

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Hexadecyltrimethylammonium bromide

Cat No. : O3042-500

CAS No 57-09-0
Synonyms CETAB; Cetyltrimethylammonium bromide; Cetrimonium bromide (Technical)

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against 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

CHEMTREC®, Inside the USA: 800-424-9300
CHEMTREC®, 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

Signal Word
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.

Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
Most important symptoms and effects	None reasonably foreseeable. Causes severe eye damage.
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO ₂), 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_x). Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO₂). 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.

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Health
2

Flammability
1

Instability
1

Physical hazards
N/A

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

Handling	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.
Storage.	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

<u>Exposure Guidelines</u>	This product does not contain any hazardous materials with occupational exposure limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies.
Engineering Measures	Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.
<u>Personal Protective Equipment</u>	
Eye/face Protection	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.
Skin and body protection	Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.
Respiratory Protection	No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.
Recommended Filter type:	Particulates filter conforming to EN 143.
Hygiene Measures	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

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

Bulk Density	No data available	
Vapor Density	Not applicable	Solid
Particle characteristics	No data available	

Other Information

Molecular Formula	C19 H42 Br N
Molecular Weight	364.45
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable - Solid

10. Stability and reactivity

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

11. Toxicological information

Information on expected route of exposure

Inhalation	Avoid breathing dust or spray mist. May be harmful if inhaled.
Ingestion	May be harmful if swallowed.
Eyes	Avoid contact with eyes. Corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage including blindness. May cause irritation.
Skin	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	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	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

DOT

UN-No UN3077
Proper Shipping Name ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.
Technical Shipping Name Cetyltrimethylammonium bromide
Hazard Class 9
Packing Group III

TDG

UN-No UN3077
Proper Shipping Name ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.
Technical Shipping Name Cetyltrimethylammonium bromide
Hazard Class 9
Packing Group III

IATA

UN-No UN3077
Proper Shipping Name ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.
Technical Shipping Name Cetyltrimethylammonium bromide
Hazard Class 9
Packing Group III

IMDG/IMO

UN-No UN3077
Proper Shipping Name ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.
Technical Shipping Name Cetyltrimethylammonium bromide
Hazard Class 9
Packing Group 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/NDL), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), China (IECSC), Korea (KECL).

Component	CAS No	DSL	NDL	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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