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# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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# Potassium thiocyanate

# SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBSTANCE/MIXTURE AND OF THE COMPANY/UNDERTAKING

产品说明: 硫氰酸钾

Product Description: Potassium thiocyanate

Cat No.: A13731

**Synonyms** Potassium rhodanide

CAS No 333-20-0 Molecular Formula C K N S

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Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals. Uses advised against No Information available

# **SECTION 2. HAZARD IDENTIFICATION**

Physical StateAppearanceOdorCrystalline SolidColorless - WhiteOdorless

**Emergency Overview** 

Harmful if swallowed. Harmful in contact with skin. Harmful if inhaled. Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects. Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas. Sensitivity to light. Moisture sensitive. Air sensitive.

# Classification of the substance or mixture

Acute Oral Toxicity	Category 4
Acute Dermal Toxicity	Category 4
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists	Category 4
Chronic aquatic toxicity	Category 3

# **Label Elements**



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Signal Word

Warning

#### **Hazard Statements**

H412 - Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

H302 + H312 + H332 - Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled

#### **Precautionary Statements**

#### Prevention

P261 - Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray

P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product

P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

P271 - Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area

P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

#### Response

P302 + P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water

P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

P312 - Call a POISON CENTER or doctor if you feel unwell

P330 - Rinse mouth

P362 + P364 - Take off contaminated clothing and wash it before reuse

#### Storage

P403 - Store in a well-ventilated place

#### Disposal

P501 - Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant

#### **Physical and Chemical Hazards**

Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas.

#### **Health Hazards**

Harmful if swallowed. Harmful in contact with skin. Harmful if inhaled.

#### **Environmental hazards**

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility. The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems.

Toxic to terrestrial vertebrates. This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

# **SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

Component	CAS No	Weight %
Potassium thiocyanate	333-20-0	>95

# **SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

# **Eye Contact**

Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.

## **Skin Contact**

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.

#### Inhalation

Remove to fresh air. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required. If not breathing, give artificial respiration.

#### Ingestion

Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.

#### Most important symptoms and effects

. Metabolism may release cyanide, which may result in headache, dizziness, weakness, collapse, unconsciousness, and possible death: May cause cyanosis (bluish discoloration of skin due to deficient oxygenation of the blood)

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#### Self-Protection of the First Aider

Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.

## **Notes to Physician**

Treat symptomatically.

# **SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES**

#### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

# Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

#### Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

#### **Protective Equipment and Precautions for Firefighters**

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

# **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

#### **Personal Precautions**

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid dust formation. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.

#### **Environmental Precautions**

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Avoid release to the environment. Collect spillage. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

#### Methods for Containment and Clean Up

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Avoid dust formation.

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

# **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

#### Handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Ensure adequate ventilation. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation.

#### Storage

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from acids.

## Specific Use(s)

Use in laboratories

# SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

## **Control Parameters**

Component	China	Taiwan	Thailand	Hong Kong
Potassium thiocyanate	-	TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>		Ceiling: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>

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	Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH	The United Kingdom	European Union

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Potassium thiocyanate	(Vacated) TWA: 5	IDLH: 25 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	STEL: 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15	
	mg/m³		min	
			TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr	
			Skin	

#### Legend

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

#### Monitoring methods

BS EN 14042:2003 Title Identifier: Workplace atmospheres. Guide for the application and use of procedures for the assessment of exposure to chemical and biological agents. MDHS14/3 General methods for sampling and gravimetric analysis of respirable and inhalable dust

#### **Exposure Controls**

#### **Engineering Measures**

Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source.

#### Personal protective equipment

**Eye Protection** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) (European standard - EN 166)

**Hand Protection** Protective gloves

Γ	Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	EU standard	Glove comments
	Natural rubber	> 480 minutes	0.6 mm	EN 374	As tested under EN374-3 Determination of Resistance to Permeation by Chemicals
	Nitrile rubber Neoprene				
Т	PVC				

Inspect gloves before use.

Please observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information)

Ensure gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatability, Dexterity, Operational conditions, User susceptibility, e.g. sensitisation effects, also take into consideration the specific local conditions under which the product is used, such as the danger of cuts, abrasion.

Remove gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

Skin and body protection	Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure
Respiratory Protection	When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators.  To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly
Large scale/emergency use	Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 136 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced <b>Recommended Filter type:</b> Particulates filter conforming to EN 143
Small scale/Laboratory use	Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149:2001 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.  Recommended half mask:- Particle filtering: EN149:2001  When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted
Hygiene Measures	Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.
Environmental exposure controls	Prevent product from entering drains.

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# **SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

Appearance Colorless - White Physical State Crystalline Solid

**Odor** Odorless

Odor Threshold No data available

**pH** 5.3-8.7 5% ag.solution

Melting Point/Range 170 - 179 °C / 338 - 354.2 °F

Softening Point No data available Boiling Point/Range Decomposes

Flash Point No information available Method - No information available

Evaporation Rate Not applicable Solid

Flammability (solid,gas) No information available

Explosion Limits No data available

Vapor Pressure <1 hPa @ 20 °C

Vapor DensityNot applicableSolid

Specific Gravity / Density 1.886

Bulk Density 750 - 1000 kg/m³
Water Solubility 2170 g/L (20°C)
Solubility in other solvents No information available

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)

Autoignition Temperature No data available

**Decomposition Temperature** 500 °C

Viscosity Not applicable Solid

**Explosive Properties**No information available

Oxidizing Properties Not oxidising

Molecular Formula C K N S Molecular Weight 97.18

# **SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Stability Light sensitive. Moisture sensitive. Air sensitive.

Hazardous ReactionsContact with acids liberates very toxic gas.Hazardous PolymerizationHazardous polymerization does not occur.

Conditions to Avoid Incompatible products. Excess heat. Avoid dust formation. Exposure to light. Exposure to

moist air or water. Exposure to air.

Materials to avoid Strong oxidizing agents. Acids. Strong bases.

Hazardous Decomposition Products Nitrogen oxides (NOx). Sulfur oxides. Potassium oxides.

# SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

# **Product Information**

(a) acute toxicity:

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Potassium thiocyanate	LD50 = 854 mg/kg (Rat)	LD50 > 2000 mg/kg (Rat)	

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available

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(c) serious eye damage/irritation; No data available

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;

Respiratory No data available Skin No data available

No data available (e) germ cell mutagenicity;

No data available (f) carcinogenicity;

There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

No data available (g) reproductive toxicity;

No data available (h) STOT-single exposure;

No data available (i) STOT-repeated exposure;

No information available. **Target Organs** 

(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable

Solid

delayed

Symptoms / effects, both acute and Metabolism may release cyanide, which may result in headache, dizziness, weakness, collapse, unconsciousness, and possible death: May cause cyanosis (bluish discoloration

of skin due to deficient oxygenation of the blood)

# **SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

**Ecotoxicity effects** Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic

environment. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the

environment.

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae	Microtox
Potassium thiocyanate	Oncorhynchus mykiss:	Dahnia Magna: EC50:		
·	LC50: 11 mg/l/96h	2.8 mg/l/96h		

Persistence and Degradability

Readily biodegradable

**Persistence** Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available. Degradability

Degradation in sewage

Not relevant for inorganic substances.

treatment plant

Contains substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste

water treatment plants.

**Bioaccumulative Potential** Bioaccumulation is unlikely

The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems Will likely be mobile in the Mobility in soil

environment due to its water solubility Highly mobile in soils

**Endocrine Disruptor Information** 

**Persistent Organic Pollutant Ozone Depletion Potential** 

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

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# **SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

Waste from Residues/Unused

**Products** 

Waste is classified as hazardous. Dispose of in accordance with the European Directives

on waste and hazardous waste. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

Contaminated Packaging Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point.

Other Information Do not flush to sewer. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the

application for which the product was used. Do not empty into drains. Do not let this

chemical enter the environment.

#### **SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Road and Rail Transport Not Regulated

IMDG/IMO Not regulated

IATA Not regulated

Special Precautions for User No special precautions required

# **SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

# **International Inventories**

X = listed, China (IECSC), Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), U.S.A. (TSCA), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Philippines (PICCS), Japan (ISHL), Australia (AICS), Korea (KECL).

	The Inventory of Hazardous Chemicals (2015 Edition)	-	TCSI	IECSC	EINECS	TSCA	DSL	PICCS	ENCS	ISHL	AICS	KECL
Potassium thiocyanate	-	X	X	Х	206-370-1	X	Х	X	Х	Х	Х	KE-29216

#### **National Regulations**

# **SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION**

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**Revision Summary** New emergency telephone response service provider.

#### **Training Advice**

Chemical hazard awareness training, incorporating labelling, Safety Data Sheets (SDS), Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and hygiene.

Use of personal protective equipment, covering appropriate selection, compatibility, breakthrough thresholds, care, maintenance, fit and standards.

First aid for chemical exposure, including the use of eye wash and safety showers.

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#### Legend

**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

TSCA - United States Toxic Substances Control Act Section 8(b) Inventory

Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

**IECSC** - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances **KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

WEL - Workplace Exposure Limit

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level

RPE - Respiratory Protective Equipment LC50 - Lethal Concentration 50%

NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

TWA - Time Weighted Average

IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer

PNEC - Predicted No Effect Concentration

LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%

EC50 - Effective Concentration 50% POW - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water vPvB - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

ICAO/IATA - International Civil Aviation Organization/International Air **Transport Association** 

ADR - European Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road

**OECD** - Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

IMO/IMDG - International Maritime Organization/International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code

MARPOL - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from

Ships

ATE - Acute Toxicity Estimate VOC - (Volatile Organic Compound)

## Key literature references and sources for data

https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals

Suppliers safety data sheet, Chemadvisor - LOLI, Merck index, RTECS

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