SAFETY DATA SHEET

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SECTION 1: COMPANY AND PRODUCT INFORMATION

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Potassium Hydroxide

Product code : 41600132

CAS number : 1310-58-3

Synonyms : Caustic potash

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

Identified uses : For research and laboratory use only.

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency phone : 1-888-bio-PLUS

SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of substance or mixture

Corrosive to metals (Category 1), H290.
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302.
Skin corrosion (Category 1A), H314.
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318.
Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 3), H402.

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

Corrosive to metals (Category 1), H290.
Acute toxicity, Oral (Category 4), H302.
Skin corrosion (Category 1A), H314.
Serious eye damage (Category 1), H318.
Acute aquatic toxicity (Category 3), H402.

2.3 Label elements and precautionary statements

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. H318 - Causes serious eye damage. H402 - Harmful to aquatic life.
Precautionary statement(s)	:	P234 - Keep only in original container. 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+312+330 - IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor if you feel unwell. Rinse mouth. P301+330+331 - IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. P303+361+353 - IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. P304+340+310 - IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor. P305+351+338+310 - 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. P406 - Store in corrosive resistant stainless steel container with a resistant inner liner. P501 - Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant.

2.4 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS

No unclassified hazards known.

2.5 NFPA Rating

Health hazard	:	3
Fire hazard	:	0
Reactivity hazard	:	0

2.6 HMIS Rating

Health hazard	:	3
Chronic health hazard	:	-
Reactivity hazard	:	0
Flammability	:	0
Physical hazard	:	0

SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1 Substances

Substance	CAS#	EC#	Concentration
Potassium Hydroxide M.F: KOH M.W: 56.11 g/mol	1310-58-3	215-181-3	90-100%

3.2 Hazardous components & classification

Met. Corr. 1; Acute Tox. 4; Skin Corr. 1A; Eye Dam. 1; Aquatic Acute 3; H290, H302, H314, H318, H402

SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

4.1 Description of first aid measures

General advice

Consult a physician if symptoms are severe or persistent. Provide this data sheet to medical personnel. If product is spilled or leaked, evacuate area.

In case of inhalation

If inhaled, move person to fresh air and monitor breathing. If not breathing, give artificial ventilation. Consult a physician if symptoms are severe or persistent.

In case of skin contact

Immediately wash with excess soap and water. If spilled on clothing, remove all affected clothing. Consult a physician if symptoms are severe or persistent.

In case of eye contact

Flush eyes with water or eye wash solution as a precaution for 15 minutes. Consult a physician if symptoms are severe or persistent.

In case of ingestion

Only induce vomiting if recommended by medical personnel. If subject is unconscious, do not give anything by mouth. If conscious, rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician if symptoms are severe or persistent.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

All known important symptoms are described in Section 2 and/or Section 11. No other important symptoms to report.

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No special treatment indicated. Provide treatment in accordance with exhibited systems.

SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

5.1 Suitable extinguishing media

Water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical, and carbon dioxide extinguishers are suitable.

5.2 Unsuitable extinguishing media

No known unsuitable extinguishing media.

5.3 Special hazards arising from the substance

Gives off hydrogen when reacting with metals.

5.4 Advice for firefighters

Wear protective gear, such as self-contained breathing apparatus, if necessary.

SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Provide suitable ventilation. Use any necessary personal protective equipment. Avoid contact with skin and eyes, and avoid creation and inhalation of vapor or dust. Keep all unnecessary personnel away.

For personal protection see section 8

6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent product from entering public sewers and waterways.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up any spilled product and dispose of as hazardous waste. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

For proper disposal see section 13

SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Provide suitable ventilation. Wear any necessary personal protective equipment.

For precautions see section 2

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Storage conditions : Store upright, closed container in arid, ventilated environment. Absorbs CO2 from the air. Air Sensitive. Strongly Hygroscopic. Storage class (TRGS 510): Non-combustible, corrosive hazardous materials.

Incompatible materials : Nitro compounds, organic materials, magnesium, copper, and water are incompatible with this product. KOH reacts violently with: Metals, Light metals, Contact with aluminum, tin and zinc liberates hydrogen gas. Contact with nitromethane and other similar nitro compounds causes formation of shock-sensitive salts. KOH causes a vigorous reaction with: Alkali metals, Halogens, Azides, Anhydrides.

SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

8.1 Control parameters

Potassium Hydroxide; CAS No.: 1310-58-3

C: 2 mg/m3. Basis: USA. ACGIH Threshold Limit Values (TLV). Remarks: Upper respiratory tract irritation, eye irritation, skin irritation.
C: 2.000000 mg/m3. Basis: USA. NIOSH Recommended Exposure Limits.
C: 2 mg/m3. Basis: California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107).

8.2 Engineering controls

Follow good industrial hygiene and safety practices when handling product.

8.3 Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection : Use only government-approved safety glasses with side-shields.

	Skin protection	:	Use gloves when handling product. Inspect gloves before use to ensure suitability for use. Remove without exposing skin to the gloves outer surface. Discard used gloves according to all pertinent laws and/or current good practices (cGXP). Wash hands with soap and water.
	Body protection	:	Wear appropriate clothing. Ensure clothing is in good condition, with no holes or tears. When selecting clothing, consider the concentration and amount of substance to be handled.
	Respiratory protection	:	Use only approved respirators and components which comply with CDC and NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU) regulations. Required only when vapors or aerosols are created.
	Control of environmental exposure	:	Prevent product from entering the environment, especially through public sewers or waterways.
	General hygiene considerations	:	Comply with general industrial hygiene practice guidelines.

SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a)	Appearance	:	White to Off-White
b)	Physical states	:	Solid
c)	Odor	:	Not available
d)	Odor threshold	:	Not available
e)	Melting point	:	361°C
f)	Boiling point range	:	1,320°C
g)	pH	:	13.5
h)	Density	:	Not available
i)	Flash point	:	Not available
j)	Evaporation rate	:	Not available
k)	Flammability	:	Not available
l)	Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits:	:	Not available
m)	Vapor pressure	:	1 hPa (1 mmHg) at 719°C
n)	Vapor density	:	Not available
o)	Relative density	:	2.044 g/cm3
p)	Water solubility	:	1,120 g/l - Soluble
q)	Partition coefficient:n-octanol/water	:	Not available
r)	Autoignition temperature	:	Not available
s)	Decomposition temperature	:	Not available
t)	Kinematic viscosity	:	Not available
u)	Explosive properties	:	Not available

v)	Oxidizing properties	:	Not available
w)	Solubility in other solvents	:	Not available
x)	Surface tension	:	Not available

SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1 Reactivity

No special reactivity is known.

10.2 Chemical stability

Heat of KOH solution is very high, and with limited amounts of water, violent boiling may occur. Product is stable when stored and used as recommended.

10.3 Stability note(s)

Do not heat KOH above its melting point.

10.4 Polymerization

No known polymerization.

10.5 Possibility of hazardous reactions

No hazardous reactions are known.

10.6 Incompatible materials

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10.7 Hazardous decomposition products

Potassium oxides can form if fire occurs.

SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1 Acute toxicity

LD50 Oral	:	Rat - 333 mg/kg
LD50 Dermal	:	No toxicity data available.
LC50 Inhalation	:	No toxicity data available.

11.2 Skin corrosion/irritation

Causes severe skin irritation (Rabbit)

11.3 Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Product is corrosive to eyes (Rabbit)

11.4 Respiratory or skin sensitization

No sensitization data available.

11.5 Germ cell mutagenicity

No mutagenicity data available.

11.6 Carcinogenicity

IARC	:	Product and components are not regulated by the IARC.

ACGIH : Product and components are not regulated by the ACGIH.

NTP : Product and components are not regulated by the NTP.

OSHA : Product and components are not regulated by OSHA.

11.7 Reproductive toxicity

No reproductive toxicity data available.

11.8 Specific target organ toxicity – single exposure

No specific organ toxicity data available.

11.9 Specific target organ toxicity – repeated exposure

No specific organ toxicity data available.

11.10 Aspiration hazard

No aspiration hazard data available.

11.11 Additional Information

RTECS: TT2100000.

SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1 Toxicity

No ecological toxicity data available.

12.2 Aquatic toxicity

Species: Mosquito Fish (Gambusia affinis). Exposure: 96 hours. Results: LC50 80 mg/l

12.3 Persistence and degradability

No persistence/degradability data available.

12.4 Bioaccumulative potential

No bioaccumulation data available.

12.5 Mobility in soil

No soil mobility data available.

12.6 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment is not required/was not conducted.

12.7 Other adverse effect

Harmful to aquatic life.

SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

13.1 Product

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult and adhere to local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber.

13.2 Packaging

Packaging should be disposed of in the same manner as unused product.

13.3 Recommendation

Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

SECTION 14: TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

14.1 DOT (US)

UN#1813
Class: 8
Packing Group: II
Proper Shipping Name: Potassium hydroxide, solid.
Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

14.2 IMDG

UN#1813
Class: 8
Packing Group: II
EMS-No: F-A, S-B
Proper Shipping Name: Potassium hydroxide, solid.

14.3 IATA

UN#1813
Class: 8
Packing Group: II
Proper Shipping Name: Potassium hydroxide, solid.

SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

15.1 SARA

SARA 302: This product and components are not subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.
SARA 313: This product does not contain any components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.
SARA 311/312: Acute Health Hazard

15.2 Clean water act (CWA)

This product contains the following substances which are regulated pollutants pursuant to the Clean Water Act (40 CFR 122.21 and 40 CFR 122.42).

15.3 Right to know components

Massachusetts	:	Potassium hydroxide CAS No.: 1310-58-3
Pennsylvania	:	Potassium hydroxide CAS No.: 1310-58-3
New Jersey	:	Potassium hydroxide CAS No.: 1310-58-3
California proposition 65 components	:	This product contains no chemicals which are known to the State of California to cause cancer, or birth defects or other reproductive harm.

SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

16.1 Disclaimer

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16.2 Preparation Information

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