

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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**SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking****1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : N-Methylpyrrolidone

Product Number : PHR1352  
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich  
Index-No. : 606-021-00-7  
CAS-No. : 872-50-4

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

Uses advised against : The product is being supplied under the TSCA R&D Exemption (40 CFR Section 720.36). It is the recipient's responsibility to comply with the requirements of the R&D exemption. The product may not be used for a non-exempt commercial purpose under TSCA unless appropriate consent is granted in writing by MilliporeSigma.

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

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527-3887 CHEMTREC (International) 24  
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**SECTION 2: Hazards identification****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture****GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)**

Flammable liquids (Category 4), H227  
Skin irritation (Category 2), H315  
Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319  
Reproductive toxicity (Category 1B), H360

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Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

## 2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

H227	Combustible liquid.
H315	Causes skin irritation.
H319	Causes serious eye irritation.
H335	May cause respiratory irritation.
H360	May damage fertility or the unborn child.

Precautionary Statements

P201	Obtain special instructions before use.
P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P210	Keep away from heat/ sparks/ open flames/ hot surfaces. No smoking.
P261	Avoid breathing mist or vapors.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
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 + P312	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell.
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.
P332 + P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.
P337 + P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.
P362	Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.
P403 + P233	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.
P403 + P235	Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.
P405	Store locked up.
P501	Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

## 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

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### SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

#### 3.1 Substances

Formula : C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>9</sub>NO

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Molecular weight : 99.13 g/mol  
 CAS-No. : 872-50-4  
 EC-No. : 212-828-1  
 Index-No. : 606-021-00-7

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone</b>		
	Flam. Liq. 4; Skin Irrit. 2; Eye Irrit. 2A; Repr. 1B; STOT SE 3; H227, H315, H319, H360, H335 Concentration limits: >= 10 %: STOT SE 3, H335;	<= 100 %

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

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## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first-aid measures

#### General advice

Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

#### If inhaled

After inhalation: fresh air. Call in physician.

#### In case of skin contact

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

#### If swallowed

After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). Consult a physician.

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

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

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

No data available

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## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

#### Suitable extinguishing media

Water Foam Carbon dioxide (CO2) Dry powder

**Unsuitable extinguishing media**

For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

**5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Carbon oxides

Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)

Combustible.

Vapors are heavier than air and may spread along floors.

Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.

Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

**5.4 Further information**

Remove container from danger zone and cool with water. Suppress (knock down) gases/vapors/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

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**SECTION 6: Accidental release measures****6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Do not breathe vapors, aerosols. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert. For personal protection see section 8.

**6.2 Environmental precautions**

Do not let product enter drains.

**6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up carefully with liquid-absorbent material (e.g. Chemizorb®). Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.

**6.4 Reference to other sections**

For disposal see section 13.

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**SECTION 7: Handling and storage****7.1 Precautions for safe handling****Advice on safe handling**

Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture. Avoid generation of vapours/aerosols.

**Advice on protection against fire and explosion**

Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

**Hygiene measures**

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

For precautions see section 2.2.

## 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

### Storage conditions

Tightly closed. Keep in a well-ventilated place. Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons.

Store at Room Temperature.

### Storage class

Storage class (TRGS 510): 6.1C: Combustible, acute toxic Cat.3 / toxic compounds or compounds which causing chronic effects

## 7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

## SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Ingredients with workplace control parameters

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone	872-50-4	TWA	15 ppm 60 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. Workplace Environmental Exposure Levels (WEEL)
	Remarks	Skin		
		STEL	30 ppm 120 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	USA. Workplace Environmental Exposure Levels (WEEL)
		Skin		
		PEL	1 ppm 4 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)
		Skin		

#### Biological occupational exposure limits

Component	CAS-No.	Parameters	Value	Biological specimen	Basis
N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone	872-50-4	5-Hydroxy-N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone	100 mg/l	Urine	ACGIH - Biological Exposure Indices (BEI)
	Remarks	End of shift (As soon as possible after exposure ceases)			

#### Derived No Effect Level (DNEL)

Application Area	Routes of exposure	Health effect	Value
Workers	Skin contact	Long-term systemic effects	4.8mg/kg BW/d
Workers	Inhalation	Long-term systemic effects	14.4 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

**Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)**

Compartment	Value
Water	5 mg/l
Sea water	0.025 mg/kg
Fresh water	0.25 mg/l
Onsite sewage treatment plant	10 mg/l
Soil	0.0701 mg/kg
Sea sediment	0.109 mg/kg
Fresh water sediment	1.09 mg/kg

**8.2 Exposure controls****Appropriate engineering controls**

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

**Personal protective equipment****Eye/face protection**

Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU). Safety glasses

**Skin protection**

This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN 16523-1 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: [www.kcl.de](http://www.kcl.de)).

Full contact

Material: butyl-rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.7 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Butoject® (KCL 898)

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Splash contact

Material: Latex gloves

Minimum layer thickness: 0.6 mm

Break through time: 60 min

Material tested: Lapren® (KCL 706 / Aldrich Z677558, Size M)

**Body Protection**

protective clothing

**Respiratory protection**

Recommended Filter type: Filter A-(P2)

The entrepreneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer.

These measures have to be properly documented.

required when vapours are generated. Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

### **Control of environmental exposure**

Do not let product enter drains.

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## **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

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

a) Appearance	Form: clear, liquid Color: colorless
b) Odor	amine-like
c) Odor Threshold	No data available
d) pH	8.5 - 10.0 at 100 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F)
e) Melting point/freezing point	Melting point: -24.2 °C (-11.6 °F) at 1,013 hPa - OECD Test Guideline 102
f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	202 °C 396 °F at 1,013.25 hPa
g) Flash point	91 °C (196 °F) - Pensky-Martens closed cup - ISO 2719
h) Evaporation rate	No data available
i) Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available
j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	Upper explosion limit: 9.5 %(V) Lower explosion limit: 1.3 %(V)
k) Vapor pressure	0.32 hPa at 20 °C (68 °F) - OECD Test Guideline 104
l) Vapor density	3.42 - (Air = 1.0)
m) Density	1.03 g/cm <sup>3</sup> at 25 °C (77 °F) - OECD Test Guideline 109
Relative density	No data available
n) Water solubility	1,000 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F) - soluble
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	log Pow: -0.46 at 25 °C (77 °F) - OECD Test Guideline 107 - Bioaccumulation is not expected.
p) Autoignition temperature	245 °C (473 °F) at 1,013 hPa - DIN 51794
q) Decomposition temperature	No data available
r) Viscosity	No data available
s) Explosive properties	No data available
t) Oxidizing properties	none

### **9.2 Other safety information**

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Conductivity	0.2 - 0.4 µS/cm
Surface tension	40.4 mN/m
Relative vapor density	3.42 - (Air = 1.0)

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

Forms explosive mixtures with air on intense heating.  
A range from approx. 15 Kelvin below the flash point is to be rated as critical.

### 10.2 Chemical stability

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Risk of ignition or formation of inflammable gases or vapours with:

Oxidizing agents

Violent reactions possible with:

Strong acids

Strong bases

various plastics

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Strong heating.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

No data available

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

In the event of fire: see section 5

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## SECTION 11: Toxicological information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - 4,150 mg/kg

(OECD Test Guideline 401)

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4 h - > 5.1 mg/l - aerosol

(OECD Test Guideline 403)

LD50 Dermal - Rat - male and female - > 5,000 mg/kg

(OECD Test Guideline 402)

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Irritating to skin. - 24 h

(OECD Test Guideline 404)

Remarks: Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

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**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Eye irritation

(OECD Test Guideline 405)

Remarks: Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**

Local lymph node assay (LLNA) - Mouse

Result: negative

(OECD Test Guideline 429)

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: Salmonella typhimurium

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 471

Result: negative

Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test

Test system: Chinese hamster ovary cells

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 476

Result: negative

Test Type: unscheduled DNA synthesis assay

Test system: rat hepatocytes

Method: OECD Test Guideline 482

Result: negative

Test Type: In vivo micronucleus test

Species: Mouse

Cell type: Bone marrow

Application Route: Oral

Method: OECD Test Guideline 474

Result: negative

Test Type: Chromosome aberration test

Species: Chinese hamster

Cell type: Bone marrow

Application Route: Oral

Method: OECD Test Guideline 475

Result: negative

**Carcinogenicity**

IARC: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

NTP: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

**Reproductive toxicity**

May damage the unborn child.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation. - Respiratory system

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

**Aspiration hazard**

No data available

**11.2 Additional Information**

Repeated dose toxicity - Rabbit - male - Dermal - 20 d - NOAEL (No observed adverse effect level) - 826 mg/kg - LOAEL (Lowest observed adverse effect level) - 1,653 mg/kg  
Remarks: Subacute toxicity

Prolonged or repeated exposure may cause: Vomiting, Diarrhea, Abdominal pain, Rats exposed to 1-methyl-2-pyrrolidinone at a concentration of 1 mg/L as an aerosol for 10 days showed depletion of hematopoietic cells in the bone marrow and atrophy of the lymphoid tissues of the thymus, spleen, and lymph nodes.

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

Bone marrow - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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**SECTION 12: Ecological information**

**12.1 Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish	static test LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - > 500 mg/l - 96 h Remarks: (ECHA)
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates	EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - ca. 4,897 mg/l - 48 h Remarks: (IUCLID)
Toxicity to algae	static test EC50 - Desmodesmus subspicatus (green algae) - 672.8 mg/l - 72 h (DIN 38412)
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates(Chronic toxicity)	semi-static test NOEC - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 12.5 mg/l - 21 d (OECD Test Guideline 211)

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Biodegradability	aerobic - Exposure time 28 d Result: 73 % - Readily biodegradable. (OECD Test Guideline 301C)
Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD)	1.100 mg/g Remarks: (Lit.)

Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) 1.600 mg/g  
Remarks: (Lit.)

### **12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

No data available

### **12.4 Mobility in soil**

No data available

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

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

### **12.6 Endocrine disrupting properties**

No data available

### **12.7 Other adverse effects**

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## **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

### **13.1 Waste treatment methods**

#### **Product**

Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers. No mixing with other waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product itself.

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## **SECTION 14: Transport information**

#### **DOT (US)**

NA-Number: 1993 Class: NONE Packing group: III  
Proper shipping name: Combustible liquid, n.o.s. (N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone)  
Reportable Quantity (RQ):  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

#### **IMDG**

Not dangerous goods

#### **IATA**

Not dangerous goods

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## **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

#### **SARA 302 Components**

This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

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### SARA 313 Components

The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:

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### SARA 311/312 Hazards

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

### Massachusetts Right To Know Components

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### Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone	872-50-4	2007-03-01

### California Prop. 65 Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
, which is/are known to the State of California to cause birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information go to <a href="http://www.P65Warnings.ca.gov">www.P65Warnings.ca.gov</a> . N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone	872-50-4	2009-02-01

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## SECTION 16: Other information

### Further information

The information is believed to be correct but is not exhaustive and will be used solely as a guideline, which is based on current knowledge of the chemical substance or mixture and is applicable to appropriate safety precautions for the product. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Sigma-Aldrich Corporation and its Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See [www.sigma-aldrich.com](http://www.sigma-aldrich.com) and/or the reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale.

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