

# SAFETY DATA SHEET 4-Methyloctanoic acid

According to the REACH etc. (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 No. 1577, as amended.

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

#### 1.1. Product identifier

Product name 4-Methyloctanoic acid

**CAS number** 54947-74-9 **EC number** 259-404-2

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

**Identified uses** For research purposes only.

**Uses advised against**Not suitable for human consumption or veterinary purposes.

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

Supplier Molekula Ltd.

Lingfield Way, Darlington, DL1 4XX, United Kingdom +44 (0) 3302000333 info@molekula.com

#### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

+44 (0) 7769276927

## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

## 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification (SI 2019 No. 720)

Physical hazards Not Classified

Health hazards Skin Corr. 1B - H314 Eye Dam. 1 - H318

Environmental hazards Not Classified

2.2. Label elements

**EC number** 259-404-2

Hazard pictograms



Signal word Danger

**Hazard statements** H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

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**Precautionary statements** P260 Do not breathe vapour/ spray.

P264 Wash contaminated skin thoroughly after handling.

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

P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep 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/ doctor. P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

P405 Store locked up.

P501 Dispose of contents/ container in accordance with national regulations.

#### 2.3. Other hazards

This substance is not classified as PBT or vPvB according to current UK criteria.

#### SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

#### 3.1. Substances

**Product name** 4-Methyloctanoic acid

 CAS number
 54947-74-9

 EC number
 259-404-2

 Chemical formula
 C9H18O2

## SECTION 4: First aid measures

#### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

General information Get medical attention if any discomfort continues. Show this Safety Data Sheet to the medical

personnel. Chemical burns must be treated by a physician.

**Inhalation** Move affected person to fresh air and keep warm and at rest in a position comfortable for

breathing. Maintain an open airway. Loosen tight clothing such as collar, tie or belt. Rinse nose and mouth with water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get

medical attention if symptoms are severe or persist.

Ingestion Rinse mouth thoroughly with water. Give a few small glasses of water or milk to drink. Stop if

the affected person feels sick as vomiting may be dangerous. Get medical attention.

Skin contact It is important to remove the substance from the skin immediately. Rinse immediately with

plenty of water. Continue to rinse for at least 15 minutes and get medical attention. Chemical

burns must be treated by a physician.

Eye contact Rinse immediately with plenty of water. Do not rub eye. Remove any contact lenses and open

eyelids wide apart. Continue to rinse for at least 15 minutes and get medical attention.

**Protection of first aiders** It may be dangerous for first aid personnel to carry out mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

#### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

General information The severity of the symptoms described will vary dependent on the concentration and the

length of exposure.

**Inhalation** A single exposure may cause the following adverse effects: Severe irritation of nose and

throat. Symptoms following overexposure may include the following: Corrosive to the

respiratory tract.

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Ingestion May cause chemical burns in mouth, oesophagus and stomach. Symptoms following

overexposure may include the following: Severe stomach pain. Nausea, vomiting.

Skin contact Causes severe burns. Symptoms following overexposure may include the following: Pain or

irritation. Redness. Blistering may occur.

Eye contact Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms following overexposure may include the following:

Pain. Profuse watering of the eyes. Redness.

#### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

#### **SECTION 5: Firefighting measures**

#### 5.1. Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media Extinguish with alcohol-resistant foam, carbon dioxide, dry powder or water fog. Use fire-

extinguishing media suitable for the surrounding fire.

Unsuitable extinguishing

media

Do not use water jet as an extinguisher, as this will spread the fire.

#### 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Specific hazards Containers can burst violently or explode when heated, due to excessive pressure build-up.

Severe corrosive hazard. Water used for fire extinguishing, which has been in contact with the

product, may be corrosive.

Hazardous combustion

products

Thermal decomposition or combustion products may include the following substances:

Very toxic or corrosive gases or vapours.

Carbon dioxide (CO2). Carbon monoxide (CO).

Vapours are heavier than air and may travel along the floor and accumulate in the bottom of

containers.

Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.

#### 5.3. Advice for firefighters

Protective actions during firefighting

Avoid breathing fire gases or vapours. Evacuate area. Keep upwind to avoid inhalation of gases, vapours, fumes and smoke. Cool containers exposed to heat with water spray and remove them from the fire area if it can be done without risk. Cool containers exposed to flames with water until well after the fire is out. If a leak or spill has not ignited, use water spray to disperse vapours and protect men stopping the leak. Avoid discharge to the aquatic environment. Control run-off water by containing and keeping it out of sewers and

watercourses. If risk of water pollution occurs, notify appropriate authorities.

Special protective equipment

for firefighters

Regular protection may not be safe. Wear chemical protective suit. Wear positive-pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and appropriate protective clothing. Firefighter's clothing will provide a basic level of protection for chemical incidents.

#### SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

#### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Personal precautions Wear protective clothing as described in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. No action shall be

taken without appropriate training or involving any personal risk. Do not touch or walk into spilled material. Avoid inhalation of vapours and spray/mists. Use suitable respiratory

protection if ventilation is inadequate. Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

#### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Environmental precautions The product may affect the acidity (pH) of water which may have hazardous effects on aquatic

organisms. Avoid discharge to the aquatic environment.

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#### 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Methods for cleaning up

Wear protective clothing as described in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. Clear up spills immediately and dispose of waste safely. This product is corrosive. Small Spillages: Collect spillage. Large Spillages: Absorb spillage with non-combustible, absorbent material. The contaminated absorbent may pose the same hazard as the spilled material. Collect and place in suitable waste disposal containers and seal securely. Label the containers containing waste and contaminated materials and remove from the area as soon as possible. Flush contaminated area with plenty of water. Wash thoroughly after dealing with a spillage. For waste disposal, see Section 13.

#### 6.4. Reference to other sections

Reference to other sections

For personal protection, see Section 8. See Section 11 for additional information on health hazards. See Section 12 for additional information on ecological hazards. For waste disposal, see Section 13.

## SECTION 7: Handling and storage

#### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Usage precautions

Read and follow manufacturer's recommendations. Wear protective clothing as described in Section 8 of this safety data sheet. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Handle all packages and containers carefully to minimise spills. Keep container tightly sealed when not in use. Avoid the formation of mists. This product is corrosive. Immediate first aid is imperative. Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood. Do not handle broken packages without protective equipment. Do not reuse empty containers.

Advice on general occupational hygiene

Wash promptly if skin becomes contaminated. Take off contaminated clothing. Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

#### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage precautions

Store away from incompatible materials (see Section 10). Store locked up. Keep only in the original container. Keep container tightly closed, in a cool, well ventilated place. Keep containers upright. Protect containers from damage.

Storage class

Corrosive storage.

7.3. Specific end use(s)

Specific end use(s)

The identified uses for this product are detailed in Section 1.2.

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/Personal protection

#### 8.1. Control parameters

Occupational exposure limits

STEL:

TWA:

#### 8.2. Exposure controls

#### Protective equipment













## Appropriate engineering controls

Provide adequate ventilation. Observe any occupational exposure limits for the product or ingredients.

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**Eye/face protection** Wear tight-fitting, chemical splash goggles or face shield. If inhalation hazards exist, a full-

face respirator may be required instead.

Hand protection Wear protective gloves. The most suitable glove should be chosen in consultation with the

glove supplier/manufacturer, who can provide information about the breakthrough time of the glove material. To protect hands from chemicals, wear gloves that are proven to be impervious to the chemical and resist degradation. Considering the data specified by the glove manufacturer, check during use that the gloves are retaining their protective properties

and change them as soon as any deterioration is detected. Frequent changes are

recommended.

Other skin and body

protection

Wear appropriate clothing to prevent any possibility of skin contact.

Hygiene measures Wash after use and before eating, smoking and using the toilet. Do not eat, drink or smoke

when using this product.

Respiratory protection Ensure all respiratory protective equipment is suitable for its intended use and is 'UKCA'-

marked. Check that the respirator fits tightly and the filter is changed regularly. Gas and combination filter cartridges suitable for intended use should be used. Full face mask respirators with replaceable filter cartridges suitable for intended use should be used. Half mask and quarter mask respirators with replaceable filter cartridges suitable for intended use

should be used.

**Environmental exposure** 

controls

Keep container tightly sealed when not in use. Emissions from ventilation or work process equipment should be checked to ensure they comply with the requirements of environmental protection legislation. In some cases, fume scrubbers, filters or engineering modifications to the process equipment will be necessary to reduce emissions to acceptable levels.

#### SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

#### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance Liquid.

Colour Light (or pale). Yellow.

Odour Not known.

Odour threshold

No information available.

PH

No information available.

Melting point

No information available.

Initial boiling point and range 149°C/300.2°F

Flash point 113°C/235.4°F Closed cup.

**Evaporation rate** No information available.

Upper/lower flammability or No informa

explosive limits

Flammability (solid, gas)

No information available.

No information available.

Vapour pressure No information available.

Vapour density No information available.

Relative density 0.91 g/cm3 @ 25°C/77°F

**Solubility(ies)** No information available.

Partition coefficient No information available.

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Auto-ignition temperature No information available.

Decomposition Temperature No information available.

9.2. Other information

Molecular weight 158.24

## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

#### 10.1. Reactivity

**Reactivity** See the other subsections of this section for further details.

10.2. Chemical stability

Stable at normal ambient temperatures and when used as recommended. Stable under the

prescribed storage conditions.

#### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Possibility of hazardous

Violent reactions possible with:

reactions

Strong oxidising agents.

Alkalis.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Conditions to avoid Avoid heat.

10.5. Incompatible materials

Materials to avoid Strong oxidising agents. Strong alkalis.

## 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition

Does not decompose when used and stored as recommended.

products

Thermal decomposition or combustion products may include the following substances:

Corrosive gases or vapours. Carbon dioxide (CO2). Carbon monoxide (CO).

Vapours are heavier than air and may travel along the floor and accumulate in the bottom of

containers.

Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.

## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

#### 11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity - oral

**Summary** Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Acute toxicity - dermal

**Summary** Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Acute toxicity - inhalation

**Summary** Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Skin corrosion/irritation

**Summary** Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Serious eye damage/irritation

**Summary** Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory sensitisation

**Summary** Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

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Skin sensitisation

Summary Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Germ cell mutagenicity

**Summary** Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Carcinogenicity

**Summary** Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

**IARC carcinogenicity**None of the ingredients are listed or exempt.

Reproductive toxicity

**Summary** Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

**Summary** Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

**Summary** Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Aspiration hazard

**Summary** Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

General information The severity of the symptoms described will vary dependent on the concentration and the

length of exposure.

Inhalation Corrosive to the respiratory tract. Symptoms following overexposure may include the

following: Severe irritation of nose and throat.

**Ingestion** May cause chemical burns in mouth, oesophagus and stomach. Symptoms following

overexposure may include the following: Severe stomach pain. Nausea, vomiting.

Skin contact Causes severe burns. Symptoms following overexposure may include the following: Pain or

irritation. Redness. Blistering may occur.

Eye contact Causes serious eye damage. Symptoms following overexposure may include the following:

Pain. Profuse watering of the eyes. Redness.

Route of exposure Ingestion Inhalation Skin and/or eye contact

**Target organs** No specific target organs known.

#### SECTION 12: Ecological information

**Ecotoxicity** Not regarded as dangerous for the environment. However, large or frequent spills may have

hazardous effects on the environment.

12.1. Toxicity

Acute aquatic toxicity

**Summary** Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

Chronic aquatic toxicity

**Summary** Based on available data the classification criteria are not met.

12.2. Persistence and degradability

Persistence and degradability The degradability of the product is not known.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulative potential No data available on bioaccumulation.

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Partition coefficient No information available.

12.4. Mobility in soil

Mobility No data available.

#### 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

12.6. Other adverse effects

Other adverse effects None known.

#### **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

#### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

**General information** The generation of waste should be minimised or avoided wherever possible. Reuse or recycle

products wherever possible. This material and its container must be disposed of in a safe way. When handling waste, the safety precautions applying to handling of the product should be considered. Care should be taken when handling emptied containers that have not been thoroughly cleaned or rinsed out. Empty containers or liners may retain some product

residues and hence be potentially hazardous.

Do not empty into drains. Dispose of surplus products and those that cannot be recycled via a

licensed waste disposal contractor. Waste, residues, empty containers, discarded work clothes and contaminated cleaning materials should be collected in designated containers, labelled with their contents. Incineration or landfill should only be considered when recycling is

not feasible.

#### SECTION 14: Transport information

## 14.1. UN number

UN No. (ADR/RID) 3265

**UN No. (IMDG)** 3265

UN No. (ICAO) 3265

UN No. (ADN) 3265

#### 14.2. UN proper shipping name

Proper shipping name

CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (4-Methyloctanoic acid)

(ADR/RID)

Proper shipping name (IMDG) CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (4-Methyloctanoic acid)

Proper shipping name (ICAO) CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (4-Methyloctanoic acid)

Proper shipping name (ADN) CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (4-Methyloctanoic acid)

## 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID class 8

ADR/RID classification code C3

ADR/RID label 8

IMDG class 8

ICAO class/division 8

ADN class 8

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#### Transport labels



#### 14.4. Packing group

ADR/RID packing group III
IMDG packing group III
ICAO packing group III
ADN packing group III

#### 14.5. Environmental hazards

#### Environmentally hazardous substance/marine pollutant

No.

#### 14.6. Special precautions for user

IMDG Code segregation 1. Acids

group

**EmS** F-A, S-B

ADR transport category 3

Emergency Action Code 2X

Hazard Identification Number 80

(ADR/RID)

Tunnel restriction code (E)

### 14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC Code

## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

## 15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

National regulations Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (as amended).

The Carriage of Dangerous Goods and Use of Transportable Pressure Equipment

Regulations 2009 (SI 2009 No. 1348) (as amended) ["CDG 2009"].

EH40/2005 Workplace exposure limits.

## 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

No chemical safety assessment has been carried out.

#### Inventories

## **EU - EINECS/ELINCS**

None of the ingredients are listed or exempt.

## SECTION 16: Other information

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Abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet

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

Road

ADN: European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by

Inland Waterways.

RID: European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail.

IATA: International Air Transport Association.

ICAO: Technical Instructions for the Safe Transport of Dangerous Goods by Air.

IMDG: International Maritime Dangerous Goods.

CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service. ATE: Acute Toxicity Estimate.

LC50: Lethal Concentration to 50 % of a test population.

LD50: Lethal Dose to 50% of a test population (Median Lethal Dose).

EC₅: 50% of maximal Effective Concentration.

PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic substance. vPvB: Very Persistent and Very Bioaccumulative.

Classification abbreviations

and acronyms

Eye Dam. = Serious eye damage

Skin Corr. = Skin corrosion

Classification procedures according to SI 2019 No. 720

Eye Dam. 1 - H318: Skin Corr. 1B - H314: : Expert judgement.

**Training advice** Only trained personnel should use this material.

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Hazard statements in full H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H318 Causes serious eye damage.

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