

### 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

#### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate

Product Number : 90520

Brand : Sigma-Aldrich

CAS-No. : 368-39-8

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

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

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

Company : Sigma-Aldrich  
3050 Spruce Street  
SAINT LOUIS MO 63103  
USA

Telephone : +1 800-325-5832

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#### 1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency Phone # : +1-703-527-3887 (CHEMTREC)

### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

##### GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Skin corrosion (Category 1B), H314  
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318

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)

H314

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary statement(s)

P260

Do not breathe dust or mist.

P264

Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

P280

Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.

P301 + P330 + P331

IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.

P303 + P361 + P353

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.

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.

P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P321	Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
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

Reacts violently with water.  
Strong hydrogen fluoride-releaser

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances

Formula	: C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>15</sub> BF <sub>4</sub> O
Molecular weight	: 189.99 g/mol
CAS-No.	: 368-39-8

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-)</b>	Skin Corr. 1B; Eye Dam. 1; H314	90 - 100 %
<b>Diethyl ether</b>	Flam. Liq. 1; Acute Tox. 4; STOT SE 3; H224, H302, H336	1 - 5 %

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

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area. Hydrofluoric (HF) acid burns require immediate and specialized first aid and medical treatment. Symptoms may be delayed up to 24 hours depending on the concentration of HF. After decontamination with water, further damage can occur due to penetration/absorption of the fluoride ion. Treatment should be directed toward binding the fluoride ion as well as the effects of exposure. Skin exposures can be treated with a 2.5% calcium gluconate gel repeated until burning ceases. More serious skin exposures may require subcutaneous calcium gluconate except for digital areas unless the physician is experienced in this technique, due to the potential for tissue injury from increased pressure. Absorption can readily occur through the subungual areas and should be considered when undergoing decontamination. Prevention of absorption of the fluoride ion in cases of ingestion can be obtained by giving milk, chewable calcium carbonate tablets or Milk of Magnesia to conscious victims. Conditions such as hypocalcemia, hypomagnesemia and cardiac arrhythmias should be monitored for, since they can occur after exposure.

#### If inhaled

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

#### In case of skin contact

Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician. First treatment with calcium gluconate paste.

#### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician. Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.

#### If swallowed

Do NOT induce vomiting. 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

Dry powder

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

No data available

#### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting 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

Do not let product enter drains.

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

Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Do not flush with water. 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 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.

Never allow product to get in contact with water during storage.

Recommended storage temperature 2 - 8 °C

Hygroscopic. Store under inert gas. Moisture sensitive. Handle and store under inert gas. Do not store in glass

Storage class (TRGS 510): 8B: Non-combustible, corrosive hazardous materials

#### 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
Diethyl ether	60-29-7	TWA	400.000000 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Remarks	Central Nervous System impairment Upper Respiratory Tract irritation		
		STEL	500.000000 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Central Nervous System impairment Upper Respiratory Tract irritation		
		See Appendix D - Substances with No Established RELs		
		TWA	400.000000 ppm 1,200.000000 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		The value in mg/m3 is approximate.		
		TWA	400 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Central Nervous System impairment Upper Respiratory Tract irritation		
		STEL	500 ppm	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Central Nervous System impairment Upper Respiratory Tract irritation		
		See Appendix D - Substances with No Established RELs		
		TWA	400 ppm 1,200 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		The value in mg/m3 is approximate.		
		TWA	400 ppm 1,200 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
		STEL	500 ppm 1,500 mg/m3	USA. OSHA - TABLE Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants - 1910.1000
		PEL	400 ppm 1,200 mg/m3	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)
		STEL	500 ppm 1,500 mg/m3	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)

Hazardous components without workplace control parameters

## 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

Face shield and safety glasses 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: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: 480 min  
Material tested: Dermatrill® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

Splash contact  
Material: Nitrile rubber  
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm  
Break through time: 480 min  
Material tested: Dermatrill® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, 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**

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, Flame retardant protective 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**

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

### **Control of environmental exposure**

Do not let product enter drains.

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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: white |
| b) Odour  | No data available                  |
| c) Odour Threshold                              | No data available                  |
| d) pH   | No data available                  |
| e) Melting point/freezing point                 | No data available                  |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | No data available                  |
| g) Flash point                                  | No data available                  |
| h) Evaporation rate                             | No data available                  |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas)                    | No data available                  |
| j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | No data available                  |
| k) Vapour pressure                              | No data available                  |
| l) Vapour density                               | No data available                  |
| m) Relative density                             | No data available                  |
| n) Water solubility                             | No data available                  |
| o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water       | No data available                  |
| p) Auto-ignition temperature                    | No data available                  |

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|------------------------------|-------------------|
| 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.

Contains the following stabiliser(s):

Diethyl ether (>1 - <3 %)

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Reacts violently with water.

### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Exposure to moisture

Reacts dangerously with glass.

### 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents/glass

### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, Hydrogen fluoride, Borane/boron oxides

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

No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

Inhalation: No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

Dermal: No data available

Dermal: No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

No data available

No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

No data available

No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

No data available

No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

#### Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

#### **Carcinogenicity**

- 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.
- 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 on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

#### **Reproductive toxicity**

No data available  
No data available (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))  
No data available  
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#### **Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

No data available

#### **Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

#### **Aspiration hazard**

No data available

#### **Additional Information**

RTECS: Not available

spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx, spasm, inflammation and edema of the bronchi, pneumonitis, pulmonary edema, burning sensation, Cough, wheezing, laryngitis, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea, Vomiting  
Fluoride ion can reduce serum calcium levels possibly causing fatal hypocalcemia.

Cough, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea, Vomiting (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

Liver - Ingestion may provoke the following symptoms:, Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

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## **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

### **12.1 Toxicity**

No data available  
No data available

### **12.2 Persistence and degradability**

No data available

### **12.3 Bioaccumulative potential**

No data available

### **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**

No data available

No data available

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## **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

### **13.1 Waste treatment methods**

#### **Product**

Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. 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.

**Contaminated packaging**  
Dispose of as unused product.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### DOT (US)

UN number: 3261      Class: 8      Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Corrosive solid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 3333 lbs  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

### IMDG

UN number: 3261      Class: 8      Packing group: II      EMS-No: F-A, S-B  
Proper shipping name: CORROSIVE SOLID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

### IATA

UN number: 3261      Class: 8      Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Corrosive solid, acidic, organic, n.o.s. (Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-))

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## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### SARA 302 Components

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

### SARA 313 Components

This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

### SARA 311/312 Hazards

Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

### Massachusetts Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Diethyl ether	60-29-7	1993-04-24

### Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-)	368-39-8	
Diethyl ether	60-29-7	1993-04-24

### New Jersey Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate(1-)	368-39-8	
Diethyl ether	60-29-7	1993-04-24

### 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.

Acute Tox.	Acute toxicity
Eye Dam.	Serious eye damage
Flam. Liq.	Flammable liquids
H224	Extremely flammable liquid and vapour.
H302	Harmful if swallowed.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H336	May cause drowsiness or dizziness.
Skin Corr.	Skin corrosion
STOT SE	Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure



**HMIS Rating**

Health hazard:	3
Chronic Health Hazard:	*
Flammability:	0
Physical Hazard	2

**NFPA Rating**

Health hazard:	3
Fire Hazard:	0
Reactivity Hazard:	0

**Further information**

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