Material Safety Data Sheet
Tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane

ACC# 24440

Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

**MSDS Name:** Tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane

**Catalog Numbers:** S80234, BP152-1, BP152-10, BP152-25, BP152-5, BP152-500, BP154-1, T370-3, T370-500, T393-12, T393-212, T393-500, T395-1, T395-100, T395-500

**Synonyms:** THAM; Tris; Trisaminol; Trismethylolaminomethane; 2-amino-2-(hydroxymethyl) propane-1,3-diol; Trizma; Tromethane; Tromethamine; Tris buffer.

**Company Identification:**
Fisher Scientific
1 Reagent Lane
Fair Lawn, NJ 07410

For information, call: 201-796-7100
Emergency Number: 201-796-7100
For CHEMTREC assistance, call: 800-424-9300
For International CHEMTREC assistance, call: 703-527-3887

Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

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Hazard Symbols: XI
Risk Phrases: 36/38

Section 3 - Hazards Identification

**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

Appearance: white solid. May cause liver and kidney damage. The toxicological properties of this material have not been fully investigated. Hygroscopic (absorbs moisture from the air). Causes eye and skin irritation. May cause respiratory tract irritation. **Warning!**

Target Organs: Kidneys, liver.

Potential Health Effects
Eye: Causes eye irritation.
Skin: Causes skin irritation.
Ingestion: May cause severe gastrointestinal tract irritation with nausea, vomiting and possible burns. May cause liver and kidney damage. The toxicological properties of this substance have not been fully investigated. May cause metabolic changes including hypoglycemia, and hyperkalemia. May depress respiratory center.
Inhalation: May cause irritation of the respiratory tract with burning pain in the nose and throat, coughing, wheezing, shortness of breath and pulmonary edema. The toxicological properties of this substance have not been fully investigated.
Chronic: Prolonged or repeated skin contact may cause dermatitis. May cause liver and kidney damage.
Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Eyes:** Flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Get medical aid immediately.

**Skin:** Get medical aid. Flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash clothing before reuse.

**Ingestion:** If victim is conscious and alert, give 2-4 cupfuls of milk or water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical aid.

**Inhalation:** Get medical aid immediately. Remove from exposure and move to fresh air immediately. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.

**Notes to Physician:** Treat symptomatically and supportively.

**Antidote:** None reported.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

**General Information:** As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear. During a fire, irritating and highly toxic gases may be generated by thermal decomposition or combustion.

**Extinguishing Media:** In case of fire, use water, dry chemical, chemical foam, or alcohol-resistant foam.

**Flash Point:** Not available.

**Autoignition Temperature:** Not available.

**Explosion Limits, Lower:** Not available.

**Upper:** Not available.

**NFPA Rating:** (estimated) Health: 2; Flammability: 1; Instability: 0

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

**General Information:** Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.

**Spills/Leaks:** Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions in the Protective Equipment section. Sweep up or absorb material, then place into a suitable clean, dry, closed container for disposal. Avoid generating dusty conditions. Provide ventilation.

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Use with adequate ventilation. Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Keep container tightly closed. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Discard contaminated shoes.

**Storage:** Store in a tightly closed container. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances. Keep away from acids. Keep containers tightly closed. Store protected from moisture. Store at room temperature.

Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

**Engineering Controls:** Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash
facility and a safety shower. Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

### Exposure Limits

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**OSHA Vacated PELs:** Tris (hydroxymethyl) aminomethane: No OSHA Vacated PELs are listed for this chemical.

**Personal Protective Equipment**

**Eyes:** Wear appropriate protective eyeglasses or chemical safety goggles as described by OSHA's eye and face protection regulations in 29 CFR 1910.133 or European Standard EN166.

**Skin:** Wear appropriate protective gloves to prevent skin exposure.

**Clothing:** Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.

**Respirators:** A respiratory protection program that meets OSHA's 29 CFR 1910.134 and ANSI Z88.2 requirements or European Standard EN 149 must be followed whenever workplace conditions warrant a respirator's use.

### Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical State:** Solid  
**Appearance:** white  
**Odor:** amine-like  
**pH:** 10.36(aq. solution)  
**Vapor Pressure:** Not available.  
**Vapor Density:** Not available.  
**Evaporation Rate:** Not available.  
**Viscosity:** Not available.  
**Boiling Point:** 219-220 deg C @ 10 mm Hg  
**Freezing/Melting Point:** 171.2-172.3 deg C  
**Decomposition Temperature:** Not available.  
**Solubility:** Moderately Soluble.  
**Specific Gravity/Density:** Not available.  
**Molecular Formula:** (CH2OH)3CNH2  
**Molecular Weight:** 121.14

### Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

**Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal temperatures and pressures.  
**Conditions to Avoid:** Dust generation, exposure to moist air or water.  
**Incompatibilities with Other Materials:** Strong oxidizing agents, strong acids.  
**Hazardous Decomposition Products:** Nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, irritating and toxic fumes and gases, carbon dioxide.  
**Hazardous Polymerization:** Will not occur.

### Section 11 - Toxicological Information

**RTECS#:**  
**CAS# 77-86-1:** TY2900000  
**LD50/LC50:**
CAS# 77-86-1:
Oral, rat: LD50 = 5900 mg/kg;

**Carcinogenicity:**
CAS# 77-86-1: Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NIOSH, NTP, or OSHA.

**Epidemiology:** No information available.

**Teratogenicity:** No information available.

**Reproductive Effects:** No information available.

**Neurotoxicity:** No information available.

**Mutagenicity:** No information available.

**Other Studies:** See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

### Section 12 - Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** No data available. No information available.

**Environmental:** No information found.

**Physical:** No information found.

**Other:** No information available.

### Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. US EPA guidelines for the classification determination are listed in 40 CFR Parts 261.3. Additionally, waste generators must consult state and local hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

**RCRA P-Series:** None listed.

**RCRA U-Series:** None listed.

### Section 14 - Transport Information

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### Section 15 - Regulatory Information

**US FEDERAL**

**TSCA**
CAS# 77-86-1 is listed on the TSCA inventory.

**Health & Safety Reporting List**
None of the chemicals are on the Health & Safety Reporting List.

**Chemical Test Rules**
None of the chemicals in this product are under a Chemical Test Rule.
Section 12b
None of the chemicals are listed under TSCA Section 12b.

TSCA Significant New Use Rule
None of the chemicals in this material have a SNUR under TSCA.

SARA

CERCLA Hazardous Substances and corresponding RQs
None of the chemicals in this material have an RQ.

SARA Section 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances
None of the chemicals in this product have a TPQ.

SARA Codes
CAS # 77-86-1: acute.

Section 313
No chemicals are reportable under Section 313.

Clean Air Act:
This material does not contain any hazardous air pollutants. This material does not contain any Class 1 Ozone depletors. This material does not contain any Class 2 Ozone depletors.

Clean Water Act:
None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Hazardous Substances under the CWA. None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Priority Pollutants under the CWA. None of the chemicals in this product are listed as Toxic Pollutants under the CWA.

OSHA:
None of the chemicals in this product are considered highly hazardous by OSHA.

STATE
CAS# 77-86-1 is not present on state lists from CA, PA, MN, MA, FL, or NJ.
California No Significant Risk Level: None of the chemicals in this product are listed.

European/International Regulations

European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives

Hazard Symbols:
XI

Risk Phrases:
R 36/38 Irritating to eyes and skin.

Safety Phrases:
S 26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
S 7 Keep container tightly closed.

WGK (Water Danger/Protection)
CAS# 77-86-1: 1

Canada - DSL/NDSL
CAS# 77-86-1 is listed on Canada's DSL List.

Canada - WHMIS
This product has a WHMIS classification of D2B.

Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List

Exposure Limits

Section 16 - Additional Information

MSDS Creation Date: 7/15/1999
Revision #5 Date: 3/04/2004

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