Nonanoic acid

sc-215581

Material Safety Data Sheet

Hazard Alert Code Key:

EXTREME | HIGH | MODERATE | LOW

Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

PRODUCT NAME
Nonanoic acid

STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE

NFPA

SUPPLIER
Santa Cruz Biotechnology, Inc.
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EMERGENCY
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Outside the US & Canada: +800 2436 2255
(1-800-CHEMCALL) or call +613 9573 3112

SYNONYMS
C9-H18-O2, CH3(CH2)7COOH, "nonanoic acid", "n-nonanoic acid", n-pelargonic, "pelargic acid", pelargon, "nonylic acid", "1-octanecarboxylic acid", hexacid-9, "Emfac 1202", Cirrasol, 185A

Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

CHEMWATCH HAZARD RATINGS

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CANADIAN WHMIS SYMBOLS

Min/Nil=0
Low=1
Moderate=2
High=3
Extreme=4
EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

RISK
Causes burns.
Risk of serious damage to eyes.

POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

SWALLOWED
- The material can produce chemical burns within the oral cavity and gastrointestinal tract following ingestion.
- Accidental ingestion of the material may be damaging to the health of the individual.
- Ingestion of low-molecular organic acid solutions may produce spontaneous haemorrhaging, production of blood clots, gastrointestinal damage and narrowing of the oesophagus and stomach entry.
- Ingestion of acidic corrosives may produce burns around and in the mouth, the throat and oesophagus.
Immediate pain and difficulties in swallowing and speaking may also be evident.

EYE
- The material can produce chemical burns to the eye following direct contact.
Vapours or mists may be extremely irritating.
- If applied to the eyes, this material causes severe eye damage.
- Solutions of low-molecular weight organic acids cause pain and injury to the eyes.
- Direct eye contact with acid corrosives may produce pain, tears, sensitivity to light and burns.
Mild burns of the epithelia generally recover rapidly and completely.

SKIN
- The material can produce chemical burns following direct contact with the skin.
- Skin contact is not thought to have harmful health effects (as classified under EC Directives); the material may still produce health damage following entry through wounds, lesions or abrasions.
- Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material.
- Skin contact with acidic corrosives may result in pain and burns; these may be deep with distinct edges and may heal slowly with the formation of scar tissue.
- Entry into the blood-stream, through, for example, cuts, abrasions or lesions, may produce systemic injury with harmful effects.
Examine the skin prior to the use of the material and ensure that any external damage is suitably protected.

INHALED
- If inhaled, this material can irritate the throat and lungs of some persons.
- The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects following inhalation (as classified by EC Directives using animal models).
Nevertheless, adverse systemic effects have been produced following exposure of animals by at least one other route and good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable control measures be used in an occupational setting.
- Corrosive acids can cause irritation of the respiratory tract, with coughing, choking and mucous membrane damage.
There may be dizziness, headache, nausea and weakness.

CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS
- Substance accumulation, in the human body, may occur and may cause some concern following repeated or long-term occupational exposure.
Repeated or prolonged exposure to acids may result in the erosion of teeth, swelling and/or ulceration of mouth lining. Irritation of airways to lung, with cough, and inflammation of lung tissue often occurs. Chronic exposure may inflame the skin or conjunctiva.
Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause drying with cracking, irritation and possible dermatitis following.
Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

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Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

SWALLOWED
- For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor at once.
- Urgent hospital treatment is likely to be needed.
- If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting.
- If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration.

EYE
If this product comes in contact with the eyes
- Immediately hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with running water.
- Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.
- Continue flushing until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.
- Transport to hospital or doctor without delay.

SKIN
If skin or hair contact occurs
- Immediately flush body and clothes with large amounts of water, using safety shower if available.
- Quickly remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.
- Wash skin and hair with running water. Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre.
- Transport to hospital, or doctor.

INHALED
- If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.
- Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.
- Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures.
- Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary.
- Inhalation of vapours or aerosols (mists, fumes) may cause lung oedema.
- Corrosive substances may cause lung damage (e.g. lung oedema, fluid in the lungs).
- As this reaction may be delayed up to 24 hours after exposure, affected individuals need complete rest (preferably in semi-recumbent posture) and must be kept under medical observation even if no symptoms are (yet) manifested.
- Before any such manifestation, the administration of a spray containing a dexamethasone derivative or beclomethasone derivative may be considered.

NOTES TO PHYSICIAN
- Treat symptomatically.
- For acute or short term repeated exposures to strong acids
  - Airway problems may arise from laryngeal edema and inhalation exposure. Treat with 100% oxygen initially.
  - Respiratory distress may require cricothyroidotomy if endotracheal intubation is contraindicated by excessive swelling
  - Intravenous lines should be established immediately in all cases where there is evidence of circulatory compromise.
  - Strong acids produce a coagulation necrosis characterised by formation of a coagulum (eschar) as a result of the dessicating action of the acid on proteins in specific tissues.
Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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**EXTINGUISHING MEDIA**
- Foam.
- Dry chemical powder.
- BCF (where regulations permit).
- Carbon dioxide.

**FIRE FIGHTING**
- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- Use fire fighting procedures suitable for surrounding area.

When any large container (including road and rail tankers) is involved in a fire, consider evacuation by 800 metres in all directions.

**GENERAL FIRE HAZARDS/HAZARDOUS COMBUSTIBLE PRODUCTS**
- Combustible.
- Slight fire hazard when exposed to heat or flame.
- Acids may react with metals to produce hydrogen, a highly flammable and explosive gas.
- Heating may cause expansion or decomposition leading to violent rupture of containers.

Combustion products include carbon monoxide (CO), carbon dioxide (CO2), other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material.

**FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY**
- Avoid contamination with oxidising agents i.e. nitrates, oxidising acids, chlorine bleaches, pool chlorine etc. as ignition may result.

Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

**MINOR SPILLS**
- Drains for storage or use areas should have retention basins for pH adjustments and dilution of spills before discharge or disposal of material.
- Check regularly for spills and leaks.
- Slippery when spilt.
- Clean up all spills immediately.
- Avoid breathing vapours and contact with skin and eyes.
- Control personal contact by using protective equipment.
- Contain and absorb spill with sand, earth, inert material or vermiculite.

**MAJOR SPILLS**
- Slippery when spilt.
- Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.

Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

**PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING**
• DO NOT allow clothing wet with material to stay in contact with skin
• Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
• Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
• Use in a well-ventilated area.
• Avoid contact with moisture.

RECOMMENDED STORAGE METHODS
• DO NOT use aluminium or galvanised containers
• Check regularly for spills and leaks
• Lined metal can, lined metal pail/ can.
• Plastic pail.
• Polyliner drum.
• Packing as recommended by manufacturer.

For low viscosity materials
• Drums and jerricans must be of the non-removable head type.
• Where a can is to be used as an inner package, the can must have a screwed enclosure.

STORAGE REQUIREMENTS
• Store in original containers.
• Keep containers securely sealed.
• Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.
• Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.

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Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

EXPOSURE CONTROLS
The following materials had no OELs on our records
• pelargonic acid CAS112-05-0

PERSONAL PROTECTION

RESPIRATOR
• Type A-P Filter of sufficient capacity. (AS/NZS 1716 & 1715, EN 1432000 & 1492001, ANSI Z88 or national equivalent)

EYE
• Chemical goggles.
• Full face shield may be required for supplementary but never for primary protection of eyes
• Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lens or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation - lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59], [AS/NZS 1336 or national equivalent]

HANDS/FEET
• Wear chemical protective gloves, eg. PVC.
• Wear safety footwear or safety gumboots, eg. Rubber
When handling corrosive liquids, wear trousers or overalls outside of boots, to avoid spills entering boots.

Suitability and durability of glove type is dependent on usage. Important factors in the selection of gloves include:

- Frequency and duration of contact,
- Chemical resistance of glove material,
- Glove thickness and
dexterity
- Neoprene rubber gloves

**OTHER**
- Overalls.
- PVC Apron.
- PVC protective suit may be required if exposure severe.
- Eyewash unit.

**ENGINEERING CONTROLS**

Engineering controls are used to remove a hazard or place a barrier between the worker and the hazard. Well-designed engineering controls can be highly effective in protecting workers and will typically be independent of worker interactions to provide this high level of protection.

The basic types of engineering controls are:

- Process controls which involve changing the way a job activity or process is done to reduce the risk.
- Enclosure and/or isolation of emission source which keeps a selected hazard "physically" away from the worker and ventilation that strategically "adds" and "removes" air in the work environment.

**Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

**PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

- Does not mix with water.
- Floats on water.
- Corrosive.
- Acid.

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**APPEARANCE**

Oily liquid; floats on water. Mild odor. Soluble in most organic solvents. Monobasic acid, irritant to skin.

**Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY**

**CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY**

- Contact with alkaline material liberates heat.

**STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY**

- Reacts with mild steel, galvanised steel / zinc producing hydrogen gas which may form an explosive mixture with air.
- Segregate from alkalies, oxidising agents and chemicals readily decomposed by acids, i.e. cyanides, sulfides, carbonates.
- Avoid strong bases.
For incompatible materials - refer to Section 7 - Handling and Storage.

Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

pelargonic acid

TOXICITY AND IRRITATION
PELARGONIC ACID

unless otherwise specified data extracted from RTECS - Register of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances.

for acid mists, aerosols, vapours

Data from assays for genotoxic activity in vitro suggest that eukaryotic cells are susceptible to genetic damage when the pH falls to about 6.5. Cells from the respiratory tract have not been examined in this respect.

The material may produce severe irritation to the eye causing pronounced inflammation. Repeated or prolonged exposure to irritants may produce conjunctivitis.

The material may cause severe skin irritation after prolonged or repeated exposure and may produce on contact skin redness, swelling, the production of vesicles, scaling and thickening of the skin. Repeated exposures may produce severe ulceration.

Asthma-like symptoms may continue for months or even years after exposure to the material ceases. This may be due to a non-allergenic condition known as reactive airways dysfunction syndrome (RADS) which can occur following exposure to high levels of highly irritating compound.

Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste.

GESAMP/EHS COMPOSITE LIST - GESAMP Hazard Profiles

| Name / EHS | TRN | A1a | A1b | A1 | A2 | B1 | B2 | C1 | C2 | C3 | D1 | D2 | D3 | E1 | E2 | E3 |
|------------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Nonanoic acid | 105 | 507 | 3   | R  | 2  | NI | 0  | 0  | (3)| 2  | 3  | F  | 3  |    |    |

Legend: EHS=EHS Number (EHS=GESAMP Working Group on the Evaluation of the Hazards of Harmful Substances Carried by Ships) NRT=Net Register Tonnage, A1a=Bioaccumulation log Pow, A1b=Bioaccumulation BCF, A1=Bioaccumulation, A2=Biodegradation, B1=Acuteaquatic toxicity LC/ECIC50 (mg/l), B2=Chronic aquatic toxicity NOEC (mg/l), C1=Acute mammalian oral toxicity LD50 (mg/kg), C2=Acute mammalian dermal toxicity LD50 (mg/kg), C3=Acute mammalian inhalation toxicity LC50 (mg/kg), D1=Skin irritation & corrosion, D2=Eye irritation& corrosion, D3=Long-term health effects, E1=Tainting, E2=Physical effects on wildlife & benthic habitats, E3=Interference with coastal amenities, For column A2: R=Readily biodegradable, NR=Not readily biodegradable. For column D3: C=Carcinogen, M=Mutagenic, R=Reprotoxic, S=Sensitising, A=Aspiration hazard, T=Target organ systemic toxicity, L=Lunginjury, N=Neurotoxic, I=Immunotoxic. For column E1: NT=Not tainting (tested), T=Tainting test positive. For column E2: Fp=Persistent floater, F=Floater, S=Sinking substances. The numerical scales start from 0 (no hazard), while higher numbers reflect increasing hazard. (GESAMP/EHS Composite List of Hazard Profiles - Hazard evaluation of substances transported by ships)

Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

US EPA Waste Number & Descriptions

A. General Product Information
Corrosivity characteristic: use EPA hazardous waste number D002 (waste code C)

**Disposal Instructions**

All waste must be handled in accordance with local, state and federal regulations. Legislation addressing waste disposal requirements may differ by country, state and/or territory. Each user must refer to laws operating in their area. In some areas, certain wastes must be tracked. A Hierarchy of Controls seems to be common - the user should investigate:

- Reduction
- Reuse
- Recycling
- Disposal (if all else fails)

This material may be recycled if unused, or if it has not been contaminated so as to make it unsuitable for its intended use. If it has been contaminated, it may be possible to reclaim the product by filtration, distillation or some other means. Shelf life considerations should also be applied in making decisions of this type. Note that properties of a material may change in use, and recycling or reuse may not always be appropriate.

- DO NOT allow wash water from cleaning or process equipment to enter drains.
- It may be necessary to collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.
- In all cases disposal to sewer may be subject to local laws and regulations and these should be considered first.
- Where in doubt contact the responsible authority.
- Recycle wherever possible.
- Consult manufacturer for recycling options or consult local or regional waste management authority for disposal if no suitable treatment or disposal facility can be identified.
- Treat and neutralise at an approved treatment plant. Treatment should involve: Neutralisation with soda-ash or soda-lime followed by: burial in a land-fill specifically licenced to accept chemical and/or pharmaceutical wastes or Incineration in a licenced apparatus
- Decontaminate empty containers with 5% aqueous sodium hydroxide or soda ash, followed by water. Observe all label safeguards until containers are cleaned and destroyed.

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**Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**

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Hazardous materials descriptions and proper shipping names:
Corrosive liquid, acidic, organic, n.o.s.

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Passenger and Cargo
Limited Quantity

Packing Instructions: Y841

Passenger and Cargo
Limited Quantity

Maximum Qty/Pack: 1 L

Shipping Name: CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.
*(CONTAINS PELARGONIC ACID)

Maritime Transport IMDG:

IMDG Class: 8
IMDG Subrisk: None
UN Number: 3265
Packing Group: III
EMS Number: F-A,S-B
Special provisions: 223 274

Limited Quantities: 5 L
Shipping Name: CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.(contains pelargonic acid)

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**Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION**

pelargonic acid (CAS: 112-05-0) is found on the following regulatory lists;

"Canada CEPA Environmental Registry Substance Lists - List of substances on the DSL that meet the human health criteria for categorization (English)";
"Canada Ingredient Disclosure List (SOR/88-64)";
"Canada Toxictological Index Service - Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System - WHMIS (English)";
"GESAMP/EHS Composite List - GESAMP Hazard Profiles";
"IMO MARPOL 73/78 (Annex II) - List of Noxious Liquid Substances Carried in Bulk";
"International Council of Chemical Associations (ICCA) - High Production Volume List";
"International Fragrance Association (IFRA) Survey: Transparency List";
"US DOE Temporary Emergency Exposure Limits (TEELs)";
"US EPA High Production Volume Program Chemical List";
"US Food Additive Database";
"US Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) - Chemical Substance Inventory"

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**Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

LIMITED EVIDENCE

- Ingestion may produce health damage*.
- Cumulative effects may result following exposure*.
* (limited evidence).

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