



Safety Data Sheet - Version 5.0

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1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

1.1 Product Identifier

Chemical Name Potassium Hydroxide (~85%)

Catalogue # P695060

1.2 Relevant Identified Uses of the Substance or Mixture and Uses Advised Against

Product Uses To be used only for scientific research and development. Not for use in humans or animals.

1.3 Details of the Supplier of the Safety Data Sheet

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1.4 Emergency Telephone Number

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2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1/2.2 Classification of the Substance or Mixture and Label Elements

GHS Hazards Classification (According to EU Regulation 1272/2008 and US OSHA 1910.1200)

Corrosive to Metals (Category 1)

Acute Toxicity, Oral (Category 4)

Skin Corrosion (Category 1A)

Eye Damage/Irritation (Category 1)

Hazardous to the Aquatic Environment, Acute Hazard (Category 3)

GHS Hazards Identification (According to EU Regulation 1272/2008 and US OSHA 1910.1200)

Signal Word Danger



GHS Hazard Statements

H290 May be corrosive to metals.
H302 Harmful if swallowed.
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H318 Causes serious eye damage.
H402 Harmful to aquatic life.

GHS Precautionary Statements

P234 Keep only in original container.
P390 Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.
P404 Store in a closed container.
P301/P330/P331 IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P310 Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician
P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapours/spray
P305/P351/P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do - continue rinsing.

2.3 Unclassified Hazards/Hazards Not Otherwise Classified

No data available.

3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1 Substances

Molecular Formula: KOH

CAS Registry #: 1310-58-3

Synonyms

Molecular Weight: 56.11

EC#: 215-181-3

Arrocon 2298; Caustic Potash; Clearcut S; Cyantek CC 723; Gardoclean S 5167; PSE 200; Pipeline Gold; Potash;

3.2 Mixtures

Not a mixture.

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of First Aid Measures

General Advice

If medical attention is required, show this safety data sheet to the doctor.

If Inhaled

If inhaled, move casualty to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration and consult a physician.

In Case of Skin Contact

Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Take victim immediately to hospital. Consult a physician.

In Case of Eye Contact

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Keep eye wide open while rinsing. Do not rub affected area. Get medical attention if irritation develops and persists.

If Swallowed

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Do NOT induce vomiting unless advised to do so by a physician or Poison Control Center. Seek medical attention.

Self-protection of the first aider

Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Wear personal protective clothing (see section 8).

4.2 Most Important Symptoms and Effects, Both Acute and Delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labeling (see section 2.2) and/or section 11.

4.3 Indication of any Immediate Medical Attention and Special Treatment Needed

No data available.

5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Extinguishing Media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

5.2 Special Hazards Arising from the Substance or Mixture

Potassium oxides

5.3 Advice for Firefighters

Wear self contained breathing apparatus for fire fighting if necessary. Use personal protection equipment.

5.4 Further Information

No data available.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions

Wear respiratory protection. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing.

Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

Method 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.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid formation of dust and aerosols.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place.

Keep in a dry place.

Storage conditions: 20°C, Inert atmosphere

7.3 Specific End Uses

For scientific research and development only. Not for use in humans or animals.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control Parameters

Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
Potassium Hydroxide	1310-58-3	C	2 mg/m3	Canada. Ontario OEL
		C	2 mg/m3	Québec. Regulation respecting occupational health and safety, Schedule 1, Part 1: Permissible exposure values for airborne contaminants
Remarks	A substance which may not be recirculated in accordance with section 108 A substance to which exposure must be reduced to a minimum in accordance with section 42			
		(c)	2 mg/m3	Canada. Alberta, Occupational Health and Safety Code (table 2: OEL)
		Occupational exposure limit is based on irritation effects and its adjustment to compensate for unusual work schedules is not required		
		C	2 mg/m3	Canada. British Columbia OEL
		C	2 mg/m3	USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV)

8.2 Exposure Controls

Appropriate Engineering Controls

A laboratory fumehood or other appropriate form of local exhaust ventilation should be used to avoid exposure.

Personal Protective Equipment

All recommendations below are advisory in nature and a risk assessment should be performed by the employer/end user prior to use of this product. The type of protective equipment must be selected based on the amount and concentration of the dangerous material being used in the workplace.

Eye/Face Protection

Safety goggles or face shield. All equipment should have been tested and approved under appropriate standards, such as NIOSH (US), CSA (Canada), or EN 166 (EU).

Skin Protection

Gloves should be used when handling this material. Gloves are to be inspected prior to use. Contaminated gloves are to be removed using proper glove removal technique so that the outer surface of the glove does not contact bare skin. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in compliance with good laboratory practices and local requirements.

Gloves used for incidental exposures (splash protection) should be designated as "chemical resistant" by EU standard EN 374 with the resistance codes corresponding to the anticipated use of the material. Unrated gloves are not recommended.

Suggested gloves: AnsellPro Sol-Vex nitrile gloves style 37-175, 15 mil thickness.

Penetration time has not been determined.

Gloves used for prolonged direct exposure (immersion) should be designated "chemical resistant" as per EN 734 with the resistance codes corresponding to the anticipated use of the material.

Suggested gloves: AnsellPro Viton/Butyl gloves style 38-612, 4/8 mil thickness.

Penetration time has not been determined.

These recommendations may not apply if the material is mixed with any other chemical, or dissolved into a solution. A risk assessment must be performed to ensure the gloves will still offer acceptable protection.

Body Protection

Fire resistant (Nomex) lab coat or coveralls.

Respiratory Protection

Recommended respirators are NIOSH-approved N100 or CEN-approved FFP3 particulate respirators. These are to be only used as a backup to local exhaust ventilation or other engineering controls. If the respirator is the only means of protection, a full-face supplied air respirator must be used.

9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on Basic Physical and Chemical Properties

A) Appearance

White to Off-White Solid

C) Odour Threshold

No data available

E) Melting Point/Freezing Point

102 - 105°C

G) Flash point

No data available

I) Flammability (Solid/Gas)

No data available

K) Vapour Pressure

No data available

M) Relative Density

No data available

O) Partition Coefficient: n-octanol/water

No data available

Q) Decomposition Temperature

No data available

S) Explosive Properties

No data available

B) Odour

No data available

D) pH

No data available

F) Initial Boiling Point/Boiling Range

No data available

H) Evaporation Rate

No data available

J) Upper/Lower Flammability/Explosive Limits

No data available

L) Vapour Density

No data available

N) Solubility

Methanol (Slightly), Water (Sparingly)

P) Auto-Ignition Temperature

No data available

R) Viscosity

No data available

T) Oxidizing Properties

No data available

9.2 Other Information

no data available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity

No data available.

10.2 Chemical Stability

Heat of solution is very high, and with limited amounts of water, violent boiling may occur.

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

10.3 Possibility of Hazardous Reactions

No data available.

10.4 Conditions to Avoid

Do not heat above melting point.

10.5 Incompatible Materials

Nitro compounds, Organic materials, Magnesium, Copper, Water, reacts violently with: Metals, Light metals, Contact with aluminum, tin and zinc liberates hydrogen gas, Alkali metals, Halogens, Azides, Anhydrides. Formation of shock-sensitive salts.

10.6 Hazardous Decomposition Products

In the event of fire: See section 5. Other decomposition products: No data available.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Information on Toxicological Effects

A) Acute Toxicity

Oral LD50: rat - 273 mg/kg

B) Skin Corrosion/Irritation

No data available

C) Serious Eye Damage/Irritation

No data available

D) Respiratory or Skin Sensitization

No data available

E) Germ Cell Mutagenicity

No data available

F) Carcinogenicity

No data available

G) Reproductive Toxicity/Teratogenicity

No data available

H) Single Target Organ Toxicity - Single Exposure

No data available

I) Single Target Organ Toxicity - Repeated Exposure

No data available

J) Aspiration Hazard

No data available

K) Potential Health Effects and Routes of Exposure

Inhalation

May be harmful if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to the mucous membranes and respiratory tract.

Ingestion

Harmful if swallowed.

Skin

May be harmful if absorbed through skin. Causes skin burns.

Eyes

Causes severe eye burns and possible permanent eye damage.

L) Signs and Symptoms of Exposure

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labeling (see section 2.2) and/or section 11.

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties of this material have not been thoroughly investigated.

M) Additional Information

RTECS: TT2100000

12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish LC50 - Gambusia affinis (Mosquito fish) - 80 mg/l - 96 h

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 and vPvB Assessment

No data available.

12.6 Other Adverse Effects

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.

Harmful to aquatic life.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Waste Treatment Methods

A) Product

Product may be burned in an incinerator equipped with afterburner and scrubber. Excess and expired materials are to be offered to a licensed hazardous material disposal company. Ensure that all Federal and Local regulations regarding the disposal and destruction of this material are followed.

B) Contaminated Packaging

Dispose of as above.

C) Other Considerations

Product is not to be disposed of in sanitary sewers, storm sewers, or landfills.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

14.1 UN Number

DOT (US): UN1813 IATA: UN1813 IMDG: UN1813 ADR/RID: UN1813

14.2 UN Proper Shipping Name

DOT (US)/IATA:
Potassium hydroxide, solid
IMDG/ARD/RID:
POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID

14.3 Transport Hazard Class(es)

DOT (US): 8 IATA: 8 IMDG: 8 ADR/RID: 8

14.4 Packing Group

DOT (US): II IATA: II IMDG: II ADR/RID: II

14.5 Environmental Hazards

DOT (US): None IATA: None IMDG: None ADR/RID: None

14.6 Special Precautions for User

None

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

This safety data sheet complies with the requirements of WHMIS (Canada), OSHA 1910.1200 (US), and EU Regulation EC No. 1907/2006 (European Union).

15.1 Safety, Health and Environmental Regulations/Legislation Specific for the Substance or Mixture

A) Canada

DSL/NDSL Status: This product or a component of this product is registered on the Canadian DSL/NDSL.

B) United States

TSCA Status: This product or a component is listed on the US EPA TSCA.

C) European Union

ECHA Status: This product or a component is registered with the EU ECHA.

15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

No data available

16. OTHER INFORMATION

16.1 Revision History

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16.2 List of Abbreviations

LD50	Median lethal dose of a substance required to kill 50% of a test population.
LC50	Medial lethal concentration of a substance required to kill 50% of a test population.
LDLo	Lowest known lethal dose
TDLo	Lowest known toxic dose
IARC	International Agency for Research on Cancer
NTP	National Toxicology Program
RTECS	Registry of Toxic Effects of Chemical Substances

16.3 Further Information

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