



# Safety Data Sheet

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## 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name: **Poly(vinyl alcohol)-*b*-poly(acrylic acid)**, diblock copolymer  
Product abbreviation: VAAA  
Product use: For laboratory research purposes.  
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## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency overview: WHMIS classification: Not WHMIS controlled.  
GHS classification: Not a dangerous substance according to GHS.  
GHS classification: Not a dangerous substance or mixture according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).  
HMIS classification: Health hazard: 0  
Flammability: 0  
Physical hazards: 0  
Potential health effects: Inhalation: May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.  
Skin: May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.  
Eyes: May cause eye irritation.  
Ingestion: May be harmful if swallowed.

## 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Formula:	Poly(vinyl alcohol- <i>block</i> -acrylic acid):	$[C_2H_4O]_n [C_3H_4O_2]_m$
Concentration:	$\leq 100\%$	
CAS registry number:	Poly(vinyl alcohol- <i>block</i> -acrylic acid):	n/a
	Poly(vinyl alcohol):	9002-89-5
	Poly(acrylic acid):	9003-01-4

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

If inhaled: If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.

In case of skin contact:	Wash off with soap and plenty of water.
In case of eye contact:	Flush eyes with water as a precaution.
If swallowed:	Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water.

## 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

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Conditions of flammability:	Not flammable or combustible.
Suitable extinguishing media:	Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.
Special protective equipment for firefighters:	Wear self contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.
Hazardous combustion products:	Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions: Carbon oxides.
Explosion data:	Sensitivity to mechanical impact: no data available Sensitivity to static discharge: no data available

## 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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Personal precautions:	Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas.
Environmental precautions:	No special environmental precautions required.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up:	Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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Precautions for safe handling:	Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Normal measures for preventive fire protection.
Conditions for safe storage:	Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

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Personal protective equipment:	
• Respiratory protection:	Respiratory protection is not required. Where protection from nuisance levels of dusts are desired, use type N95 (US) or type P1 (EN 143) dust masks. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).
• Hand 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.
• Eye protection:	Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

- Skin and body protection: Choose body protection in relation to its type, to the concentration and amount of dangerous substances, and to the specific work-place. The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.
- Hygiene measures: General industrial hygiene practice.
- Specific engineering controls: Use mechanical exhaust or laboratory fumehood to avoid exposure.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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Appearance:	Form:	no data available
	Colour:	no data available
Safety data:	pH:	no data available
	Melting point / Freezing point:	no data available
	Boiling point:	no data available
	Flash point:	no data available
	Ignition temperature:	no data available
	Auto-ignition temperature:	no data available
	Lower explosion limit:	no data available
	Upper explosion limit:	no data available
	Vapour pressure:	no data available
	Density:	no data available
	Water solubility:	no data available
	Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water:	no data available
	Relative vapour density:	no data available
	Odour:	no data available
	Odour threshold:	no data available
	Evaporation rate:	no data available

## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

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Chemical stability:	Stable under recommended storage conditions.
Possibility of hazardous reactions:	no data available
Conditions to avoid:	no data available
Materials to avoid:	no data available
Hazardous decomposition products:	Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions: Carbon oxides.  Other decomposition products: no data available.

## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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Acute toxicity:	Oral LD50:	no data available
	Inhalation LC50:	no data available
	Dermal LD50:	no data available
	Other information on acute toxicity:	no data available
Skin corrosion/irritation:	no data available	
Serious eye damage/eye irritation:	no data available	
Respiratory or skin sensitization:	no data available	
Germ cell mutagenicity:	no data available	
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.
	ACGIH:	No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.
Reproductive toxicity:	no data available	
Teratogenicity:	no data available	
Specific target organ toxicity:	Single exposure (Globally Harmonized System):	no data available
	Repeated exposure (Globally Harmonized System):	no data available
Aspiration hazard:	no data available	
Potential health effects:	Inhalation:	May be harmful if inhaled. May cause respiratory tract irritation.
	Ingestion:	May be harmful if swallowed.
	Skin:	May be harmful if absorbed through skin. May cause skin irritation.
	Eyes:	May cause eye irritation.
Signs and symptoms of exposure:	To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.	
Synergistic effects:	no data available	
Additional information:	RTECS:	not available

## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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Toxicity:	no data available
Persistence and degradability:	no data available
Bioaccumulative potential:	no data available
Mobility in soil:	no data available
PBT and vPvB assessment:	no data available
Other adverse effects:	no data available

### **13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

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Product:	Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.
Contaminated packaging:	Dispose of as unused product.

### **14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

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DOT (US):	Not dangerous goods.
IMDG:	Not dangerous goods.
IATA:	Not dangerous goods.

### **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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WHMIS classification:	Not WHMIS controlled.
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This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Controlled Products Regulations and the MSDS contains all the information required by the Controlled Products Regulations.

### **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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Further information:	The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Polymer Source, Inc. shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See <a href="http://www.polymersource.ca">www.polymersource.ca</a> for additional terms and conditions of sale.
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