SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name **Acetonitrile**

Cat No. : **A998SS50, A998SS28, A998212, A998POP50, A998N219, A998N119, A998RS28, A998RS19, A998SS200, A998SS115, A998RS50, A998RS115, A998SK4, A998SK1, A9984LC, A99818, A9984, A998RS200, A9981, A998SS1350; NC0320219; XXA998U200LI; NC1449681; A998RS-1350ASME; NC1561776; A998RS200ASME; NC1568700; XXA998U20LI; NC1929425; NC2054219; A998RS1250; NC2962041; A9984-PN; NC3807991**

CAS-No 75-05-8
Synonyms AN; Methyl cyanide; Ethanenitrile

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.
Uses advised against Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

WHMIS 2015 Classification This product is hazardous in accordance with the Canada Hazardous Products Act (HPA) and Hazardous Products Regulation (HPR), as amended (SOR/2022-272)

Flammable liquids	Category 2
Acute oral toxicity	Category 4

Acute dermal toxicity	Category 4
Acute Inhalation Toxicity	Category 4
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2

Label Elements

Signal Word
Danger

Hazard Statements
Highly flammable liquid and vapor
Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled
Causes serious eye irritation

Precautionary Statements
Prevention
Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking
Keep container tightly closed
Ground and bond container and receiving equipment
Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment
Do not breathe dust/fumes/gas/mist/vapours/spray
Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
Use non-sparking tools
Take action to prevent static discharges
Response
IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower
IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell
Rinse mouth
In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish
Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse
Wash contaminated clothing before reuse
Storage
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool
Disposal
Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	<=100

4. First-aid measures

General Advice	Immediate medical attention is required. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
Inhalation	Remove to fresh air. If breathing is irregular or stopped, administer artificial respiration. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.
Ingestion	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
Most important symptoms/effects	Difficulty in breathing. Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting: Metabolism may release cyanide, which may result in headache, dizziness, weakness, collapse, unconsciousness, and possible death: Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	Water spray. CO_2, dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam. Water mist may be used to cool closed containers.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	Water may be ineffective, Do not use a solid water stream as it may scatter and spread fire
Flash Point	12.8 °C / 55 °F
Method -	No information available
Autoignition Temperature	525 °C / 977 °F
Explosion Limits	
Upper	16 vol %
Lower	3 vol %
Oxidizing Properties	Not oxidising
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical
Flammable. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back. Containers may explode when heated. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air.

Hazardous Combustion Products
Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid). Nitrogen oxides (NOx). Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO_2).
Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters
As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

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Health	Flammability	Instability	Physical hazards
2	3	0	N/A

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required.

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

Methods for Containment and Clean Up Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Provide adequate ventilation. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Prevent product from entering drains.

7. Handling and storage

Handling Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Use only non-sparking tools. To avoid ignition of vapors by static electricity discharge, all metal parts of the equipment must be grounded.

Storage. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Flammables area. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents. Strong acids. Reducing Agent. Bases.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec
Acetonitrile	TWA: 20 ppm TWA: 34 mg/m³	TWA: 20 ppm Skin	TWA: 20 ppm Skin	TWA: 20 ppm Ceiling: 10 ppm Ceiling: 11 mg/m³ Skin

Component	Manitoba	New Brunswick	Newfoundland and Labrador	Nova Scotia
Acetonitrile	TWA: 20 ppm Skin	TWA: 20 ppm Skin	TWA: 20 ppm Skin	TWA: 20 ppm Skin

Component	Nunavut	Prince Edward Island	Saskatchewan	Yukon
Acetonitrile	TWA: 20 ppm STEL: 30 ppm Skin	TWA: 20 ppm	TWA: 20 ppm STEL: 30 ppm Skin	TWA: 40 ppm TWA: 70 mg/m³ TWA: 5 mg/m³ STEL: 60 ppm STEL: 105 mg/m³ STEL: 5 mg/m³ Skin

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH
Acetonitrile 75-05-8 (<=100)	TWA: 20 ppm Skin	(Vacated) TWA: 40 ppm (Vacated) TWA: 70 mg/m³ (Vacated) TWA: 5 mg/m³ (Vacated) STEL: 60 ppm (Vacated) STEL: 105 mg/m³ TWA: 40 ppm TWA: 70 mg/m³	IDLH: 137 ppm IDLH: 25 mg/m³ REL = 20 ppm (TWA) REL = 34 mg/m³ (TWA)

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration
NIOSH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Engineering Measures

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting/equipment.
Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

Personal protective equipment

Eye Protection Goggles
Hand Protection Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	Glove comments
Butyl rubber	> 480 minutes	0.35 mm	As tested under EN374-3 Determination of Resistance to Permeation by Chemicals

Inspect gloves before use. observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information) 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. gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

Respiratory Protection
When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators. Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.
To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly
Recommended Filter type: low boiling organic solvent Type AX Brown conforming to EN371

Environmental exposure controls
No information available.

Hygiene Measures
When using do not eat, drink or smoke. Provide regular cleaning of equipment, work area and clothing.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical State	Liquid		
Color	Colorless		
Odor	aromatic		
Odor Threshold	170 ppm		
Property	**Values**	**Remarks**	**• Method**
Melting Point/Range	-46 °C / -50.8 °F		
Softening Point	No data available		
Boiling Point/Range	81 - 82 °C / 177.8 - 179.6 °F	@ 760 mmHg	
Flash Point	12.8 °C / 55 °F	**Method -** No information available	
Flammability (liquid)	Highly flammable	On basis of test data	
Flammability (solid,gas)	Not applicable	Liquid	
Explosion Limits	**Lower** 3 vol % **Upper** 16 vol %		
Autoignition Temperature	525 °C / 977 °F		
Decomposition Temperature	No data available		
pH	Not applicable		
Viscosity	0.36 cP at 20 °C		
Water Solubility	Miscible		

Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Component	**log Pow**	
Acetonitrile	-0.34	
Vapor Pressure	97 mbar @ 20 °C	
Density / Specific Gravity	0.781	
Bulk Density	Not applicable	Liquid
Vapor Density	1.42	(Air = 1.0)
Particle characteristics	Not applicable (liquid)	

Other Information

Molecular Formula	C2 H3 N
Molecular Weight	41.05
Explosive Properties	Not explosive Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air
Oxidizing Properties	Not oxidising
Evaporation Rate	5.79 - (Butyl Acetate = 1.0)

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard None known, based on information available

Stability Stable under normal conditions.

Conditions to Avoid Incompatible products. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Exposure to moisture.

Incompatible Materials Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids, Reducing Agent, Bases

Hazardous Decomposition Products Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid), Nitrogen oxides (NOx), Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO_2)

Hazardous Polymerization Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

Hazardous Reactions None under normal processing.

11. Toxicological information

Information on expected route of exposure

Inhalation	Avoid breathing vapors or mists. Harmful by inhalation.
Ingestion	May be harmful if swallowed.
Eyes	Avoid contact with eyes. Irritating to eyes. Vapor may cause irritation.
Skin	Avoid contact with skin. May cause irritation. Harmful in contact with skin. Prolonged skin contact may defat the skin and produce dermatitis.

Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Acetonitrile	>= 450- <= 787 mg/kg (Rat), OECD Guideline 401	>= 2000 mg/kg (Rabbit), OECD Guideline 402	LC50 = 3587 ppm (6.022 mg/l) (Mouse) 4h, OECD Guideline 403

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available

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

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 2

Test method OECD 405
Test species rabbit
Observation end point Causes serious eye irritation.

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;
Respiratory Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met
Skin 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

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

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

Symptoms / effects,both acute and delayed Symptoms of overexposure may be headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting. Metabolism may release cyanide, which may result in headache, dizziness, weakness, collapse, unconsciousness, and possible death. Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting.

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

Endocrine Disrupting Properties This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

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Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Acetonitrile	Not listed	LC50: = 1850 mg/L, 96h static (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: = 1000 mg/L, 96h static (Pimephales promelas) LC50: 1600 - 1690 mg/L, 96h flow-through (Pimephales promelas) LC50: = 1650 mg/L, 96h static (Poecilia reticulata)	EC50 = 28000 mg/L 48 h EC50 = 73 mg/L 24 h EC50 = 7500 mg/L 15 h	Not listed

Persistence and Degradability Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its volatility.

Component	log Pow
Acetonitrile	-0.34

13. Disposal considerations

Waste Disposal Methods Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

Component	RCRA - U Series Wastes	RCRA - P Series Wastes
Acetonitrile - 75-05-8	U003	-

14. Transport information

DOT
- **UN-No** UN1648
- **Proper Shipping Name** ACETONITRILE
- **Hazard Class** 3
- **Packing Group** II

TDG
- **UN-No** UN1648
- **Proper Shipping Name** ACETONITRILE
- **Hazard Class** 3
- **Packing Group** II

IATA
- **UN-No** UN1648
- **Proper Shipping Name** ACETONITRILE
- **Hazard Class** 3
- **Packing Group** II

IMDG/IMO
- **UN-No** UN1648
- **Proper Shipping Name** ACETONITRILE
- **Hazard Class** 3
- **Packing Group** II

15. Regulatory information

International Inventories

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	X	-	X	ACTIVE	200-835-2	-	-

Component	CAS-No	IECSC	KECL	ENCS	ISHL	TCSI	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	X	KE-00067	X	X	X	X	X	X

Legend:
X - Listed '-' - Not listed
KECL - NIER number or KE number (http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do)
DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List
TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory
EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances
IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances
KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances
ENCS - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances
AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances
PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

Canada

SDS in compliance with provisions of information as set out in Canadian Standard - Part 4, Schedule 1 and 2 of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and its amendments and meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the revised Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

Component	Canada - National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI)	Canadian Environmental Protection Agency (CEPA) - List of Toxic Substances	Canada's Chemicals Management Plan (CEPA)
Acetonitrile	Part 1, Group A Substance Part 4 Substance		

Other International Regulations

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Component	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)
Acetonitrile	-	Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

REACH links
https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach

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

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

Component	CAS-No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Acetonitrile	75-05-8	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

16. Other information

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