

according to Regulation UK SI 2019/758 and UK SI 2020/1577 as amended

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# SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

#### 1.1. Product identifier

Product Description: Stearic acid

 Cat No.:
 S/8130/48, S/8130/53

 Synonyms
 Octadecanoic acid

 CAS No
 57-11-4

 EC No
 200-313-4

EC No 200-313-4 Molecular Formula C18 H36 O2

REACH registration number -

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

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.

Sector of use SU3 - Industrial uses: Uses of substances as such or in preparations at industrial sites

Product category PC21 - Laboratory chemicals

**Process categories** PROC15 - Use as a laboratory reagent

Environmental release category ERC6a - Industrial use resulting in manufacture of another substance (use of intermediates)

Uses advised against No Information available

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

Company

UK entity/business name

Fisher Scientific UK

Bishop Meadow Road, Loughborough, Leicestershire LE11 5RG, United Kingdom

**EU entity/business name** Thermo Fisher Scientific

Janssen Pharmaceuticalaan 3a

2440 Geel, Belgium

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1.4. Emergency telephone number

Tel: 01509 231166

Chemtrec US: (800) 424-9300 Chemtrec EU: 001-703-527-3887

# **SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

#### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567

Physical hazards

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Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

#### **Health hazards**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

#### **Environmental hazards**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

#### 2.2. Label elements

None required

May form combustible dust concentrations in air

#### 2.3. Other hazards

Substance is not considered persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT) / very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB)

May form explosible dust-air mixture if dispersed

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

# **SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

#### 3.1. Substances

Component	CAS No	EC No	Weight %	CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567
Stearic acid	57-11-4	EEC No. 200-313-4	>95	

REACH registration number	-

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

# **SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

#### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

Eye Contact Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get

medical attention.

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**Skin Contact**Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention

immediately if symptoms occur.

Ingestion Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if

symptoms occur.

**Inhalation** Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.

**Self-Protection of the First Aider** No special precautions required.

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

None reasonably foreseeable.

#### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

Notes to Physician Treat symptomatically.

#### **SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

#### 5.1. Extinguishing media

#### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO2), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.

#### Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

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

Fine dust dispersed in air may ignite. Dust can form an explosive mixture with air. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

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

### 5.3. Advice for firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

# **SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

# 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.

#### 6.2. Environmental precautions

Should not be released into the environment.

# 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

## 6.4. Reference to other sections

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Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

# **SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE**

#### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation.

#### **Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

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

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

Technical Rules for Hazardous Substances (TRGS) 510 Class 11 Storage Class (LGK) (Germany)

#### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Use in laboratories

# **SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

#### 8.1. Control parameters

#### **Exposure limits**

List source(s):

#### **Biological limit values**

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

#### Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) / Derived Minimum Effect Level (DMEL)

See table for values

Component	Acute effects local (Dermal)	Acute effects systemic (Dermal)	Chronic effects local (Dermal)	Chronic effects systemic (Dermal)
Stearic acid 57-11-4 ( >95 )				DNEL = 10mg/kg bw/day

Component	Acute effects local (Inhalation)	Acute effects systemic (Inhalation)	Chronic effects local (Inhalation)	Chronic effects systemic (Inhalation)
Stearic acid 57-11-4 ( >95 )				DNEL = 17.632mg/m <sup>3</sup>

#### **Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)**

No information available.

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# 8.2. Exposure controls

**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 Protection** Goggles (European standard - EN 166)

Hand Protection Protective gloves

Glove material Natural rubber Nitrile rubber Neoprene	Breakthrough time See manufacturers recommendations	Glove thickness	<b>EU standard</b> EN 374	Glove comments (minimum requirement)
PVC				

Skin and body protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

**Respiratory Protection** When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use

appropriate certified respirators.

Large scale/emergency use Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 136 approved respirator if exposure limits

are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced

Recommended Filter type: Particle filter

Small scale/Laboratory use Maintain adequate ventilation

Recommended half mask:- Particle filtering: EN149:2001

**Environmental exposure controls** No information available.

# **SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

# 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical State Solid

Appearance White

Odor No information available
Odor Threshold No data available

Melting Point/Range 67 - 69 °C / 152.6 - 156.2 °F

Softening Point No data available

Boiling Point/Range 361 °C / 681.8 °F @ 760 mmHg

Flammability (liquid) Not applicable Solid

Flammability (solid,gas)

Explosion Limits

No information available

No data available

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Solid

Flash Point 196 °C / 384.8 °F Method - No information available

Autoignition Temperature

Decomposition Temperature

pH

395 - °C / 743 - °F

No data available

No information available

Viscosity Not applicable

Water Solubility Slightly soluble

Solubility in other solvents No information available

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)

Vapor Pressure 1 mmHg @ 174 °C

Density / Specific Gravity 0.840

Bulk Density No data available

Vapor Density Not applicable Solid

Particle characteristics No data available

9.2. Other information

Molecular Formula C18 H36 O2 Molecular Weight 284.47

Evaporation Rate Not applicable - Solid

# **SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

10.1. Reactivity

None known, based on information available

10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous Polymerization Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

**Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Avoid dust formation. Incompatible products. Excess heat.

10.5. Incompatible materials

Combustible material. Bases. Strong oxidizing agents. Reducing Agent.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

# **SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

#### 11.1. Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

#### **Product Information**

(a) acute toxicity;

OralBased on available data, the classification criteria are not metDermalBased on available data, the classification criteria are not metInhalationBased on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Stearic acid	LD50 = 4600 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 > 2000 mg/kg (Rabbit)	-

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(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

Respiratory Skin Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(f) carcinogenicity; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

(g) reproductive toxicity; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(h) STOT-single exposure; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Target Organs None known.

(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable

Solid

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated. See actual entry in RTECS for

complete information

Symptoms / effects, both acute and No information available.

delayed

11.2. Information on other hazards

Endocrine Disrupting Properties Assess endocrine disrupting properties for human health. This product does not contain any

known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

#### **SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

12.1. Toxicity

**Ecotoxicity effects**Contains no substances known to be hazardous to the environment or that are not

degradable in waste water treatment plants.

12.2. Persistence and degradability Readily biodegradable

**Persistence** Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.

12.3. Bioaccumulative potential Bioaccumulation is unlikely

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12.4. Mobility in soil

The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems. Will likely be mobile in the

environment due to its water solubility. Highly mobile in soils

12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB

assessment

Substance is not considered persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT) / very persistent

and very bioaccumulative (vPvB).

12.6. Endocrine disrupting

properties

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** 

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

12.7. Other adverse effects

Persistent Organic Pollutant Ozone Depletion Potential This product does not contain any known or suspected substance This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

#### **SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Waste from Residues/Unused

**Products** 

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to

nazardous waste. Consult local, regional, and national nazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

**Contaminated Packaging** 

Empty remaining contents. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Do not re-use

empty containers.

**European Waste Catalogue (EWC)** 

According to the European Waste Catalog, Waste Codes are not product specific, but

application specific.

Other Information

Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product

was used.

# **SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

IMDG/IMO Not regulated

14.1. UN number

14.2. UN proper shipping name

14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

14.4. Packing group

ADR Not regulated

14.1. UN number

14.2. UN proper shipping name

14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

14.4. Packing group

IATA Not regulated

14.1. UN number

14.2. UN proper shipping name

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14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

14.4. Packing group

14.5. Environmental hazards No hazards identified

No special precautions required. 14.6. Special precautions for user

14.7. Maritime transport in bulk Not applicable, packaged goods

according to IMO instruments

# **SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

#### **International Inventories**

Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), China (IECSC), Taiwan (TCSI), Korea (KECL), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Australia (AICS), New Zealand (NZIoC), Philippines (PICCS). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	IECSC	TCSI	KECL	ENCS	ISHL
Stearic acid	57-11-4	200-313-4	-	1	X	Χ	KE-26333	Χ	Х
Component	CAS No	TSCA		ventory ation - Inactive	DSL	NDSL	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Stearic acid	57-11-4	X	ACT	IVE	Х	-	X	X	Х

Legend: X - Listed '-' - Not Listed KECL - NIER number or KE number (http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do)

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH Not applicable

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	J	Candidate List of Substances of Very High
				Concern (SVHC)
Stearic acid	57-11-4	-	-	-

#### Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC)

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
Stearic acid	57-11-4	Not applicable	Not applicable

Regulation (EC) No 649/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals

Not applicable

Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)? Not applicable

Take note of Directive 98/24/EC on the protection of the health and safety of workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work .

# **National Regulations**

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UK - Take note of Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) 2002 and 2005 Amendment

**WGK Classification** See table for values

Component	Germany - Water Classification (AwSV)	Germany - TA-Luft Class
Stearic acid	nwg	

Component	Switzerland - Ordinance on the Reduction of Risk from handling of hazardous substances preparation (SR 814.81)	Switzerland - Ordinance on Incentive Taxes on Volatile Organic Compounds (OVOC)	Switzerland - Ordinance of the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure
Stearic acid 57-11-4 ( >95 )	Prohibited and Restricted Substances		

## 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

A Chemical Safety Assessment/Report (CSA/CSR) has not been conducted

#### **SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

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

# Legend

**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

Substances List

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances **KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

WEL - Workplace Exposure Limit TWA - Time Weighted Average

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists **DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level

IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC) LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%

RPE - Respiratory Protective Equipment LC50 - Lethal Concentration 50% NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

EC50 - Effective Concentration 50% POW - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

ADR - European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

vPvB - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

IMO/IMDG - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

Transport Association MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

ICAO/IATA - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air

OECD - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development **BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

ATE - Acute Toxicity Estimate VOC - (Volatile Organic Compound)

Key literature references and sources for data

https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

**Training Advice** 

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

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