

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

### 1.1. Product identifier

<b>Product Description:</b>	<b>Potassium hexacyanoferrate (III)</b>
<b>Cat No. :</b>	<b>P/4840/50, P/4840/53</b>
<b>Synonyms</b>	Red prussiate; Potassium iron(III)cyanide; Potassium hexacyanoferrate (III)
<b>CAS No</b>	13746-66-2
<b>EC No</b>	237-323-3
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C <sub>6</sub> Fe K <sub>3</sub> N <sub>6</sub>

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

<b>Recommended Use</b>	Laboratory chemicals
<b>Uses advised against</b>	No Information available

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

#### Company

**UK entity/business name**  
Fisher Scientific UK  
Bishop Meadow Road, Loughborough,  
Leicestershire LE11 5RG, United Kingdom

**EU entity/business name**  
Thermo Fisher Scientific  
Janssen Pharmaceuticaaan 3a  
2440 Geel, Belgium

**E-mail address** begel.sdsdesk@thermofisher.com

### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

Tel: 01509 231166  
Chemtrec US: (800) 424-9300  
Chemtrec EU: 001-703-527-3887

## SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

**GHS Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567**

#### **Physical hazards**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

#### **Health hazards**

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Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 2 (H319)
<b>Environmental hazards</b>	
Chronic aquatic toxicity	Category 2 (H411)

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## 2.2. Label elements



Signal Word

Warning

### Hazard Statements

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
H411 - Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects  
EUH032 - Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas

### Precautionary Statements

P280 - Wear eye protection/ face protection  
P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing  
P337 + P313 - If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/attention  
P273 - Avoid release to the environment

## 2.3. Other hazards

In accordance with Annex XIII of the REACH Regulation, inorganic substances do not require assessment

Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas  
This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1. Substances

Component	CAS No	EC No	Weight %	GHS Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567
Potassium ferricyanide	13746-66-2	EEC No. 237-323-3	<=100	Eye Irrit. 2 (H319) Aquatic Chronic 2 (H411) (EUH032)

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Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

<b>General Advice</b>	If symptoms persist, call a physician.
<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If skin irritation persists, call a physician.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.
<b>Self-Protection of the First Aider</b>	Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.

### 4.2. Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

None reasonably foreseeable.

### 4.3. Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

**Notes to Physician** Treat symptomatically.

## SECTION 5: FIREFIGHTING MEASURES

### 5.1. Extinguishing media

#### **Suitable Extinguishing Media**

Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment. Water spray, carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), dry chemical, alcohol-resistant foam.

#### **Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons**

No information available.

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

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

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Potassium oxides, Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid), Carbon oxides, Nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>).

### 5.3. Advice for firefighters

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear.

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

Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation. Avoid dust formation.

## 6.2. Environmental precautions

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

## 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal.

## 6.4. Reference to other sections

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

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

#### **Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

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

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Protect from direct sunlight.

**Technical Rules for Hazardous Substances (TRGS) 510**      Class 13  
**Storage Class (LGK) (Germany)**

### 7.3. Specific end use(s)

Use in laboratories

## SECTION 8: EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

### 8.1. Control parameters

#### **Exposure limits**

List source(s): **UK** - EH40/2005 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020. **IRE** - 2021 Code of Practice for the Chemical Agents Regulations, Schedule 1. Published by the Health and Safety Authority

Component	The United Kingdom	European Union	Ireland
Potassium ferricyanide	STEL: 15 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr Skin STEL: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min TWA: 1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr		

#### **Biological limit values**

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific

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regulatory bodies

**Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) / Derived Minimum Effect Level (DMEL)**

See table for values

Component	Acute effects local (Dermal)	Acute effects systemic (Dermal)	Chronic effects local (Dermal)	Chronic effects systemic (Dermal)
Potassium ferricyanide 13746-66-2 ( <=100 )				DNEL = 9mg/kg bw/day

**Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)**

See values below.

Component	Fresh water	Fresh water sediment	Water Intermittent	Microorganisms in sewage treatment	Soil (Agriculture)
Potassium ferricyanide 13746-66-2 ( <=100 )	PNEC = 1.7µg/L			PNEC = 100mg/L	

Component	Marine water	Marine water sediment	Marine water intermittent	Food chain	Air
Potassium ferricyanide 13746-66-2 ( <=100 )	PNEC = 0.17µg/L				

**8.2. Exposure controls**

**Engineering Measures**

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location.

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** Goggles (European standard - EN 166)

**Hand Protection** Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	EU standard	Glove comments
Natural rubber	See manufacturers recommendations	-	EN 374	(minimum requirement)
Nitrile rubber				
Neoprene				
PVC				

**Skin and body protection** Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure.

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 compatibility, 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.

**Respiratory Protection** No protective equipment is needed under normal use conditions.

**Large scale/emergency use** Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 136 approved respirator if exposure limits

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are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced

**Small scale/Laboratory use** Maintain adequate ventilation

**Environmental exposure controls** Prevent product from entering drains. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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

<b>Physical State</b>	Crystalline Solid	
<b>Appearance</b>	Orange - Red	
<b>Odor</b>	Odorless	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No data available	
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	No data available	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	Not applicable	
<b>Flammability (liquid)</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	No information available	
<b>Explosion Limits</b>	No data available	
<b>Flash Point</b>	Not applicable	<b>Method -</b> No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	> 200°C	
<b>pH</b>	~ 6	5% aq. sol
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Water Solubility</b>	464 g/L (20°C)	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	negligible	
<b>Density / Specific Gravity</b>	1.86 g/cm <sup>3</sup>	@ 20 °C
<b>Bulk Density</b>	1.05 kg/m <sup>3</sup>	
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Particle characteristics</b>	No data available	

### 9.2. Other information

<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C <sub>6</sub> Fe K <sub>3</sub> N <sub>6</sub>
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	329.26
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable - Solid

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**10.1. Reactivity** Yes Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas

**10.2. Chemical stability** Stable under normal conditions. Sensitivity to light.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

**Hazardous Polymerization** Hazardous polymerization does not occur.  
**Hazardous Reactions** Contact with acids liberates toxic gas.

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## 10.4. Conditions to avoid

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

## 10.5. Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents. Acids.

## 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Potassium oxides. Hydrogen cyanide (hydrocyanic acid). Carbon oxides. Nitrogen oxides (NOx).

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1. Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

**Product Information** If ingested: the ferricyanide complex does not decompose to cyanide.

#### **(a) acute toxicity;**

**Oral**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

**Dermal**

No data available

**Inhalation**

No data available

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Potassium ferricyanide	LD50 = 2,970 mg/kg (Mouse)	-	-

**(b) skin corrosion/irritation;** No data available

**(c) serious eye damage/irritation;** Category 2

#### **(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;**

**Respiratory**

No data available

**Skin**

No data available

**(e) germ cell mutagenicity;** No data available

**(f) carcinogenicity;** No data available

There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

**(g) reproductive toxicity;** No data available

**(h) STOT-single exposure;** No data available

**(i) STOT-repeated exposure;** No data available

**Target Organs**

None known.

**(j) aspiration hazard;** Not applicable  
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**Other Adverse Effects** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed** No information available.

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## 11.2. Information on other hazards

**Endocrine Disrupting Properties** Assess endocrine disrupting properties for human health. This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

## SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1. Toxicity

#### **Ecotoxicity effects**

Toxic 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
Potassium ferricyanide	Onchorhynchus mykiss: LC50: 869 mg/L/96	Daphnia magna: EC50: 549 mg/L/48h	

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

#### **Persistence**

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

#### **Degradability**

Not relevant for inorganic substances.

#### **Degradation in sewage treatment plant**

Contains substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste water treatment plants.

### 12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

Bioaccumulation is unlikely

### 12.4. Mobility in soil

The product is water soluble, and may spread in water systems. Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility. Highly mobile in soils

### 12.5. Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

In accordance with Annex XIII of the REACH Regulation, inorganic substances do not require assessment.

### 12.6. Endocrine disrupting properties

#### **Endocrine Disruptor Information**

### 12.7. Other adverse effects

#### **Persistent Organic Pollutant**

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

#### **Ozone Depletion Potential**

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

#### **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.

#### **European Waste Catalogue (EWC)**

According to the European Waste Catalog, Waste Codes are not product specific, but application specific.



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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

### IMDG/IMO

**14.1. UN number** UN3077  
**14.2. UN proper shipping name**  
**Technical Shipping Name** ENVIRONMENTALLY HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE, SOLID, N.O.S.  
(POTASSIUM HEXACYANOFERRATE(III))  
**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)** 9  
**14.4. Packing group** III

### ADR

**14.1. UN number** UN3077  
**14.2. UN proper shipping name**  
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**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)** 9  
**14.4. Packing group** III

### IATA

**14.1. UN number** UN3077  
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**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)** 9  
**14.4. Packing group** III

**14.5. Environmental hazards** Dangerous for the environment  
Product is a marine pollutant according to the criteria set by IMDG/IMO

**14.6. Special precautions for user** No special precautions required.

**14.7. Maritime transport in bulk according to IMO instruments** Not applicable, packaged goods

## SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

### 15.1. Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

#### International Inventories

Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), China (IECSC), Taiwan (TCSI), Korea (KECL), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Australia (AICS), New Zealand (NZIoC), Philippines (PICCS). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	IECSC	TCSI	KECL	ENCS	ISHL
Potassium ferricyanide	13746-66-2	237-323-3	-	-	X	X	KE-34764	X	X

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory	DSL	NDSL	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
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			<b>notification - Active-Inactive</b>					
Potassium ferricyanide	13746-66-2	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X

**Legend:** X - Listed '-' - Not Listed      **KECL** - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

**Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH**      Not applicable

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Potassium ferricyanide	13746-66-2	-	-	-

**Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC)**

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements
Potassium ferricyanide	13746-66-2	Not applicable	Not applicable

**Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture**

Component	CAS No	OECD HPV	Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Potassium ferricyanide	13746-66-2	Not applicable	Not applicable	Annex I - Y33

**Regulation (EC) No 649/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals**

Not applicable

**Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?**

Not applicable

Take note of Directive 98/24/EC on the protection of the health and safety of workers from the risks related to chemical agents at work .

## National Regulations

**UK** - Take note of Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) 2002 and 2005 Amendment

**WGK Classification**      See table for values

Component	Germany - Water Classification (AwSV)	Germany - TA-Luft Class
Potassium ferricyanide	WGK2	

## 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

A Chemical Safety Assessment/Report (CSA/CSR) has not been conducted

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## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

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

H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
H411 - Toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects  
EUH032 - Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas

### Legend

**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

**EINECS/ELINCS** - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical 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

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

**DSL/NDL** - 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 Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

**LD50** - Lethal Dose 50%

**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50%

**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

**vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

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

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

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

**BCF** - Bioconcentration factor

### Key literature references and sources for data

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

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

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

**MARPOL** - International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships

**ATE** - Acute Toxicity Estimate

**VOC** - (Volatile Organic Compound)

### 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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**Revision Date** 19-Dec-2025

**Revision Summary** SDS sections updated, 2, 3, 9, 10.

**This safety data sheet complies with Regulation UK SI 2019/758 and UK SI 2020/1577 as amended.**

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