

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## 1. Identification

<b>Product Name</b>	Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide
<b>Cat No. :</b>	O3042-500
<b>CAS No</b>	57-09-0
<b>Synonyms</b>	CETAB; Cetyltrimethylammonium bromide; Cetrimonium bromide (Technical)
<b>Recommended Use</b>	Laboratory chemicals.
<b>Uses advised against</b>	Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

### Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

#### Company

Fisher Scientific Company  
One Reagent Lane  
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410  
Tel: (201) 796-7100

#### Emergency Telephone Number

CHEMTRIC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300  
CHEMTRIC®, Outside the USA: 001-703-527-3887

## 2. Hazard(s) identification

#### Classification

This chemical is considered hazardous according to [US] OSHA (29 CFR 1910.1200, 2024)

Acute oral toxicity	Category 4
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)	Category 2
Target Organs - Gastrointestinal tract (GI).	

### Label Elements

<b>Signal Word</b>
Danger

**Hazard Statements**

Harmful if swallowed  
Causes skin irritation  
Causes serious eye damage  
May cause respiratory irritation  
May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

**Precautionary Statements****Prevention**

Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product  
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection  
Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray  
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

**Response**

Get medical attention/advice if you feel unwell

**Inhalation**

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing  
Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell

**Skin**

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water  
If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention  
Take off contaminated clothing

**Eyes**

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing  
Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

**Ingestion**

IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell  
Rinse mouth

**Storage**

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed  
Store locked up

**Disposal**

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

**Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC)**

Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

**Hazards classified under paragraph (d)(1)(ii) of 1910.1200**

No information available

**3. Composition/information on Ingredients**

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	57-09-0	<=100

**4. First-aid measures****General Advice**

If symptoms persist, call a physician.

<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. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Most important symptoms and effects</b>	None reasonably foreseeable. Causes severe eye damage.
<b>Notes to Physician</b>	Treat symptomatically

## 5. Fire-fighting measures

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

**Unsuitable Extinguishing Media** No information available

**Flash Point** No information available °C / °F

**Method -** No information available

**Autoignition Temperature** 290 °C / 554 °F

**Explosion Limits**

**Upper** No data available

**Lower** No data available

**Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact** No information available

**Sensitivity to Static Discharge** No information available

**Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical**

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Do not allow run-off from fire-fighting to enter drains or water courses.

**Hazardous Combustion Products**

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

**Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters**

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

**NFPA**

<b>Health</b>	2
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<b>Flammability</b>	1
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<b>Instability</b>	1
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<b>Physical hazards</b>	N/A
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## 6. Accidental release measures

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

**Environmental Precautions** Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

**Methods for Containment and Clean Up** Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 7. Handling and Storage

<b>Handling</b>	Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid dust formation. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.
<b>Storage.</b>	Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Air sensitive. Store under an inert atmosphere. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents. Strong bases.

## 8. Exposure controls / personal protection

<b>Exposure Guidelines</b>	This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.
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<b>Engineering Measures</b>	Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.
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### Personal Protective Equipment

<b>Eye/face Protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.
<b>Skin and body protection</b>	Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.
<b>Respiratory Protection</b>	No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.
<b>Recommended Filter type:</b>	Particulates filter conforming to EN 143.
<b>Hygiene Measures</b>	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

## 9. Physical and chemical properties

### Appearance

<b>Physical State</b>	Powder Solid	
<b>Color</b>	White	
<b>Odor</b>	Slight	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No information available	
<b>Property</b>	<b>Values</b>	<b>Remarks</b> • <b>Method</b>
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	230 °C / 446 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	No information available	
<b>Flash Point</b>	No information available °C / °F	<b>Method</b> - No information available
<b>Flammability (liquid)</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available	
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	290 °C / 554 °F	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	> 230°C	
<b>pH</b>	5-7 @ 20°C	(10 g/l aq.sol)
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Water Solubility</b>	13 g/L (20°C)	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>	<b>log Pow</b>	
<b>Component</b>	Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	3.2
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	negligible	
<b>Density / Specific Gravity</b>	No data available	

<b>Bulk Density</b>	No data available	
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable	
<b>Particle characteristics</b>	No data available	Solid

**Other Information**

<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C19 H42 Br N
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	364.45
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable - Solid

**10. Stability and reactivity**

<b>Reactive Hazard</b>	None known, based on information available
<b>Stability</b>	Hygroscopic.
<b>Conditions to Avoid</b>	Avoid dust formation. Incompatible products. Excess heat. Exposure to moisture. Exposure to moist air or water.
<b>Incompatible Materials</b>	Strong oxidizing agents, Strong bases
<b>Hazardous Decomposition Products</b>	Nitrogen oxides (NOx), Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> ), Hydrogen halides
<b>Hazardous Polymerization</b>	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
<b>Hazardous Reactions</b>	None under normal processing.

**11. Toxicological information****Information on expected route of exposure**

<b>Inhalation</b>	Avoid breathing dust or spray mist. May be harmful if inhaled.
<b>Ingestion</b>	May be harmful if swallowed.
<b>Eyes</b>	Avoid contact with eyes. Corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage including blindness. May cause irritation.
<b>Skin</b>	Avoid contact with skin. Skin Corrosion/Irritation. May cause irritation.

**Toxicology data for the components**

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	LD50 = 410 mg/kg ( Rat )	-	-

**Toxicologically Synergistic Products** No information available

**(b) skin corrosion/irritation;** Category 2

**(c) serious eye damage/irritation;** Category 1

**(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;**  
**Respiratory** No data available  
**Skin** No data available

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;** No data available  
 Not mutagenic in AMES Test

**(f) carcinogenicity:**

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	57-09-0	Not listed				

**(g) reproductive toxicity;** No data available

**(h) STOT-single exposure;** Category 3

**Results / Target organs** Respiratory system.

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure;** Category 2

**Route of exposure** Oral  
**Target Organs** Gastrointestinal tract (GI).

**(j) aspiration hazard;** Solid  
Not applicable

**Symptoms / effects,both acute and delayed** No information available.

**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

**Endocrine Disrupting Properties** This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

## 12. Ecological information

### Ecotoxicity

The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	EC50: = 0.09 mg/L, 96h (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata)	Not listed	= 9.84 mg/L EC50 Photobacterium phosphoreum 5 min	Not listed

**Persistence and Degradability** Persistence is unlikely

**Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation** No information available.

**Mobility** Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

Component	log Pow
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	3.2

## 13. Disposal considerations

**Waste Disposal Methods** Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

## 14. Transport information

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<b>UN-No</b>	UN3077
<b>Proper Shipping Name</b>	ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.
<b>Technical Shipping Name</b>	Cetyltrimethylammonium bromide
<b>Hazard Class</b>	9
<b>Packing Group</b>	III
<b>TDG</b>	
<b>UN-No</b>	UN3077
<b>Proper Shipping Name</b>	ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.
<b>Technical Shipping Name</b>	Cetyltrimethylammonium bromide
<b>Hazard Class</b>	9
<b>Packing Group</b>	III
<b>IATA</b>	
<b>UN-No</b>	UN3077
<b>Proper Shipping Name</b>	ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.
<b>Technical Shipping Name</b>	Cetyltrimethylammonium bromide
<b>Hazard Class</b>	9
<b>Packing Group</b>	III
<b>IMDG/IMO</b>	
<b>UN-No</b>	UN3077
<b>Proper Shipping Name</b>	ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.
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<b>Hazard Class</b>	9
<b>Packing Group</b>	III

## 15. Regulatory Information

### United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	57-09-0	X	ACTIVE	-

**Legend:**

TSCA US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

X - Listed

'-' - Not Listed

**TSCA - Per 40 CFR 751, Regulation of Certain Chemical Substances & Mixtures, Under TSCA Section 6(h) (PBT)**      Not applicable

**TSCA 12(b) - Notices of Export**      Not applicable

### International Inventories

Canada (DSL/NDSL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDSL	EINECS	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	IECSC	KECL
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	57-09-0	X	-	200-311-3	X	X	X	X	X	KE-34534

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

### U.S. Federal Regulations

#### **SARA 313**

Section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA). This product does not contain any chemicals which are subject to the reporting requirements of the Act and Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 372

### **SARA 311/312 Hazard Categories**

Should this product meet EPCRA 311/312 Tier reporting criteria at 40 CFR 370, refer to Section 2 of this SDS for appropriate classifications.

**CWA (Clean Water Act)** Not applicable

**Clean Air Act** Not applicable

**OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration** Not applicable

#### **CERCLA**

This material, as supplied, does not contain any substances regulated as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) (40 CFR 302) or the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA) (40 CFR 355). There may be specific reporting requirements at the local, regional, or state level pertaining to releases of this material.

**California Proposition 65** This product does not contain any Proposition 65 chemicals.

**U.S. State Right-to-Know Regulations** Not applicable

#### **U.S. Department of Transportation**

Reportable Quantity (RQ):	N
DOT Marine Pollutant	N
DOT Severe Marine Pollutant	N

**U.S. Department of Homeland Security** This product does not contain any DHS chemicals.

#### **Other International Regulations**

**Mexico - Grade** No information available

**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH** Not applicable

Component	CAS No	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)
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	57-09-0	-	-	-

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

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	57-09-0	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

**Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?**  
Not applicable

**Other International Regulations**

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide	57-09-0	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

**16. Other Information**

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