

# LACTIC ACID

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## Section 1 - CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

### PRODUCT NAME

LACTIC ACID

### OTHER NAMES

C3-H6-O3, "acetic acid", "milk acid", "Food Acid 270", "ethylidenelactic acid",  
"1-hydroxyethanecarboxylic acid", "2-hydroxypropanoic acid",  
"alpha-hydroxypropionic acid", "propanoic acid, 2-hydroxy-",

### PROPER SHIPPING NAME

CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S.  
(contains lactic acid)

### PRODUCT USE

Cultured dairy products, as an acidulant additive in foods, manufacture of  
lactate chemicals (salts, plasticizers, adhesives, pharmaceuticals),  
mordant in dyeing wool. Laboratory reagent.

### SUPPLIER

Company: S D FINE- CHEM LIMITED

Address:

315- 317, T.V. INDUSTRIAL ESTATE,

248, WORLI,

MUMBAI- 400030.INDIA.

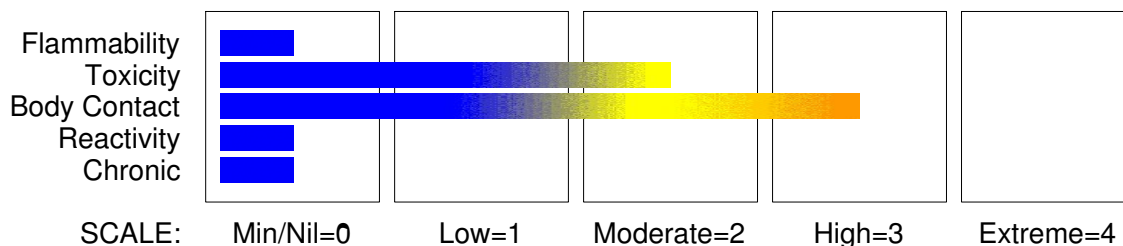
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### HAZARD RATINGS



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## Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

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### GHS Classification

Acute Toxicity (Oral) Category 4  
Metal Corrosion Category 1  
Skin Corrosion/Irritation Category 1C



### EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

#### HAZARD

DANGER  
Determined by using GHS criteria:  
H302 H290 H314  
Harmful if swallowed  
May be corrosive to metals  
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

#### PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

##### Prevention

Wash hands thoroughly after handling.  
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.  
Do not breathe dust or mist.  
Wear protective gloves/clothing and eye/face protection.  
Wash thoroughly after handling.

##### Response

Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.  
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.  
IF INHALED: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.  
If on skin or hair: remove/take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse with water/shower.  
Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.  
Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.  
Specific treatment: refer to Label or MSDS.

##### Storage

Store in a corrosive resistant container with a resistant liner.  
Store locked up.

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## Section 2 - HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### Disposal

Dispose of contents and container in accordance with relevant legislation.

## Section 3 - COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

NAME	CAS RN	%
lactic acid	50-21-5	> 85

## Section 4 - FIRST AID MEASURES

### SWALLOWED

Rinse mouth out with plenty of water.

For advice, contact a Poisons Information Centre or a doctor.

- If swallowed do NOT induce vomiting.
- If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain open airway and prevent aspiration.
- Observe the patient carefully.
- Never give liquid to a person showing signs of being sleepy or with reduced awareness; i.e. becoming unconscious
- Give water to rinse out mouth, then provide liquid slowly and as much as casualty can comfortably drink.
- Seek medical advice.

### EYE

If this product comes in contact with the eyes:

- Immediately hold eyelids apart and flush the eye continuously with 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.
- Continue flushing until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre or a doctor, or for at least 15 minutes.
- Transport to hospital or doctor without delay.
- Removal of contact lenses after an eye injury should only be undertaken by skilled personnel.

### SKIN

If skin or hair contact occurs:

- Immediately flush body and clothes with large amounts of water, using safety shower if available.
- Quickly remove all contaminated clothing, including footwear.
- Wash skin and hair with running water. Continue flushing with water until advised to stop by the Poisons Information Centre.
- Transport to hospital, or doctor.

### INHALED

- If fumes or combustion products are inhaled remove from contaminated area.
- Lay patient down. Keep warm and rested.
- Prostheses such as false teeth, which may block airway, should be removed, where possible, prior to initiating first aid procedures.
- Apply artificial respiration if not breathing, preferably with a demand valve resuscitator, bag-valve mask device, or pocket mask as trained. Perform CPR if necessary.
- Transport to hospital, or doctor, without delay.

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## NOTES TO PHYSICIAN

For acute or short term repeated exposures to strong acids:

- Airway problems may arise from laryngeal edema and inhalation exposure. Treat with 100% oxygen initially.
- Respiratory distress may require cricothyroidotomy if endotracheal intubation is contraindicated by excessive swelling
- Intravenous lines should be established immediately in all cases where there is evidence of circulatory compromise.
- Strong acids produce a coagulation necrosis characterised by formation of a coagulum (eschar) as a result of the dessicating action of the acid on proteins in specific tissues.

### INGESTION:

- Immediate dilution (milk or water) within 30 minutes post ingestion is recommended.
- DO NOT attempt to neutralise the acid since exothermic reaction may extend the corrosive injury.
- Be careful to avoid further vomit since re-exposure of the mucosa to the acid is harmful. Limit fluids to one or two glasses in an adult.
- Charcoal has no place in acid management.
- Some authors suggest the use of lavage within 1 hour of ingestion.

### SKIN:

- Skin lesions require copious saline irrigation. Treat chemical burns as thermal burns with non-adherent gauze and wrapping.
- Deep second-degree burns may benefit from topical silver sulfadiazine.

### EYE:

- Eye injuries require retraction of the eyelids to ensure thorough irrigation of the conjunctival cul-de-sacs. Irrigation should last at least 20-30 minutes. DO NOT use neutralising agents or any other additives. Several litres of saline are required.
  - Cycloplegic drops, (1% cyclopentolate for short-term use or 5% homatropine for longer term use) antibiotic drops, vasoconstrictive agents or artificial tears may be indicated dependent on the severity of the injury.
  - Steroid eye drops should only be administered with the approval of a consulting ophthalmologist).
- [Ellenhorn and Barceloux: Medical Toxicology].

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## Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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### EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

- Water spray or fog.
- Alcohol stable foam.
- Dry chemical powder.
- Carbon dioxide.

### FIRE FIGHTING

- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear full body protective clothing with breathing apparatus.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- Use fire fighting procedures suitable for surrounding 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.

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## Section 5 - FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

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### FIRE/EXPLOSION HAZARD

- The material is not readily combustible under normal conditions.
- However, it will break down under fire conditions and the organic component may burn.
- Not considered to be a significant fire risk.
- Heat may cause expansion or decomposition with violent rupture of containers.
- Decomposes on heating and may produce toxic fumes of carbon monoxide (CO).
- May emit acrid smoke.

### FIRE INCOMPATIBILITY

Avoid contamination with strong oxidising agents as ignition may result.

### Personal Protective Equipment

- Breathing apparatus.
- Gas tight chemical resistant suit.
- Limit exposure duration to 1 BA set 30 mins.

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## Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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### EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

#### MINOR SPILLS

- Remove all ignition sources.
- Clean up all spills immediately.
- Avoid breathing vapours and contact with skin and eyes.
- Control personal contact by using protective equipment.
- Contain and absorb spill with sand, earth, inert material or vermiculite.
- Wipe up.
- Place in a suitable labelled container for waste disposal.

#### MAJOR SPILLS

Moderate hazard.

- Clear area of personnel and move upwind.
- Alert Fire Brigade and tell them location and nature of hazard.
- Wear breathing apparatus plus protective gloves.
- Prevent, by any means available, spillage from entering drains or water course.
- No smoking, naked lights or ignition sources.
- Increase ventilation.
- Stop leak if safe to do so.
- Contain spill with sand, earth or vermiculite.
- Collect recoverable product into labelled containers for recycling.
- Absorb remaining product with sand, earth or vermiculite.
- Collect solid residues and seal in labelled drums for disposal.
- Wash area and prevent runoff into drains.
- After clean up operations, decontaminate and launder all protective clothing and equipment before storing and re-using.
- 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:

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### Section 6 - ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

lactic acid 500 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

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

lactic acid 300 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

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

lactic acid 40 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

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

lactic acid 15 mg/m<sup>3</sup>

American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA)

Ingredients considered according to the following cutoffs

Very Toxic (T+)  $\geq 0.1\%$  Toxic (T)  $\geq 3.0\%$

R50  $\geq 0.25\%$  Corrosive (C)  $\geq 5.0\%$

R51  $\geq 2.5\%$

else  $\geq 10\%$

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 precautions

X: Must not be stored together

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

### Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

#### PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING

Avoid generating and breathing mist.

- Avoid all personal contact, including inhalation.
- Wear protective clothing when risk of exposure occurs.
- Use in a well-ventilated area.
- WARNING: To avoid violent reaction, ALWAYS add material to water and NEVER water to material.
- Avoid smoking, naked lights or ignition sources.
- Avoid contact with incompatible materials.
- When handling, DO NOT eat, drink or smoke.
- Keep containers securely sealed when not in use.
- Avoid physical damage to containers.
- Always wash hands with soap and water after handling.
- Work clothes should be laundered separately. Launder contaminated clothing before re-use.
- Use good occupational work practice.

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## Section 7 - HANDLING AND STORAGE

- Observe manufacturer's storing and handling recommendations.
- Atmosphere should be regularly checked against established exposure standards to ensure safe working conditions are maintained.

### SUITABLE CONTAINER

- Lined metal can, lined metal pail/ can.
- Plastic pail.
- Polyliner drum.
- Packing as recommended by manufacturer.
- Check all containers are clearly labelled and free from leaks.

### STORAGE INCOMPATIBILITY

Avoid storage with oxidisers.

### STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

- Store in original containers.
- Keep containers securely sealed.
- Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area.
- Store away from incompatible materials and foodstuff containers.
- Protect containers against physical damage and 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

- lactic acid:

CAS:50- 21- 5 CAS:598- 82- 3 CAS:79- 33- 4  
CAS:10326- 41- 7 CAS:152- 36- 3

### MATERIAL DATA

No exposure limits set by NOHSC or ACGIH.

### PERSONAL PROTECTION



### EYE

- Full face shield or • Safety glasses with side shields.
- 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,

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## Section 8 - EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

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

- Barrier cream and Wear chemical protective gloves, eg. PVC.

Wear safety footwear.

### OTHER

- Eyewash unit. and Ensure there is ready access to a safety shower.
- Impervious apron.

Overalls.

### GLOVE SELECTION INDEX

Glove selection is based on a modified presentation of the:

"Forsberg Clothing Performance Index".

The effect(s) of the following substance(s) are taken into account in the computer-generated selection: lactic acid

Protective Material CPI \*.

NATURAL RUBBER	A
NATURAL+NEOPRENE	A
NEOPRENE	A
NEOPRENE/NATURAL	A
NITRILE	A
PVA	A
PVC	A

A: Best Selection

B: Satisfactory; may degrade after 4 hours continuous immersion

C: Poor to Dangerous Choice for other than short term immersion

NOTE: As a series of factors will influence the actual performance of the glove, a final selection must be based on detailed observation. -

\* Where the glove is to be used on a short term, casual or infrequent basis, factors such as "feel" or convenience (e.g. disposability), may dictate a choice of gloves which might otherwise be unsuitable following long-term or frequent use. A qualified practitioner should be consulted.

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

None required when handling small quantities.

OTHERWISE:.

Use in a well-ventilated area.

If risk of overexposure exists, wear approved respirator. Correct fit is essential to obtain adequate protection.

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## Section 9 - PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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### APPEARANCE

Colourless or yellowish, odourless, hygroscopic, syrupy liquid.  
Generally available as a 85% in water, also as 50% solution.  
Mixes with water, alcohol, ether, glycerol and furfural.  
Does not mix with chloroform, petroleum hydrocarbon solvents.

### PHYSICAL PROPERTIES

Liquid.  
Mixes with water.  
Corrosive.  
Acid.

Molecular Weight: 90.08  
Melting Range (°C): 17  
Solubility in water (g/L): Soluble  
pH (1% solution): 2.4 approx  
Volatile Component (%vol): 15 approx  
Relative Vapour Density (air=1): 3.1 (calc.)  
Lower Explosive Limit (%): Not available.  
Autoignition Temp (°C): Not available.  
State: Liquid

Boiling Range (°C): 122 (15 mm)  
Specific Gravity (water=1): 1.2  
pH (as supplied): Not available  
Vapour Pressure (kPa): Not available.  
Evaporation Rate: Not available  
Flash Point (°C): >112  
Upper Explosive Limit (%): Not available.  
Decomposition Temp (°C): Not Available  
Viscosity: Not Available

log Kow: -0.62

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## Section 10 - CHEMICAL STABILITY AND REACTIVITY INFORMATION

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### CONDITIONS CONTRIBUTING TO INSTABILITY

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

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## Section 11 - TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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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.  
The material can produce chemical burns within the oral cavity and gastrointestinal tract following ingestion.  
Use as a food additive indicates good tolerance of small amounts, but excessive amounts or overuse may bring irritant and/or harmful effects.  
Ingestion may result in nausea, abdominal irritation, pain and diarrhoea.  
Ingestion of low-molecular organic acid solutions may produce spontaneous haemorrhaging, intravascular coagulation, gastrointestinal damage and oesophageal and pyloric stricture.

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**EYE**

The material can produce chemical burns to the eye following direct contact. Vapours or mists may be extremely irritating.

When applied to the eye(s) of animals, the material produces severe ocular lesions which are present twenty-four hours or more after instillation.

Dilute solutions of low-molecular organic acids cause conjunctival hyperaemia, prompt pain and corneal injury.

The material may produce severe irritation to the eye causing pronounced inflammation. Repeated or prolonged exposure to irritants may produce conjunctivitis.

**SKIN**

Skin contact with the material may damage the health of the individual; systemic effects may result following absorption.

The material can produce chemical burns following direct contact with the skin.

if exposure is prolonged.

Toxic effects may result from skin absorption.

if exposure is prolonged.

The material may produce severe skin irritation after prolonged or repeated exposure, and may produce a contact dermatitis (nonallergic). This form of dermatitis is often characterised by skin redness (erythema) thickening of the epidermis.

Histologically there may be intercellular oedema of the spongy layer (spongiosis) and intracellular oedema of the epidermis. Prolonged contact is unlikely, given the severity of response, but repeated exposures may produce severe ulceration.

**INHALED**

Inhalation may produce health damage\*.

Evidence shows, or practical experience predicts, that the material produces irritation of the respiratory system in a substantial number of individuals following inhalation.

Not normally a hazard due to non-volatile nature of product.

Inhalation of quantities of liquid mist may be extremely hazardous, even lethal due to spasm, extreme irritation of larynx and bronchi, chemical pneumonitis and pulmonary oedema.

**CHRONIC HEALTH EFFECTS**

Principal routes of exposure are usually by skin contact with the material.

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**

Oral (rat) LD50: 3730 mg/kg

**IRRITATION**

Skin (rabbit): 5 mg/24h SEVERE

Eye (rabbit): 0.750 mg SEVERE

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**Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

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Marine Pollutant: Not Determined

log Kow: -0.62

BOD 5 if unstated: 0.63-0.64, 22%

COD: 100%

Toxicity Fish: LC50(96) 600 mg/L

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## Section 12 - ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Section 13 - DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Recycle wherever possible or consult manufacturer for recycling options.
- Consult State Land Waste Management Authority for disposal.
- Treat and neutralise with soda ash at an effluent treatment plant.
- Recycle containers, otherwise dispose of in an authorised landfill.

### Section 14 - TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION



Labels Required: CORROSIVE  
HAZCHEM: 2X

#### UNDG:

Dangerous Goods Class:	8	Subrisk:	None
UN Number:	3265	Packing Group:	III
Shipping Name: CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (contains lactic acid)			

#### Air Transport IATA:

ICAO/IATA Class:	8	ICAO/IATA Subrisk:	None
UN/ID Number:	3265	Packing Group:	III
ERG Code:	8L		
Shipping name: CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (contains lactic acid)			

#### Maritime Transport IMDG:

IMDG Class:	8	IMDG Subrisk:	None
UN Number:	3265	Packing Group:	III
EMS Number:	F- A, S- B	Marine Pollutant:	Not Determined
Shipping name: CORROSIVE LIQUID, ACIDIC, ORGANIC, N.O.S. (contains lactic acid)			

### Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

#### REGULATIONS

lactic acid (CAS: 50-21-5) 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

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## Section 15 - REGULATORY INFORMATION

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IMO MARPOL 73/78 (Annex II) - List of Noxious Liquid Substances Carried in Bulk  
OECD Representative List of High Production Volume (HPV) Chemicals

No data available for lactic acid as CAS: 598-82-3, CAS: 79-33-4, CAS: 10326-41-7, CAS: 152-36-3.

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## Section 16 - OTHER INFORMATION

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### INGREDIENTS WITH MULTIPLE CAS NUMBERS

Ingredient Name	CAS
lactic acid	50- 21- 5, 598- 82- 3, 79- 33- 4, 10326- 41- 7, 152- 36- 3

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