Avocado Research Chemicals Ltd - Material Safety Data Sheet 12930

1. IDENTIFICATION OF SUBSTANCE AND SUPPLIER

Name On Label Lithium borohydride

Product Number 12930

Supplier Johnson Matthey Catalog Company Inc.

30 Bond Street, Ward Hill, Massachusetts, 01835-8099

Emergency Telephone Number: (978) 521-6300; CHEMTREC: (800) 424-9300

Alternative Names Lithium tetrahydridoborate

2. COMPOSITION AND INFORMATION ON COMPONENTS

Lithium borohydride **Minor Impurities** Not determined

CAS No. 16949-15-8 **EINECS No. 2410217** EEC No.

3. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

TOXIC ~ CORROSIVE ~ FLAMMABLE SOLID ~ DANGEROUS WHEN WET Designation

Risk Phrases

Reacts violently with water, liberating highly flammable gases. R14/15 R23/24/25 Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.

R34 Causes burns.

May cause sensitisation by skin contact. **R43**

4. FIRST AID MEASURES

Inhalation Remove to fresh air. In cases of serious discomfort seek medical attention.

Eye Contact Flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Seek urgent medical attention. **Skin Contact** Remove contaminated clothing. Wash affected area with soap and water. Rinse thoroughly. In

case of skin damage seek urgent medical advice. Show the physician the container details.

Rinse out mouth and drink lots of water. Seek medical attention and show physician the container Ingestion

details.

5. FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Extinguishing Medium Use fire fighting measures which suit the environment and take into account other materials which

may be involved. In general, water-based extinguishers should not be used for fires involving

organic materials. Use carbon dioxide or dry powder.

Protective Equipment Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing.

Hazardous Products of Combustion may include: None listed.

6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal Protection Avoid contact of spilled material with water or alcohols. Wear protective equipment including rubber

gloves, eye protection and breathing equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Environmental Protection

Storage

Collection

Take precautions to ensure product does not contaminate the ground or enter the drainage system. Mix with vermiculite or proprietary absorbent material and transfer to sealed containers for disposal.

7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling Chemicals should be used only by those trained in handling potentially hazardous materials. Rubber

gloves, eye protection and protective clothing should be worn. Operations should be carried out in

an efficient fume hood or equivalent system.

Store in tightly sealed containers in a cool place.

Protect from moisture.

8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS AND PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid inhalation of product. Handle in an efficient fume hood or equivalent system. Respiratory

Avoid eye contact. Wear safety spectacles, goggles or, for larger quantities, a full face mask. Eve Hands and Body Corrosive product. Avoid skin contact. Wear corrosive-resitant gloves and, for larger quantities, full

arm and body protection. Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

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9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance White-grey crystalline powder

Physical Constants Not available

Molecular formula H_4BLi Formula Wt.21.78Water solubilityDecDensity0.66

Flash Point Not available

10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Specific Hazard Reacts violently with water, liberating highly flammable gases.

Incompatibilities Strong acids. Strong oxidising agents. Reacts violently with water, halogens and phosphorus

halides. Acid anhydrides. Amines. Chloroformates.

Decomposition Hazardous products of decomposition may include: None listed.

11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

RTECS No. OJ6427000

Acute Toxicity LD₅₀: No data reported

Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed. Causes burns. May cause sensitisation by

skin contact.

Special Note Causes burns. Material is extremely destructive to mucous membranes, upper respiratory tract,

eyes and skin. Inhalation may be fatal. Symptoms may include burning sensation, coughing, wheezing, laryngitis, headache, nausea and vomiting. Symptoms of exposure may include

gastrointestinal disturbances.

12. ECOLOGICAL EFFECTS

General Take care to prevent chemicals from entering the ground, water courses or drainage systems.

13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Disposal Disposal should be via an approved contractor and should take full account of local regulations.

14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN Number 1413

Land TransportADR/RIC Code/Class4.3Packing Group IMaritime TransportIMDG Code/Class4.3Packing Group IAir TransportIATA Code/Class4.3Packing Group I

15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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Hazard Indication TOXIC ~ CORROSIVE ~ FLAMMABLE SOLID ~ DANGEROUS WHEN WET

Risk & Safety Phrases Highly flammable.

Reacts violently with water, liberating highly flammable gases. Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed.

Causes burns.

May cause sensitisation by skin contact. Keep container tightly closed and dry.

Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves and eye/face protection.

If you feel unwell, seek medical advice (show the label where possible).

TSCA Listed substance.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

It must be recognised that the physical and chemical properties of any product may not be fully understood and that new, possibly hazardous products may arise from reactions between chemicals. The information given in this data sheet is based on our present knowledge and shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.

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