Material Safety Data Sheet
Caffeic acid MSDS

Section 1: Chemical Product and Company Identification

Product Name: Caffeic acid
Catalog Codes: SLC5419
CAS#: 331-39-5
RTECS: GD8950000
TSCA: TSCA 8(b) inventory: No products were found.
CI#: Not available.
Synonym: 3,4-Dihydroxycinnamic acid; 2-Propenoic acid, 3-(3,4-dihydroxyphenyl); 3,4-Dihydroxybenzeneacrylic acid; 3-(3,4-Dihydroxyphenyl)-2-propenoic acid; 4-(2',Carboxyvinyl)-1,2-dihydroxybenzene
Chemical Name: Cinnamic acid, 3,4-dihydroxy-
Chemical Formula: C9H8O4

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Section 2: Composition and Information on Ingredients

Composition:

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<th>Name</th>
<th>CAS #</th>
<th>% by Weight</th>
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<td>Caffeic acid</td>
<td>331-39-5</td>
<td>100</td>
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Toxicological Data on Ingredients: Caffeic acid LD50: Not available. LC50: Not available.

Section 3: Hazards Identification

Potential Acute Health Effects: Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of eye contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.

Potential Chronic Health Effects:
CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Classified 2B (Possible for human.) by IARC. MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Mutagenic for mammalian somatic cells. TERATOGENIC EFFECTS: Not available. DEVELOPMENTAL TOXICITY: Not available. Repeated or prolonged exposure is not known to aggravate medical condition.

Section 4: First Aid Measures

Eye Contact:
Check for and remove any contact lenses. In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Cold water may be used. WARM water MUST be used. Get medical attention if irritation occurs.

**Skin Contact:** Wash with soap and water. Cover the irritated skin with an emollient. Get medical attention if irritation develops.

**Serious Skin Contact:** Not available.

**Inhalation:**
If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical attention.

**Serious Inhalation:** Not available.

**Ingestion:**
Do NOT induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. If large quantities of this material are swallowed, call a physician immediately. Loosen tight clothing such as a collar, tie, belt or waistband.

**Serious Ingestion:** Not available.

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**Section 5: Fire and Explosion Data**

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<th>Flammability of the Product</th>
<th>May be combustible at high temperature.</th>
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<td>Auto-Ignition Temperature</td>
<td>Not available.</td>
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<td>Flash Points</td>
<td>Not available.</td>
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<td>Flammable Limits</td>
<td>Not available.</td>
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<td>Products of Combustion</td>
<td>These products are carbon oxides (CO, CO2).</td>
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<td>Fire Hazards in Presence of Various Substances</td>
<td>Slightly flammable to flammable in presence of heat.</td>
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<td>Fire Fighting Media and Instructions</td>
<td>SMALL FIRE: Use DRY chemical powder. LARGE FIRE: Use water spray, fog or foam. Do not use water jet.</td>
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<td>Special Remarks on Fire Hazards</td>
<td>As with most organic solids, fire is possible at elevated temperatures</td>
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<td>Special Remarks on Explosion Hazards</td>
<td>Not available.</td>
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**Section 6: Accidental Release Measures**

**Small Spill:**
Use appropriate tools to put the spilled solid in a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and dispose of according to local and regional authority requirements.

**Large Spill:**
Use a shovel to put the material into a convenient waste disposal container. Finish cleaning by spreading water on the contaminated surface and allow to evacuate through the sanitary system.

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**Section 7: Handling and Storage**

**Precautions:**
Keep away from heat. Keep away from sources of ignition. Ground all equipment containing material. Do not breathe dust. Wear suitable protective clothing. If you feel unwell, seek medical attention and show the label when possible. Keep away from incompatibles such as oxidizing agents, alkalis.
**Storage:** Keep container tightly closed. Keep container in a cool, well-ventilated area.

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**Section 8: Exposure Controls/Personal Protection**

**Engineering Controls:**
Use process enclosures, local exhaust ventilation, or other engineering controls to keep airborne levels below recommended exposure limits. If user operations generate dust, fume or mist, use ventilation to keep exposure to airborne contaminants below the exposure limit.

**Personal Protection:** Safety glasses. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Gloves.

**Personal Protection in Case of a Large Spill:**
Splash goggles. Full suit. Dust respirator. Boots. Gloves. A self contained breathing apparatus should be used to avoid inhalation of the product. Suggested protective clothing might not be sufficient; consult a specialist BEFORE handling this product.

**Exposure Limits:** Not available.

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**Section 9: Physical and Chemical Properties**

**Physical state and appearance:** Solid. (Crystals solid.)

**Odor:** Not available.

**Taste:** Not available.

**Molecular Weight:** 180.16 g/mole

**Color:** Yellow.

**pH (1% soln/water):** Not available.

**Boiling Point:** Not available.

**Melting Point:** Decomposes. (224°C or 435.2°F)

**Critical Temperature:** Not available.

**Specific Gravity:** Not available.

**Vapor Pressure:** Not applicable.

**Vapor Density:** Not available.

**Vatility:** Not available.

**Odor Threshold:** Not available.

**Water/Oil Dist. Coeff.:** Not available.

**Ionicity (in Water):** Not available.

**Dispersion Properties:** See solubility in water.

**Solubility:**
Soluble in hot water. Very slightly soluble in cold water.

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**Section 10: Stability and Reactivity Data**

**Stability:** The product is stable.

**Instability Temperature:** Not available.
**Conditions of Instability:** Excess heat, incompatible materials  
**Incompatibility with various substances:** Reactive with oxidizing agents, alkalis.  
**Corrosivity:** Non-corrosive in presence of glass.  
**Special Remarks on Reactivity:** Not available.  
**Special Remarks on Corrosivity:** Not available.  
**Polymerization:** Will not occur.

## Section 11: Toxicological Information

**Routes of Entry:** Inhalation. Ingestion.  
**Toxicity to Animals:**  
LD50: Not available. LC50: Not available.  
**Chronic Effects on Humans:**  
CARCINOGENIC EFFECTS: Classified 2B (Possible for human.) by IARC. MUTAGENIC EFFECTS: Mutagenic for mammalian somatic cells.  
**Other Toxic Effects on Humans:** Slightly hazardous in case of skin contact (irritant), of ingestion, of inhalation.  
**Special Remarks on Toxicity to Animals:**  
Lethal Dose/Conc 50% Kill: LD50[Rat] - Route: Intraperitoneal; Dose >721 mg/kg  
**Special Remarks on Chronic Effects on Humans:**  
May cause adverse reproductive effects and birth defects (teratogenic) based on animal test data. May cause cancer based on animal test data. The Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemicals (RTECS) reports tumorigenic effects (kidneys tumors, gastrointestinal tract tumors) in animals. May affect genetic material (mutagenic)  
**Special Remarks on other Toxic Effects on Humans:**  
Acute Potential Health Effects: Skin: May cause skin irritation. Eyes: May cause eye irritation. Inhalation: May cause respiratory tract irritation. Ingestion: May cause gastrointestinal tract irritation with nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Chronic Potential Health Effects: Ingestion: Prolonged or repeated ingestion may affect the liver.

## Section 12: Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** Not available.  
**BOD5 and COD:** Not available.  
**Products of Biodegradation:** Possibly hazardous short term degradation products are not likely. However, long term degradation products may arise.  
**Toxicity of the Products of Biodegradation:** The products of degradation are more toxic.  
**Special Remarks on the Products of Biodegradation:** Not available.

## Section 13: Disposal Considerations

**Waste Disposal:** Waste must be disposed of in accordance with federal, state and local environmental control regulations.

## Section 14: Transport Information

**DOT Classification:** Not a DOT controlled material (United States).
Identification: Not applicable.
Special Provisions for Transport: Not applicable.

Section 15: Other Regulatory Information

Federal and State Regulations:
California prop. 65: This product contains the following ingredients for which the State of California has found to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm, which would require a warning under the statute: Caffeic acid. California prop. 65: This product contains the following ingredients for which the State of California has found to cause cancer which would require a warning under the statute: Caffeic acid.


Other Classifications:
WHMIS (Canada): Not available

DSCL (EEC):
R40- Limited evidence of carcinogenic effect
S24/25- Avoid contact with skin and eyes.

HMIS (U.S.A.):
  Health Hazard: 1
  Fire Hazard: 1
  Reactivity: 0

  Personal Protection: E

National Fire Protection Association (U.S.A.):
  Health: 1
  Flammability: 1
  Reactivity: 0

  Specific hazard:

Protective Equipment:
Gloves. Lab coat. Dust respirator. Be sure to use an approved/certified respirator or equivalent. Wear appropriate respirator when ventilation is inadequate. Safety glasses.

Section 16: Other Information

References: Not available.

Other Special Considerations: Not available.

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