# **SAFETY DATA SHEET**

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## 1. PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Potassium *tert*-butoxide

Product Number : 156671 Brand : Aldrich

CAS-No. : 865-47-4

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

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USA

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1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency Phone # : +1-703-527-3887 (CHEMTREC)

#### 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

#### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

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

Flammable solids (Category 1), H228

Substances and mixtures, which in contact with water, emit flammable gases (Category 1), H260

Skin corrosion (Category 1A), 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)

H228 Flammable solid.

H260 In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite

spontaneously.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary statement(s)

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. No smoking.

P223 Do not allow contact with water.

P231 + P232 Handle under inert gas. Protect from moisture.
P240 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.

P241 Use explosion-proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting/ equipment.

P260 Do not breathe dust or mist.

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. 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.

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 - none

#### 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms : Potassium t-butoxide

Potassium tert-butylate

Formula : C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub>KO

Molecular weight : 112.21 g/mol

CAS-No. : 865-47-4

EC-No. : 212-740-3

Hazardous components

Component	Classification	Concentration
Potassium tert-butanolate		
	Flam. Sol. 1; Water-react. 1; Skin Corr. 1A; Eye Dam. 1; H228, H260, H314	90 - 100 %

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.

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#### 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

No data available

#### 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. Remove all sources of ignition. 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. Further processing of solid materials may result in the formation of combustible dusts. The potential for combustible dust formation should be taken into consideration before additional processing occurs.

Provide appropriate exhaust ventilation at places where dust is formed. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

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.

Air and moisture sensitive. Handle and store under inert gas.

#### 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.

Hazardous components without workplace control parameters

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# 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: FN374

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 antistatic 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

Colour: light yellow No data available No data available

c) Odour Threshold No data availabled) pH No data available

e) Melting point/freezing

point

b) Odour

Melting point/range: 256 - 258 °C (493 - 496 °F) - dec.

f) Initial boiling point and

boiling range

No data available

g) Flash point No data available

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h) Evaporation rate No data available

i) Flammability (solid, gas) The substance or mixture is a flammable solid with the category 1.

j) Upper/lower No data available

flammability or explosive limits

k) Vapour pressure 1 hPa (1 mmHg) at 220 °C (428 °F)

I) Vapour density No data available
 m) Relative density No data available
 n) Water solubility No data available
 o) Partition coefficient: n- No data available

octanol/water

) Auto-ignition

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

Bulk density 0.52 - 0.56 kg/dm3

## **10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

#### 10.1 Reactivity

Reacts violently with water.

## 10.2 Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

#### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Reacts violently with water.

#### 10.4 Conditions to avoid

Heat, flames and sparks. Exposure to moisture

## 10.5 Incompatible materials

Water, acids, Reducing agents, Oxygen, Alcohols, Chlorinated solvents, Halogens, Ketones

#### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous decomposition products formed under fire conditions. - Carbon oxides, Potassium oxides

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

LD50 Oral - Rat - 690 mg/kg (OECD Test Guideline 401)

Remarks: Extremely corrosive and destructive to tissue.

Inhalation: No data available Dermal: No data available

No data available

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#### Skin corrosion/irritation

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Causes severe burns. (OECD Test Guideline 404)

#### Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Risk of serious damage to eyes.

## 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.

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

burning sensation, Cough, wheezing, laryngitis, Shortness of breath, spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx, spasm, inflammation and edema of the bronchi, pneumonitis, pulmonary edema, 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.

#### 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

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## 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. 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.

#### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

## 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

DOT (US)

UN number: 3131 Class: 4.3 (8) Packing group: I

Proper shipping name: Water-reactive solid, corrosive, n.o.s. (Potassium tert-butanolate)

Reportable Quantity (RQ): Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

**IMDG** 

UN number: 3131 Class: 4.3 (8) Packing group: I EMS-No: F-G, S-L Proper shipping name: WATER-REACTIVE SOLID, CORROSIVE, N.O.S. (Potassium tert-butanolate)

**IATA** 

UN number: 3131 Class: 4.3 (8) Packing group: I

Proper shipping name: Water-reactive solid, corrosive, n.o.s. (Potassium tert-butanolate)

IATA Passenger: Not permitted for transport

#### 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

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**New Jersey Right To Know Components** 

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# 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 Flam. Sol. Flammable solids H228 Flammable solid.

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H260 In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously.

H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

H318 Causes serious eye damage.

Skin Corr. Skin corrosion

#### **HMIS Rating**

Health hazard: 3
Chronic Health Hazard:
Flammability: 4
Physical Hazard 2

# **NFPA Rating**

Health hazard: 3
Fire Hazard: 4
Reactivity Hazard: 2
Special hazard.1: W

## **Further information**

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