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#### Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

### **PRODUCT NAME**

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L-GLUTAMIC ACID

#### OTHER NAMES

C5-H9-N-O4, C5-H9-N-O4, HO2C(CH2)2CH(NH2)CO2H, "1-(+)-glutamic acid", "1-(+)-glutamic acid", "L-(+)-glutamic acid", "alpha-aminoglutaric acid", "amino acid", glutacid, "L-2-amino glutaric acid", "L-amino glutaric acid", "L-amino glutaric acid", "2-aminopentanedioic acid", "2-aminopentanedioic acid", "1-aminopropane-1, 3-dicarboxylic acid", "alpha -glutamic acid", "glutaminic acid", "L-glutaminic acid", "L-glutaminic acid",

### **PRODUCT USE**

Used in medicine, biochemical research. In the food industry as a salt substitute, flavour enhancer (I-form only). Agonist at kainate, NMDA and quisqualate receptors; an excitory amino acid neurotransmitter.

### **SUPPLIER**

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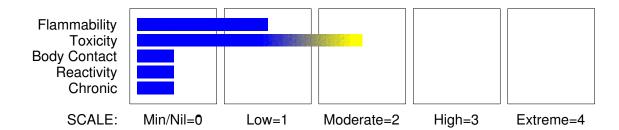
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#### **HAZARD RATINGS**



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# Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### **EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

### **HAZARD**

Not hazardous

No hazards determined by using GHS criteria

### PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS		
NAME	CAS RN	%
L- glutamic acid	56-86-0	100

### **Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES**

#### **SWALLOWED**

- · Immediately give a glass of water.
- · First aid is not generally required. If in doubt, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

### **EYE**

If this product comes in contact with the eyes:

- · Wash out immediately with fresh running water.
- Ensure complete irrigation of the eye by keeping eyelids apart and away from eye and moving the eyelids by occasionally lifting the upper and lower lids.
- If pain persists or recurs seek medical attention.
- · Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.

## SKIN

If skin contact occurs:

- · Immediately remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.
- · Flush skin and hair with running water (and soap if available).
- · Seek medical attention in event of irritation.

#### **INHALED**

- · If dust is inhaled, remove from contaminated area.
- · Encourage patient to blow nose to ensure clear passage of breathing.
- · If irritation or discomfort persists seek medical attention.

## **NOTES TO PHYSICIAN**

Treat symptomatically.

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### Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

## **EXTINGUISHING MEDIA**

- · Foam.
- · Dry chemical powder.
- · BCF (where regulations permit).
- · Carbon dioxide.
- · Water spray or fog Large fires only.

#### FIRE FIGHTING

- · Use water delivered as a fine spray to control fire and cool adjacent area.
- · Do not approach containers suspected to be hot.
- · Cool fire exposed containers with water spray from a protected location.
- · If safe to do so, remove containers from path of fire.
- · Equipment should be thoroughly decontaminated after use.

## FIRE/EXPLOSION HAZARD

- · Solid which exhibits difficult combustion or is difficult to ignite.
- · Avoid generating dust, particularly clouds of dust in a confined or unventilated space as dusts may form an explosive mixture with air, and any source of ignition, i.e. flame or spark, will cause fire or explosion. Dust clouds generated by the fine grinding of the solid are a particular hazard; accumulations of fine dust may burn rapidly and fiercely if ignited.
- Dry dust can also be charged electrostatically by turbulence, pneumatic transport, pouring, in exhaust ducts and during transport.
- · Build-up of electrostatic charge may be prevented by bonding and grounding.
- · Powder handling equipment such as dust collectors, dryers and mills may require additional protection measures such as explosion venting.
- · All movable parts coming in contact with this material should have a speed of less than 1-metre/sec.

Combustion products include: carbon monoxide (CO) and nitrogen oxides (NOx).

### FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

Avoid contamination with strong oxidising agents as ignition may result.

## **Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

# **EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

## MINOR SPILLS

- · Clean up all spills immediately.
- · Avoid contact with skin and eyes.
- · Wear impervious gloves and safety glasses.
- · Use dry clean up procedures and avoid generating dust.
- · Sweep up or
- · Vacuum up (consider explosion-proof machines designed to be grounded during storage and use).
- · Place spilled material in clean, dry, sealable, labelled container.

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### **MAJOR SPILLS**

- · Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- · Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- · Control personal contact by using protective equipment and dust respirator.
- · Prevent spillage from entering drains, sewers or water courses.
- Avoid generating dust.
- · Sweep, shovel up. Recover product wherever possible.
- · Put residues in labelled plastic bags or other containers for disposal.
- · If contamination of drains or waterways occurs, advise emergency services.

## **EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING GUIDELINES (ERPG)**

The maximum airborne concentration below which it is believed that nearly all individuals could be exposed for up to one hour WITHOUT experiencing or developing

life-threatening health effects is:

L-glutamic acid 200 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

irreversible or other serious effects or symptoms which could impair an individual's ability to take protective action is:

L-glutamic acid 40 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

other than mild, transient adverse effects without perceiving a clearly defined odour is:

L-glutamic acid 6 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

The threshold concentration below which most people will experience no appreciable risk of health effects:

L-glutamic acid 2 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA)

Ingredients considered according to the following cutoffs

Very Toxic (T+) >= 0.1% Toxic (T) >= 3.0%R50 >= 0.25% Corrosive (C) >= 5.0%

R51 >= 2.5% else >= 10%

where percentage is percentage of ingredient found in the mixture

## SAFE STORAGE WITH OTHER CLASSIFIED CHEMICALS













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+: May be stored together

O: May be stored together with specific preventions

X: Must not be stored together

Personal Protective Equipment advice is contained in Section 8 of the MSDS.

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### **Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE**

### PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

- Limit all unnecessary personal contact.
- · Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- · Use in a well-ventilated area.
- · When handling DO NOT eat, drink or smoke.
- · Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- · Avoid physical damage to containers.
- · Use good occupational work practice.
- · Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.

## **SUITABLE CONTAINER**

- · Polyethylene or polypropylene container.
- · Packing as recommended by manufacturer.
- · Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks.

## STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

Avoid reaction with oxidising agents.

## STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

- · Keep dry.
- · Store in original containers.
- · Keep containers securely sealed.
- · No smoking, naked lights or ignition sources.
- · Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.
- · Store away from incompatible materials.
- · Protect containers against physical damage.
- · Check regularly for leaks.
- · Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.

#### Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

## **EXPOSURE CONTROLS**

The following materials had no OELs on our records

• L- glutamic acid:

CAS:56- 86- 0 CAS:10549- 13- 0 CAS:6899- 05- 4 CAS:138- 16- 9

## **MATERIAL DATA**

These "dusts" have little adverse effect on the lungs and do not produce toxic effects or organic disease. Although there is no dust which does not evoke some cellular response at sufficiently high concentrations, the cellular response caused by P.N.O.C.s has the following characteristics:

- · the architecture of the air spaces remain intact,
- · scar tissue (collagen) is not synthesised to any degree,
- · tissue reaction is potentially reversible.

Extensive concentrations of P.N.O.C.s may:

- · seriously reduce visibility,
- · cause unpleasant deposits in the eyes, ears and nasal passages,

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- · contribute to skin or mucous membrane injury by chemical or mechanical action, per se, or by the rigorous skin cleansing procedures necessary for their removal. [ACGIH] This limit does not apply:
- · to brief exposures to higher concentrations
- · nor does it apply to those substances that may cause physiological impairment at lower concentrations but for which a TLV has as yet to be determined.

This exposure standard applies to particles which

- · are insoluble or poorly soluble\* in water or, preferably, in aqueous lung fluid (if data is available) and
- have a low toxicity (i.e., are not cytotoxic, genotoxic, or otherwise chemically reactive with lung tissue, and do not emit ionizing radiation, cause immune sensitization, or cause toxic effects other than by inflammation or by a mechanism of lung overload). OEL STEL (Russia): 10 mg/m3

## PERSONAL PROTECTION







### EYE

- · Safety glasses.
- · Safety glasses with side shields.
- · Chemical goggles.
- · Contact lenses may pose a special hazard; soft contact lenses may absorb and concentrate irritants. A written policy document, describing the wearing of lens or restrictions on use, should be created for each workplace or task. This should include a review of lens absorption and adsorption for the class of chemicals in use and an account of injury experience. Medical and first-aid personnel should be trained in their removal and suitable equipment should be readily available. In the event of chemical exposure, begin eye irrigation immediately and remove contact lens as soon as practicable. Lens should be removed at the first signs of eye redness or irritation lens should be removed in a clean environment only after workers have washed hands thoroughly. [CDC NIOSH Current Intelligence Bulletin 59].

#### HANDS/FEET

Wear general protective gloves, eg. light weight rubber gloves.

## **OTHER**

Overalls.

- · Impervious protective clothing.
- · Evewash unit.

## RESPIRATOR

Protection Factor	Half- Face Respirator	Full- Face Respirator	Powered Air Respirator
10 x ES	P1 Air- line*	·	PAPR- P1 -
50 x ES	Air- line**	P2	PAPR- P2
100 x ES	-	P3	-
		Air- line*	-
100+ x ES	-	Air- line**	PAPR- P3

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\* - Negative pressure demand \*\* - Continuous flow.

The local concentration of material, quantity and conditions of use determine the type of personal protective equipment required.

For further information consult

your

Occupational Health and Safety Advisor.

#### **ENGINEERING CONTROLS**

General exhaust is adequate under normal operating conditions. If risk of overexposure exists, wear SAA approved respirator. Correct fit is essential to obtain adequate protection. Provide adequate ventilation in warehouse or closed storage areas. Air contaminants generated in the workplace possess varying "escape" velocities which, in turn, determine the "capture velocities" of fresh circulating air required to effectively remove the contaminant.

Type of Contaminant: Air Speed: solvent, vapours, degreasing etc., evaporating 0.25- 0.5 m/s (50- 100 f/min) from tank (in still air) aerosols, fumes from pouring operations, 0.5- 1 m/s (100- 200 f/min.) intermittent container filling, low speed conveyer transfers, welding, spray drift, plating acid fumes, pickling (released at low velocity into zone of active generation) direct spray, spray painting in shallow booths, 1- 2.5 m/s (200- 500 f/min) drum filling, conveyer loading, crusher dusts, gas discharge (active generation into zone of rapid air motion) grinding, abrasive blasting, tumbling, high 2.5- 10 m/s (500- 2000 f/min.) speed wheel generated dusts (released at high initial velocity into zone of very high rapid air motion).

Within each range the appropriate value depends on:

Lower end of the range

1: Room air currents minimal or favourable to capture

2: Contaminants of low toxicity or of nuisance value only

3: Intermittent, low production.

4: Large hood or large air mass in motion

Upper end of the range

1: Disturbing room air currents

2: Contaminants of high toxicity

3: High production, heavy use

4: Small hood - local control only

Simple theory shows that air velocity falls rapidly with distance away from the opening of a simple extraction pipe. Velocity generally decreases with the square of distance from the extraction point (in simple cases). Therefore the air speed at the extraction point should be adjusted, accordingly, after reference to distance from the contaminating source. The air velocity at the extraction fan, for example, should be a minimum of 1-2 m/s (200-400 f/min.) for extraction of solvents generated in a tank 2 meters distant from the extraction point. Other mechanical considerations, producing performance deficits within the extraction apparatus, make it essential that theoretical air velocities are multiplied by factors of 10 or more when extraction systems are installed or used.

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### Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### **APPEARANCE**

White crystalline powder, practically odourless. Slightly soluble in water (1%), ether, acetone and cold glacial acetic acid. Insoluble in alcohol. The naturally occuring form is L(+)-glutamic acid.

## **PHYSICAL PROPERTIES**

Solid.

Does not mix with water.

Sinks in water.

Molecular Weight: 147.15

Melting Range (°C): 200 (Sublimes). Solubility in water (g/L): Partly miscible

pH (1% solution): Not available.

Volatile Component (%vol): Negligible

Relative Vapour Density (air=1): Not applicable

Lower Explosive Limit (%): Not available Autoignition Temp (°C): Not available.

State: Divided solid

Boiling Range (°C): Not applicable. Specific Gravity (water=1): 1.54 pH (as supplied): Not applicable Vapour Pressure (kPa): Negligible Evaporation Rate: Not applicable Flash Point (°C): Not available

Upper Explosive Limit (%): Not available.

Decomposition Temp (°C): 205

## Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY AND REACTIVITY INFORMATION

### CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

- · Presence of incompatible materials.
- · Product is considered stable.
- · Hazardous polymerisation will not occur.

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## POTENTIAL HEALTH EFFECTS

## **ACUTE HEALTH EFFECTS**

#### **SWALLOWED**

Accidental ingestion of the material may be damaging to the health of the individual. Considered an unlikely route of entry in commercial/industrial environments. The material may bind to the N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) neuroreceptor. The NMDA receptor is an ionotropic glutamate receptor found on post-synaptic neurons and is a membrane channel that regulates the flow of sodium and calcium ions, flowing into the neuron, while potassium ions flow out. The NMDA receptor, therefore, tightly regulates "ion channel conductance". NMDA agonists (receptor activators), such as the glutamates, can, however, be highly toxic to the neuron. Excessive amounts of glutamate or its congeners, can be highly toxic to neurons and may contribute to neuron damage/death in stroke, epilepsy and neurodegenerative diseases. The decreased supply of oxygen (hypoxia) in stroke has been shown to result in excess glutamate release.

Overactivation by glutamates, other excitatory amino-acids (EAAs) such as the cysteines

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and homocysteines, and its congeners (excitotoxins), causes an excessive influx of calcium, into neurons, triggering nervous tissue damage. Glutamate is the major excitatory neurotransmitter in the central nervous system. When concentrations of alutamate and excitotoxins rise above a certain level, in the extracellular fluid, the neuron begins to fire abnormally. At higher concentrations, the cells of the neuron undergo a specialised process of delayed cell death known as excitotoxicity. Although the effects of excitotoxins are generally not dramatic, certain individuals may be especially sensitive and may develop severe symptoms as a result of cardiac irritability. Excess calcium can activate pathways that are potentially harmful to the cell. For example, kinases, phospholipase A2, calpains, NO synthase, endonucleases and other enzymes can be activated. Phospholipase A2 stimulates arachidonic acid production while NO synthase produces nitric oxide. The production of both species ultimately results in free radical damage. Calpain activation may cause breakdown of the cytoskeleton and also contributes to free radical production and lipid peroxidation. Endonucleases damage neuronal DNA, as do free radicals. In addition, high internal calcium ion concentrations create large osmotic forces that drive water into the cell causing swelling and possibly. rupture. Rupture, in turn, causes the release of even more glutamate, inducing excitotoxicity in neighbouring cells. When brain cells are injured, they also release large amounts of glutamate from surrounding astrocytes and this glutamate can produce further damage in adjacent normal neuronal cells. This appears to be the case in strokes, seizures and brain trauma.

Activation of calcium-dependent enzymes is thought to produce changes in neuronal function that are long-lasting, persisting for weeks or months; it has been suggested that such activation is responsible for memory. Blockade (antagonism) of the receptor by several chemical agents produces amnesia in laboratory animals.

NMDA antagonists have been used as neuroprotective agents counteracting the effects of overactivation of the receptor; however such antagonists may also be harmful, at high doses, as the neuron also needs calcium for normal function. Very high doses may produce irreversible damage (including the psychomimetic effects caused by PCP -"angel dust"-abuse). Certain NMDA antagonists (notably those used to produce anaesthesis) induce arousal and even seizures. This class of drug has also produced a model psychosis indistinguishable from schizophrenia.

Large doses of calcium channel blocking agents may produce nausea, weakness, dizziness, drowsiness, confusion and slurred speech. Marked and prolonged hypotension and bradycardia may result from second or third degree atrioventricular block, decreased cardiac output and junctional rhythms; death may ensue.

Certain NMDA receptor antagonists may produce lightheadedness, ataxia, mood elevation and muscle incoordination. Side-effects of uptake of these antagonists (such as the isoxazole derivative, ibotenic acid, isolated from hallucinogenic mushrooms), by neurones, include dizziness, ataxia, euphoria, muscle twitches, and initial psychic stimulations followed by dream-filled sleep. More severe ingestions may produce visual disturbances, fever, confusion, myoclonus, mydriasis, seizures and coma. Residual headache may persist for several days. Ibotenic acid binds to NMDA neurotransmitter and inhibits (antagonises) its action. The congener muscimol (also isolated from mushrooms) which is structurally related to ibotenic acid and glutamic acid, by contrast, binds to another neuroreceptor, the so-called GABA receptor. This receptor, when activated inhibits the firing of some central neurones by causing influx of anions (e.g. chloride) into the cell. Muscimol is a GABA receptor agonist and produces a similar effect and almost identical clinical outcome to that of ibotenic acid. Systemic administration of ibotenic acid and muscimol to laboratory animals produces central inhibition of motor activity with little change to peripheral autonomic activity. Both compounds induce EEG changes in cats, rabbits and rats and thus within the central nervous system both compounds behave as false inhibitory neurotransmitters.

There are at least five different NMDA receptor sites that determine whether or not the channel opens. Two important ligands, glutamate and glycine (both amino-acids), are

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required to bind their respective NMDA sites for the channel to open. At low micromolar concentrations, polyamines, such as dopamine or cholinergic agents (binding to polyamine sites), increase the probability that glutamate and glycine will open the channel; high concentrations of polyamine, in contrast, produce the reverse effect. Two other regulatory ions, magnesium and zinc inhibit the action of amino- acids by binding to sites in the inner pore region of the NMDA channel.

#### EYE

Although the material is not thought to be an irritant (as classified by EC Directives), direct contact with the eye may produce transient discomfort characterised by tearing or conjunctival redness (as with windburn).

#### SKIN

The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects or skin irritation following contact (as classified by EC Directives using animal models). Nevertheless, good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable gloves be used in an occupational setting.

## **INHALED**

The material is not thought to produce adverse health effects or irritation of the respiratory tract (as classified by EC Directives using animal models). Nevertheless, good hygiene practice requires that exposure be kept to a minimum and that suitable control measures be used in an occupational setting.

Persons with impaired respiratory function, airway diseases and conditions such as emphysema or chronic bronchitis, may incur further disability if excessive concentrations of particulate are inhaled.

### **CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS**

Principal routes of exposure are usually by skin contact/absorption and inhalation of generated dust.

No human exposure data available. For this reason health effects described are based on experience with chemically related materials.

As with any chemical product, contact with unprotected bare skin; inhalation of vapour, mist or dust in work place atmosphere; or ingestion in any form, should be avoided by observing good occupational work practice.

### **TOXICITY AND IRRITATION**

TOXICITY IRRITATION Oral (human) TDLo: 71 mg/kg Nil Reported

## **Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

BOD5: 0.64

ThOD: BOD5=0.64,

BOD 5 if unstated: 0.42-0.64 Degradation Biological: sig

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### **Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

- · Consult manufacturer for recycling options and recycle where possible .
- · Consult State Land Waste Management Authority for disposal.
- · Incinerate residue at an approved site.
- · Recycle containers if possible, or dispose of in an authorised landfill.

## **Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**

HAZCHEM: None

NOT REGULATED FOR TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS:UN, IATA, IMDG

## **Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION**

### **REGULATIONS**

L-glutamic acid (CAS: 56-86-0) is found on the following regulatory lists; CODEX General Standard for Food Additives (GSFA) - Additives Permitted for Use in Food in General, Unless Otherwise Specified, in Accordance with GMP OECD Representative List of High Production Volume (HPV) Chemicals

No data available for L-glutamic acid as CAS: 10549-13-0, CAS: 6899-05-4, CAS: 138-16-9.

## **Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

## **INGREDIENTS WITH MULTIPLE CAS NUMBERS**

Ingredient Name L- glutamic acid CAS 56- 86- 0, 10549- 13- 0, 6899 - 05- 4, 138- 16-9

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