SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name: Sodium hydroxide
Product Number: 221465
Brand: SIGALD
Index-No.: 011-002-00-6
CAS-No.: 1310-73-2

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses: Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company: Sigma-Aldrich Inc.
3050 SPRUCE ST
ST. LOUIS MO 63103
UNITED STATES
Telephone: +1 314 771-5765
Fax: +1 800 325-5052

1.4 Emergency telephone

Emergency Phone #: 800-424-9300 CHEMTREC (USA) +1-703-527-3887 CHEMTREC (International) 24 Hours/day; 7 Days/week

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Corrosive to Metals (Category 1), H290
Skin corrosion (Category 1A), H314
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318
Short-term (acute) aquatic hazard (Category 3), H402

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram
2.3 **Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS** - none

### SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

#### 3.1 Substances

**Synonyms:** ‘Caustic soda’

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<td>&gt;= 0.4 %: Met. Corr. 1, H290; &gt;= 5 %: Skin Corr.</td>
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**Formula**: HNaO  
**Molecular weight**: 40.00 g/mol  
**CAS-No.**: 1310-73-2  
**EC-No.**: 215-185-5  
**Index-No.**: 011-002-00-6
For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first-aid measures

General advice
First aiders need to protect themselves. Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

If inhaled
After inhalation: fresh air. Call in physician.

In case of skin contact
In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. Call a physician immediately.

In case of eye contact
After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Immediately call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

If swallowed
After swallowing: make victim drink water (two glasses at most), avoid vomiting (risk of perforation). Call a physician immediately. Do not attempt to neutralise.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed
The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed
No data available

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media
No data available

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture
Sodium oxides
Sodium oxides
Not combustible.
Ambient fire may liberate hazardous vapours.

5.3 Advice for firefighters
Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.
5.4 **Further information**  
Suppress (knock down) gases/vapors/mists with a water spray jet. Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

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### SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
Advice for non-emergency personnel: Avoid inhalation of dusts. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert. For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 **Environmental precautions**  
Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 **Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**  
Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up dry. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area. Avoid generation of dusts.

6.4 **Reference to other sections**  
For disposal see section 13.

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### SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 **Precautions for safe handling**  
For precautions see section 2.2.

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

**Storage conditions**  
No metal containers. Tightly closed. Dry.

**Storage class**  
Storage class (TRGS 510): 8B: Non-combustible, corrosive hazardous materials

7.3 **Specific end use(s)**  
Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated.

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### SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 **Control parameters**

**Ingredients with workplace control parameters**
# Component Specifications

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## Derived No Effect Level (DNEL)

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### 8.2 Exposure controls

**Appropriate engineering controls**
Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

**Personal protective equipment**

**Eye/face protection**
Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU). Tightly fitting safety goggles

**Skin protection**
This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN374 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: www.kcl.de).

For full contact:
- Material: Nitrile rubber
- Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
- Break through time: 480 min
- Material tested: KCL 741 Dermatril®

For splash contact:
- Material: Nitrile rubber
- Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
- Break through time: 480 min
- Material tested: KCL 741 Dermatril®
Body Protection
protective clothing

Control of environmental exposure
Do not let product enter drains.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a) Appearance
   Form: pellets
   Color: white

b) Odor
   odorless

c) Odor Threshold
   Not applicable

d) pH
   ca. > 14 at 100 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F)

e) Melting point/freezing point
   Melting point/range: 318 °C (604 °F) - lit.

f) Initial boiling point and boiling range
   1,390 °C 2,534 °F at 1,013 hPa

g) Flash point
   ()Not applicable

h) Evaporation rate
   No data available

i) Flammability (solid, gas)
   The product is not flammable.

j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits
   No data available

k) Vapor pressure
   No data available

l) Vapor density
   1.38 - (Air = 1.0)

m) Density
   2.13 g/cm³ at 20 °C (68 °F)

   Relative density
   No data available

n) Water solubility
   1,090 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F)

o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water
   Not applicable for inorganic substances

p) Autoignition temperature
   No data available

q) Decomposition temperature
   No data available

r) Viscosity
   No data available

s) Explosive properties
   No data available

t) Oxidizing properties
   none

9.2 Other safety information

Relative vapor
1.38 - (Air = 1.0)
SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity
No data available

10.2 Chemical stability
The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature).

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions
Violent reactions possible with:
- Acetone
- Chlorine
- Ethylene oxide
- Fluorine
- Hydrogen halides
- Hydrazine hydrate
- Hydroxylamine
- Acid anhydrides
- Acrolein
- Acid chlorides
- Acids
- Sulfuric acid
- Chloroform
- Water
- Hydrogen peroxide
- Anhydrides
- Phosphides
- Halogen-halogen compounds
- Trichloroethene
- Can decompose violently in contact with:
  - Organic Substances
  - Hydrogen sulphide
- Risk of ignition or formation of inflammable gases or vapours with:
  - Powdered aluminium
  - Ammonium salts
  - Persulfates
  - Sodium borohydride
  - Phosphorus
  - Oxides of phosphorus
  - Halogenated hydrocarbon
  - Light metals
  - Metals
- Risk of explosion/exothermic reaction with:
  - Bromine
  - Calcium
  - In powder form
  - Furfuryl alcohol
  - Nitromethane
  - Peroxides
organic nitro compounds
Nitriles
Acrylic monomers
Chloroform
with
Acetone
Nitrobenzene
with
Methanol
Nitrobenzene
with
salts
magnesium
Zinc
and
Tin
(in the presence of atmospheric oxygen and/or moisture)

10.4 Conditions to avoid
no information available

10.5 Incompatible materials
Aluminum, brass, Metals, metal alloys, Zinc, Tin

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products
In the event of fire: see section 5

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity
Oral: No data available
Symptoms: If ingested, severe burns of the mouth and throat, as well as a danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach.
Inhalation: No data available
Inhalation: Corrosive to respiratory system.
Symptoms: burns of mucous membranes, Cough, Shortness of breath, Possible damages: damage of respiratory tract
Dermal: No data available
No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
Skin - Rabbit
Result: Causes burns.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
Eyes - Rabbit
Result: Causes serious eye damage.
(OECD Test Guideline 405)
Remarks: Causes serious eye damage.
Respiratory or skin sensitization
Patch test: - In vitro study
Result: negative
Remarks: (ECHA)

Germ cell mutagenicity
No data available

Carcinogenicity
IARC: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.
NTP: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.
OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is on OSHA’s list of regulated carcinogens.

Reproductive toxicity
No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure
No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure
No data available

Aspiration hazard
No data available

11.2 Additional Information
RTECS: WB4900000
burning sensation, Cough, wheezing, laryngitis, Shortness of breath, spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx, spasm, inflammation and edema of the bronchi, pneumonitis, pulmonary edema, Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin., To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.
Other dangerous properties can not be excluded.

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity

Toxicity to fish
LC50 - Gambusia affinis (Mosquito fish) - 125 mg/l - 96 h
Remarks: (ECOTOX Database)

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates
EC50 - Ceridaphnia (water flea) - 40.4 mg/l - 48 h
Remarks: (ECHA)

Toxicity to bacteria
EC50 - Photobacterium phosphoreum - 22 mg/l - 15 min

The life science business of Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany operates as MilliporeSigma in the US and Canada
12.2 **Persistence and degradability**
The methods for determining the biological degradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

12.3 **Bioaccumulative potential**
No data available

12.4 **Mobility in soil**
No data available

12.5 **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

12.6 **Endocrine disrupting properties**
No data available

12.7 **Other adverse effects**
Harmful effect due to pH shift.
Forms corrosive mixtures with water even if diluted.
Neutralisation possible in waste water treatment plants.
Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

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**SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

13.1 **Waste treatment methods**

**Product**
Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers. No mixing with other waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product itself.

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**SECTION 14: Transport information**

**DOT (US)**
UN number: 1823  
Class: 8  
Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Sodium hydroxide, solid  
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 1000 lbs  
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG**
UN number: 1823  
Class: 8  
Packing group: II  
EMS-No: F-A, S-B  
Proper shipping name: SODIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID

**IATA**
UN number: 1823  
Class: 8  
Packing group: II  
Proper shipping name: Sodium hydroxide, solid
SECTION 15: Regulatory information

SARA 302 Components
This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

SARA 313 Components
This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

SARA 311/312 Hazards
No SARA Hazards

Massachusetts Right To Know Components

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SECTION 16: Other information

Further information
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