

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Boron trifluoride dihydrate  
  
Product Number : 359963  
Brand : Aldrich  
  
CAS-No. : 13319-75-0

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

#### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Sigma-Aldrich  
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SAINT LOUIS MO 63103  
USA  
  
Telephone : +1 800-325-5832  
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#### 1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency Phone # : +1-703-527-3887 (CHEMTREC)

### 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 4), H302  
Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 2), H330  
Skin corrosion (Category 1A), H314  
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318  
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335  
Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure, Inhalation (Category 1), Kidney, H372  
Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 3), H402

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)

H302 Harmful if swallowed.  
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
H330 Fatal if inhaled.  
H335 May cause respiratory irritation.  
H372 Causes damage to organs (Kidney) through prolonged or repeated exposure if inhaled.  
H402 Harmful to aquatic life.

Precautionary statement(s)	
P260	Do not breathe dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P284	Wear respiratory protection.
P301 + P312 + P330	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth.
P301 + P330 + P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
P304 + P340 + P310	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P305 + P351 + P338 + P310	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P314	Get medical advice/ attention if you feel unwell.
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P403 + P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
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 - none**

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**3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

**3.1 Substances**

Formula	:	BF <sub>3</sub> · 2H <sub>2</sub> O
Molecular weight	:	103.84 g/mol
CAS-No.	:	13319-75-0

**Hazardous components**

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Boron trifluoride dihydrate</b>	Acute Tox. 4; Acute Tox. 2; Skin Corr. 1A; Eye Dam. 1; STOT SE 3; STOT RE 1; Aquatic Acute 3; H302, H314, H330, H335, H372, H402	90 - 100 %

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

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**4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

**4.1 Description of first aid measures**

**General advice**

Hydrofluoric (HF) acid burns require immediate and specialized first aid and medical treatment. Symptoms may be delayed up to 24 hours depending on the concentration of HF. After decontamination with water, further damage can occur due to penetration/absorption of the fluoride ion. Treatment should be directed toward binding the fluoride ion as well as the effects of exposure. Skin exposures can be treated with a 2.5% calcium gluconate gel repeated until burning ceases. More serious skin exposures may require subcutaneous calcium gluconate except for digital areas unless the physician is experienced in this technique, due to the potential for tissue injury from increased pressure. Absorption can readily occur through the subungual areas and should be considered when undergoing decontamination. Prevention of absorption of the fluoride ion in cases of ingestion can be obtained by giving milk, chewable calcium carbonate tablets or Milk of Magnesia to conscious victims. Conditions such as hypocalcemia, hypomagnesemia and cardiac arrhythmias should be monitored for, since they can occur after exposure. 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**

First treatment with calcium gluconate paste. 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

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**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**

No data available

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

**5.4 Further information**

No data available

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**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. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

**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.

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**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.

Moisture sensitive.

Storage class (TRGS 510): 6.1B: Non-combustible, acute toxic Cat. 1 and 2 / very toxic hazardous materials

### 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

#### Components with workplace control parameters

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Boron trifluoride dihydrate	13319-75-0	TWA	0.1 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Remarks	respiratory tract irritation Pneumonitis		
		C	0.7 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		respiratory tract irritation Pneumonitis		
		C	1 ppm 3 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		C	1 ppm 3 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		The value in mg/m3 is approximate. Ceiling limit is to be determined from breathing-zone air samples.		
		C	1 ppm 3 mg/m3	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)

#### Biological occupational exposure limits

Component	CAS-No.	Parameters	Value	Biological specimen	Basis
	-	Fluoride	2 mg/l	Urine	ACGIH - Biological Exposure Indices (BEI)
	Remarks	Prior to shift (16 hours after exposure ceases)			
		Fluoride	3 mg/l	Urine	ACGIH - Biological Exposure Indices (BEI)
		End of shift (As soon as possible after exposure ceases)			

### 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: Fluorinated rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.7 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Vitoject® (KCL 890 / Aldrich Z677698, Size M)

##### Splash contact

Material: Chloroprene

Minimum layer thickness: 0.6 mm  
Break through time: 30 min  
Material tested: Camapren® (KCL 722 / Aldrich Z677493, 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 multi-purpose 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. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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|---|--|
| a) Appearance                                   | Form: clear, liquid                        |
| b) Odour  | No data available                          |
| c) Odour Threshold                              | No data available                          |
| d) pH   | No data available                          |
| e) Melting point/freezing point                 | No data available                          |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | No data available                          |
| g) Flash point                                  | Not applicable                             |
| h) Evaporation rate                             | No data available                          |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas)                    | No data available                          |
| j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | No data available                          |
| k) Vapour pressure                              | 7 hPa (5 mmHg) at 20 °C (68 °F)            |
| l) Vapour density                               | No data available                          |
| m) Relative density                             | 1.636 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 25 °C (77 °F)   |
| n) Water solubility                             | completely miscible                        |
| o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water       | Not applicable                             |
| p) Auto-ignition temperature                    | No data available                          |
| q) Decomposition temperature                    | No data available                          |
| r) Viscosity                                    | 4.22 mm <sup>2</sup> /s at 20 °C (68 °F) - |
| s) Explosive properties                         | No data available                          |
| t) Oxidizing properties                         | No data available                          |

## 9.2 Other safety information

No data available

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## 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

Avoid moisture.

Exposure to moisture

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Hydrogen fluoride, Borane/boron oxides

Other decomposition products - No data available

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - 326 mg/kg

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - 4 h - 1.21 mg/l

(OECD Test Guideline 403)

Remarks: The value is given in analogy to the following substances:

Dermal: No data available

No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Corrosive

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Corrosive

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

reverse mutation assay

Salmonella typhimurium

Result: negative

reverse mutation assay

Escherichia coli

Result: negative

In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test

mouse lymphoma cells

Result: negative

Chromosome aberration test in vitro

Human lymphocytes

Result: negative

### **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 on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

### **Reproductive toxicity**

No data available

No data available

### **Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

No data available

### **Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

Inhalation - Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. - Kidney

### **Aspiration hazard**

No data available

### **Additional Information**

RTECS: ED2285000

Fluoride ion can reduce serum calcium levels possibly causing fatal hypocalcemia.

Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin., Cough, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea

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## **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### **12.1 Toxicity**

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|---|---|
| Toxicity to fish                                    | static test LC50 - Leuciscus idus (Golden orfe) - 22 - 46 mg/l - 96 h (DIN 38412) |
| Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates | static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 21.3 mg/l - 48 h (ISO 6341)       |

### **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**

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal. Harmful to aquatic life.

Hazardous to the aquatic environment - acute hazard

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Harmful to aquatic life.

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## 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.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### DOT (US)

UN number: 2851      Class: 8      Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Boron trifluoride dihydrate  
Reportable Quantity (RQ):  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

### IMDG

UN number: 2851      Class: 8      Packing group: II      EMS-No: F-A, S-B  
Proper shipping name: BORON TRIFLUORIDE DIHYDRATE

### IATA

UN number: 2851      Class: 8      Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Boron trifluoride dihydrate

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## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### SARA 302 Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Boron trifluoride dihydrate	13319-75-0	2007-03-01

### SARA 313 Components

The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Boron trifluoride dihydrate	13319-75-0	2007-03-01

### SARA 311/312 Hazards

Acute Health Hazard

### Massachusetts Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Boron trifluoride dihydrate	13319-75-0	2007-03-01

### Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Boron trifluoride dihydrate	13319-75-0	2007-03-01

### 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.

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

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

Acute Tox.	Acute toxicity
Aquatic Acute	Acute aquatic toxicity
Eye Dam.	Serious eye damage
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.

H330	Fatal if inhaled.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
H372	Causes damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure if inhaled.
H402	Harmful to aquatic life.
Skin Corr.	Skin corrosion
STOT RE	Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

Further information

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