

# 2,2'-Dithiodiethanol

sc-254307

Material Safety Data Sheet



The Power is Question

Hazard Alert Code Key:

EXTREME

HIGH

MODERATE

LOW

## Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

### PRODUCT NAME

2,2'-Dithiodiethanol

### STATEMENT OF HAZARDOUS NATURE

CONSIDERED A HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE ACCORDING TO OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200.

### NFPA



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### EMERGENCY

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### SYNONYMS

C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>, HOCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>SSCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH, bis(2-hydroxyethyl)disulfide, "ethanol, 2, 2' -dithiodi-", "2-hydroxyethyl disulfide", dithiodiglycol, "USAF TH-9"

## Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### CHEMWATCH HAZARD RATINGS

		Min	Max
Flammability:	1		
Toxicity:	3		
Body Contact:	3		
Reactivity:	1		
Chronic:	2		

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



### CANADIAN WHMIS SYMBOLS



### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

## RISK

Risk of serious damage to eyes.  
May cause SENSITISATION by skin contact.  
Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.

## POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

### ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS

#### SWALLOWED

■ Toxic effects may result from the accidental ingestion of the material; animal experiments indicate that ingestion of less than 40 gram may be fatal or may produce serious damage to the health of the individual.

#### EYE

■ If applied to the eyes, this material causes severe eye damage.

#### SKIN

■ Skin contact with the material may produce toxic effects; systemic effects may result following absorption.  
■ The material is not thought to be a skin irritant (as classified using animal models).  
Temporary discomfort, however, may result from prolonged dermal exposures.  
■ Open cuts, abraded or irritated skin should not be exposed to this material.  
■ 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

■ Inhalation of aerosols (mists, fumes), generated by the material during the course of normal handling, may produce toxic effects; these may be fatal.  
■ The material is not thought to produce respiratory irritation (as classified using animal models).  
Nevertheless inhalation of vapors, fumes or aerosols, especially for prolonged periods, may produce respiratory discomfort and occasionally, distress.  
■ Inhalation hazard is increased at higher temperatures.  
■ Thiols (particularly ethyl mercaptan) produce lethargy or sleepiness.  
Exposure to high levels may result in nausea, vomiting, restlessness, muscle incoordination and or paralysis, bluing of skin, depression of breathing, coma and death.

## CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS

■ Skin contact with the material is more likely to cause a sensitization reaction in some persons compared to the general population.  
Limited evidence suggests that repeated or long-term occupational exposure may produce cumulative health effects involving organs or biochemical systems.  
Chronic exposure to mercaptans may result in damage to the lungs, kidneys and liver.

## Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

NAME	CAS RN	%
2,2'-dithiodiethanol	1892-29-1	>98

## Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

#### SWALLOWED

· IF SWALLOWED, REFER FOR MEDICAL ATTENTION, WHERE POSSIBLE, WITHOUT DELAY. · Where Medical attention is not immediately available or where the patient is more than 15 minutes from a hospital or unless instructed otherwise:

#### 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.

#### SKIN

■ If skin or hair contact occurs: · Quickly but gently, wipe material off skin with a dry, clean cloth. · Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.

#### INHALED

· If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area. · Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.

## NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

■ Treat symptomatically.  
for poisons (where specific treatment regime is absent):

-----BASIC TREATMENT

· Establish a patent airway with suction where necessary.  
· Watch for signs of respiratory insufficiency and assist ventilation as necessary.

## Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Vapour Pressure (mmHG):	Not available
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Upper Explosive Limit (%):	Not available
Specific Gravity (water=1):	1.261
Lower Explosive Limit (%):	Not available

## EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

- Water spray or fog.
- Foam.

## FIRE FIGHTING

- Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.

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.

Combustion products include: carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), sulfur oxides (SO<sub>x</sub>), other pyrolysis products typical of burning organic material. May emit poisonous fumes.

## FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

- Avoid contamination with oxidizing agents i.e. nitrates, oxidizing acids, chlorine bleaches, pool chlorine etc. as ignition may result.

## PERSONAL PROTECTION

Glasses:

Chemical goggles.

Gloves:

Respirator:

Type A Filter of sufficient capacity

## Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### MINOR SPILLS

- WARNING: Never use dry, powdered hypochlorite or other strong oxidizer for mercaptan spills, as autoignition can occur.
- Remove all ignition sources.
- Clean up all spills immediately.

### MAJOR SPILLS

- Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- Alert Emergency Responders and tell them location and nature of hazard.

## Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

### PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

- DO NOT allow clothing wet with material to stay in contact with skin.

The careful design and assembly of equipment is paramount to the control of mercaptan odors. Although careful planning reduces the chances for leaks developing in the system, it is important to be prepared to locate and stop small leaks promptly. It is recommended that a leak check be made prior to every run carried out under pressure in metal equipment with a mercaptan or hydrogen sulfide present.

An effective method to obtain a leak-free system involves two steps:

- Charge the system with nitrogen gas or other inert, nontoxic gas to a pressure at least as high as will be used in practice, and check for a drop in pressure with time on a suitable gauge. In some cases, it is advantageous to block off sections of the system to facilitate finding the leak. If any leaks are detected by using a foaming detergent solution, correct them and recheck.
- Recharge the system with hydrogen sulfide gas. Since hydrogen sulfide is very toxic, it is good practice to charge the system in steps of increasing pressure, until it is certain that no large leaks are present. Any remaining small leaks can be located quickly by examining the system with lead acetate paper. Dilution of the hydrogen sulfide with nitrogen can also be considered.

To control odors in mercaptan reactions in the laboratory. All reactions must be carried out in a hood or, in the case of pressure reactions, in a closed in area equipped with an efficient exhaust fan. In the laboratory, the two basic types of reactions used are batch and continuous. Batch-type reactions at atmospheric pressure are generally conducted in glass equipment. If no significant quantity of a volatile mercaptan is present, the reaction can be carried out in a hood equipped with a charcoal bed in the exhaust line to absorb the mercaptan. In reactions where appreciable quantities of a volatile mercaptan are present, a vent gas line can be connected to two caustic scrubbers in series, with an empty trap inserted between the reaction and scrubbers to avoid reverse flow of caustic into the reaction. Continuous-type reactions often include a continuous flow of volatile C1 to C4 mercaptans. In this case, the vented gases can be fed to an outside gas burner and stack for destruction of the odor by combustion.

A hood, equipped with a charcoal filter in the exhaust line, and a high linear air velocity (100 ft./min., minimum) is necessary for mercaptan reactions carried out in glass and certain small-scale reactions with stainless-steel. In reactions where relatively small amounts of mercaptans can escape, the charcoal bed can absorb the mercaptans and prevent the escape of odor to the outside atmosphere. However, in reactions with hydrogen sulfide or lower molecular weight mercaptans, e.g., C1-C4 mercaptans, the quantity of effluent gases is directed to an outside gas burner to convert the odorous compounds to acceptable combustion products, including CO<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub>.

A very familiar and successful method for containing the odors of mercaptan (primarily C1 and C6) in laboratory reactions and distillations is to connect the condenser vent to two caustic scrubbers in series with an empty trap between the system and the scrubbers to catch the caustic in the event of reverse flow. Gas bubblers fitted with sintered-glass dip tubes and charged with aqueous sodium hydroxide (5 to 20%) are commonly used. Frequently, a low flow of inert gas, e.g., nitrogen, is used to maintain a steady flow through the bubbler.

Sodium hypochlorite solution (3-10%) destroys the odor by converting the mercaptan predominantly to the corresponding sulfonic acid (sodium salt). A wash bottle with hypochlorite solution is very convenient for quickly eliminating or controlling the odor from small spills or

when cleaning up glass equipment. A bath of this solution is also very useful. **WARNING!** Do not add this solution to a large quantity of concentrated mercaptan, since a violent reaction may occur.

A 30-40% aqueous solution of lead acetate trihydrate serves as a detector for methyl and ethyl mercaptan as well as hydrogen sulfide. A wash bottle of lead acetate solution is used to moisten a piece of filter paper or paper towel which is then held close to (no contact) the suspected leak. With hydrogen sulfide the paper turns black and with the two mercaptans a yellow color is obtained (high sensitivity).

A large plastic bag should be kept in the hood, to store any odorous waste materials. The plastic bags can then be sealed in fiber drums for disposal. Glass bottles containing mercaptans and other odorous compounds can also be packed in fiber drums for odor-containment and properly marked for disposal.

A box of disposable gloves should be available, and the gloves should be discarded (in plastic bag in hood) after each use. Disposable aprons or lab coats are recommended, since clothing contacted with mercaptan is often difficult to deodorise.

Types of tubing found useful with mercaptans include: Teflon<sup>®</sup>, TFE, FEP, and PFA, Bev-a-line (IV or V), and 316 stainless steel. Bev-a-line tubing has a polyethylene liner cross-linked to an ethylene vinyl acetate shell, a useful temperature range of -60 C to +250 C, and is heat bondable. It is less expensive than TFE tubing and is convenient for flexible connections between glass and metal tubing lines. It is available from most laboratory supply houses. Copper and brass are unacceptable materials for handling mercaptans, because mercaptans are H<sub>2</sub>S are highly corrosive to copper and brass. Care should be taken not to use valves and gauges with brass components.

Atofina Chemicals.

- Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
- Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.

## RECOMMENDED STORAGE METHODS

■ Glass container.

- Lined metal can, Lined metal pail/drum
- Plastic pail.

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.

# Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

## EXPOSURE CONTROLS

The following materials had no OELs on our records

- 2,2'-dithiodiethanol: CAS:1892-29-1

## PERSONAL PROTECTION



## RESPIRATOR

Type A Filter of sufficient capacity

Consult your EHS staff for recommendations

## EYE

- Safety glasses with side shields.
- Chemical goggles.

## HANDS/FEET

■ Wear chemical protective gloves, eg. PVC.

NOTE: The material may produce skin sensitization in predisposed individuals. Care must be taken, when removing gloves and other protective equipment, to avoid all possible skin contact.

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

- frequency and duration of contact,
- chemical resistance of glove material,
- glove thickness and
- dexterity

Select gloves tested to a relevant standard (e.g. Europe EN 374, US F739).

· When prolonged or frequently repeated contact may occur, a glove with a protection class of 5 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 240 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended.

· When only brief contact is expected, a glove with a protection class of 3 or higher (breakthrough time greater than 60 minutes according to EN 374) is recommended.

· Contaminated gloves should be replaced.

Gloves must only be worn on clean hands. After using gloves, hands should be washed and dried thoroughly. Application of a non-perfumed moisturiser is recommended.

- Neoprene gloves.

## OTHER

- Overalls.
- Eyewash unit.

## ENGINEERING CONTROLS

- Local exhaust ventilation usually required. If risk of overexposure exists, wear an approved respirator.

## Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Liquid.  
Mixes with water.  
Toxic or noxious vapours/gas.

State	Liquid	Molecular Weight	154.25
Melting Range (°F)	77- 81	Viscosity	Not Available
Boiling Range (°F)	316- 325 (3.5 mm)	Solubility in water (g/L)	Miscible
Flash Point (°F)	>234	pH (1% solution)	Not available.
Decomposition Temp (°F)	Not available.	pH (as supplied)	Not applicable
Autoignition Temp (°F)	Not available	Vapour Pressure (mmHG)	Not available
Upper Explosive Limit (%)	Not available	Specific Gravity (water=1)	1.261
Lower Explosive Limit (%)	Not available	Relative Vapor Density (air=1)	>1
Volatile Component (%vol)	Not available	Evaporation Rate	Not available

### APPEARANCE

Colourless liquid with a strong, very unpleasant odour. Miscible with water.

## Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY

### CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

- Presence of incompatible materials.
- Product is considered stable.

### STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

- Avoid oxidizing agents, acids, acid chlorides, acid anhydrides.

For incompatible materials - refer to Section 7 - Handling and Storage.

## Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

2,2'-dithiodiethanol

### TOXICITY AND IRRITATION

2,2'-DITHIODIETHANOL:

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

TOXICITY	IRRITATION
Intraperitoneal (mouse) LD50: 100 mg/kg	Nil Reported

- Contact allergies quickly manifest themselves as contact eczema, more rarely as urticaria or Quincke's edema. The pathogenesis of contact eczema involves a cell-mediated (T lymphocytes) immune reaction of the delayed type.

## Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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

### Ecotoxicity

Ingredient	Persistence: Water/Soil	Persistence: Air	Bioaccumulation	Mobility
2,2'-dithiodiethanol	LOW		LOW	HIGH

## Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Disposal Instructions

All waste must be handled in accordance with local, state and federal regulations.

! Puncture containers to prevent re-use and bury at an authorized landfill.

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 equipment to enter drains. Collect all wash water for treatment before disposal.

- Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.
- Consult Waste Management Authority for disposal.

## Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

DOT:

Symbols: None Hazard class or Division: 6.1

Identification Numbers: UN2810 PG: III

Label Codes: 6.1 Special provisions: IB3, T7, TP1, TP28

Packaging: Exceptions: 153 Packaging: Non- bulk: 203

Packaging: Exceptions: 153 Quantity limitations: 60 L

Passenger aircraft/rail:

Quantity Limitations: Cargo 220 L Vessel stowage: Location: A aircraft only:

Vessel stowage: Other: 40

Hazardous materials descriptions and proper shipping names:

Toxic, liquids, organic, n.o.s.

### Air Transport IATA:

ICAO/IATA Class: 6.1 ICAO/IATA Subrisk: None

UN/ID Number: 2810 Packing Group: III

Special provisions: A3

Cargo Only

Packing Instructions: 220 L Maximum Qty/Pack: 60 L

Passenger and Cargo Passenger and Cargo

Packing Instructions: 663 Maximum Qty/Pack: 655

Passenger and Cargo Limited Quantity Passenger and Cargo Limited Quantity

Packing Instructions: 2 L Maximum Qty/Pack: Y642

Shipping Name: TOXIC LIQUID, ORGANIC, N.O.S. \* (CONTAINS 2, 2'-DITHIODIETHANOL)

### Maritime Transport IMDG:

IMDG Class: 6.1 IMDG Subrisk: None

UN Number: 2810 Packing Group: III

EMS Number: F-A , S-A Special provisions: 223 274

Limited Quantities: 5 L

Shipping Name: TOXIC LIQUID, ORGANIC, N.O.S.

(contains 2,2'-dithiodiethanol)

## Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

### 2,2'-dithiodiethanol (CAS: 1892-29-1) is found on the following regulatory lists;

"Canada Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL)", "US DOE Temporary Emergency Exposure Limits (TEELs)", "US Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) - Inventory"

## Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

### ND

Substance CAS Suggested codes 2, 2' - dithiodiethanol 1892- 29- 1 T; R25 R43

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- Classification of the preparation and its individual components has drawn on official and authoritative sources as well as independent review by the Chemwatch Classification committee using available literature references.

A list of reference resources used to assist the committee may be found at:

[www.chemwatch.net/references](http://www.chemwatch.net/references).

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