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## Section 1 - Identification

Product Name **2,6-Bis(hydroxymethyl)-p-cresol**  
 CAS-No 91-04-3  
 Synonyms 2-Hydroxy-5-methyl-1,3-benzenedimethanol

Product Code	BTB10450DA; BTB10450EA; BTB10450EB; BTB10450EE; BTB10450ZZ; BTB10450R3
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Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.

## Section 2 - Hazard(s) Identification

### Classification under Work Safe New Zealand

6.1D - Substances that are acutely toxic (Oral)  
 6.3A - Substances that are irritating to the skin  
 6.4A - Substances that are irritating to the eye  
 6.1D - Substances that are acutely toxic (Inhalation)  
 6.1E - Substances that are acutely toxic (Inhalation)

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### GHS Classification

#### Physical hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

#### Health hazards

Acute Oral Toxicity	Category 4
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists	Category 4
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2
Specific target organ toxicity - (single exposure)	Category 3

#### Environmental hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

### Label Elements

**Signal Word****Warning****Hazard Statements**

H302 - Harmful if swallowed  
H315 - Causes skin irritation  
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
H332 - Harmful if inhaled  
H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

**Precautionary Statements**

P261 - Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed 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  
P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
P302 + P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position 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  
P312 - Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell  
P330 - Rinse mouth  
P362 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse  
P403 + P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed  
P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Other information**

No information available

## Section 3 - Composition and Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
1,3-Benzenedimethanol, 2-hydroxy-5-methyl-	91-04-3	97

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove from exposure, lie down. Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. 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>Self-Protection of the First Aider</b>	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.
<b>First Aid Facilities</b>	Eyewash, safety shower and washroom.

**Most important symptoms and effects** No information available.

**Notes to Physician** Treat symptomatically.

## **Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures**

### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Water spray. Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Dry chemical. Chemical foam.

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

No information available.

### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

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

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

### **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**

### **Emergency procedures**

Ensure adequate ventilation.

### **Environmental Precautions**

See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

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

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Do not let this chemical enter the environment.

### **Reference to Other Sections**

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## **Section 7 - Handling and Storage**

### **Precautions for Safe Handling**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breathe dust. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

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

Keep in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

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

## **Section 8 - Exposure Controls and Personal Protection**

### **Exposure limits**

The product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established.

### **Biological limit values**

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

**Engineering Measures**

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. 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

**Personal protective equipment****Eye Protection**

Goggles (Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1337 - Eye protectors for Industrial applications)

**Hand Protection**

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 compatability, 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.

**Skin and body protection**

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure

**Respiratory Protection**

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 (or AUS/NZ equivalent)

**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>Appearance</b>	Dark yellow	
<b>Physical State</b>	Powder Solid	
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No data available	
<b>pH</b>	No information available	
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	128 - 130 °C / 262.4 - 266 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	No information available	
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available	<b>Method -</b> No information available
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available	
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No information available	
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Specific Gravity / Density</b>	No data available	
<b>Bulk Density</b>	No data available	
<b>Water Solubility</b>	Soluble	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		

Autoignition Temperature	Not applicable	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
Viscosity	Not applicable	Solid
Explosive Properties	No information available	
Oxidizing Properties	No information available	

<b>Other information</b>	
Molecular Formula	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O <sub>3</sub>
Molecular Weight	168.19

## Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Reactivity	None known, based on information available
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.
Conditions to Avoid	Temperatures above .?1°C, Exposure to light, Incompatible products, Exposure to moisture.
Incompatible Materials	Acids, Strong oxidizing agents, Acid anhydrides, Acid chlorides.
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ).
Hazardous Polymerization	No information available.

## Section 11 - Toxicological Information

### Information on Toxicological Effects

#### Product Information

(a) acute toxicity;	
Oral	Category 4
Dermal	No data available
Inhalation	Category 4
(b) skin corrosion/irritation;	Category 2
(c) serious eye damage/irritation;	Category 2
(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;	
Respiratory	No data available
Skin	No data available
(e) germ cell mutagenicity;	No data available
(f) carcinogenicity;	No data available
	There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product
(g) reproductive toxicity;	No data available
(h) STOT-single exposure;	Category 3
Results / Target organs	Respiratory system

(i) STOT-repeated exposure;	No data available
Target Organs	No information available.
(j) aspiration hazard;	Not applicable Solid
Other Adverse Effects	The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.
Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed	No information available

## Section 12 - Ecological Information

Ecotoxicity effects	Do not empty into drains.
Persistence and Degradability	
Persistence	Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.
Bioaccumulative Potential	Bioaccumulation is unlikely
Mobility	The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility. Highly mobile in soils
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 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

<u>IMDG/IMO</u>	Not regulated
<u>NZS 5433:2012</u>	Not regulated
<u>IATA</u>	Not regulated

<b>Environmental hazards</b>	No hazards identified
<b>Special Precautions</b>	No special precautions required
<b>Additional information</b>	None known

## Section 15 - Regulatory Information

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

**International Inventories** X = listed

Component	NZIoC	AICS	EINECS	ELINCS	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ENCS	IECSC	KECL
1,3-Benzenedimethanol, 2-hydroxy-5-methyl-	-	X	202-036-4	-	X	X	-	-	-	X	KE-05-02 16

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

## Section 16 - Other Information

**This safety data sheet complies with the requirements of WorkSafe New Zealand Regulations**

### Legend

<b>AICS</b> - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances	<b>NZIoC</b> - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
<b>TSCA</b> - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory	<b>EINECS/ELINCS</b> - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances
<b>DSL/NDSL</b> - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List	<b>ENCS</b> - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances
<b>IECSC</b> - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances	<b>KECL</b> - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances
<b>PICCS</b> - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances	<b>CAS</b> - Chemical Abstracts Service
<b>TWA</b> - Time Weighted Average	<b>ACGIH</b> - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
<b>IARC</b> - International Agency for Research on Cancer	Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)
<b>ICAO/IATA</b> - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association	<b>IMO/IMDG</b> - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
<b>MARPOL</b> - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships	<b>ADG</b> Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail
<b>NZS 5433:2012</b> - Transport of Dangerous Goods on Land	<b>OECD</b> - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
<b>LD50</b> - Lethal Dose 50%	<b>LC50</b> - Lethal Concentration 50%
<b>EC50</b> - Effective Concentration 50%	<b>ATE</b> - Acute Toxicity Estimate
<b>WEL</b> - Workplace Exposure Limit	<b>RPE</b> - Respiratory Protective Equipment
<b>DNEL</b> - Derived No Effect Level	<b>NOEC</b> - No Observed Effect Concentration
<b>POW</b> - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water	<b>BCF</b> - Bioconcentration factor
<b>vPvB</b> - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative	<b>PBT</b> - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic
<b>VOC</b> (volatile organic compound)	

### **Key literature references and sources for data**

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

### **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.

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