

# SAFETY DATA SHEETS

According to the UN GHS revision 9

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## SECTION 1: Identification

### 1.1 GHS Product identifier

**Product name** Benz[a]anthracene

### 1.2 Other means of identification

**Product number** -

**Other names** Benz[a]anthracene; 1,2-Benzanthracene; benzo[a]anthracene

### 1.3 Recommended use of the chemical and restrictions on use

**Identified uses** Industrial and scientific research use.

**Uses advised against** no data available

### 1.4 Supplier's details

**Company** Shanghai Baishun Biotechnology Co., Ltd

**Address** No. 26, Lane 918, Lianye Road, Zhelin Town, Fengxian District, Shanghai, 201400, China

**Telephone** +86-21-37581181

### 1.5 Emergency phone number

**Emergency phone number** +86-21-37581181

**Service hours** Monday to Friday, 9am-5pm (Standard time zone: UTC/GMT +8 hours).

## SECTION 2: Hazard identification

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Carcinogenicity, Category 1B

Hazardous to the aquatic environment, short-term (Acute) - Category Acute 1

Hazardous to the aquatic environment, long-term (Chronic) - Category Chronic 1

### 2.2 GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

**Pictogram(s)**



**Signal word** Danger

**Hazard statement(s)** H350 May cause cancer

H410 Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

**Precautionary statement(s)**

<b>Prevention</b>	P203 Obtain, read and follow all safety instructions before use. P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection/hearing protection/...
<b>Response</b>	P273 Avoid release to the environment. P318 IF exposed or concerned, get medical advice.
<b>Storage</b>	P391 Collect spillage.
<b>Disposal</b>	P405 Store locked up. P501 Dispose of contents/container to an appropriate treatment and disposal facility in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, and product characteristics at time of disposal.

### 2.3 Other hazards which do not result in classification

no data available

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## SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

### 3.1 Substances

Chemical name	Common names and synonyms	CAS number	EC number	Concentration
Benz[a]anthracene	Benz[a]anthracene	56-55-3	200-280-6	100%

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## SECTION 4: First-aid measures

### 4.1 Description of necessary first-aid measures

#### If inhaled

Fresh air.

#### Following skin contact

Remove contaminated clothes. Rinse and then wash skin with water and soap.

#### Following eye contact

Rinse with plenty of water (remove contact lenses if easily possible).

#### Following ingestion

Rinse mouth. Seek medical attention if you feel unwell.

### 4.2 Most important symptoms/effects, acute and delayed

ACUTE/CHRONIC HAZARDS: When heated to decomposition this compound emits acrid smoke and irritating fumes. (NTP, 1992)

### 4.3 Indication of immediate medical attention and special treatment needed, if necessary

Immediate first aid: Ensure that adequate decontamination has been carried out. If patient is not breathing, start artificial respiration, preferably with a demand-valve resuscitator, bag-valve-mask device, or pocket mask, as trained. Perform CPR if necessary. Immediately flush contaminated eyes with gently flowing water. Do not induce vomiting. If vomiting occurs, lean patient forward or place on left side (head-down position, if possible) to maintain an open airway and prevent aspiration. Keep patient quiet and maintain normal body temperature. Obtain medical attention. Naphthalene and Related Compounds

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## SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

### 5.1 Suitable extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media: Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.[Sigma-Aldrich; Safety Data Sheet for Benz

### 5.2 Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Flash point data for this chemical are not available. It is probably combustible. (NTP, 1992)

### **5.3 Special protective actions for fire-fighters**

Use water spray, powder, carbon dioxide, foam. In case of fire in the surroundings, use appropriate extinguishing media.

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## **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

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

Personal protection: complete protective clothing including self-contained breathing apparatus. Wet powder to prevent dusting and ignition. Do NOT let this chemical enter the environment. Vacuum spilled material with specialist equipment. Sweep spilled substance into sealable containers. Then store and dispose of according to local regulations.

### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Personal protection: complete protective clothing including self-contained breathing apparatus. Wet powder to prevent dusting and ignition. Do NOT let this chemical enter the environment. Vacuum spilled material with specialist equipment. Sweep spilled substance into sealable containers. Then store and dispose of according to local regulations.

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

ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES: Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures: Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust. 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. Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up: Pick up and arrange disposal without creating dust. Sweep up and shovel. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.[Sigma-Aldrich; Safety Data Sheet for Benz

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## **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

### **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

NO contact with oxidizing agents. NO open flames. Closed system, dust explosion-proof electrical equipment and lighting. Prevent deposition of dust. Handling in a well ventilated place. Wear suitable protective clothing. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Use non-sparking tools. Prevent fire caused by electrostatic discharge steam.

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

Separated from oxidizing materials. Store in an area without drain or sewer access. Well closed. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.[Sigma-Aldrich; Safety Data Sheet for Benz

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## **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

### **8.1 Control parameters**

#### **Occupational Exposure limit values**

TLV: A2 (suspected human carcinogen); BEI issued. MAK skin absorption (H). MAK: carcinogen category: 2; germ cell mutagen group: 3A

#### **Biological limit values**

no data available

### **8.2 Appropriate engineering controls**

Ensure adequate ventilation. Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Set up emergency exits and the risk-elimination area.

### 8.3 Individual protection measures, such as personal protective equipment (PPE)

#### Eye/face protection

Wear safety goggles, face shield or eye protection in combination with breathing protection.

#### Skin protection

Protective gloves. Protective clothing.

#### Respiratory protection

Use local exhaust or breathing protection.

#### Thermal hazards

no data available

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## SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties and safety characteristics

<b>Physical state</b>	PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: Colorless leaflets or plates or coarse gold powder with a greenish-yellow fluorescence. May reasonably be expected to be a carcinogen.
<b>Colour</b>	Plates from glacial acetic acid or alcohol
<b>Odour</b>	no data available
<b>Melting point/freezing point</b>	-46°C(lit.)
<b>Boiling point or initial boiling point and boiling range</b>	438°C(lit.)
<b>Flammability</b>	Combustible.
<b>Lower and upper explosion limit/flammability limit</b>	no data available
<b>Flash point</b>	41°C(lit.)
<b>Auto-ignition temperature</b>	no data available
<b>Decomposition temperature</b>	no data available
<b>pH</b>	no data available
<b>Kinematic viscosity</b>	no data available
<b>Solubility</b>	less than 1 mg/mL at 68° F (NTP, 1992)
<b>Partition coefficient n-octanol/water</b>	log Kow = 5.76
<b>Vapour pressure</b>	2.1X10 <sup>-7</sup> mm Hg at 25 deg C
<b>Density and/or relative density</b>	1.19g/cm <sup>3</sup>
<b>Relative vapour density</b>	no data available
<b>Particle characteristics</b>	no data available

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

NIOSH considers coal tar pitch volatiles to be potential occupational carcinogens. Coal tar pitch volatiles  
Reacts with oxidizing substances.

### 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.[Sigma-Aldrich; Safety Data Sheet for Benz

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Dust explosion possible if in powder or granular form, mixed with air. BENZ[A]ANTHRACENE may react vigorously with strong oxidizing agents. Can react exothermically with bases and with diazo compounds. Substitution at the benzene nucleus occurs by halogenation (acid catalyst), nitration, sulfonation, and the Friedel-Crafts reaction.

#### **10.4 Conditions to avoid**

no data available

#### **10.5 Incompatible materials**

Incompatible materials: Strong oxidizing agents.[Sigma-Aldrich; Safety Data Sheet for Benz

#### **10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions - Carbon oxides.[Sigma-Aldrich; Safety Data Sheet for Benz

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### **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

#### **Acute toxicity**

- Oral: no data available
- Inhalation: no data available
- Dermal: no data available

#### **Skin corrosion/irritation**

no data available

#### **Serious eye damage/irritation**

no data available

#### **Respiratory or skin sensitization**

no data available

#### **Germ cell mutagenicity**

no data available

#### **Carcinogenicity**

CLASSIFICATION: B2; probable human carcinogen. BASIS FOR CLASSIFICATION: Based on no human data and sufficient data from animal bioassays. Benz[a]anthracene produced tumors in mice exposed by gavage; intraperitoneal, subcutaneous or intramuscular injection; and topical application. Benz[a]anthracene produced mutations in bacteria and in mammalian cells and transformed mammalian cells in culture. HUMAN CARCINOGENICITY DATA: None. ANIMAL CARCINOGENICITY DATA: Sufficient.

#### **Reproductive toxicity**

no data available

#### **STOT-single exposure**

See Notes.

#### **STOT-repeated exposure**

This substance is probably carcinogenic to humans.

#### **Aspiration hazard**

A nuisance-causing concentration of airborne particles can be reached quickly when dispersed.

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### **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

#### **12.1 Toxicity**

- Toxicity to fish: no data available
- Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates: LC50; Species: *Daphnia magna* (Water Flea) age <24 hr neonate; Conditions: freshwater, static, 25 deg C, pH 7.9-8.3, hardness 80-100 mg/L CaCO<sub>3</sub>, alkalinity 57-64 mg/L CaCO<sub>3</sub>; Concentration: 97.5 ug/L for 48 hr /99% purity
- Toxicity to algae: EC50; Species: *Chlorella fusca* var. *vacuolata* (Green Algae) strain 21115, 75000 cells/mL; Conditions: freshwater, static, 28 deg C, pH 6.9; Concentration: 0.06 umol/L for 24 hr (95% confidence interval: 0.0555-0.0655 umol/L); Effect: population growth rate /99% purity
- Toxicity to microorganisms: no data available

## 12.2 Persistence and degradability

AEROBIC: Benz(a)anthracene, at a concentration of 0.05 ppm in the presence of 50 ug/L activated sludge, produced <0.1 percent carbon dioxide in 5 days(1). A biodegradation study of benz(a)anthracene, based on theoretical biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) measurements, using an Ashland City activated sludge seed (2,500 mg/L), a Nashville activated sludge seed (2,500 mg/L) and a Franklin sludge seed (2,500 mg/L) and an initial concentration of 500 mg/L benz(a)anthracene, achieved 0.3, 2.1, and 1.6 percent of its theoretical BOD, respectively, after 144 hours; using an Ashland City activated sludge seed (5,000 mg/L), a Nashville activated sludge seed (5,000 mg/L) and a Franklin sludge seed (5,000 mg/L) and an initial concentration of 500 mg/L benz(a)anthracene, benz(a)anthracene achieved 1.0, 1.0, and 5.4 percent of its theoretical BOD, respectively, after 144 hours(2). No biodegradation of benz(a)anthracene (initial concentration 10 ug/L) to carbon dioxide in estuarine water was observed after an incubation period of 48 hours(3).

## 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

The log bioaccumulation factor for benz(a)anthracene in lake trout (*Salvelinus namaycush*) obtained from Lake Superior was 3.98(1). An estimated BCF of 2,940 was calculated in fish for benz(a)anthracene (SRC), using a measured log Kow of 5.76(2) and a regression-derived equation(3). According to a classification scheme(4), this BCF suggests the potential for bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is very high(SRC), provided the compound is not metabolized by the organism(SRC).

## 12.4 Mobility in soil

Benz(a)anthracene was determined to strongly adsorb to sediment with a Koc range of 545,000 to 1,870,000 in Coyote Creek sediment, Des Moines River sediment, and Searsville Pond sediment(1). According to a recommended classification scheme(2), these experimental Koc values suggest that benz(a)anthracene is expected to be immobile in soil(SRC). In a modeling study, 55, 71 and 88 percent of the benz(a)anthracene was predicted to be sorbed in a lake, stream, and eutrophic pond respectively(1). 39 percent of the benz(a)anthracene added to the water column of a controlled ecosystem was recovered in the sediment a week later(3). Benz(a)anthracene, which adsorbed to sediments in a microcosm, was mostly (40 to 60 percent) found in surface sections collected 4 to 5 cm below the surface(4). Sandy soil from a former wood impregnation plant and heterogeneous soil from a former tar-oil refinery were found to adsorb 105.8 and 95.7 mg/kg soil benz(a)anthracene, respectively(5). In estuarine water, 53 percent benz(a)anthracene adsorbed on particles after 3 hours. After 3 hours incubation in natural seawater, 59 percent of 3 ug/L was taken up by suspended aggregates of dead phytoplankton cells and bacteria(6).

## 12.5 Other adverse effects

no data available

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# SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

## 13.1 Disposal methods

### Product

The material can be disposed of by removal to a licensed chemical destruction plant or by controlled incineration with flue gas scrubbing. Do not contaminate water, foodstuffs, feed or seed by storage or disposal. Do not discharge to sewer systems.

### Contaminated packaging

Containers can be triply rinsed (or equivalent) and offered for recycling or reconditioning. Alternatively, the packaging can be punctured to make it unusable for other purposes and then be disposed of in a sanitary landfill. Controlled incineration with flue gas scrubbing is possible for combustible packaging materials.

## SECTION 14: Transport information

### 14.1 UN Number

ADR/RID: UN3077 (For reference only, please check.)

IMDG: UN3077 (For reference only, please check.)

IATA: UN3077 (For reference only, please check.)

### 14.2 UN Proper Shipping Name

ADR/RID:  
ENVIRONMENTALLY  
HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE,  
SOLID, N.O.S. (For  
reference only, please check.)

IMDG:  
ENVIRONMENTALLY  
HAZARDOUS  
SUBSTANCE, SOLID,  
N.O.S. (For reference only,  
please check.)

IATA:  
ENVIRONMENTALLY  
HAZARDOUS  
SUBSTANCE, SOLID,  
N.O.S. (For reference only,  
please check.)

### 14.3 Transport hazard class(es)

ADR/RID: 9 (For reference only, please check.)

IMDG: 9 (For reference only, please check.)

IATA: 9 (For reference only, please check.)

### 14.4 Packing group, if applicable

ADR/RID: III (For reference only, please check.)

IMDG: III (For reference only, please check.)

IATA: III (For reference only, please check.)

### 14.5 Environmental hazards

ADR/RID: Yes

IMDG: Yes

IATA: Yes

### 14.6 Special precautions for user

no data available

### 14.7 Transport in bulk according to IMO instruments

no data available

## SECTION 15: Regulatory information

### 15.1 Safety, health and environmental regulations specific for the product in question

Chemical name	Common names and synonyms	CAS number	EC number
Benz[a]anthracene	Benz[a]anthracene	56-55-3	200-280-6
European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances (EINECS)			Listed.
EC Inventory			Listed.
United States Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) Inventory			Listed.
China Catalog of Hazardous chemicals 2015			Not Listed.
New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals (NZIoC)			Listed.
Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances (PICCS)			Not Listed.
Vietnam National Chemical Inventory			Listed.
Chinese Chemical Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances (China IECSC)			Listed.
Korea Existing Chemicals List (KECL)			Not Listed.

## SECTION 16: Other information

Information on revision

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### Abbreviations and acronyms

- CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service
- ADR: European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road
- RID: Regulation concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Rail
- IMDG: International Maritime Dangerous Goods
- IATA: International Air Transportation Association
- TWA: Time Weighted Average
- STEL: Short term exposure limit
- LC50: Lethal Concentration 50%
- LD50: Lethal Dose 50%
- EC50: Effective Concentration 50%

### References

- IPCS - The International Chemical Safety Cards (ICSC), website: <http://www.ilo.org/dyn/icsc/showcard.home>
- HSDB - Hazardous Substances Data Bank, website: <https://toxnet.nlm.nih.gov/newtoxnet/hsdb.htm>
- IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer, website: <http://www.iarc.fr/>
- eChemPortal - The Global Portal to Information on Chemical Substances by OECD, website: [http://www.echemportal.org/echemportal/index?pageID=0&request\\_locale=en](http://www.echemportal.org/echemportal/index?pageID=0&request_locale=en)
- CAMEO Chemicals, website: <http://cameochemicals.noaa.gov/search/simple>
- ChemIDplus, website: <http://chem.sis.nlm.nih.gov/chemidplus/chemidlite.jsp>
- ERG - Emergency Response Guidebook by U.S. Department of Transportation, website: <http://www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/library/erg>
- Germany GESTIS-database on hazard substance, website: <http://www.dguv.de/ifa/gestis/gestis-stoffdatenbank/index-2.jsp>
- ECHA - European Chemicals Agency, website: <https://echa.europa.eu/>

### Other Information

Insufficient data are available on the effect of this substance on human health, therefore utmost care must be taken. Do NOT take working clothes home.

**Any questions regarding this SDS, Please send your inquiry to [sds@xixisys.com](mailto:sds@xixisys.com)**

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