

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

### 1.1. Product identifier

Product Description: **3-Hydroxy-2-methylbenzoic acid**  
Cat No. : **L13743**  
CAS No 603-80-5  
Molecular Formula C8 H8 O3

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

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.  
Uses advised against No Information available

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

Company Avocado Research Chemicals Ltd.  
(Part of Thermo Fisher Scientific)  
Shore Road, Heysham  
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United Kingdom  
Office Tel: +44 (0) 1524 850506  
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E-mail address begel.sdsdesk@thermofisher.com

### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

For information **US** call: 001-800-227-6701 / **Europe** call: +32 14 57 52 11  
Emergency Number **US**:001-201-796-7100 / **Europe**: +32 14 57 52 99  
**CHEMTREC** Tel. No. **US**:001-800-424-9300 / **Europe**: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

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

##### Health hazards

Skin Corrosion/Irritation  
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation

Category 2 (H315)  
Category 2 (H319)

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Specific target organ toxicity - (single exposure)

Category 3 (H335)

## **Environmental hazards**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## **2.2. Label elements**



Signal Word

Warning

## **Hazard Statements**

- H315 - Causes skin irritation
- H319 - Causes serious eye irritation
- H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

## **Precautionary Statements**

- P302 + P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
- P337 + P313 - If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention
- P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing
- P312 - Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell
- P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
- P332 + P313 - If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention

## **2.3. Other hazards**

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 |
|--------------------------------|----------|-------|----------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3-Hydroxy-2-methylbenzoic acid | 603-80-5 |       | <=100    | Skin Irrit. 2 (H315)<br>Eye Irrit. 2 (H319)<br>STOT SE 3 (H335)                         |

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## **SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES**

### **4.1. Description of first aid measures**

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|                                           |                                                                                                                   |
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| <b>General Advice</b>                     | If symptoms persist, call a physician.                                                                            |
| <b>Eye Contact</b>                        | Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.   |
| <b>Skin Contact</b>                       | Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician. |
| <b>Ingestion</b>                          | Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.             |
| <b>Inhalation</b>                         | Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.      |
| <b>Self-Protection of the First Aider</b> | 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**

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment. Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), 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**

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

None under normal use conditions.

### **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**

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

### **6.2. Environmental precautions**

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

### **6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up**

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

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## 6.4. Reference to other sections

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 ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing.

#### **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

Protect from moisture.

**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**

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

#### **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)**

No information available

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

No information available.

### 8.2. Exposure controls

#### **Engineering Measures**

None under normal use conditions. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

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## Personal protective equipment

### Eye Protection

Goggles (European standard - EN 166)

### Hand Protection

Protective gloves

| Glove material | Breakthrough time | Glove thickness | EU standard | Glove comments        |
|----------------|-------------------|-----------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Natural rubber | See manufacturers | -               | EN 374      | (minimum requirement) |
| Butyl rubber   | recommendations   |                 |             |                       |
| Nitrile rubber |                   |                 |             |                       |
| Neoprene       |                   |                 |             |                       |
| PVC            |                   |                 |             |                       |

### Skin and body protection

Long sleeved clothing.

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

No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.

### 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:-** Valve filtering: EN405; or; Half mask: EN140; plus filter, EN 141

### 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                              | Cream                           |                                   |
| Odor                                    | Odorless                        |                                   |
| Odor Threshold                          | No data available               |                                   |
| Melting Point/Range                     | 142 - 146 °C / 287.6 - 294.8 °F |                                   |
| Softening Point                         | No data available               |                                   |
| Boiling Point/Range                     | No information available        |                                   |
| Flammability (liquid)                   | Not applicable                  | Solid                             |
| Flammability (solid,gas)                | No information available        |                                   |
| Explosion Limits                        | No data available               |                                   |
| Flash Point                             | No information available        | Method - No information available |
| Autoignition Temperature                | No data available               |                                   |
| Decomposition Temperature               | No data available               |                                   |
| pH                                      | No information available        |                                   |
| Viscosity                               | Not applicable                  | Solid                             |
| Water Solubility                        | No information available        |                                   |
| Solubility in other solvents            | No information available        |                                   |
| Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water) |                                 |                                   |
| Vapor Pressure                          | No data available               |                                   |
| Density / Specific Gravity              | No data available               |                                   |
| Bulk Density                            | No data available               |                                   |
| Vapor Density                           | Not applicable                  | Solid                             |

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Particle characteristics No data available

## 9.2. Other information

Molecular Formula C8 H8 O3  
Molecular Weight 152.15  
Evaporation Rate Not applicable - Solid

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1. Reactivity None known, based on information available

10.2. Chemical stability Moisture sensitive.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous Polymerization No information available.  
Hazardous Reactions None under normal processing.

10.4. Conditions to avoid Incompatible products. Excess heat.

10.5. Incompatible materials None known.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products None under normal use conditions.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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

#### Product Information

(a) acute toxicity;  
Oral No data available  
Dermal No data available  
Inhalation No data available

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Category 2

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 2

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;  
Respiratory No data available  
Skin No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available

(f) carcinogenicity; No data available  
There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

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|                                            |                           |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| (g) reproductive toxicity;                 | No data available         |
| (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;                     | Not applicable<br>Solid   |
| Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed | No information available. |

## 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. |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|

|                                            |                          |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>12.2. Persistence and degradability</u> | No information available |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------|

|                                        |                          |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>12.3. Bioaccumulative potential</u> | No information available |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------|

|                               |                          |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <u>12.4. Mobility in soil</u> | No information available |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|

|                                                 |                                   |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <u>12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment</u> | No data available for assessment. |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|

### 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  
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## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

|                                     |                                                                                                                                                                        |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Waste from Residues/Unused Products | Waste is classified as hazardous. Dispose of in accordance with the European Directives on waste and hazardous waste. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. |
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|                                       |                                                                                                                               |
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| <b>Contaminated Packaging</b>         | Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.                                                     |
| <b>European Waste Catalogue (EWC)</b> | According to the European Waste Catalog, Waste Codes are not product specific, but application specific.                      |
| <b>Other Information</b>              | Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains. |

## 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**  
**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)**  
**14.4. Packing group**

**14.5. Environmental hazards** No hazards identified

**14.6. Special precautions for user** No special precautions required.

**14.7. Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments** Not applicable, packaged goods

## 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 |
|--------------------------------|----------|--------|--------|-----|-------|------|------|------|------|
| 3-Hydroxy-2-methylbenzoic acid | 603-80-5 | -      | -      | -   | X     | X    | -    | X    | -    |

| Component                      | CAS No   | TSCA | TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive | DSL | NDSL | AICS | NZIoC | PICCS |
|--------------------------------|----------|------|-----------------------------------------------|-----|------|------|-------|-------|
| 3-Hydroxy-2-methylbenzoic acid | 603-80-5 | -    | -                                             | -   | -    | -    | -     | -     |

**Legend:** X - Listed '-' - Not Listed

**KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

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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) |
|--------------------------------|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3-Hydroxy-2-methylbenzoic acid | 603-80-5 | -                                                                   | -                                                                             | -                                                                                                     |

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 |
|--------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3-Hydroxy-2-methylbenzoic acid | 603-80-5 | 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

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

WGK Classification

Water endangering class = 3 (self classification)

| 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 |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3-Hydroxy-2-methylbenzoic acid<br>603-80-5 ( <=100 ) | 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

H315 - Causes skin irritation

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation

H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

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**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

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

**DSL/NDSL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

**NZIoC** - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

**WEL** - Workplace Exposure Limit

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level

**RPE** - Respiratory Protective Equipment

**LC50** - Lethal Concentration 50%

**NOEC** - No Observed Effect Concentration

**PBT** - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

**TWA** - Time Weighted Average

**IARC** - International Agency for Research on Cancer

Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

**LD50** - Lethal Dose 50%

**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50%

**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

**vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

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

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

**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

**Key literature references and sources for data**

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

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

**ICAO/IATA** - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association

**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

**ATE** - Acute Toxicity Estimate

**VOC** - (Volatile Organic Compound)

## Training Advice

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

**Prepared By**

Health, Safety and Environmental Department

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**Revision Summary**

New emergency telephone response service provider.

**This safety data sheet complies with Regulation UK SI 2019/758 and UK SI 2020/1577 as amended.**

## Disclaimer

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