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## Section 1. Identification

### 1.1 Product Identifier 1147

Product Name	n-HEXADECANE pure
CAS Number	544-76-3
REACH Registration No	A registration number is not available as the substance or its uses are exempt, the annual tonnage does not require a registration or the registration is envisaged for a later date.
Molecular Formula	$\text{CH}_3(\text{CH}_2)_{14}\text{CH}_3 = 226.44$

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

Uses of Material Chemical for industrial and laboratory use. Not suitable for domestic use.

### 1.3 Supplier Vickers Laboratories Ltd



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## Section 2. Hazards Identification

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

#### Classification according to regulation 1272/2008/EC

Aspiration hazard, category 1

H304: May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.

### 2.2 Label elements

#### Labelling according to regulation 1272/2008/EC

Signal word Danger

Hazard Pictograms



Hazard Statements May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.

Precautionary Statements IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. Do NOT induce vomiting.

Supplemental Hazard Information (EU) Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness or cracking.

## Section 3. Composition

### 3.1 Substances

Component	CAS No.	EEC No.	REACH No.	Conc w/w	CLP Classification (1272/2008/CE)
n-Hexadecane	544-76-3	208-878-9		>98%	Asp. Tox. 1

## Section 4. First Aid

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

Eyes	Irrigate thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 10 minutes, holding the eye open. OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION.
Skin	Wash off skin thoroughly with water. Remove contaminated clothing immediately and wash before re-use. In severe cases or if exposure has been great, OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION.
Inhalation	Remove from exposure. Keep warm and at rest. If there is difficulty in breathing give oxygen if available. If breathing stops or shows signs of failing, apply artificial resuscitation. If unconscious place in the recovery position. OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION URGENTLY.
Ingestion	If conscious give plenty of water to drink. Do not induce vomiting. If there is difficulty in breathing give oxygen if available. If breathing stops or shows signs of failing, apply artificial resuscitation. If unconscious place in the recovery position. OBTAIN MEDICAL ATTENTION URGENTLY.
Personal protection for first aiders	Wear protective gloves / eye protection.

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

No further relevant information available.

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

No further relevant information available.

## Section 5. Fire Fighting

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Extinguishing Media	Foam, dry powder, carbon dioxide or vaporising liquids. Use water spray to keep fire exposed containers cool.
Unsuitable Media	Do not use water jet.

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

Hazards	Vapour-air mixtures are explosive.
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### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Advice for firefighters	Evacuate area immediately. Keep up wind. Avoid exposure to toxic vapours and fumes. Fire-fighters should wear protective clothing and breathing apparatus.
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## Section 6. Accidental Release Measures

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

Personal Protection	Ensure no sources of ignition. Avoid breathing vapour. Use approved personal protective equipment. Evacuate area immediately. Do not allow general use of area until it is safe to do so. Beware : vapour is heavier than air and will tend to accumulate at low spots.
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### 6.2 Environmental precautions

Environmental	Keep material out of sewers, storm drains, surface waters and soil. Notify the Environmental Agency and local Environmental Health Officer if major spillage occurs.
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### 6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Major Spillage	Contain and absorb on inert material. Transfer absorbent to salvage container for removal. Wash area down with copious amounts of water.
Minor Spillage	Contain and absorb on inert material. Transfer absorbent to container for removal. Allow solvent to evaporate in remote area, then dispose of absorbent as solid chemical waste. Wash area down with copious amounts of water.

#### 6.4 Reference to other sections

See section 8.2 for information on protective equipment and section 13 for information on disposal.

## Section 7. Storage & Handling

### 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

All transfer systems should be earthed to prevent accumulation of static electricity. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breath vapours. Do not allow to contaminate clothing.

Ensure Local Exhaust Ventilation maintains vapour concentrations below the recommended limits.

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

Well ventilated, cool, dry storage . Protect from direct sun and store away from sources of ignition. Keep containers closed when not in use. Keep well separated from oxidising agents. Large quantities must be stored in accordance with the Petroleum Spirits Act.

### 7.3 Specific end use(s)

See section 1.2.

## Section 8. Workplace Exposure & Personal Protection

### 8.1 Control parameters

Component	CAS No	Concentration	Workplace Exposure Limits	
			Long Term (8hr TWA)	Short Term 15min period
n-Hexadecane	544-76-3	>98%	-	-

Exposure data source(s) No occupational exposure data currently available.

### 8.2 Exposure controls

Respiratory Protection	Use L.E.V. or natural ventilation to maintain vapour concentrations below exposure limits. If not, use a well maintained chemical cartridge organic vapour respirator, or use self contained breathing apparatus.
Hand Protection	Use solvent resistant gloves.
Eye Protection	Use tightly fitting chemical splash proof glasses or goggles.
Skin Protection	Avoid contact with skin. If skin contact or contamination of clothing is likely, protective clothing must be worn.
Special Hazards	No special precautions required.

## Section 9. Physical & Chemical Properties

### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance	Colourless liquid or frozen mass.
Odour	Characteristic.
pH	Not applicable
Boiling Point	285 °C
Melting Point	18 °C
Flash Point	112 °C (Closed cup)
Upper Flammable Limit	Not applicable
Lower Flammable Limit	Not applicable
Auto Ignition	Not applicable
Explosive Properties	No.
Oxidising Properties	No.
Vapour Pressure	0.003 mmHg @ 20 °C
Relative Density	0.7730
Water Solubility	Insoluble in water.

## 9.2 Other information

No data available.

## Section 10. Stability & Reactivity

10.1	Reactivity	No data available.
10.2	Chemical Stability	Stable under normal conditions
10.3	Possibility of hazardous reactions	No data available.
10.4	Conditions to Avoid	Hot surfaces, naked flames or other sources of ignition.
10.5	Incompatible Materials	Strong oxidising agents.
10.6	Hazardous Decomposition Products	None unusual. Burning will produce smoke, carbon monoxide and/or carbon dioxide.

## Section 11. Toxicological Information

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Eyes	Both the vapour and liquid may, be irritating to the eyes.
Skin	Repeated or prolonged contact may defat the skin producing irritation and dermatitis.
LD50 Skin	>3160 mg/Kg Rabbit
Ingestion	Low order of acute toxicity. May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.
LD50 Oral	>5000 mg/Kg Rat
Inhalation	High concentrations of vapour may produce central nervous system depression and unconsciousness.
LD50 Inhalation	>5226 mg/L Rat
TCLo	Not available
Carcinogenicity	No information is available.
Mutagenicity	Not considered to be a mutagen.
Reproductive Effects	None identified.

## Section 12. Ecological

12.1	Toxicity	No specific environmental hazard.
	LC50 Algal	Not available
	LC50 Crustacea	>3193 mg/L (24 hours)
	LC50 Fish	>1028 mg/L Fish (96 hours)
12.2	Persistence and degradability	No data available.
12.3	Bioaccumulative potential	No data available.
12.4	Mobility in soil	No data available.
12.5	Results of PBT & vPvB assessment	Assessment not required.
12.6	Other adverse effects	None known at present.

## Section 13. Disposal Considerations

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

Disposal Methods	Dispose of in a licensed incinerator for organic solvents. Do not dispose of as domestic waste. Never dispose of into water courses or sewerage systems due to high risk of explosion.
Contaminated Packaging	Use a licensed waste disposer. Do not attempt to burn any residual liquids due to risk of explosion.

## Section 14. Transport Information

14.1 UN Number	Non-restricted
14.2 Proper Shipping Name	Non-restricted
14.3 Transport classes	
UN classification	None
Subsidiary hazard(s)	None
Transport category	None
ADR Hazard ID	Non-restricted
Tunnel Restriction Code	Non-restricted
14.4 Packing Group	None
14.5 Environment hazards	See section 12.
14.6 Special precautions for user	No special precautions required.
14.7 Transport in bulk	Not transported in bulk.

## Section 15. Regulatory Information

### 15.1 Safety, health and environment regulations specific for substance/mixture.

#### Classification, Labeling & Packaging of Substances & Mixtures Regulations (1272/2008/CE)

Classification Aspiration hazard, category 1

Signal word Danger

Hazard Pictograms



Hazard Statements H304  
May be fatal if swallowed and enters airways.

Precautionary Statements P301+P310, P331  
IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician. Do NOT induce vomiting.

Supplemental Hazard Information (EU) EUH066  
Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness or cracking.

### 15.2 Chemical safety assessment

Assessment not required.

## Section 16. Other Information

The information contained in this document only covers the hazards presented by this material, it DOES NOT constitute a workplace risk assessment. See sections 11 for toxicological information and section 12 for ecological information.

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