic if inhaled.
Skin Irrit. 2 H315 Causes skin irritation.
Eye Dam. 1 H318 Causes serious eye damage.
Skin Sens. 1 H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.
STOT RE 2 H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

- **Label elements**

- **GHS label elements**

The substance is classified and labeled according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).

- **Hazard pictograms**



GHS05 GHS06 GHS07 GHS08

- **Signal word** Danger
- **Hazard-determining components of labeling:**
2-mercaptoethanol
- **Hazard statements**
H227 Combustible liquid.
H301+H331 Toxic if swallowed or if inhaled.
H310 Fatal in contact with skin.
H315 Causes skin irritation.

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- H318 Causes serious eye damage.
H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.
H373 May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

· **Precautionary statements**

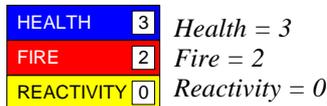
- P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
P273 Avoid release to the environment.
P305+P351+P338 If in eyes: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P304+P341 If inhaled: If breathing is difficult, remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P302+P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water.

· **Classification system:**

· **NFPA ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



· **HMIS-ratings (scale 0 - 4)**



· **Other hazards**

· **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**

- **PBT:** Not applicable.
· **vPvB:** Not applicable.

3 Composition/information on ingredients

- **Chemical characterization: Substances**
· **CAS No. Description**
60-24-2 2-mercaptoethanol
· **Identification number(s)**
· **EC number:** 200-464-6

4 First-aid measures

- **Description of first aid measures**
· **General information:** Personal protection for the First Aider.
· **After inhalation:**
Supply fresh air or oxygen; call for doctor.
In case of unconsciousness place patient stably in side position for transportation.
· **After skin contact:**
Wash off with plenty of water.
Call a doctor immediately.
Dab with polyethylene glycol 400.
Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.
· **After eye contact:** Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.
· **After swallowing:**
Rinse out mouth.
Immediately call a doctor.
· **Information for doctor:**
· **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed** No further relevant information available.

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- **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**
No further relevant information available.

5 Fire-fighting measures

- **Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents:** Water, CO₂, foam, powder.
- **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**
Combustible.
Vapours are heavier than air and may spread along floors.
Can form explosive gas-air mixtures.
In case of fire, the following can be released:
(SO₂, SO₃)
(H₂S)
- **Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:**
Wear self-contained respiratory protective device.
In order to avoid contact with skin, keep a safety distance and wear suitable protective clothing.
- **Additional information**
Contain escaping vapours with water.
Dispose of fire debris and contaminated fire fighting water in accordance with official regulations.

6 Accidental release measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**
Avoid substance contact.
Do not inhale steams/aerosols.
Ensure adequate ventilation
- **Environmental precautions:** Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.
- **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**
Absorb with liquid-binding material (AppliSorb).
Dispose of the collected material according to regulations.
Ensure adequate ventilation.
Clean up affected area.
- **Reference to other sections**
See Section 7 for information on safe handling.
See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.
See Section 13 for disposal information.

7 Handling and storage

- **Handling:**
- **Precautions for safe handling**
Do not inhale substance.
Work only in fume cabinet.
Prevent formation of aerosols.
- **Information about protection against explosions and fires:** No special measures required.
- **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage:**
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** No special requirements.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Not required.
- **Further information about storage conditions:**
Store in dry conditions.
Accessible for authorised persons only.
Store receptacle in a well ventilated area.
Keep receptacle tightly sealed.

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- **Recommended storage temperature:** 2-8 °C
- **Storage class:** 6.1 A
- **Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

8 Exposure controls/personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical systems:** No further data; see item 7.
- **Control parameters**

· **Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**

60-24-2 2-mercaptoethanol

WEEL	Long-term value: 0.2 ppm
	Skin

- **Additional information:** The lists that were valid during the creation were used as basis.

- **Exposure controls**

- **Personal protective equipment:**

- **General protective and hygienic measures:**

Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing.

Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.

Store protective clothing separately.

Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.

- **Breathing equipment:**

Respiratory protection required when vapours/aerosols are generated.

Filter B

- **Protection of hands:**



Protective gloves

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation. Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

- **Material of gloves**

The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer.

- **Penetration time of glove material**

The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.

- **For the permanent contact gloves made of the following materials are suitable:**

Recommended thickness of the material: ≥ 0.7 mm

Butyl rubber, BR

Value for the permeation: Level ≥ 480 min

- **As protection from splashes gloves made of the following materials are suitable:**

Nitrile rubber, NBR

Recommended thickness of the material: ≥ 0.40 mm

Value for the permeation: Level ≥ 120 min

- **Eye protection:**



Tightly sealed goggles

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9 Physical and chemical properties

· **Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

· **General Information**

· **Appearance:**

Form: Fluid
Color: Colorless
Odor: Characteristic

· **pH-value at 20 °C (68 °F):** 4.5 - 6

· **Change in condition**

Melting point/Melting range: Undetermined.
Boiling point/Boiling range: 154 - 161 °C (309 - 322 °F)

· **Flash point:** 68 °C (154 °F)

· **Danger of explosion:** Product does not present an explosion hazard.

· **Explosion limits:**

Lower: Not determined.
Upper: Not determined.

· **Vapor pressure at 20 °C (68 °F):** 3.6 hPa (3 mm Hg)

· **Density at 20 °C (68 °F):** 1.12 g/cm³ (9.346 lbs/gal)

· **Solubility in / Miscibility with**

Water: Soluble.
Not miscible or difficult to mix.

· **Viscosity:**

Dynamic: Not determined.
Kinematic: Not determined.

· **Solvent content:**

Organic solvents: 0.0 %
VOC content: 0.0 g/l / 0.00 lb/gl

· **Other information** No further relevant information available.

10 Stability and reactivity

· **Reactivity** No further relevant information available.

· **Chemical stability**

· **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:**

Moisture
Heating

· **Possibility of hazardous reactions**

No dangerous reactions known.

Violent reactions possible with:

strong oxidants
Forms explosive gas mixture with air.

· **Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.

· **Incompatible materials:** strong oxidants

· **Hazardous decomposition products:**

Hydrogen sulfide

In the event of fire: See chapter 5

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11 Toxicological information

- **Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity:**
- **LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification:**

Components	Type	Value	Species
60-24-2 2-mercaptoethanol			
Oral	LD50	244 mg/kg	(rat)
Dermal	LD50	150 mg/kg	(rabbit)

- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **on the skin:**
Irritant to skin and mucous membranes.
Danger of skin absorption.
- **on the eye:**
Strong irritant with the danger of severe eye injury.
Risk of corneal clouding.
- **Sensitization:** Sensitization possible through skin contact.
- **Other information (about experimental toxicology):** Further hazardous properties cannot be excluded.
- **Additional toxicological information:**
offensive odour
The product should be handled with the care usual when dealing with chemicals.

- **Carcinogenic categories**

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

Substance is not listed.

- **NTP (National Toxicology Program)**

Substance is not listed.

- **OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)**

Substance is not listed.

12 Ecological information

- **Toxicity**
- **Aquatic toxicity:**
Highly toxic for aquatic organisms.
May cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.
- **Persistence and degradability** The product is biodegradable.
- **Behavior in environmental systems:**
- **Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.
- **Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.
- **Additional ecological information:**
- **General notes:**
Very toxic for aquatic organisms
Water hazard class 3 (Assessment by list): extremely hazardous for water
Danger to drinking water if even extremely small quantities leak into the ground.
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.
- **Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

13 Disposal considerations

- **Waste treatment methods**
- **Recommendation:** Chemicals must be disposed of in compliance with the respective national regulations.

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· Special precautions for user	Warning: Toxic substances
· Danger code (Kemler):	60
· EMS Number:	F-A,S-A
· Stowage Category	A
· Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code	Not applicable.
· Transport/Additional information:	
· DOT	
· Remarks:	Special marking with the symbol (fish and tree).
· ADR	
· Excepted quantities (EQ)	Code: E4 Maximum net quantity per inner packaging: 1 ml Maximum net quantity per outer packaging: 500 ml
· IMDG	
· Limited quantities (LQ)	100 ml
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· UN "Model Regulation":	UN 2966 THIOGLYCOL, 6.1, II, ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS

15 Regulatory information

- Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture
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· **Section 355 (extremely hazardous substances):**

Substance is not listed.

· **Section 313 (Specific toxic chemical listings):**

Substance is not listed.

· **TSCA (Toxic Substances Control Act):**

Substance is listed.

· **Proposition 65**

· **Chemicals known to cause cancer:**

Substance is not listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for females:**

Substance is not listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause reproductive toxicity for males:**

Substance is not listed.

· **Chemicals known to cause developmental toxicity:**

Substance is not listed.

· **Carcinogenicity categories**

· **EPA (Environmental Protection Agency)**

Substance is not listed.

· **TLV (Threshold Limit Value established by ACGIH)**

Substance is not listed.

· **NIOSH-Ca (National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health)**

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· **Chemical safety assessment:** A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

16 Other information

This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

· **Department issuing SDS:** Dept. Compliance

· **Contact:** Mr. Th. Stöckle

· **Date of preparation / last revision** 10/06/2016 / 1

· **Abbreviations and acronyms:**

RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)

ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organisation

ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)

IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods

DOT: US Department of Transportation

IATA: International Air Transport Association

ACGIH: American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)

NFPA: National Fire Protection Association (USA)

HMIS: Hazardous Materials Identification System (USA)

VOC: Volatile Organic Compounds (USA, EU)

LC50: Lethal concentration, 50 percent

LD50: Lethal dose, 50 percent

PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic

vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

NIOSH: National Institute for Occupational Safety

OSHA: Occupational Safety & Health

TLV: Threshold Limit Value

PEL: Permissible Exposure Limit

REL: Recommended Exposure Limit

Flam. Liq. 4: Flammable liquids – Category 4

Acute Tox. 3: Acute toxicity – Category 3

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Acute Tox. 2: Acute toxicity – Category 2
Skin Irrit. 2: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 2
Eye Dam. 1: Serious eye damage/eye irritation – Category 1
Skin Sens. 1: Skin sensitisation – Category 1
STOT RE 2: Specific target organ toxicity (repeated exposure) – Category 2

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