

## SAFETY DATA SHEET

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**1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION****1.1 Product identifiers**

Product name : Silver nitrate

Product Number : 209139  
Brand : Sigma-Aldrich  
Index-No. : 047-001-00-2

CAS-No. : 7761-88-8

**1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

**1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**

Company : Sigma-Aldrich  
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SAINT LOUIS MO 63103  
USA

Telephone : +1 800-325-5832  
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**1.4 Emergency telephone number**

Emergency Phone # : (314) 776-6555

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**2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION****2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture****GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)**

Oxidizing solids (Category 2), H272  
Corrosive to metals (Category 1), H290  
Skin corrosion (Category 1B), H314  
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318  
Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 1), H400  
Chronic aquatic toxicity (Category 1), H410

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

**2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements**

Pictogram



Signal word : Danger

Hazard statement(s)

H272 : May intensify fire; oxidizer.  
H290 : May be corrosive to metals.  
H314 : Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
H410 : Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Precautionary statement(s)

P210 : Keep away from heat.  
P220 : Keep/Store away from clothing/ combustible materials.

P221	Take any precaution to avoid mixing with combustibles.
P234	Keep only in original container.
P260	Do not breathe dust or mist.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P330 + P331	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303 + P361 + P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
P304 + P340 + P310	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P305 + P351 + P338 + P310	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P370 + P378	In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.
P390	Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.
P391	Collect spillage.
P405	Store locked up.
P406	Store in corrosive resistant stainless steel container with a resistant inner liner.
P501	Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

### 2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

## 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances

Formula	: AgNO <sub>3</sub>
Molecular weight	: 169.87 g/mol
CAS-No.	: 7761-88-8
EC-No.	: 231-853-9
Index-No.	: 047-001-00-2

#### Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Silver nitrate</b>	Ox. Sol. 2; Met. Corr. 1; Skin Corr. 1B; Eye Dam. 1; Aquatic Acute 1; Aquatic Chronic 1; H272, H290, H314, H410	<= 100 %

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

## 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

#### General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

#### If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

#### In case of skin contact

Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

#### In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician. Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.

**If swallowed**

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

**4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed**

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

**4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**

No data available

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**5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES****5.1 Extinguishing media****Suitable extinguishing media**

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

**5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture**

Container explosion may occur under fire conditions.

**5.3 Advice for firefighters**

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

**5.4 Further information**

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

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**6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES****6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust.

For personal protection see section 8.

**6.2 Environmental precautions**

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

**6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Sweep up and shovel. Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13). Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

**6.4 Reference to other sections**

For disposal see section 13.

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**7. HANDLING AND STORAGE****7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Further processing of solid materials may result in the formation of combustible dusts. The potential for combustible dust formation should be taken into consideration before additional processing occurs.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition.

For precautions see section 2.2.

**7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Light sensitive.

Storage class (TRGS 510): Oxidizing hazardous materials

**7.3 Specific end use(s)**

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

## 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1 Control parameters

#### Components with workplace control parameters

Component	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Silver nitrate	7761-88-8	TWA	0.010000 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		TWA	0.010000 mg/m3	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
	Remarks	Argyria varies		
		TWA	0.010000 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		TWA	0.01 mg/m3	USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants
		TWA	0.01 mg/m3	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)
		Argyria varies		
		TWA	0.01 mg/m3	USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits
		PEL	0.01 mg/m3	California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)

### 8.2 Exposure controls

#### Appropriate engineering controls

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

#### Personal protective equipment

##### Eye/face protection

Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

##### Skin 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: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

##### Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, 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 industrial hygienist 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.

### Body Protection

Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

### Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

### Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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## 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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| a) Appearance                                   | Form: solid<br>Colour: colourless  |
| b) Odour  | odourless  |
| c) Odour Threshold                              | No data available  |
| d) pH   | No data available  |
| e) Melting point/freezing point                 | Melting point/range: 212 °C (414 °F) - dec.                              |
| f) Initial boiling point and boiling range      | 440 °C (824 °F) - Decomposes on heating.                                 |
| g) Flash point                                  | No data available  |
| h) Evaporation rate                             | No data available  |
| i) Flammability (solid, gas)                    | No data available  |
| j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | No data available  |
| k) Vapour pressure                              | No data available  |
| l) Vapour density                               | No data available  |
| m) Relative density                             | 4.350 g/cm <sup>3</sup>  |
| n) Water solubility                             | No data available  |
| o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water       | log Pow: 5   |
| p) Auto-ignition temperature                    | No data available  |
| q) Decomposition temperature                    | No data available  |
| r) Viscosity                                    | No data available  |
| s) Explosive properties                         | No data available  |
| t) Oxidizing properties                         | The substance or mixture is classified as oxidizing with the category 2. |

### 9.2 Other safety information

No data available

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## 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1 Reactivity

No data available

## 10.2 Chemical stability

Decomposes on exposure to light.  
Stable under recommended storage conditions.

## 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No data available

## 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Light.

## 10.5 Incompatible materials

Strong reducing agents, Alcohols, Ammonia, Magnesium, Strong bases

## 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Nitrogen oxides (NOx), Silver/silver oxides  
Other decomposition products - No data available  
In the event of fire: see section 5

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## 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity

Inhalation: No data available

Dermal: No data available

No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation

No data available

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Severe eye irritation

#### Respiratory or skin sensitisation

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.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

#### Reproductive toxicity

No data available

No data available

#### Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

No data available

#### Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

#### Aspiration hazard

No data available

#### Additional Information

RTECS: VW4725000

May cause argyria (a slate-gray or bluish discoloration of the skin and deep tissues due to the deposit of insoluble albuminate of silver)., Absorption into the body leads to the formation of methemoglobin which in sufficient concentration causes cyanosis. Onset may be delayed 2 to 4 hours or longer.  
To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

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## 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish                      semi-static test LC50 - Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) - 0.0012 mg/l - 96 h

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates                      static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 0.00121 mg/l - 48 h

Toxicity to algae                      EC50 - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (green algae) - 0.0099 mg/l - 96 h

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

No data available

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulation                      Cyprinus carpio (Carp) - 41 d

Bioconcentration factor (BCF): 70

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

### 12.6 Other adverse effects

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.  
Very toxic to aquatic life.

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## 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

#### Product

Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.

#### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

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## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### DOT (US)

UN number: 1493                      Class: 5.1                      Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Silver nitrate  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 1 lbs

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

### IMDG

UN number: 1493                      Class: 5.1                      Packing group: II                      EMS-No: F-A, S-Q  
Proper shipping name: SILVER NITRATE  
Marine pollutant: yes

### IATA

UN number: 1493                      Class: 5.1                      Packing group: II

Proper shipping name: Silver nitrate

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## 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### SARA 302 Components

No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

### SARA 313 Components

The following components are subject to reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313:

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### SARA 311/312 Hazards

Reactivity Hazard, Acute Health Hazard

### Massachusetts Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Silver nitrate	7761-88-8	1993-04-24

### Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Silver nitrate	7761-88-8	1993-04-24

### New Jersey Right To Know Components

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Silver nitrate	7761-88-8	1993-04-24

### California Prop. 65 Components

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

### Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

Aquatic Acute	Acute aquatic toxicity
Aquatic Chronic	Chronic aquatic toxicity
Eye Dam.	Serious eye damage
H272	May intensify fire; oxidizer.
H290	May be corrosive to metals.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
H400	Very toxic to aquatic life.
H410	Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

### HMIS Rating

Health hazard:	3
Chronic Health Hazard:	
Flammability:	0
Physical Hazard	2

### NFPA Rating

Health hazard:	3
Fire Hazard:	0
Reactivity Hazard:	2
Special hazard.I:	OX

### Further information

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