SAFETY DATA SHEET

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

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Potassium hydroxide

Product Number : 221473
Brand : SIGALD
Index-No. : 019-002-00-8
CAS-No. : 1310-58-3

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 CANADA CO.
2149 WINSTON PARK DRIVE
OAKVILLE ON L6H 6J8
CANADA

Telephone : +1 905 829-9500
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1.4 Emergency telephone number

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 Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) (SOR/2015-17)

Corrosive to metals (Category 1), H290
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302
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

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Pictogram	
Signal word	Danger

Hazard statement(s)

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

Precautionary statement(s)

P234	Keep only in original packaging.
P260	Do not breathe dust or mist.
P264	Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P270	Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
P273	Avoid release to the environment.
P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P312 + P330	IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth.
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.
P304 + P340 + P310	IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
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.
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P390	Absorb spillage to prevent material damage.
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 - none

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

Synonyms	:	Caustic potash
Formula	:	HKO
Molecular weight	:	56.11 g/mol
CAS-No.	:	1310-58-3
EC-No.	:	215-181-3
Index-No.	:	019-002-00-8

Component	Classification	Concentration *
caustic potash		
	Met. Corr. 1; Acute Tox. 4; Skin Corr. 1A; Eye Dam. 1; Aquatic Acute 3; H290,	<= 100 %

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	H302, H314, H318, H402 Concentration limits: >= 1 %: Met. Corr. 1, H290;	
* Weight percent		

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SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General advice
Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.Move out of dangerous area.

If inhaled
If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

In case of skin contact
Take off contaminated clothing and shoes immediately. Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact
Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.Continue rinsing eyes during transport to hospital.

If swallowed
Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

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
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 firefighting if necessary.

5.4 Further information
Gives off hydrogen by reaction with metals.

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SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Wear respiratory protection. Avoid dust formation. Avoid breathing vapours, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid breathing dust. For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

6.3 Methods 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.

6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

SECTION 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. For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Absorbs carbon dioxide (CO_2) from air.

Air sensitive. strongly hygroscopic
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

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

Components with workplace control parameters

Components	CAS-No.	Value	Control parameters	Basis
caustic potash	1310-58-3	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)

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	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)

Derived No Effect Level (DNEL)

Application Area	Exposure routes	Health effect	Value
Workers	Inhalation	Long-term local effects	1 mg/m3
Consumers	Inhalation	Long-term local effects	1 mg/m3

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls
Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection
Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

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 CE 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
Complete suit protecting against chemicals, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

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Respiratory protection
Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face particle respirator type N100 (US) or type P3 (EN 143) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls. If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Control of environmental exposure
Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains. Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a)	Appearance	Form: pellets Colour: colourless
b)	Odour	odourless
c)	Odour Threshold	No data available
d)	pH	ca.13.5 at 5.6 g/l at 25 °C (77 °F)
e)	Melting point/freezing point	Melting point/range: 361 °C (682 °F) - lit.
f)	Initial boiling point and boiling range	1,327 °C 2,421 °F at 1,013 hPa
g)	Flash point	()No data available
h)	Evaporation rate	No data available
i)	Flammability (solid, gas)	does not ignite
j)	Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available
k)	Vapour pressure	1 hPa at 719 °C (1326 °F)
l)	Vapour density	No data available
m)	Relative density	2.04 g/cm3 at 20 °C (68 °F)
n)	Water solubility	1,130 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F)
o)	Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	Not applicable for inorganic substances
p)	Auto-ignition temperature	No data available
q)	Decomposition temperature	No data available
r)	Viscosity	No data available
s)	Explosive properties	No data available
t)	Oxidizing properties	No data available

9.2 Other safety information

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Bulk density	1,300 kg/m3

SECTION 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. Contact with n formation of shock-sensitive salts., vigorous reaction with:, Alkali metals, Halogens, Azides, Anhydrides, Strong oxidizing agents

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products
Other decomposition products - No data available
Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Potassium oxides
In the event of fire: see section 5

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity
LD50 Oral - Rat - male - 333 mg/kg
(OECD Test Guideline 425)
Inhalation: Corrosive to respiratory system.
Dermal: No data available
No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation
Skin - Rabbit
Result: Causes burns.
Remarks: (IUCLID)

Serious eye damage/eye irritation
Eyes - Rabbit
Result: Causes serious eye damage.
(OECD Test Guideline 405)
Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or skin sensitisation
Sensitisation test: - Guinea pig
Result: negative
Remarks: (IUCLID)

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Germ cell mutagenicity
Ames test
S. typhimurium
Result: negative
(ECHA)
In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test
mouse lymphoma cells
Result: negative

Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

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 oesophagus and the stomach.
Acute inhalation toxicity - burns of mucous membranes, Cough, Shortness of breath, Possible damages:, damage of respiratory tract

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure
No data available

Aspiration hazard
No data available

Additional Information
RTECS: TT2100000

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

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity

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

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

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12.6 Other adverse effects

An environmental hazard cannot be excluded in the event of unprofessional handling or disposal.
Harmful to aquatic life.
No data available

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods

Product
Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company.

Contaminated packaging
Dispose of as unused product.

SECTION 14: Transport information

DOT (US)
UN number: 1813 Class: 8 Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: Potassium hydroxide, solid
Reportable Quantity (RQ): 1000 lbs
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

IMDG
UN number: 1813 Class: 8 Packing group: II EMS-No: F-A, S-B
Proper shipping name: POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE, SOLID

IATA
UN number: 1813 Class: 8 Packing group: II
Proper shipping name: Potassium hydroxide, solid

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and the SDS contains all the information required by the HPR.

SECTION 16: Other information

Further information
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