SAFETY DATA SHEET

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

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name: Potassium
Product Number: 244856
Brand: Aldrich
Index-No.: 019-001-00-2
CAS-No.: 7440-09-7

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.
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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)
Chemicals which, in contact with water, emit flammable gases (Category 1), H260
Skin corrosion (Category 1B), H314
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318

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

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram

Signal word: Danger
Hazard statement(s)
H260  In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously.
H314  Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary statement(s)
P223   Do not allow contact with water.
P231 + P232 Handle under inert gas. Protect from moisture.
P260   Do not breathe dusts or mists.
P264   Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P280   Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P330 + P331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.
P304 + P340 + P310 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.
P305 + P351 + P338 + P310 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor.
P335 + P334 Brush off loose particles from skin. Immerse in cool water/ wrap in wet bandages.
P363   Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam to extinguish.
P402 + P404 Store in a dry place. Store in a closed container.
P405   Store locked up.
P501   Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.

2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS
Reacts violently with water.
May form explosive peroxides.

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

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SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first-aid measures

General advice
First aider needs to protect himself. 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

Suitable extinguishing media
Carbon dioxide (CO2) Dry powder

Unsuitable extinguishing media
Water Foam

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture
Potassium oxides
Combustible.
May not get in touch with: Water
Development of hazardous combustion gases or vapours possible in the event of fire.

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
Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.
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. Risk of explosion.

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.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling
Advice on safe handling
Keep workplace dry. Do not allow product to come into contact with water.

Hygiene measures
Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance. For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities
Storage conditions
Tightly closed. Keep away from heat and sources of ignition. Never allow product to get in contact with water during storage. Handle and store under inert gas.
Storage class (TRGS 510): 4.3: Hazardous materials, which set free flammable gases upon contact with water

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

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters
Ingredients with workplace control parameters
Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

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**
Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

Full contact
Material: Nitrile rubber
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
Break through time: 480 min
Material tested:Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

Splash contact
Material: Nitrile rubber
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
Break through time: 480 min
Material tested:Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374

If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the EC approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

**Body Protection**
protective clothing

**Respiratory protection**
required when dusts are generated.
Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

**Control of environmental exposure**
Do not let product enter drains. Risk of explosion.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

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<td>m) Relative density</td>
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<td>o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water</td>
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9.2 Other safety information
No data available

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity
The following applies in general to flammable organic substances and mixtures: in correspondingly fine distribution, when whirled up a dust explosion potential may generally be assumed.
Reacts violently with water.

10.2 Chemical stability
Sensitive to moisture
Test for peroxide formation before using or discard after 3 months.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions
No data available

10.4 Conditions to avoid
Do not allow water to enter container because of violent reaction.
Moisture.

10.5 Incompatible materials
Oxidizing agents, Carbon oxides, Reacts violently with water., Reacts with water to generate Hydrogen gas.
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
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.
Dermal: No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
Causes skin burns. Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
Causes serious eye damage. Classified according to Regulation (EU) 1272/2008, Annex VI (Table 3.1/3.2)

Respiratory or skin sensitization
No data available

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
Acute oral toxicity - If ingested, severe burns of the mouth and throat, as well as a danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure
No data available

Aspiration hazard
No data available

11.2 Additional Information
RTECS: TS6460000
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.
Decomposition of the substance with tissue moisture.
Other dangerous properties can not be excluded.
Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity
No data available

12.2 Persistence and degradability
The methods for determining biodegradability 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 Other adverse effects
No data available

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product
Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and loc No mixing with other waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product See www.retrologistik.com for processes regarding the return of chemicals and containers, or contact us there if you have further questions.

SECTION 14: Transport information

DOT (US)
UN number: 2257  Class: 4.3  Packing group: I
Proper shipping name: Potassium
Reportable Quantity (RQ):
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG
UN number: 2257  Class: 4.3  Packing group: I  EMS-No: F-G, S-N
Proper shipping name: POTASSIUM

**IATA**
UN number: 2257  Class: 4.3  Packing group: I
Proper shipping name: Potassium
IATA Passenger: Not permitted for transport

### 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.

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**

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### SECTION 16: Other information

**Further information**
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