Material Safety Data Sheet
Citric acid monohydrate

ACC# 84211

Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

**MSDS Name:** Citric acid monohydrate

**Catalog Numbers:** AC124910010, AC124910250, AC124912500, S728362, S728363, A104-10, A104-10LC, A104-250LB, A104-3, A104-500, A110-10, A110-3, A110-50, A111-12, A111-12LC, A111-212, A111-SAM1, A111-SAM2, A111-SAM3

**Synonyms:** 2-Hydroxy-1,2,3-propanetricarboxylic acid monohydrate.

**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:** 36/37/38

Section 3 - Hazards Identification

**EMERGENCY OVERVIEW**

Appearance: white crystalline powder. **Danger!** Causes severe eye irritation and possible injury. Causes skin and respiratory tract irritation.

**Target Organs:** Respiratory system, eyes, skin.

**Potential Health Effects**
**Eye:** Causes severe eye irritation and possible injury.

**Skin:** Causes skin irritation. Some references state that citric acid has allergenic properties but, no animal or human studies were found to support this claim. It does not seem likely that citric acid is a sensitizer since it is found in the body as an essential component of the citric acid cycle which releases energy for physiological functions. Citric acid is widely distributed in plants and in animal tissues and fluids.

**Ingestion:** May cause gastrointestinal irritation with nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Excessive intake of citric acid may cause erosion of the teeth.

**Inhalation:** Causes respiratory tract irritation.

**Chronic:** Repeated exposure may cause erosion of teeth. Chronic exposure may cause effects similar to those of acute exposure.

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### Section 4 - First Aid Measures

**Eyes:** In case of contact, immediately flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical aid immediately.

**Skin:** In case of contact, flush skin with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Get medical aid if irritation develops and persists. Wash clothing before reuse.

**Ingestion:** If swallowed, do not induce vomiting unless directed to do so by medical personnel. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Get medical aid.

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

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

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### 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. This material in sufficient quantity and reduced particle size is capable of creating a dust explosion.

**Extinguishing Media:** Use water spray, dry chemical, carbon dioxide, or chemical foam.

**Flash Point:** Not applicable.

**Autoignition Temperature:** 1010 deg C (1,850.00 deg F)

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

**Upper:** Not available.

**NFPA Rating:** (estimated) Health: 3; Flammability: 1; Instability: 0
Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

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

**Spills/Leaks:** Vacuum or sweep up material and place into a suitable disposal container. Clean up spills immediately, observing precautions in the Protective Equipment section. Avoid generating dusty conditions. Provide ventilation. Spill may be carefully neutralized with lime (calcium oxide, CaO).

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

**Handling:** Wash thoroughly after handling. Remove contaminated clothing and wash before reuse. Use with adequate ventilation. Minimize dust generation and accumulation. Keep container tightly closed. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Do not get in eyes. Avoid contact with skin and clothing.

**Storage:** Store in a tightly closed container. Store in a cool, dry, well-ventilated area away from incompatible substances. Store protected from moisture.

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:** Citric acid monohydrate: No OSHA Vacated PELs are listed for this chemical. Citric acid anhydrous: 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: Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Always use a NIOSH or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator when necessary.

Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

Physical State: Crystalline powder
Appearance: white
Odor: Odorless.
pH: 2.2 (0.1N soln)
Vapor Pressure: 3.70E-009 mm Hg @ 25 deg C
Vapor Density: Not available.
Evaporation Rate: Not available.
Viscosity: Not available.
Boiling Point: 175 deg C (dec)
Freezing/Melting Point: 100 deg C
Decomposition Temperature: 175 deg C
Solubility: Freely Soluble.
Specific Gravity/Density: 1.542 g/cm3
Molecular Formula: C6H8O7.H2O
Molecular Weight: 210.15

Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

Chemical Stability: Stable under normal temperatures and pressures.
Conditions to Avoid: Dust generation, moisture.
Incompatibilities with Other Materials: Metals, strong oxidizing agents, strong reducing agents, strong bases, metal nitrates.
Hazardous Decomposition Products: Carbon monoxide, irritating and toxic fumes and gases, carbon dioxide.
Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur.

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

RTECS#: 
CAS# 5949-29-1: GE7810000
CAS# 77-92-9: GE7350000
LD50/LC50:
Not available.

CAS# 77-92-9:
Draize test, rabbit, eye: 750 ug/24H Severe;
Draize test, rabbit, skin: 500 mg/24H Mild;
Oral, mouse: LD50 = 5040 mg/kg;
Oral, rat: LD50 = 3 gm/kg;

Carcinogenicity:
CAS# 5949-29-1: Not listed by ACGIH, IARC, NIOSH, NTP, or OSHA. CAS# 77-92-9: 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: No data available.

Section 12 - Ecological Information

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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Hazard Class:  
UN Number:  
Packing Group:  

Section 15 - Regulatory Information

US FEDERAL

TSCA
CAS# 5949-29-1 is not on the TSCA Inventory because it is a hydrate. It is considered to be listed if the CAS number for the anhydrous form is on the inventory (40CFR720.3(u)(2)).
CAS# 77-92-9 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 # 5949-29-1: acute. CAS # 77-92-9: 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 depleters. This material does not contain any Class 2 Ozone depleters.

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# 5949-29-1 is not present on state lists from CA, PA, MN, MA, FL, or NJ.
CAS# 77-92-9 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 36/37/38 Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

Safety Phrases:
S 26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
S 37/39 Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection.

WGK (Water Danger/Protection)
CAS# 5949-29-1: 0
CAS# 77-92-9: 0

Canada - DSL/NDSL
CAS# 77-92-9 is listed on Canada's DSL List.

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

Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List
CAS# 77-92-9 is listed on the Canadian Ingredient Disclosure List.

Exposure Limits

Section 16 - Additional Information

MSDS Creation Date: 2/09/1999
Revision #7 Date: 2/25/2004

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