

Classified as hazardous in accordance with the criteria of EPA New Zealand

## Section 1 - Identification

### Product Identifier

<b>Product Name</b>	<b><u>4,4'-Methylenebis(phenyl isocyanate)</u></b>
<b>CAS No</b>	101-68-8
<b>Synonyms</b>	MDI
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C15 H10 N2 O2
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	250.26
<b>Recommended Use</b>	Laboratory chemicals.
<b>Uses advised against</b>	No Information available

<b>Product Code</b>	<b>L15740</b>
<b>Address</b>	Thermo Fisher Scientific New Zealand Ltd 244 Bush Road, Albany, Auckland, New Zealand
<b>Emergency Tel.</b>	<b>CHEMTREC®</b> <b>09 980 6780 or +64 9 980 6780</b>
<b>Telephone / Fax Numbers</b>	Tel: 09 980 6700 Fax: 09 980 6788
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## Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

### Classification under Work Safe New Zealand

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**HSNO Approval Number      HSR003218**

### GHS Classification

#### Physical hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

#### Health hazards

Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists	Category 2
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Respiratory Sensitization	Category 1
Skin Sensitization	Category 1
Carcinogenicity	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity - (single exposure)	Category 3
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 2

#### Environmental hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

#### Label Elements



Signal Word

Danger

#### Hazard Statements

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
H315 - Causes skin irritation  
H317 - May cause an allergic skin reaction  
H334 - May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled  
H335 - May cause respiratory irritation  
H373 - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure  
H351 - Suspected of causing cancer  
H330 - Fatal if inhaled

#### Precautionary Statements

##### Prevention

P201 - Obtain special instructions before use  
P202 - Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood  
P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area  
P272 - Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace  
P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
P284 - In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection

##### Response

P302 + P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
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  
P308 + P313 - IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention  
P342 + P311 - If experiencing respiratory symptoms: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor  
P362 + P364 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse

##### Storage

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

##### Disposal

P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### Other hazards which do not result in classification

Lachrymator (substance which increases the flow of tears)

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Methylene bisphenol isocyanate (MDI)	101-68-8	>95
Benzene, 1-isocyanato-2-[(4-isocyanatophenyl)methyl]-	5873-54-1	<2.5

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

### Description of first aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
<b>New Zealand Emergency Tel.</b>	CHEMTREC® 09 980 6780 or +64 9 980 6780
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Self-Protection of the First Aider</b>	Use personal protective equipment as required.
<b>First Aid Facilities</b>	Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled. May cause allergic skin reaction. . Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically.

## Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.

### **Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons**

No information available.

### **Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>).

### **Special protective equipment and precautions for fire fighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

## Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

### Personal Precautions, Protective Equipment and Emergency Procedures

#### **Emergency procedures**

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid dust formation.

#### **Environmental Precautions**

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

#### **Methods for Containment and Clean Up**

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

#### **Precautions to prevent secondary hazards**

Clean contaminated objects and areas thoroughly observing environmental regulations

**Reference to Other Sections**

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Precautions for Safe Handling****Advice on safe handling**

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.

**Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**Conditions for Safe Storage, Including any Incompatibilities****Storage Conditions**

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. To maintain product quality: Keep refrigerated.

**Incompatible Materials**

Strong oxidizing agents. Acids. Bases. Alcohols. Amines. copper. Copper alloys. Water.

AS/NZS 2243.10:2004, Safety in laboratories - Storage of chemicals

## Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection

**Control parameters****Exposure limits**

**NZ** - Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices (6th edition). New Zealand Department of Labor

**UK** - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020.

**ACGIH** - Threshold Limit Values - Ceiling (TLV-C) guidelines by the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) for controlling worker exposure to airborne chemical concentrations in the workplace.

**AUS** - Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment - Guidance Note on the Interpretation of Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:3008(1995)]

Adopted National Exposure Standards for Atmospheric Contaminants in the Occupational Environment [NOHSC:1003(1995)] updated in August, 2005. Safe Work Australia

Component	New Zealand WEL	Australia	ACGIH TLV	The United Kingdom
Methylene bisphenol isocyanate (MDI)	TWA: 0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL: 0.07 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL: 0.07 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	TWA: 0.005 ppm	STEL: 0.07 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr Resp. Sens.
Benzene, 1-isocyanato-2-[(4-isocyanatophenyl)methyl]-		STEL: 0.07 mg/m <sup>3</sup> TWA: 0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup>		STEL: 0.07 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 0.02 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr Resp. Sens.

**Biological limit values**

**NZ** - Substances assigned Biological Exposure Indices in the New Zealand Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices (6th edition). New Zealand Department of Labor

**UK** - Biological Monitoring Guidance Values provided by the UK's Health and Safety Executive (HSE) Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) 2002 (as amended) and EH40/2005.

Component	New Zealand	Australia	ACGIH - Biological Exposure Indices	United Kingdom
Methylene bisphenol isocyanate (MDI)	10 µg/g creatinine (urine) end of shift or end of work week (4,4-Diaminodiphenyl)			: 1 mmol isocyanate-derived diamine/mol creatinine urine end of the period of exposure

**Appropriate engineering controls****Engineering Measures**

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

#### Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment

<b>Eye Protection</b>	Goggles (Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye protectors for Industrial applications)
<b>Hand Protection</b>	Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	AUS/NZ Standard	Glove comments
Nitrile rubber, Neoprene, Natural rubber, PVC.	See manufacturers recommendations	-	AS/NZS 2161	(minimum requirement)

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatibility, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Long sleeved clothing
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	Use an AS/NZS 1716 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced. To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained in line with AS/NZS 1715 on the use and maintenance of respiratory protective devices
<b>Recommended Filter type:</b>	Particulates filter conforming to EN 143 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)
<b>Recommended half mask:-</b>	Particle filtering: EN149:2001 (or AUS/NZ equivalent) When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

**Hygiene Measures** Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**Environmental exposure controls** No information available.

## Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

#### Information on basic physical and chemical properties

<b>Physical State</b>	Solid	
<b>Appearance</b>	White	
<b>Odor</b>	Slight	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No data available	
<b>pH</b>	No information available	
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	40 °C / 104 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	392 °C / 737.6 °F	
<b>Flammability (liquid)</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available	
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Flash Point</b>	202 °C / 395.6 °F	<b>Method -</b> No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	600 °C / 1112 °F	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Water Solubility</b>	Decomposes in contact with water	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		
<b>Component</b>	log Pow	

Methylene bisphenol isocyanate (MDI)	4.5	
Vapor Pressure	<0.01 Pa @ 25 °C	
Density / Specific Gravity	1.22	
Bulk Density	No data available	
Vapor Density	Not applicable	Solid
Particle characteristics	No data available	

#### Other information

Molecular Formula	C15 H10 N2 O2
Molecular Weight	250.26
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable - Solid

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions. Moisture sensitive.
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available
Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.
Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products, Excess heat, Avoid dust formation, Exposure to moisture.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents, Acids, Bases, Alcohols, Amines, copper, Copper alloys, Water.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ). Nitrogen oxides (NO <sub>x</sub> ).

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

#### Acute Effects

#### Information on likely routes of exposure

#### Product Information

Inhalation	Harmful by inhalation. Irritating to respiratory system. May cause allergic respiratory reaction. May cause irritation of respiratory tract.
Eyes	Irritating to eyes.
Skin	Irritating to skin. May be harmful in contact with skin. May produce an allergic reaction. Repeated or prolonged skin contact may cause allergic reactions with susceptible persons.
Ingestion	May be harmful if swallowed. Ingestion may cause gastrointestinal irritation, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Ingestion may cause irritation to mucous membranes.

#### Numerical measures of toxicity

##### (a) acute toxicity;

Oral	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met
Dermal	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met
Inhalation	Category 4

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Methylene bisphenol isocyanate (MDI)	LD50 = 31600 mg/kg ( Rat )		490 mg/m <sup>3</sup> /4H (Rat)

(b) skin corrosion/irritation;	Category 2
(c) serious eye damage/irritation;	Category 2
(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;	
Respiratory	Category 1
Skin	Category 1
Sensitization	May cause sensitization by skin contact
(e) germ cell mutagenicity;	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met
(f) carcinogenicity;	Category 2
(g) reproductive toxicity;	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met
(h) STOT-single exposure;	Category 3
Results / Target organs	Respiratory system
(i) STOT-repeated exposure;	Category 2
Route of exposure	Inhalation
Target Organs	Respiratory system.
(j) aspiration hazard;	Not applicable Solid
Other Adverse Effects	See actual entry in RTECS for complete information

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed**

Symptoms of allergic reaction may include rash, itching, swelling, trouble breathing, tingling of the hands and feet, dizziness, lightheadedness, chest pain, muscle pain or flushing.

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity**

**Aquatic ecotoxicity** Do not empty into drains. Reacts with water so no ecotoxicity data for the substance is available.

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Methylene bisphenol isocyanate (MDI)	LC50 >1000 mg/L/96h (Brachydanio rerio)	EC50 >1000 mg/L/24h (Daphnia)		

**Terrestrial ecotoxicity** There is no data for this product

**Persistence and Degradability** Not readily biodegradable

**Persistence** based on information available, May persist.

**Degradability** Decomposes in contact with water.

**Degradation in sewage treatment** Decomposes in contact with water.

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**Bioaccumulative Potential**

Product does not bioaccumulate due to reaction with water Product has a high potential to bioconcentrate

Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Methylene bisphenol isocyanate (MDI)	4.5	92 dimensionless 200 dimensionless

**Mobility**

Decomposes in contact with water. Is not likely mobile in the environment. Is not likely mobile in the environment due its low water solubility and propensity to bind to soil particles

**Other adverse effects****Endocrine Disruptor Information**

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

**Persistent Organic Pollutant**

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

**Ozone Depletion Potential**

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

**Waste treatment methods****Waste from Residues/Unused Products**

Do not allow into drains or watercourses or dispose of where ground or surface waters may be affected. Wastes, including emptied containers, are controlled wastes and should be disposed of in accordance with all federal, E.P.A., state and local regulations. Assure conformity with all applicable regulations.

**Contaminated Packaging**

Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.

**Other Information**

Disposal agencies or waste contractors must comply with the New Zealand Hazardous Substances (Disposal) Regulations . Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains.

## Section 14 - Transport Information

**NZS 5433:2020**

Not regulated

**IATA**

Not regulated

**IMDG/IMO**

Not regulated

**Environmental hazards**

No hazards identified

**Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code**

Not applicable, packaged goods

**Special Precautions**

No special precautions required. Please refer to the applicable dangerous goods regulations for additional information.

**Additional information**

None known

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information



**Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

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**National Regulations**

There are no applicable tolerable exposure limits or environmental exposure limits according to the EPA Controls for Hazardous Substances

**Certified handlers, tracking and controlled substance license requirements**

Certified handlers are required for some substances. This includes substances requiring a controlled substance license, and most explosives, vertebrates toxic agents, and certain fumigants. Acutely toxic substances which are a Category 1 or 2, such as pesticides also require Certified handlers. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information. Tracking is required for some highly hazardous substances. These substances need to be under the control of an appropriately trained person or appropriately secured. Please check the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015 for further information.

**Prohibition or notification/licensing requirements**

Shown below are details of specific prohibition/notifications or licencing requirements when they apply.

**International Regulations**

**Ozone Depletion Potential** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

**Persistent Organic Pollutant** This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

**Rotterdam Convention (PIC)** Not applicable

**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH**

Component	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Methylene bisphenol isocyanate (MDI)	-	Use restricted. See item 56[a]. (see link for restriction details) Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details) Use restricted. See item 74. (see link for restriction details)	-
Benzene, 1-isocyanato-2-[(4-isocyanatophenyl)methyl]-	-	Use restricted. See item 56[b]. (see link for restriction details) Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details) Use restricted. See item 74. (see link for restriction details)	-

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

**International Inventories**

New Zealand (NZIoC), Australia (AICS), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Korea (KECL), China (IECSC), Taiwan (TCSI), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Philippines (PICCS). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	NZIoC	AICS	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	KECL	IECSC	TCSI
Methylene bisphenol isocyanate (MDI)	101-68-8	X	X	202-966-0	-	-	KE-12080	X	X
Benzene, 1-isocyanato-2-[(4-isocyanatophenyl)methyl]-	5873-54-1	X	X	-	-	-	KE-21471	X	X

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification -	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ISHL	ENCS
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			Active-Inactive					
Methylene bisphenol isocyanate (MDI)	101-68-8	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X
Benzene, 1-isocyanato-2-[(4-isocyanatophenyl)methyl]-	5873-54-1	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X

Legend: X - Listed '-' - Not Listed

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

## Section 16 - Other Information

This safety data sheet complies with the requirements of the EPA Hazardous Substances (Hazard Classification) Notice 2020 and WorkSafe New Zealand Regulations

### Legend

NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

DSL/NDL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

TWA - Time Weighted Average

IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer

NZS 5433:2020 - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land

ICAO/IATA - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association

MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%

EC50 - Effective Concentration 50%

WEL - Workplace Exposure Limit

DNEL - Derived No Effect Level

POW - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

vPvB - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

VOC - (Volatile Organic Compound)

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

ENCS - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

CAS - Chemical Abstracts Service

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

PNEC - Predicted No Effect Concentration

OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

IMO/IMDG - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

ADG - Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail

LC50 - Lethal Concentration 50%

ATE - Acute Toxicity Estimate

RPE - Respiratory Protective Equipment

NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration

BCF - Bioconcentration factor

PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

### Key literature references and sources for data

HSNO classifications provided in the New Zealand Chemical Classification Information Database (CCID).

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

EPA Guide to classifying hazardous substances in New Zealand

EPA - Assigning a product to an existing HSNO approval guide

### Training Advice

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

### Revision Date

15-Mar-2023

### Revision Summary

Not applicable

### Disclaimer

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