SAFETY DATA SHEET (SDS)

in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH), Annex II — Regulation (EU) 2020/878

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Anthracene

anthracene

CAS 120-12-7

$C_{14}H_{10}$ | EC 204-371-1

MOLAR MASS	LOGP
178.23	4.4

HAZARD CLASSIFICATION (GHS / CLP)



Danger

H319 | H317 | H335 | H350 | H373 | H351 | H315 | H400 | H410

Non-harmonised classification (no entry in Annex VI to CLP) — assigned from aggregated ECHA C&L notifications; the H-statements require verification against the official source (ECHA C&L / manufacturer's data sheet).

1. Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Substance name	Anthracene
1.1 IUPAC name	anthracene
1.1 CAS number	120-12-7
1.1 EC number	204-371-1
1.1 PubChem CID	8418
1.1 InChIKey	MWPLVEDNUUSJAV-UHFFFAOYSA-N
1.1 SMILES	C1=CC=C2C=C3C=CC=CC3=CC2=C1
1.1 Molecular formula	$C_{14}H_{10}$ [7]
1.1 Molar mass	178.23 g/mol [7]
1.1 Exact mass	178.0783 Da [7]

1.2 Uses

For laboratory and research purposes. Not for use in the production of food, medicines or cosmetics without appropriate authorisation.

1.3 Details of the supplier

REFERENCE COPY — NO SUPPLIER DETAILS — NOT FOR DISTRIBUTION	Supplier details are not included in this reference copy. The supplier placing the substance on the market must complete this section and remains responsible for the sheet under REACH. MolGod.org prepares documentation and is not the supplier of this substance.

1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency telephone	112 (EU-wide emergency number)

Contact the poison centre designated in the country of placing on the market (CLP Art. 45).

2. Hazards identification

GHS:



PPE:



Danger

Hazard statements (H) [3][4]

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H373	May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure
H351	Suspected of causing cancer
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Precautionary statements (P) [3][4]

P201	Obtain special instructions before use
P202	Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood
P260	Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray
P264	Wash thoroughly after handling
P271	Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
P272	Contaminated work clothing should not be allowed out of the workplace
P273	Avoid release to the environment
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of water
P304+P340	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes; Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
P308+P313	IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/attention
P312	Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician if you feel unwell
P314	Get medical advice/attention if you feel unwell
P321	Specific treatment
P332+P313	If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/attention
P333+P313	If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/attention
P337+P313	If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention
P362+P364	Take off contaminated clothing

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P391	Collect spillage
P403+P233	Store in a well-ventilated place: Keep container tightly closed
P405	Store locked up
P501	Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste collection point

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3. Composition/information on ingredients

Substance type	pure substance
CAS Number	120-12-7
EC number	204-371-1
Molecular formula	$C_{14}H_{10}$
Concentration	≥99% (typical reagent-grade purity — to be confirmed by the supplier's specification)

4. First aid measures



Inhalation

Move the affected person to fresh air. Keep at rest. If not breathing: artificial respiration (qualified personnel only). [1][2][12]

Skin contact

Remove contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with soap and water (min. 15 minutes). [1][2][12]

Eye contact

Rinse eyes with running water (min. 15 minutes). Remove contact lenses if possible. If irritation persists — consult an ophthalmologist. [1][2][12]

Ingestion

Do NOT induce vomiting (unless directed by a physician). Rinse mouth with water. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Emergency number: 112 (EU-wide). Contact the poison centre designated in your country (CLP Art. 45). [1][2][12]

Symptoms and effects

cough, shortness of breath, headache, dizziness; skin redness and irritation; eye irritation and watering. [3]

Notes for physician

Requires verification

Emergency numbers: Emergency: 112 (EU-wide). Poison centre: as designated in the country of placing on the market (CLP Art. 45).

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5. Firefighting measures

Suitable extinguishing media	Adapt extinguishing media to surroundings. CO2, dry powder, foam.
Unsuitable extinguishing media	No specific restrictions.
Specific hazards	Thermal decomposition products: CO, CO2. [13]
Advice for firefighters	Use self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). Full protective suit.
Flash Point	121°C [7]
Auto-ignition temperature	540°C [7]

6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions	Use personal protective equipment (see Section 8). Avoid breathing dust. [1][2][12]
Environmental precautions	Prevent entry into sewers, groundwater and surface water. [1][2][12]
Methods for containment and cleaning up	Collect mechanically into suitable containers. Absorption: sand, vermiculite, diatomaceous earth. Do not sweep dry (dust formation). [1][2][12]
Related sections	8; 13

7. Handling and storage

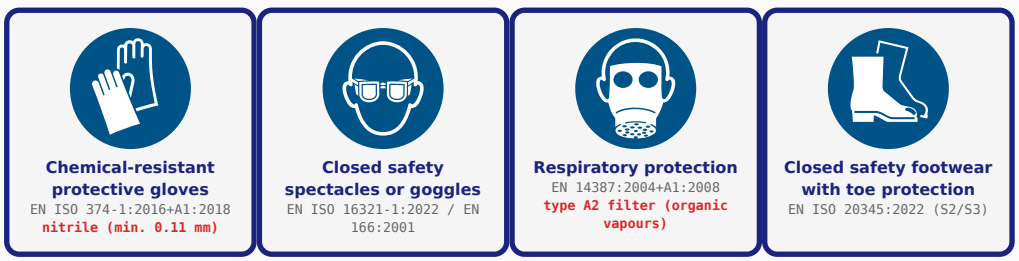
Precautions	Work in a fume hood or with adequate ventilation. No eating, drinking or smoking in the work area. [1][2][12]
Storage temperature	Store at room temperature (15-25°C) or as indicated on the label. [1][2][12]
Humidity	Store in a dry place (<60% RH). [1][2][12]
Light	Protect from direct sunlight. [1][2][12]
Incompatible materials	Strong oxidizers. [13]

8. Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

OEL — NDS (Poland)	No NDS (OEL) value in the available working list — verify in the current MRPiPS regulation before use; do not assume the absence of a limit value.
OEL (EU)	The EU OEL value has not been verified against the available dataset — check the IOELV/BOELV directives; do not assume the absence of a value.
DNEL	No data available.
PNEC	No data available.

8.2 Personal protective equipment (PPE) [5][6][16]



9. Physical and chemical properties

Property (item 9.1)	Value	Source
Physical state	Solid	

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Property (item 9.1)	Value	Source
Colour	Monoclinic plates from alcohol recrystallization; when pure, colorless with violet fluorescence [7]	
Odour	Weak aromatic odor [7]	
pH (1% aqueous solution)	No data available.	
Melting point	216.6058°C [8] [7]	
Boiling point	340.4923°C [8] [7]	
Flash point	121°C (experimental data) [7]	
Flammability	No data available.	
Lower and upper explosion limit	Not applicable (REACH 9.1(g))	
Density (20°C)	1.2448 g/cm³ [7]	
Vapour pressure	0.133 kPa (1 mmHg, 145°C) (experimental data) [7]	
Relative vapour density	Not applicable (REACH 9.1(q))	
Kinematic viscosity	Not applicable (REACH 9.1(l))	
Auto-ignition temperature	540°C (experimental data) [7]	
Decomposition temperature	Not applicable	
Water solubility	0 g/L, 24°C [7]	
Particle characteristics	The particle size distribution has not been determined for this commercial form — required under Annex II 9.1(r); to be completed from the supplier's specification.	
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (log value)	4.4 [9]	
Molar mass	178.23 g/mol [7]	
Molecular formula	$C_{14}H_{10}$ [7]	
Lipinski rule (RO5)	PASS	

Where a property above reads "No data available", no measured value was found in the public sources consulted for this substance. The property has not been determined by MolGod.org and no value is inferred. "Not applicable" means the property has no meaning for this substance in the form supplied.

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity	Stable under normal storage and handling conditions.
Chemical stability	Thermally stable under recommended conditions.
Hazardous reactions	No hazardous reactions known under normal conditions.
Conditions to avoid	High temperatures, direct sunlight, moisture.
Incompatible materials	Strong oxidizers.
Decomposition products	Thermal decomposition products: CO, CO2.

11. Toxicological information

LD50 (oral)	LD50 >16000 mg/kg (rat, oral) [7]
LD50 (dermal)	LD50 >1320 mg/kg (rat) [7]

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LC50 (inhalation)	No data available.
Skin irritation	Category 2 — skin irritation.
Eye irritation	Category 2 — eye irritation.
Sensitisation	Skin, Category 1 (H317): May cause an allergic skin reaction. [3]
Mutagenicity	No data available.
Carcinogenicity	Classification from aggregated ECHA C&L notifications (non-harmonised) — requires verification; no entry in Annex VI to CLP.
IARC classification (carcinogenicity)	IARC Group 3 — not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans. [local snapshot — not verified against the current IARC list] [19]
Reproductive toxicity	No data available.
STOT — single exposure	Category 3 (H335): May cause respiratory irritation. [3]
STOT — repeated exposure	Category 2 (H373): May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure. [3]
Aspiration hazard	No data available.

12. Ecological information

Aquatic toxicity	Classification per ECHA C&L notifications (self-classification, Art. 4(3)): H400 — Very toxic to aquatic life (Aquatic Acute 1); H410 — Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects (Aquatic Chronic 1). LC_{50} (fish): 0.00127 mg/L (Lepomis macrochirus, 96 h). EC_{50} (Daphnia): 0.095 mg/L (Daphnia magna, 48 h) [20]
Persistence / biodegradability	No data available.
Bioaccumulative potential	log Kow = 4.4 [9]. Low bioaccumulation potential (log Kow < 4.5 — PBT/vPvB screening criterion per ECHA Guidance R.11). [17][18]
Mobility in soil	No data available.
PBT/vPvB assessment	Insufficient data to assess PBT/vPvB.
Endocrine disrupting properties	Reported endocrine effects in aquatic organisms (ecotoxicological data, US EPA ECOTOX; not a regulatory ED classification under 2018/605). [20]

13. Disposal considerations

Disposal method	Hand over for disposal to licensed contractors in accordance with national and local regulations. Do not discharge into sewers.
Waste code (EWC)	16 05 06* — Laboratory and analytical chemicals (e.g. chemical reagents) containing hazardous substances. Verification of the EWC code required. [11]
Packaging	Cleaned packaging may be recycled. Contaminated packaging must be treated as hazardous waste.

14. Transport information

UN number	VERIFICATION REQUIRED — no verified UN assignment.
Environmental hazard	CLP classification (H400/H410) indicates aquatic environmental hazard — marine pollutant marking may be required; confirm per ADR 2.2.9 / IMDG criteria [3]
Special precautions	Handle as dangerous goods according to the assigned class (ADR/IMDG/IATA); apply the precautions appropriate to that class.
CN/HS code	CN/HS code: verification required in the Eurostat Combined Nomenclature.
Notes	Transport classification not verified. Do not assume the absence of restrictions — check ADR/IMDG/IATA before shipping.

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Environmentally hazardous (mark: fish and tree)	Yes

15. Regulatory information

SVHC status	SVHC status not verified against the available dataset — check the current ECHA Candidate List; do not assume absence. [1]
REACH Annex XIV	Not verified against the ECHA Authorisation List — check REACH Annex XIV. [1]
REACH Annex XVII	Not confirmed in the available Annex XVII dataset — verify against the current ECHA list before placing on the market; do not assume absence of restriction. [1]
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16. Other information

Legal status of classification: supplier self-classification under Art. 4(3) CLP — no harmonised entry in Annex VI.Entries with an entry-into-force date after 21.10.2026 were omitted as future (not yet applicable).

Data aggregated automatically from public reference databases (PubChem, ECHA, NIST and others).

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Abbreviations

ADR	European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road
ATE	Acute Toxicity Estimate
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service
CLP	Classification, Labelling and Packaging (Reg. (EC) 1272/2008)
CMR	Carcinogenic, Mutagenic, toxic to Reproduction
DNEL	Derived No-Effect Level
EC	European Community number
EPI	Personal protective equipment
GHS	Globally Harmonized System
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
SDS	Safety Data Sheet
LC50	Lethal Concentration, 50%
LD50	Lethal Dose, 50%
NDS	Maximum admissible concentration (workplace, PL)
NDSCh	Short-term exposure limit (PL)
OEL	Occupational Exposure Limit
PBT	Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
PNEC	Predicted No-Effect Concentration
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (Reg. (EC) 1907/2006)
STOT	Specific Target Organ Toxicity
SVHC	Substance of Very High Concern
TPSA	Topological Polar Surface Area
vPvB	very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative

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NFPA 704 (supplementary information — NFPA/USA system; not a required element of an EU safety data sheet under REACH Annex II)



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