

Chemical Safety Data Sheet MSDS / SDS

Rotenone

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SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

Product identifier

Product name : Rotenone
CBnumber : CB6397762
CAS : 83-79-4
EINECS Number : 201-501-9
Synonyms : Rotenone,chemfish

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

Relevant identified uses : For R&D use only. Not for medicinal, household or other use.
Uses advised against : none

Company Identification

Company : Chemicalbook
Address : Building 1, Huihuang International, Shangdi 10th Street, Haidian District, Beijing
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SECTION 2: Hazards identification

Classification of the substance or mixture

Acute toxicity - Category 3, Oral
Skin irritation, Category 2
Eye irritation, Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure, Category 3
Hazardous to the aquatic environment, short-term (Acute) - Category Acute 1
Hazardous to the aquatic environment, long-term (Chronic) - Category Chronic 1

Label elements**Pictogram(s)**

Signal word : Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H301 Toxic if swallowed
H315 Causes skin irritation
H319 Causes serious eye irritation

H335 May cause respiratory irritation

H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

Precautionary statement(s)

P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

P391 Collect spillage. Hazardous to the aquatic environment

P301+P310 IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.

P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do.

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P337+P313 IF eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention.

P501 Dispose of contents/container to.....

Prevention

P264 Wash ... thoroughly after handling.

P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection/hearing protection/...

P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray.

P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P273 Avoid release to the environment.

Response

P301+P316 IF SWALLOWED: Get emergency medical help immediately.

P321 Specific treatment (see ... on this label).

P330 Rinse mouth.

P302+P352 IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water/...

P332+P317 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical help.

P362+P364 Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse.

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+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

P319 Get medical help if you feel unwell.

P391 Collect spillage.

Storage

P405 Store locked up.

P403+P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

Disposal

P501 Dispose of contents/container to an appropriate treatment and disposal facility in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and product characteristics at time of disposal.

Other hazards

no data available

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

Substance

Product name	: Rotenone
Synonyms	: Rotenone, chemfish
CAS	: 83-79-4
EC number	: 201-501-9
MF	: C ₂₃ H ₂₂ O ₆
MW	: 394.42

SECTION 4: First aid measures

Description of first aid measures

If inhaled

Fresh air, rest. Artificial respiration may be needed.

Following skin contact

First rinse with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, then remove contaminated clothes and rinse again. Rinse and then wash skin with water and soap.

Following eye contact

First rinse with plenty of water for several minutes (remove contact lenses if easily possible), then refer for medical attention.

Following ingestion

Rinse mouth. Give a slurry of activated charcoal in water to drink. Rest. Refer for medical attention .

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Exposure Routes: inhalation, ingestion, skin and/or eye contact Symptoms: Irritation eyes, skin, respiratory system; numb mucous membrane; nausea, vomiting, abdominal pain; muscle tremor, incoordination, clonic convulsions, stupor Target Organs: Eyes, skin, respiratory system, central nervous system (NIOSH, 2016)

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Immediate first aid: Ensure that adequate decontamination has been carried out. If patient is not breathing, start artificial respiration, preferably with a demand-valve resuscitator, bag-valve-mask device, or pocket mask, as trained. Perform CPR as necessary. Immediately flush contaminated eyes with gently flowing water. Do not induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain an open airway and prevent aspiration. Keep patient quiet and maintain normal body temperature. Obtain medical attention. Rotenone and related compounds

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

Extinguishing media

Fires involving this material can be controlled with a dry chemical, carbon dioxide or Halon extinguisher. A water spray may also be used. (NTP, 1992)

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Flash point data for this chemical are not available; however, it is probably combustible. (NTP, 1992)

Advice for firefighters

Use water spray, powder, alcohol-resistant foam, carbon dioxide.

NFPA 704

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HEALTH 2

Intense or continued but not chronic exposure could cause temporary incapacitation or possible residual injury (e.g. [diethyl ether](#), ammonium phosphate, iodine)



FIRE 0

Materials that will not burn under typical fire conditions, including intrinsically noncombustible materials such as concrete, stone, and sand. Materials that will not burn in air when exposed to a temperature of 820 °C (1,500 °F) for a period of 5 minutes.(e.g. Carbon tetrachloride)



REACT 0

Normally stable, even under fire exposure conditions, and is not reactive with water (e.g. helium,[N2](#))



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SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal protection: particulate filter respirator adapted to the airborne concentration of the substance. Do NOT let this chemical enter the environment. Sweep spilled substance into covered air-tight containers. If appropriate, moisten first to prevent dusting. Carefully collect remainder. Then store and dispose of according to local regulations.

Environmental precautions

Sweep spilled substance into covered air-tight containers. If appropriate, moisten first to prevent dusting. Carefully collect remainder. Then store and dispose of according to local regulations. Personal protection: P3 filter respirator for toxic particles. Do NOT let this chemical enter the environment.

Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

1. Ventilate area of spill. 2. For small quantities, sweep onto paper or other suitable material, place in an appropriate container and burn in a safe place (such as a fume hood). Large quantities can be reclaimed; however, if this is not practical, dissolve in a flammable solvent (such as alc) and atomize in a suitable combustion chamber.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling

NO open flames. Handling in a well ventilated place. Wear suitable protective clothing. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of

dust and aerosols. Use non-sparking tools. Prevent fire caused by electrostatic discharge steam.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Separated from food and feedstuffs. Well closed. Store only in original containers, in a dry place inaccessible to children and pets. 7.4%

Rotenone Wettable Powder

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

Control parameters

Occupational Exposure limit values

TLV: 5 mg/m³, as TWA; A4 (not classifiable as a human carcinogen). MAK: skin absorption (H)

Biological limit values

no data available

Exposure controls

Ensure adequate ventilation. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Set up emergency exits and the risk-elimination area.

Individual protection measures

Eye/face protection

Wear safety goggles or eye protection in combination with breathing protection if powder.

Skin protection

Protective gloves.

Respiratory protection

Use local exhaust or breathing protection.

Thermal hazards

no data available

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

Information on basic physicochemical properties

Physical state	White to off-white solid
Colour	Orthorhombic, six-sided plates from trichloroethylene
Odour	Odorless
Melting point/freezing point	159-164°C
Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range	210-220°C (0.5 mmHg)
Flammability	Combustible Solid
Lower and upper explosion limit/flammability limit	no data available
Flash point	no data available
Auto-ignition temperature	no data available

Decomposition temperature	no data available
pH	no data available
Kinematic viscosity	no data available
Solubility	less than 1 mg/mL at 68° F (NTP, 1992)
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water	log Kow = 4.10
Vapour pressure	less than 0.0075 mm Hg at 68° F (NTP, 1992)
Density and/or relative density	1.27(20°C)
Relative vapour density	no data available
Particle characteristics	no data available

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

Reactivity

Decomposes on burning. This produces irritating fumes.

Chemical stability

Decomp upon exposure to light and air. Colorless solutions in organic solvents oxidize upon exposure and become yellow, orange and then deep red and may deposit crystals of dehydrorotenone and rotenonone which are toxic to insects.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

Flammable if preheated. ROTENONE is readily oxidized in the presence of alkalis. It is incompatible with oxidizers. (NTP, 1992).

Conditions to avoid

no data available

Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizers, alkalis.

Hazardous decomposition products

When heated to decomposition it emits acrid smoke and irritating fumes.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

Acute toxicity

- Oral: LD50 Rabbit oral 1500 mg/kg
- Inhalation: no data available
- Dermal: no data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

no data available

Serious eye damage/irritation

no data available

Respiratory or skin sensitization

no data available

Germ cell mutagenicity

no data available

Carcinogenicity

Cancer Classification: Group E Evidence of Non-carcinogenicity for Humans

Reproductive toxicity

no data available

STOT-single exposure

The substance is irritating to the eyes, skin and respiratory tract. The substance may cause effects on the central nervous system. This may result in convulsions and respiratory depression.

STOT-repeated exposure

Repeated or prolonged contact with skin may cause dermatitis. The substance may have effects on the kidneys and liver.

Aspiration hazard

Evaporation at 20°C is negligible; a harmful concentration of airborne particles can, however, be reached quickly.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

Toxicity

Toxicity to fish: LC50; Species: *Lepomis macrochirus* (Bluegill) weight 1-1.5 g; Conditions: freshwater, static, 12 deg C, pH 8.0, hardness 300 mg/L CaCO₃, alkalinity 225-245 mg/L CaCO₃, dissolved oxygen >60%; Concentration: 138 ug/L for 24 hr (95% confidence interval: 125-152 ug/L) /5% purity emulsifiable concentrate

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates: EC50; Species: *Daphnia magna* (Water flea) age <24 hr; Conditions: freshwater, static; Concentration: 27.5 ug/L for 24 hr (95% confidence interval: 23.9-31.6 ug/L); Effect: intoxication, immobilization /formulation

Toxicity to algae: EC50; Species: *Scenedesmus subspicatus* (Green Algae); Conditions: freshwater, static; Concentration: 240000 ug/L for 49-79 min; Effect: decreased population photosynthesis /100% purity

Toxicity to microorganisms: no data available

Persistence and degradability

AEROBIC: In southern Italy, two types of soil samples spiked with rotenone, a silt clay loam and a loamy soil, underwent degradation experiments in dark conditions at 10-20 deg C. The results indicated that half-life values for rotenone were 8 days in the silt clay loam soil and 5 days in the loamy soil at 20 deg C. At 10 deg C however, the half-lives were 25 days for silt clay loam soil and 21 for the loamy soil(1). Rotenone is listed as one of the organic substances which may be degraded during aerobic and anaerobic sewage treatment if adequate acclimatization can be achieved; much depends on the concentration to be treated and possibly on the temperature during treatment(2).

Bioaccumulative potential

A study showed that when yearling bluegills (*Lepomis macrochirus*) were exposed to 5.2 ug/L of rotenone for 30 days in a continuous flow

system, bioconcentration factors for the head, viscera, and carcass were 165, 3,500, and 125, respectively(4). According to a classification scheme(3), bioconcentration factors of 100-100 are high and >1000 are very high(SRC).

Mobility in soil

The Koc of rotenone is estimated as approximately 3,200(SRC), using a measured log Kow of 4.10(1) and a regression-derived equation(2). According to a recommended classification scheme(3), this estimated Koc value suggests that rotenone is expected to have slight mobility in soil(SRC). The Kd values of rotenone were determined in 2 different soil types from Southern Italy. In the adsorption experiment Kd values were 0.56 and 2.73 L/kg for silt clay loam and loamy soil respectively, and the degradation rates were 0.102 and 0.074 d-1 for soils at 20 deg C(4).

Other adverse effects

no data available

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

Disposal methods

Product

The material can be disposed of by removal to a licensed chemical destruction plant or by controlled incineration with flue gas scrubbing. Do not contaminate water, foodstuffs, feed or seed by storage or disposal. Do not discharge to sewer systems.

Contaminated packaging

Containers can be triply rinsed (or equivalent) and offered for recycling or reconditioning. Alternatively, the packaging can be punctured to make it unusable for other purposes and then be disposed of in a sanitary landfill. Controlled incineration with flue gas scrubbing is possible for combustible packaging materials.

SECTION 14: Transport information

UN Number

ADR/RID: UN2811 (For reference only, please check.)

IMDG: UN2811 (For reference only, please check.)

IATA: UN2811 (For reference only, please check.)

UN Proper Shipping Name

ADR/RID: TOXIC SOLID, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (For reference only, please check.)

IMDG: TOXIC SOLID, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (For reference only, please check.)

IATA: TOXIC SOLID, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (For reference only, please check.)

Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 6.1 (For reference only, please check.)

IMDG: 6.1 (For reference only, please check.)

IATA: 6.1 (For reference only, please check.)

Packing group, if applicable

ADR/RID: I (For reference only, please check.)

IMDG: I (For reference only, please check.)

IATA: I (For reference only, please check.)

Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: Yes

IMDG: Yes

IATA: Yes

Special precautions for user

no data available

Transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

no data available

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

Safety, health and environmental regulations specific for the product in question

European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)

Listed.

EC Inventory

Listed.

United States Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory

Not Listed.

China Catalog of Hazardous chemicals 2015

Not Listed.

New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC)

Listed.

PICCS

Listed.

Vietnam National Chemical Inventory

Listed.

IECSC

Listed.

Korea Existing Chemicals List (KECL)

Listed.

SECTION 16: Other information

Abbreviations and acronyms

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service

ADR: European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

RID: Regulation concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail

IMDG: International Maritime Dangerous Goods

IATA: International Air Transportation Association

TWA: Time Weighted Average

STEL: Short term exposure limit

LC50: Lethal Concentration 50%

LD50: Lethal Dose 50%

EC50: Effective Concentration 50%

References

IPCS - The International Chemical Safety Cards (ICSC), website: <http://www.ilo.org/dyn/icsc/showcard.home>

HSDB - Hazardous Substances Data Bank, website: <https://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov/newtoxnet/hsdb.htm>

IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer, website: <http://www.iarc.fr/>

eChemPortal - The Global Portal to Information on Chemical Substances by OECD, website: http://www.echemportal.org/echemportal/index?pagelD=0&request_locale=en

CAMEO Chemicals, website: <http://cameochemicals.noaa.gov/search/simple>

ChemIDplus, website: <http://chem.sis.nlm.nih.gov/chemidplus/chemidlite.jsp>

ERG - Emergency Response Guidebook by U.S. Department of Transportation, website: <http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/library/erg>

Germany GESTIS-database on hazard substance, website: <http://www.dguv.de/ifa/gestis/gestis-stoffdatenbank/index-2.jsp>

ECHA - European Chemicals Agency, website: <https://echa.europa.eu/>

Other Information

The substance is combustible but no flash point is available in literature. Carrier solvents used in commercial formulations may change physical and toxicological properties. Depending on the degree of exposure, periodic medical examination is suggested.

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