

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, Manufacture of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4 Emergency telephone number

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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)**

Flammable solids (Category 2), H228
Self-heating substances and mixtures (Category 2), H252
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.
H252 Self-heating in large quantities; may catch fire.
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H318 Causes serious eye damage.

Precautionary statement(s)

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.
P235 + P410 Keep cool. Protect from sunlight.
P240 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.
P241 Use explosion-proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting/ equipment.
P260 Do not breathe the dust or mist.
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

P280	Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P301 + P330 + P331 P303 + 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 + P310	IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing. Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician.
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 or doctor/ physician.
P363 P370 + P378	Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam for extinction.
P405	Store locked up.
P407	Maintain air gap between stacks/ pallets.
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 t-butoxide
Potassium tert-butylate

Formula : C₄H₉KO
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. 2; Self-heat. 2; Skin Corr. 1A; Eye Dam. 1; H228, H252, H314, H318	<= 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.

- 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
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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
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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 wet-brushing 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.
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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.
Storage class (TRGS 510): Pyrophoric and self-heating hazardous materials
- 7.3 Specific end use(s)**
Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated
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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 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

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| a) Appearance | Form: solid
Colour: light yellow |
| b) Odour | No data available |
| c) Odour Threshold | No data available |
| d) pH | No data available |
| e) Melting point/freezing point | 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 2. |
| j) | Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits | No data available |
| k) | Vapour pressure | 1 hPa (1 mmHg) at 220 °C (428 °F) |
| l) | Vapour density | No data available |
| m) | Relative density | No data available |
| 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 2. |
| 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

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

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

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

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Causes severe burns.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Causes eye burns.

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

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

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 tert-butanolate)
Reportable Quantity (RQ):

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

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 tert-butanolate)

IATA

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

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

	CAS-No.	Revision Date
Potassium tert-butanolate	865-47-4	

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.
H252	Self-heating in large quantities; 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:	2
Physical Hazard	2

NFPA Rating

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

Further information

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