

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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**1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION****1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : Biphenyl  
Product Number : W312908  
Brand : Aldrich  
Index-No. : 601-042-00-8  
CAS-No. : 92-52-4

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

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

Company : Sigma-Aldrich  
3050 Spruce Street  
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**1.4 Emergency telephone number**

Emergency Phone # : (314) 776-6555

**2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture****GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)**

Skin irritation (Category 2), H315  
Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319  
Germ cell mutagenicity (Category 1B), H340  
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335  
Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 1), H400  
Chronic aquatic toxicity (Category 1), H410

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 statement(s)

H315 Causes skin irritation.  
H319 Causes serious eye irritation.  
H335 May cause respiratory irritation.  
H340 May cause genetic defects.  
H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statement(s)

P201 Obtain special instructions before use.  
P202 Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and

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|                    | understood.  |
| P261               | Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapours/ spray.   |
| P264               | Wash skin thoroughly after handling.   |
| P271               | Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.  |
| P273               | Avoid release to the environment.  |
| P280               | Wear protective gloves/ 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. |
| P308 + P313        | IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.  |
| P321               | Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).  |
| 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.  |
| P391               | Collect spillage.  |
| P403 + P233        | Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.   |
| 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

### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### 3.1 Substances

|                  |                                   |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Formula          | : C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>10</sub> |
| Molecular Weight | : 154.21 g/mol                    |
| CAS-No.          | : 92-52-4                         |
| EC-No.           | : 202-163-5                       |
| Index-No.        | : 601-042-00-8                    |

#### Hazardous components

| Component       | Classification  | Concentration |
|-----------------|---|---------------|
| <b>Biphenyl</b> | Skin Irrit. 2; Eye Irrit. 2A; Muta. 1B; STOT SE 3; Aquatic Acute 1; Aquatic Chronic 1; H315, H319, H335, H340, H410 | -             |

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

### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

##### General advice

Move out of dangerous area. Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

##### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

##### In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

##### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

##### If swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. 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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## 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

#### Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

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

Carbon oxides

### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary.

### 5.4 Further information

no data available

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## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.

For personal protection see section 8.

### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

### 6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

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## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

For precautions see section 2.2.

### 7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

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

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

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

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## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Components with workplace control parameters

| Component | CAS-No. | Value  | Control parameters             | Basis  |
|-----------|---------|--|--------------------------------|--|
| Biphenyl  | 92-52-4 | TWA  | 0.2 ppm                        | USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)  |
|           | Remarks | Pulmonary function                             |                                |  |
|           |         | TWA  | 0.2 ppm<br>1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> | USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000                    |
|           |         | TWA  | 0.2 ppm<br>1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> | USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants |
|           |         | The value in mg/m <sup>3</sup> is approximate. |                                |  |

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|--|--|-----|--------------------------------|---|
|  |  | TWA | 0.2 ppm<br>1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> | USA. NIOSH Recommended<br>Exposure Limits |
|--|--|-----|--------------------------------|---|

## 8.2 Exposure controls

### Appropriate engineering controls

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

### Personal protective equipment

#### Eye/face protection

Safety glasses with side-shields conforming to EN166 Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

#### Skin protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

#### Full contact

Material: Fluorinated rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.7 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Vitoject® (KCL 890 / Aldrich Z677698, Size M)

#### Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.4 mm

Break through time: 30 min

Material tested: Camatril® (KCL 730 / Aldrich Z677442, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the CE approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

#### Body Protection

impervious clothing, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

#### Respiratory protection

For nuisance exposures use type P95 (US) or type P1 (EU EN 143) particle respirator. For higher level protection use type OV/AG/P99 (US) or type ABEK-P2 (EU EN 143) respirator cartridges. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

#### Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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|--|---|
| a) Appearance                              | Form: crystalline<br>Colour: light yellow             |
| b) Odour                                   | characteristic  |
| c) Odour Threshold                         | no data available                                     |
| d) pH                                      | 5.5   |
| e) Melting point/freezing point            | Melting point/range: 68 - 70 °C (154 - 158 °F) - lit. |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range | 255 °C (491 °F) - lit.                                |

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|---|---|
| g) Flash point                                  | 110 °C (230 °F) - closed cup  |
| h) Evaporation rate                             | no data available   |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas)                    | no data available   |
| j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | Upper explosion limit: 5.8 %(V)<br>Lower explosion limit: 0.6 %(V)  |
| k) Vapour pressure                              | 0.04 hPa (0.03 mmHg) at 20 °C (68 °F)<br>5.5 hPa (4.1 mmHg) at 100 °C (212 °F)<br>12.6 hPa (9.5 mmHg) at 115 °C (239 °F)<br>95.7 hPa (71.8 mmHg) at 166 °C (331 °F) |
| l) Vapour density                               | no data available   |
| m) Relative density                             | 0.992 g/cm <sup>3</sup>   |
| n) Water solubility                             | 0.0075 g/l at 15 °C (59 °F)   |
| o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water       | no data available   |
| p) Auto-ignition temperature                    | no data available   |
| q) Decomposition temperature                    | no data available   |
| r) Viscosity                                    | no data available   |
| s) Explosive properties                         | no data available   |
| t) Oxidizing properties                         | no data available   |

## 9.2 Other safety information

no data available

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 Reactivity

no data available

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

no data available

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

no data available

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Other decomposition products - no data available  
In the event of fire: see section 5

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral - rat - 2,140 mg/kg

Remarks: Behavioral:Somnolence (general depressed activity). Behavioral:Muscle weakness. Gastrointestinal disturbance

Inhalation: no data available

LD50 Dermal - rabbit - > 5,010 mg/kg

no data available

**Skin corrosion/irritation**

Skin - rabbit

Result: Irritating to skin. - 24 h

(Draize Test)

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Eyes - rabbit

Result: Mild eye irritation

(Draize Test)

**Respiratory or skin sensitisation**

- guinea pig

Remarks: Did not cause sensitisation on laboratory animals.

**Germ cell mutagenicity**

In vivo tests showed mutagenic effects

mouse

lymphocyte

DNA damage

mouse

lymphocyte

Mutation in mammalian somatic cells.

Hamster

Lungs

Mutation in microorganisms

Hamster

fibroblast

Sister chromatid exchange

rat

Unscheduled DNA synthesis

mouse

DNA damage

**Carcinogenicity**

Carcinogenicity - mouse - Oral

Tumorigenic: Equivocal tumorigenic agent by RTECS criteria. Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration: Tumors. Blood: Tumors.

Carcinogenicity - mouse - Subcutaneous

Tumorigenic: Neoplastic by RTECS criteria. Lungs, Thorax, or Respiration: Tumors. Liver: Tumors.

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

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component 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 identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

**Reproductive toxicity**

no data available

no data available

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

May cause respiratory irritation.

**Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

no data available

**Aspiration hazard**

no data available

**Additional Information**

RTECS: DU8050000

Liver injury may occur., Gastrointestinal disturbance

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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**12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION****12.1 Toxicity**

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| Toxicity to fish                                    | LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 1.45 mg/l - 96.0 h |
|   | LC0 - Danio rerio (zebra fish) - 38 mg/l - 96.0 h                |
|   | LC50 - Salmo gairdneri - 1.5 mg/l - 96.0 h                       |
|   | LC50 - Lepomis macrochirus (Bluegill) - 4.7 mg/l - 96.0 h        |
| Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates | LC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 0.36 mg/l - 48 h             |

**12.2 Persistence and degradability**

Biodegradability

(Closed Bottle test)

Remarks: According to the results of tests of biodegradability this product is considered as being readily biodegradable.

**12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

Bioaccumulation Leuciscus idus (Golden orfe) - 3 d  
- 50 µg/l

Bioconcentration factor (BCF): 281

**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 Other adverse effects**

Very toxic to aquatic life.

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

no data available

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**13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS****13.1 Waste treatment methods****Product**

Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

**Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

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**14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION****DOT (US)**

UN number: 3077

Class: 9

Packing group: III

Proper shipping name: Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s. (Biphenyl)  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 100 lbs  
Marine pollutant: No  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG**

UN number: 3077      Class: 9      Packing group: III      EMS-No: F-A, S-F  
Proper shipping name: ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S. (Biphenyl)  
Marine pollutant: Marine pollutant

**IATA**

UN number: 3077      Class: 9      Packing group: III  
Proper shipping name: Environmentally hazardous substance, solid, n.o.s. (Biphenyl)

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**15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

**SARA 302 Components**

SARA 302: No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

**SARA 313 Components**

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

|          | CAS-No. | Revision Date |
|----------|---------|---------------|
| Biphenyl | 92-52-4 | 2007-07-01    |

**SARA 311/312 Hazards**

Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

|          | CAS-No. | Revision Date |
|----------|---------|---------------|
| Biphenyl | 92-52-4 | 2007-07-01    |

**Pennsylvania Right To Know Components**

|          | CAS-No. | Revision Date |
|----------|---------|---------------|
| Biphenyl | 92-52-4 | 2007-07-01    |

**New Jersey Right To Know Components**

|          | CAS-No. | Revision Date |
|----------|---------|---------------|
| Biphenyl | 92-52-4 | 2007-07-01    |

**California Prop. 65 Components**

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

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**16. OTHER INFORMATION**

**Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.**

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Aquatic Acute   | Acute aquatic toxicity                                |
| Aquatic Chronic | Chronic aquatic toxicity                              |
| Eye Irrit.      | Eye irritation  |
| H315            | Causes skin irritation.                               |
| H319            | Causes serious eye irritation.                        |
| H335            | May cause respiratory irritation.                     |
| H340            | May cause genetic defects.                            |
| H400            | Very toxic to aquatic life.                           |
| H410            | Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects. |
| Muta.           | Germ cell mutagenicity                                |

**HMIS Rating**

|                        |   |
|------------------------|---|
| Health hazard:         | 2 |
| Chronic Health Hazard: | * |
| Flammability:          | 1 |
| Physical Hazard        | 0 |



**NFPA Rating**

Health hazard: 2  
Fire Hazard: 1  
Reactivity Hazard: 0

**Further information**

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