

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

### 1.1 Product identifiers

Product name : Potassium carbonate  
Product Number : 209619  
Brand : SIGALD  
CAS-No. : 584-08-7

### 1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses : Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances  
Uses advised against : The product is being supplied under the TSCA R&D Exemption (40 CFR Section 720.36). It is the recipient's responsibility to comply with the requirements of the R&D exemption. The product may not be used for a non-exempt commercial purpose under TSCA unless appropriate consent is granted in writing by MilliporeSigma.

### 1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company : Sigma-Aldrich Inc.  
3050 SPRUCE ST  
ST. LOUIS MO 63103  
UNITED STATES  
Telephone : +1 314 771-5765  
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### 1.4 Emergency telephone

Emergency Phone # : 800-424-9300 CHEMTREC (USA) +1-703-527-3887 CHEMTREC (International) 24 Hours/day; 7 Days/week

## SECTION 2: Hazards identification

### 2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

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

Skin irritation (Category 2), H315  
Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319  
Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335

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

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## 2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram



Signal Word

Warning

Hazard Statements

H315

Causes skin irritation.

H319

Causes serious eye irritation.

H335

May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary Statements

P261

Avoid breathing dust.

P264

Wash skin thoroughly after handling.

P271

Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.

P280

Wear protective gloves/ eye protection/ face protection.

P302 + P352

IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.

P304 + P340 + P312

IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell.

P305 + P351 + P338

IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes.

Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P332 + P313

If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.

P337 + P313

If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.

P362

Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.

P403 + P233

Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.

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

### SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

#### 3.1 Substances

Formula :  $K_2CO_3$   
 Molecular weight : 138.21 g/mol  
 CAS-No. : 584-08-7  
 EC-No. : 209-529-3

Component	Classification	Concentration
<b>Potassium carbonate</b>	Skin Irrit. 2; Eye Irrit. 2A; STOT SE 3; H315, H319, H335	<= 100 %

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

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## SECTION 4: First aid measures

### 4.1 Description of first-aid measures

#### General advice

Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.

#### If inhaled

After inhalation: fresh air.

#### In case of skin contact

In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.

#### In case of eye contact

After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

#### If swallowed

After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). 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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## SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

### 5.1 Extinguishing media

#### Suitable extinguishing media

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

#### Unsuitable extinguishing media

For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

### 5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Carbon oxides

Potassium oxides

Not combustible.

Ambient fire may liberate hazardous vapours.

### 5.3 Advice for firefighters

Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

### 5.4 Further information

Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

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## **SECTION 6: Accidental release measures**

### **6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**

Advice for non-emergency personnel: Avoid inhalation of dusts. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.

For personal protection see section 8.

### **6.2 Environmental precautions**

Do not let product enter drains.

### **6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**

Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up dry. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area. Avoid generation of dusts.

### **6.4 Reference to other sections**

For disposal see section 13.

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## **SECTION 7: Handling and storage**

### **7.1 Precautions for safe handling**

For precautions see section 2.2.

### **7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

#### **Storage conditions**

Tightly closed. Dry.

#### **Storage class**

Storage class (TRGS 510): 13: Non Combustible Solids

### **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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## **SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection**

### **8.1 Control parameters**

#### **Ingredients with workplace control parameters**

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

### **8.2 Exposure controls**

#### **Appropriate engineering controls**

Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

#### **Personal protective equipment**

##### **Eye/face protection**

Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU). Safety glasses

### **Skin protection**

This recommendation applies only to the product stated in the safety data sheet, supplied by us and for the designated use. When dissolving in or mixing with other substances and under conditions deviating from those stated in EN 16523-1 please contact the supplier of CE-approved gloves (e.g. KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, Internet: [www.kcl.de](http://www.kcl.de)).

Full contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested:KCL 741 Dermatril® L

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Splash contact

Material: Nitrile rubber

Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm

Break through time: 480 min

Material tested:KCL 741 Dermatril® L

### **Body Protection**

protective clothing

### **Respiratory protection**

Recommended Filter type: Filter type P2

The entrepreneur has to ensure that maintenance, cleaning and testing of respiratory protective devices are carried out according to the instructions of the producer.

These measures have to be properly documented.

required when dusts are generated.

Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

### **Control of environmental exposure**

Do not let product enter drains.

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## **SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties**

### **9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

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|---------------------------------|--|
| a) Appearance                   | Form: crystalline<br>Color: white      |
| b) Odor                         | odorless                               |
| c) Odor Threshold               | Not applicable                         |
| d) pH                           | 11.0 - 13 at 138 g/l at 25 °C (77 °F)  |
| e) Melting point/freezing point | Melting point/ range: 891 °C (1636 °F) |

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f) Initial boiling point and boiling range	(decomposition)
g) Flash point	( )Not applicable
h) Evaporation rate	No data available
i) Flammability (solid, gas)	The product is not flammable.
j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits	No data available
k) Vapor pressure	Not applicable
l) Vapor density	No data available
m) Density	2.428 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Relative density	No data available
n) Water solubility	138 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F) - completely soluble
o) Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water	Not applicable for inorganic substances
p) Autoignition temperature	No data available
q) Decomposition temperature	No data available
r) Viscosity	No data available
s) Explosive properties	No data available
t) Oxidizing properties	none

## 9.2 Other safety information

No data available

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## SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

### 10.1 Reactivity

No data available

### 10.2 Chemical stability

The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature) .

### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Violent reactions possible with:

Generates dangerous gases or fumes in contact with:

acids

powdered alkaline earth metals

halogen-halogen compounds

Risk of explosion with:

Halogenated hydrocarbon

Calcium

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carbon  
with  
heat

#### **10.4 Conditions to avoid**

Exposure to moisture.  
no information available

#### **10.5 Incompatible materials**

no information available

#### **10.6 Hazardous decomposition products**

In the event of fire: see section 5

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### **SECTION 11: Toxicological information**

#### **11.1 Information on toxicological effects**

##### **Acute toxicity**

LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - > 2,000 mg/kg  
(OECD Test Guideline 401)

LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4.5 h - > 4.96 mg/l - dust/mist

(US-EPA)

Inhalation: Irritating to respiratory system.

LD50 Dermal - Rabbit - male and female - > 2,000 mg/kg

(US-EPA)

##### **Skin corrosion/irritation**

Skin - Rabbit

Result: Irritations

Remarks: (IUCLID)

##### **Serious eye damage/eye irritation**

Eyes - Rabbit

Result: Eye irritation

(Draize Test)

##### **Respiratory or skin sensitization**

Buehler Test - Guinea pig

Result: negative

(US-EPA)

##### **Germ cell mutagenicity**

Test Type: Ames test

Test system: Salmonella typhimurium

Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 471

Result: negative

Test Type: Mutagenicity (mammal cell test): chromosome aberration.

Test system: Chinese hamster lung cells

Metabolic activation: without metabolic activation

Method: OECD Test Guideline 473

Result: negative

### **Carcinogenicity**

IARC: No ingredient 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 ingredient 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 on OSHA's list of regulated carcinogens.

### **Reproductive toxicity**

No data available

### **Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation. - Respiratory system

### **Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure**

No data available

### **Aspiration hazard**

No data available

## **11.2 Additional Information**

Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - male - Oral - 130 Weeks - NOAEL (No observed adverse effect level) - 2,667 mg/kg

Remarks: (in analogy to similar products)

The value is given in analogy to the following substances: potassium hydrogencarbonate

RTECS: TS7750000

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

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## **SECTION 12: Ecological information**

### **12.1 Toxicity**

Toxicity to fish                      flow-through test LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - 68 mg/l - 96 h  
Remarks: (ECHA)

Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates                      static test EC50 - Daphnia pulex (Water flea) - 200 mg/l - 48 h  
Remarks: (ECHA)

### **12.2 Persistence and degradability**

The methods for determining the biological degradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

### **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 Endocrine disrupting properties**

No data available

#### **12.7 Other adverse effects**

No data available

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### **SECTION 13: Disposal considerations**

#### **13.1 Waste treatment methods**

##### **Product**

Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers. No mixing with other waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product itself.

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### **SECTION 14: Transport information**

#### **DOT (US)**

Not dangerous goods

#### **IMDG**

Not dangerous goods

#### **IATA**

Not dangerous goods

#### **Further information**

Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

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### **SECTION 15: Regulatory information**

#### **CERCLA Reportable Quantity**

This material does not contain any components with a CERCLA RQ.

#### **SARA 304 Extremely Hazardous Substances Reportable Quantity**

This material does not contain any components with a section 304 EHS RQ.

## **SARA 302 Extremely Hazardous Substances Threshold Planning Quantity**

This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

**SARA 311/312 Hazards** : Acute Health Hazard

**SARA 313** : 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.

## **US State Regulations**

### **Massachusetts Right To Know**

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

### **Maine Chemicals of High Concern**

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

### **Vermont Chemicals of High Concern**

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

### **Washington Chemicals of High Concern**

Product does not contain any listed chemicals

### **The ingredients of this product are reported in the following inventories:**

**TSCA** : All substances listed as active on the TSCA inventory

### **TSCA list**

No substances are subject to a Significant New Use Rule.

No substances are subject to TSCA 12(b) export notification requirements.

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## **SECTION 16: Other information**

### **Further information**

The information is believed to be correct but is not exhaustive and will be used solely as a guideline, which is based on current knowledge of the chemical substance or mixture and is applicable to appropriate safety precautions for the product. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. Sigma-Aldrich Corporation and its Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See [www.sigma-aldrich.com](http://www.sigma-aldrich.com) and/or the reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale.

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