

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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This safety data sheet was created pursuant to the requirements of: US OSHA Hazard Communication Standard 2024 (29 CFR 1910.1200)

1. Identification

Product Name (R)-(-)-2-Phenylbutyric acid

Cat No. : AC378520000; AC378520010; AC378520050

CAS No 938-79-4
Synonyms No information available

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

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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 2
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	

Label Elements

Signal Word
Warning

Hazard Statements

Harmful if swallowed
Causes skin irritation
Causes serious eye irritation
May cause respiratory irritation

**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
Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

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
If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention

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)

None identified

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

No information available

3. Composition/information on Ingredients

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Benzeneacetic acid, .alpha.-ethyl-, (R)-	938-79-4	100

4. First-aid measures

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 soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Get medical attention.

Inhalation	Remove from exposure, lie down. Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention.
Ingestion	Clean mouth with water. Get medical attention.
Most important symptoms and effects	No information available.
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Water spray. Carbon dioxide (CO ₂). Dry chemical. Chemical foam.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available
Flash Point	110 °C / 230 °F
Method -	No information available
Autoignition Temperature	No information available
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

Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO₂).

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

Health	Flammability	Instability	Physical hazards
2	0	0	N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions	Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required.
Environmental Precautions	See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.
Methods for Containment and Clean Up	Soak up with inert absorbent material (e.g. sand, silica gel, acid binder, universal binder, sawdust). Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

7. Handling and Storage

Handling	Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray.
Storage.	Keep in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

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

Personal Protective Equipment

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.

Hygiene Measures Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical State Viscous liquid Liquid
Color Colorless
Odor No information available
Odor Threshold No information available
Property **Values**
Melting Point/Range No data available
Softening Point No data available
Boiling Point/Range 130 °C / 266 °F
Flash Point 110 °C / 230 °F
Flammability (liquid) No data available
Flammability (solid,gas) Not applicable
Explosion Limits No data available

Remarks

• Method

@ 3 mbar

Method - No information available

Liquid

Autoignition Temperature No data available
Decomposition Temperature No data available
pH No information available
Viscosity No data available
Water Solubility Insoluble
Solubility in other solvents No information available
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)
Vapor Pressure No data available
Density / Specific Gravity 1.055
Bulk Density Not applicable
Vapor Density No data available
Particle characteristics (liquid) Not applicable

Liquid
(Air = 1.0)

Other Information

Molecular Formula C10 H12 O2
Molecular Weight 164.2

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard None known, based on information available

Stability Stable.

Conditions to Avoid	Incompatible products.
Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidizing agents
Hazardous Decomposition Products	Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)
Hazardous Polymerization	No information available.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Information on expected route of exposure

Inhalation	Not an expected route of exposure.
Ingestion	May be harmful if swallowed.
Eyes	Avoid contact with eyes. Irritating to eyes.
Skin	Avoid contact with skin. May cause irritation.

Toxicology data for the components

Toxicologically Synergistic Products	No information available
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(b) skin corrosion/irritation;	Category 2
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(c) serious eye damage/irritation;	Category 2
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(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;	
Respiratory	No data available
Skin	No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity;	No data available
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(f) carcinogenicity;

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

Component	CAS No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Benzeneacetic acid, .alpha.-ethyl-, (R)-	938-79-4	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

(g) reproductive toxicity;	No data available
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(h) STOT-single exposure;	Category 3
Results / Target organs	Respiratory system.

(i) STOT-repeated exposure;	No data available
Target Organs	No information available.

(j) aspiration hazard;	No data available
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Other Adverse Effects	The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.
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Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed No information available.

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

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains.

Persistence and Degradability Insoluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility Is not likely mobile in the environment due its low water solubility. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its volatility.

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 Not regulated

TDG Not regulated

IATA Not regulated

IMDG/IMO Not regulated

15. Regulatory Information

United States of America Inventory

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	TSCA - EPA Regulatory Flags
Benzeneacetic acid, .alpha.-ethyl-, (R)-	938-79-4	-	-	-

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
Benzeneacetic acid, .alpha.-ethyl-, (R)-	938-79-4	-	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-

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)
Benzeneacetic acid, .alpha.-ethyl-, (R)-	938-79-4	-	-	-

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)
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Benzeneacetic acid, .alpha.-ethyl-, (R)-	938-79-4	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
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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)
Benzeneacetic acid, .alpha.-ethyl-, (R)-	938-79-4	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

16. Other Information

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Revision Summary

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