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Obtaining Material SDS

Purpose: Access to Material SDS's

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Purpose: Federal law mandates that Safety Data Sheets be readily available for anyone coming in contact with potentially hazardous substances. In the past hard copies of these documents were required and paper copies were filed in one location for the building. Now, with the information being immediately available on the internet to anyone with a smart phone, hard copies are no longer necessary. This document will provide information on how to obtain an SDS quickly

Process: The University of Nebraska has a wifi system that is available to everyone on campus. **Most manufacturers have the SDSs for their products on available on their websites and these should be preferred as a reference.** Otherwise, some of the more comprehensive websites that provide SDS information are listed below. SDS's can be obtained using the chemical name, the CAS number or in some cases the catalog number from a supplier.

<https://www.msdsonline.com/sds-search/>

<https://chemicalsafety.com/sds-search/>

<https://www.sigmaldrich.com/safety-center.html>

If there is a specialty chemical whose SDS is not online, the person responsible for that chemical should obtain an SDS from the supplier and have it available to anyone who may require information from it.