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SAFETY DATA SHEET

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# **1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION**

1.1	Product identifiers Product name	:	Potassium methoxide
	Product Number Brand Index-No.	:	292788 Aldrich 603-040-00-2
	CAS-No.	:	865-33-8
1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised		e substance or mixture and uses advised against	
	Identified uses	:	Laboratory chemicals, Manufacture of substances

# 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company	:	Sigma-Aldrich 3050 Spruce Street SAINT LOUIS MO 63103 USA
Telephone Fax	:	+1 800-325-5832 +1 800-325-5052

# 1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency Phone #	:	+1-703-527-3887	(CHEMTREC)
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# 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

# 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS) Self-heating substances and mixtures (Category 1), H251 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

Signai	i word	Danger
Hazar H251 H314	d statement(s)	Self-heating: may catch fire. Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
	utionary statement(s) + P410	Keep cool. Protect from sunlight. Do not breathe dust or mist. Wash skin thoroughly after handling. Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
	+ P330 + P331 + P361 + P353	IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.

P304 + P340	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.
P305 + P351 + P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.
P321	Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).
P363	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P405	Store locked up.
P407	Maintain air gap between stacks/ pallets.
P410	Protect from sunlight.
P413	Store bulk masses greater than .? kg/ .? lbs at temperatures not exceeding .? °C/ .? °F.
P420	Store away from other materials.
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.

# 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

3.1	Substances Synonyms	:	Potassium methylate		
	Formula	:	СН <sub>3</sub> КО		
	Molecular weight	:	70.13 g/mol		
	CAS-No.	:	865-33-8		
	EC-No.	:	212-736-1		
	Index-No.	:	603-040-00-2		
	Hazardous components				
	Component			Classification	Concentration
	Potassium methoxide				
				Self-heat. 1; Skin Corr. 1B;	-
				Eye Dam. 1; H251, H314	

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

# 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

## **5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

#### 5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media Dry powder

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture Carbon oxides, Potassium oxides

# **5.3** Advice for firefighters Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

5.4 Further information No data available

# 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

# 6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment. 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.

## 6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up and shovel. Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wetbrushing and place in container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13). Do not flush with water. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

# 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

# 7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid formation of dust and aerosols. Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed.Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. 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.

Never allow product to get in contact with water during storage.

# 7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

# 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

## 8.1 Control parameters

#### Components with workplace control parameters

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

# 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, Flame retardant protective clothing, The type of protective equipment must be selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

# **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.

# 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

# 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

a)	Appearance	Form: solid
b)	Odour	No data available
c)	Odour Threshold	No data available
d)	рН	No data available
e)	Melting point/freezing point	No data available
f)	Initial boiling point and boiling range	No data available
g)	Flash point	11 °C (52 °F) - closed cup
h)	Evaporation rate	No data available
i)	Flammability (solid, gas)	No data available
j)	Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available
k)	Vapour pressure	No data available
I)	Vapour density	No data available
m)	Relative density	0.950 g/cm3

n)	Water solubility	No data available
o)	Partition coefficient: n- octanol/water	No data available
p)	Auto-ignition temperature	The substance or mixture is classified as self heating with the category 1.
q)	Decomposition temperature	No data available
r)	Viscosity	No data available
s)	Explosive properties	No data available
t)	Oxidizing properties	No data available
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# **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

# 10.1 Reactivity

9.2

No data available

- **10.2 Chemical stability** Stable under recommended storage conditions.
- **10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions** Reacts violently with water.
- **10.4** Conditions to avoid Exposure to moisture.
- **10.5** Incompatible materials acids, Water, Oxidizing agents, Oxygen
- **10.6 Hazardous decomposition products** Other decomposition products - No data available In the event of fire: see section 5

# **11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

# 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

#### Acute toxicity No data available

Inhalation: No data available

Dermal: No data available

No data available

#### Skin corrosion/irritation No data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation No data available

## **Respiratory or skin sensitisation** No data available

## Germ cell mutagenicity No data available

## 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.

- NTP: No component 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 identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

# Reproductive toxicity

No data available

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

# Additional Information

RTECS: Not available

Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin., Cough, Shortness of breath, Headache, Nausea

# **12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

# 12.1 Toxicity

No data available

- 12.2 Persistence and degradability No data available
- **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

# 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

## 13.1 Waste treatment methods

#### Product

Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this material is highly flammable. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. 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.

## **Contaminated packaging**

Dispose of as unused product.

# 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

#### DOT (US)

UN number: 3206 Class: 4.2 (8) Packing group: II Proper shipping name: Alkali metal alcoholates, self-heating, corrosive, n.o.s. (Potassium methoxide) Reportable Quantity (RQ): Marine pollutant: No Poison Inhalation Hazard: No Aldrich - 292788

# IMDG

UN number: 3206 Class: 4.2 (8) Packing group: II EMS-No: F-A, S-J Proper shipping name: ALKALI METAL ALCOHOLATES, SELF-HEATING, CORROSIVE, N.O.S. (Potassium methoxide) Marine pollutant: No

## ΙΑΤΑ

UN number: 3206 Class: 4.2 (8) Packing group: II Proper shipping name: Alkali metal alcoholates, self-heating, corrosive, n.o.s. (Potassium methoxide)

# **15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

## SARA 302 Components

No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

#### 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

Reactivity Hazard, Acute Health Hazard

Massachusetts Right To Know Components
No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

Pennsylvania Right To Know Components		
	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Potassium methoxide	865-33-8	
New Jersey Right To Know Components		
	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Potassium methoxide	865-33-8	

#### California Prop. 65 Components

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

# **16. OTHER INFORMATION**

# Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.

Eye Dam.	Serious eye damage
H251	Self-heating: may catch fire.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H318	Causes serious eye damage.
Self-heat.	Self-heating substances and mixtures
Skin Corr.	Skin corrosion

# **HMIS Rating**

Health hazard:	3
Chronic Health Hazard:	
Flammability:	3
Physical Hazard	2

# NFPA Rating

Health hazard:	3
Fire Hazard:	0
Reactivity Hazard:	2

#### **Further information**

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