



# Safety Data Sheet

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## 1. CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

Product name: **Poly(acrylic acid)**  
Product abbreviation: **AA**  
Product use: For laboratory research purposes.  
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## 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Emergency overview: WHMIS classification: Not rated.  
GHS classification: Acute toxicity, Oral (category 5).  
GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements:  
Pictogram: none  
Signal word: Warning  
Hazard statements: H303. May be harmful if swallowed.  
Precautionary statements: none  
HMIS classification: Health hazard: 1  
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(acrylic acid):  $(\text{CH}_2\text{CHCOOH})_n$   
Synonym: PAA  
Concentration:  $\leq 100\%$   
CAS registry number: Poly(acrylic acid): 9003-01-4

#### 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

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General advice:	Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
If inhaled:	If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.
In case of skin contact:	Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.
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. Consult a physician.

#### 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:	Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing dust. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas.
Environmental precautions:	Do not let product enter drains.
Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up:	Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

#### 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

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Precautions for safe handling:	Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.
Conditions for safe storage:	Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Recommended storage temperature 2–8 °C. Keep refrigerated.

#### 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.  
  
 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  
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 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 industrialhygienist 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.
- 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: Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.
- Specific engineering controls: Use mechanical exhaust or laboratory fumehood to avoid exposure.

## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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Appearance:	Form:	Solid
	Colour:	White
Safety data:	pH:	2.4–3 (lit.)
	Melting point / Freezing point:	no data available
	Boling 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:	Strong oxidizing agents.
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:	Rat: 2,500 mg/kg
	Inhalation LC50:	no data available
	Dermal LD50:	no data available
	Other information on acute toxicity:	no data available
Skin corrosion/irritation:	Skin – Rabbit:	No skin irritation
Serious eye damage/eye irritation:	Eyes – Rabbit:	No eye irritation
Respiratory or skin sensitization:	no data available	
Germ cell mutagenicity:	no data available	
Carcinogenicity:	This product is or contains a component that is not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity based on its IARC, ACGIH, NTP, or EPA classification.	
	IARC:	Group 3: Not classified as to its carcinogenicity to humans.
	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:	AT4680000

## 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 rated.

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 [www.polymersource.ca](http://www.polymersource.ca) for additional terms and conditions of sale.