

# MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

## Chemical Product

Product Name: GALLIC ACID  
 CAS#: 5995-86-8  
 Synonym: 3,4,5-Trihydroxy Benzoic Acid  
 Chemical Name: Gallic Acid  
 Chemical Formula:  $C_6H_2(OH)_3COOH.H_2O$

## Composition and Information on Ingredients

Name	S.K.U	% by Weight
GALLIC ACID	GCS-4089	100

## Hazards Identification

### Potential Acute Health Effects:

Hazardous in case of eye contact (irritant), of inhalation. Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of ingestion.

### Potential Chronic Health Effects:

CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Not available.  
 TERATOGENIC

EFFECTS: Not available. DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available. The substance is toxic to lungs, mucous membranes. Repeated or prolonged exposure to the substance can produce target organs damage.

## First Aid Measures

### Eye Contact:

Check for and remove any contact lenses. Immediately flush eyes with running water for at least 15 minutes, keeping eyelids open. Cold water may be used. Do not use an eye ointment. Seek medical attention.

### Skin Contact:

After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. Gently and thoroughly wash the contaminated skin with running water and non-abrasive soap. Be particularly careful to clean folds, crevices, creases and groin. Cold water may be used. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. If irritation persists, seek medical attention. Wash contaminated clothing before reusing.

Serious Skin Contact: Not available.

Inhalation: Allow the victim to rest in a well ventilated area. Seek immediate medical attention.

Serious Inhalation: Not available.

### Ingestion:

Do not induce vomiting. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband. If the victim is not breathing, perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. Seek immediate medical attention.

Serious Ingestion: Not available.

## Fire and Explosion Data

Flammability of the Product: May be combustible at high temperature.

Auto-Ignition Temperature: Not available.

Flash Points: Not applicable.

Flammable Limits: Not applicable.

Products of Combustion: These products are carbon oxides (CO, CO<sub>2</sub>).

Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances: Not applicable.

### Explosion Hazards in Presence of Various Substances:

Risks of explosion of the product in presence of mechanical impact: Not available. Risks of explosion of the product in presence of static discharge: Not available.

### Fire Fighting Media and Instructions:

SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder.

LARGE FIRE: Use water spray, fog or foam. Do not use water jet.

Special Remarks on Fire Hazards: Not available.

Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards: Not available.

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## Accidental Release Measures

### Small Spill:

Use appropriate tools to put the spilled solid in a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and dispose of according to local and regional authority requirements.

### Large Spill:

Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and allow to evacuate through the sanitary system.

## Handling and Storage

### Precautions:

Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Empty containers pose a fire risk, evaporate the residue under a fume hood. Ground all equipment containing material. Do not

breathe dust.

**Storage:**

Keep container dry. Keep in a cool place. Ground all equipment containing material. Keep container tightly closed. Keep in a cool, well-ventilated place. Combustible materials should be stored away from extreme heat and away from strong oxidizing agents.

## Exposure Controls/Personal Protection

**Engineering Controls:**

Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

**Personal Protection:**

Safety glasses. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

**Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:**

Splash goggles. Full suit. Dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

Exposure Limits: Not available.

## Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical state and appearance: Solid.**

Odor	: Not available.
Taste	: Not available.
Molecular Weight	: 188.14 g/mole
Color	: Not available.
pH (1% soln/water)	: Not available.
Boiling Point	: Not available.
Melting Point	: Decomposes.
Critical Temperature	: Not available.
Specific Gravity	: 1.7 (Water = 1)
Vapor Pressure	: Not applicable.
Vapor Density	: Not available.
Volatility	: Not available.
Odor Threshold	

: Not available.

Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.

: Not available.

Ionicity (in Water)

: Not available.  
Dispersion Properties

: See solubility in water.  
Solubility

: Partially soluble in cold water.

## Stability and Reactivity Data

Stability: The  
product is stable.

Instability

Temperature:

Not available.

Conditions of

Instability:

Not available.

Incompatibility with various substances: Not available.

Corrosivity: Non-corrosive in  
presence of glass.

Special Remarks on

Reactivity: Not available.

Special Remarks on

Corrosivity: Not available.

Polymerization: No.

## Toxicological Information

Routes of Entry: Eye contact. Inhalation.

Toxicity to Animals: Acute oral toxicity (LD50): 5000 mg/kg [Rabbit].

**Chronic Effects on Humans:**

The substance is toxic to lungs, mucous membranes.

**Other Toxic Effects on Humans:**

Hazardous in case of inhalation. Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of ingestion.

Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals: Not available.

Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans: Not available.

Toxicological Data on Ingredients: Gallic acid: ORAL (LD50): Acute: 5000 mg/kg [Rabbit].

**Ecological Information**

Ecotoxicity: Not available.

BOD5 and COD: Not available.

**Products of Biodegradation:**

Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.

Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation: The products of degradation are more toxic.

Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation: Not available.

**Disposal Considerations**

Waste Disposal:

**Transformation Information**

Land transport (ADR-RID)  
General information: Not regulated.

Sea transport (IMDG) [English only]  
General information: Not regulated.

Air transport (ICAO-IATA) [English only]  
General information: Not regulated.

**Other Regulatory Information**

Federal and State Regulations: TSCA 8(b) inventory: Gallic acid

**Other Regulations:**

OSHA: Hazardous by definition of Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

**Other Classifications:**

WHMIS (Canada): CLASS D-2A: Material causing other toxic effects (VERY TOXIC).

DSCL (EEC): R36- Irritating to eyes.

**HMIS (U.S.A.):**

Health Hazard: 2

**Fire Hazard: 1**

Reactivity: 0

**Personal Protection: E**

National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.):

**Health: 2**

Flammability: 1

**Reactivity: 0**

Specific hazard:

**Protective Equipment:**

Gloves. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Splash goggles.

**Additional Information**



References: Not available.

Other Special Considerations: Not available.

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