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## SECTION 1: IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

### 1.1. Product identifier

<b>Product Description:</b>	<b>tert-Butyl methyl ether</b>
<b>Cat No. :</b>	<b>177040000; 177040010; 177040025; 177040051; 177040100; 177040250; 177042500</b>
<b>Synonyms</b>	2-Methyl-2-methoxy propane; MTBE; Methyl tert-butyl ether
<b>CAS-No</b>	1634-04-4
<b>EC-No.</b>	216-653-1
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O
<b>Reach Registration Number</b>	01-2119452786-27

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

<b>Recommended Use</b>	Laboratory chemicals.
<b>Sector of use</b>	SU3 - Industrial uses: Uses of substances as such or in preparations at industrial sites
<b>Product category</b>	PC21 - Laboratory chemicals
<b>Process categories</b>	PROC15 - Use as a laboratory reagent
<b>Environmental release category</b>	ERC6a - Industrial use resulting in manufacture of another substance (use of intermediates)
<b>Uses advised against</b>	No Information available

### 1.3. Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

<b>Company</b>	<b>UK entity/business name</b> Fisher Scientific UK Bishop Meadow Road, Loughborough, Leicestershire LE11 5RG, United Kingdom
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**EU entity/business name**  
Acros Organics BVBA  
Janssen Pharmaceuticaaan 3a  
2440 Geel, Belgium

<b>E-mail address</b>	begel.sdsdesk@thermofisher.com
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### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

For information **US** call: 001-800-ACROS-01 / **Europe** call: +32 14 57 52 11  
Emergency Number **US**:001-201-796-7100 / **Europe**: +32 14 57 52 99  
**CHEMTREC** Tel. No.**US**:001-800-424-9300 / **Europe**:001-703-527-3887

## SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

CLP Classification - Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Physical hazards

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Flammable liquids	Category 2 (H225)
<b>Health hazards</b>	
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 2 (H315)
<b>Environmental hazards</b>	
Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met	

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## 2.2. Label elements



Signal Word

Danger

### Hazard Statements

H225 - Highly flammable liquid and vapor  
H315 - Causes skin irritation

### Precautionary Statements

P240 - Ground and bond container and receiving equipment  
P210 - Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking  
P302 + P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water

## 2.3. Other hazards

Substance is not considered persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT) / very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB)

## SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1. Substances

Component	CAS-No	EC-No.	Weight %	CLP Classification - Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008
Methyl tert-butyl ether	1634-04-4	EEC No. 216-653-1	>95	Skin Irrit. 2 (H315) Flam. Liq. 2 (H225)

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## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Get medical attention.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.
<b>Self-Protection of the First Aider</b>	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.

### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Difficulty in breathing. Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting

### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

**Notes to Physician** Treat symptomatically. Symptoms may be delayed.

## SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1. Extinguishing media

#### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam. Water mist may be used to cool closed containers.

#### **Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons**

Do not use a solid water stream as it may scatter and spread fire.

### 5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Flammable. Containers may explode when heated. Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air. Vapors may travel to source of ignition and flash back.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Carbon monoxide (CO), Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

### 5.3. Advice 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.

## SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

### 6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment as required. Remove all sources of ignition. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Ensure adequate ventilation.

### 6.2. Environmental precautions

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

## 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Remove all sources of ignition. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Take precautionary measures against static discharges.

## 6.4. Reference to other sections

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Use only non-sparking tools. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Take precautionary measures against static discharges. Use only under a chemical fume hood. To avoid ignition of vapors by static electricity discharge, all metal parts of the equipment must be grounded.

### Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Flammables area. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. May form explosive peroxides on prolonged storage.

Technical Rules for Hazardous Substances (TRGS) 510 Storage Class (LGK)  
(Germany)

Class 3

### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Use in laboratories

## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1. Control parameters

#### Exposure limits

List source(s): **EU** - Commission Directive (EU) 2019/1831 of 24 October 2019 establishing a fifth list of indicative occupational exposure limit values pursuant to Council Directive 98/24/EC and amending Commission Directive 2000/39/EC **UK** - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Third edition. Published 2018. **IRE** - 2018 Code of Practice for the Chemical Agents Regulations, Schedule 1. Published by the Health and Safety Authority

Component	The United Kingdom	European Union	Ireland
Methyl tert-butyl ether	STEL: 100 ppm 15 min STEL: 367 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 50 ppm 8 hr TWA: 183.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr	TWA: 50 ppm (8h) TWA: 183.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (8h) STEL: 100 ppm (15min) STEL: 367 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (15min)	TWA: 50 ppm 8 hr. TWA: 183.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr. STEL: 100 ppm 15 min STEL: 367 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min

#### Biological limit values

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

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## Monitoring methods

BS EN 14042:2003 Title Identifier: Workplace atmospheres. Guide for the application and use of procedures for the assessment of exposure to chemical and biological agents.

MDHS70 General methods for sampling airborne gases and vapours

MDHS 88 Volatile organic compounds in air. Laboratory method using diffusive samplers, solvent desorption and gas chromatography

MDHS 96 Volatile organic compounds in air - Laboratory method using pumped solid sorbent tubes, solvent desorption and gas chromatography

**Derived No Effect Level (DNEL)** No information available

Route of exposure	Acute effects (local)	Acute effects (systemic)	Chronic effects (local)	Chronic effects (systemic)
Oral Dermal Inhalation				

**Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)** No information available.

## 8.2. Exposure controls

### Engineering Measures

Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. 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

Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) (European standard - EN 166)

#### Hand Protection

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	EU standard	Glove comments
Nitrile rubber	< 211 minutes	0.38 mm	Level 4	Permeation rate 1 µg/cm <sup>2</sup> /min
Viton (R)	< 152 minutes	0.7 mm	Level 4	Permeation rate 17 µg/cm <sup>2</sup> /min
Neoprene			EN 374	As tested under EN374-3 Determination of
Natural rubber				Resistance to Permeation by Chemicals
PVC				

#### Skin and body protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatibility, 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.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

#### Respiratory Protection

No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.

#### Large scale/emergency use

Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 136 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced

#### Small scale/Laboratory use

Maintain adequate ventilation

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Environmental exposure controls No information available.

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical State	Liquid	
Appearance	Colorless	
Odor	Petroleum distillates	
Odor Threshold	No data available	
Melting Point/Range	-110 °C / -166 °F	
Softening Point	No data available	
Boiling Point/Range	54 - 56 °C / 129.2 - 132.8 °F	
Flammability (liquid)	Highly flammable	On basis of test data
Flammability (solid,gas)	Not applicable	Liquid
Explosion Limits	<b>Lower</b> 1.6 vol% <b>Upper</b> 8.4 vol%	
Flash Point	-28 °C / -18.4 °F	<b>Method -</b> No information available
Autoignition Temperature	224 - °C / 435.2 - °F	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
pH	No information available	
Viscosity	0.36 mPa.s at 20 °C	
Water Solubility	51 g/L (20°C)	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Component	<b>log Pow</b>	
Methyl tert-butyl ether	1.06	
Vapor Pressure	268 mbar @ 20 °C	
Density / Specific Gravity	0.740	
Bulk Density	Not applicable	Liquid
Vapor Density	0.2	(Air = 1.0)
Particle characteristics	Not applicable (liquid)	

### 9.2. Other information

Molecular Formula	C5 H12 O
Molecular Weight	88.15
Explosive Properties	Vapors may form explosive mixtures with air

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1. Reactivity

None known, based on information available

### 10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous Polymerization	Hazardous polymerization does not occur.
Hazardous Reactions	None under normal processing.

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Incompatible products. Excess heat. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition.

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

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Strong oxidizing agents.

## 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Carbon monoxide (CO). Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1. Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

#### Product Information

##### (a) acute toxicity;

Oral

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Dermal

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Inhalation

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Methyl tert-butyl ether	LD50 = 2963 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 = 10000 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	LC50 = 85 mg/L ( Rat ) 4 h

##### (b) skin corrosion/irritation;

Category 2

##### (c) serious eye damage/irritation;

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

##### (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

Mutagenic effects have occurred in experimental animals

##### (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  
Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect

##### (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

#### Other Adverse Effects

Tumorigenic effects have been reported in experimental animals.

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed**

Inhalation of high vapor concentrations may cause symptoms like headache, dizziness, tiredness, nausea and vomiting.

### 11.2. Information on other hazards

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**Endocrine Disrupting Properties** Assess endocrine disrupting properties for human health. This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1. Toxicity

**Ecotoxicity effects** Do not empty into drains. .

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae
Methyl tert-butyl ether	887 mg/L LC50 96 h 100 mg/L LC50 96 h 929 mg/L LC50 96 h 672 mg/L LC50 96 h	EC50: = 542 mg/L, 48h (Daphnia magna)	800 mg/L EC50 > 72 h 184 mg/L EC50 = 96 h

Component	Microtox	M-Factor
Methyl tert-butyl ether	EC50 = 11.4 mg/L 30 min EC50 = 8.23 mg/L 5 min EC50 = 9.67 mg/L 15 min	

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

**Persistence** Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.

**12.3. Bioaccumulative potential** Bioaccumulation is unlikely

Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Methyl tert-butyl ether	1.06	No data available

### 12.4. Mobility in soil

The product contains volatile organic compounds (VOC) which will evaporate easily from all surfaces. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its volatility. Disperses rapidly in air.

### 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Substance is not considered persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic (PBT) / very persistent and very bioaccumulative (vPvB).

### 12.6. Endocrine disrupting properties

#### Endocrine Disruptor Information

Component	EU - Endocrine Disruptors Candidate List	EU - Endocrine Disruptors - Evaluated Substances	Japan - Endocrine Disruptor Information
Methyl tert-butyl ether	Group III Chemical		

### 12.7. Other adverse effects

**Persistent Organic Pollutant**  
**Ozone Depletion Potential**

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance.  
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## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

**Waste from Residues/Unused Products**

Waste is classified as hazardous. Dispose of in accordance with the European Directives on waste and hazardous waste. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

**Contaminated Packaging**

Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point. Empty containers retain product residue, (liquid and/or vapor), and can be dangerous. Keep product and

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empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

**European Waste Catalogue (EWC)** According to the European Waste Catalog, Waste Codes are not product specific, but application specific.

**Other Information** Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not flush to sewer. Can be landfilled or incinerated, when in compliance with local regulations.

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### IMDG/IMO

**14.1. UN number** UN2398  
**14.2. UN proper shipping name** METHYL tert-BUTYL ETHER  
**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)** 3  
**14.4. Packing group** II

### ADR

**14.1. UN number** UN2398  
**14.2. UN proper shipping name** METHYL tert-BUTYL ETHER  
**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)** 3  
**14.4. Packing group** II

### IATA

**14.1. UN number** UN2398  
**14.2. UN proper shipping name** METHYL tert-BUTYL ETHER  
**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)** 3  
**14.4. Packing group** II

**14.5. Environmental hazards** No hazards identified

**14.6. Special precautions for user** No special precautions required

**14.7. Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments** Not applicable, packaged goods

## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

#### International Inventories

X = listed, Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), U.S.A. (TSCA), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Philippines (PICCS), China (IECSC), Japan (ENCS), Australia (AICS), Korea (ECL).

Component	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ENCS	IECSC	AICS	KECL
Methyl tert-butyl ether	216-653-1	-		X	X	-	X	X	X	X	KE-2364 8

**Regulation (EC) No 649/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals**  
Not applicable

#### National Regulations

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**WGK Classification** See table for values

Component	Germany - Water Classification (VwVwS)	Germany - TA-Luft Class
Methyl tert-butyl ether	WGK1	

Component	France - INRS (Tables of occupational diseases)
Methyl tert-butyl ether	Tableaux des maladies professionnelles (TMP) - RG 84

**UK** - Take note of Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) 2002 and 2005 Amendment

## 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

A Chemical Safety Assessment/Report (CSA/CSR) has not been conducted

## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

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

H225 - Highly flammable liquid and vapor

H315 - Causes skin irritation

### Legend

**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

**PICCS** - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

**TSCA** - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

**DSL/NDL** - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

**AICS** - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

**NZIoC** - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

**WEL** - Workplace Exposure Limit

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level

**RPE** - Respiratory Protective Equipment

**LC50** - Lethal Concentration 50%

**NOEC** - No Observed Effect Concentration

**PBT** - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

**TWA** - Time Weighted Average

**IARC** - International Agency for Research on Cancer  
Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

**LD50** - Lethal Dose 50%

**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50%

**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

**vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

**ADR** - European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

**IMO/IMDG** - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

**ICAO/IATA** - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air Transport Association

**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

**ATE** - Acute Toxicity Estimate

**VOC** (volatile organic compound)

### Key literature references and sources for data

<https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals>

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadviser - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

### Training Advice

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

Fire prevention and fighting, identifying hazards and risks, static electricity, explosive atmospheres posed by vapours and dusts.

Chemical incident response training.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

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