

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

### 1.1. Product identifier

Product Description:	<b>Potassium fluoride, ACS</b>
Cat No. :	<b>42216</b>
Index No	009-005-00-2
CAS No	7789-23-3
EC No	232-151-5
Molecular Formula	F K
REACH registration number	-

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

Recommended Use	Laboratory chemicals.
Sector of use	SU3 - Industrial uses: Uses of substances as such or in preparations at industrial sites
Product category	PC21 - Laboratory chemicals
Process categories	PROC15 - Use as a laboratory reagent
Environmental release category	ERC6a - Industrial use resulting in manufacture of another substance (use of intermediates)
Uses advised against	No Information available

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

Company	Avocado Research Chemicals Ltd. (Part of Thermo Fisher Scientific) Shore Road, Heysham Lancashire, LA3 2XY, United Kingdom Office Tel: +44 (0) 1524 850506 Office Fax: +44 (0) 1524 850608
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### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

For information **US** call: 001-800-227-6701 / **Europe** call: +32 14 57 52 11  
Emergency Number **US**:001-201-796-7100 / **Europe**: +32 14 57 52 99  
**CHEMTREC** Tel. No. **US**:001-800-424-9300 / **Europe**:001-703-527-3887

## SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

### 2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

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

Physical hazards

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Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

## Health hazards

Acute oral toxicity  
Acute dermal toxicity  
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists  
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation

Category 3 (H301)  
Category 3 (H311)  
Category 3 (H331)  
Category 1 (H318)

## Environmental hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## 2.2. Label elements



Signal Word

Danger

## Hazard Statements

H318 - Causes serious eye damage

H301 + H311 + H331 - Toxic if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled

## Precautionary Statements

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

P301 + P330 + P331 - IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting

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

P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

P305 + P351 + P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing

P310 - Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

## 2.3. Other hazards

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

Toxic to terrestrial vertebrates

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 %	CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567
Potassium fluoride	7789-23-3	EEC No. 232-151-5	>95	Acute Tox. 3 (H301) Acute Tox. 3 (H311) Acute Tox. 3 (H331) Eye Dam. 1 (H318)

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## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

<b>Eye Contact</b>	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
<b>Inhalation</b>	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.
<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

Causes eye burns. Causes severe eye damage.

### 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

Substance is nonflammable; use agent most appropriate to extinguish surrounding fire.

#### 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

Hydrogen fluoride.

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

## SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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

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Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Avoid dust formation.

## **6.2. Environmental precautions**

Should not be released into the environment. See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information. 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. Avoid dust formation.

## **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**

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid dust formation. Do not breathe (dust, vapor, mist, gas). Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

### **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.

**Technical Rules for Hazardous Substances (TRGS) 510**      Class 6.1D  
**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.      **EU** - Commission Directive (EU) 2019/1831 of 24 October 2019 establishing a fifth list of indicative occupational exposure limit values pursuant to Council Directive 98/24/EC and amending Commission Directive 2000/39/EC

Component	The United Kingdom	European Union	Ireland
Potassium fluoride	TWA: 2.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup> (as F)	TWA: 2.5 mg/m <sup>3</sup>	

#### **Biological limit values**

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

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

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See table for values

Component	Acute effects local (Dermal)	Acute effects systemic (Dermal)	Chronic effects local (Dermal)	Chronic effects systemic (Dermal)
Potassium fluoride 7789-23-3 ( >95 )		DNEL = 0.44mg/kg bw/day		DNEL = 0.44mg/kg bw/day

Component	Acute effects local (Inhalation)	Acute effects systemic (Inhalation)	Chronic effects local (Inhalation)	Chronic effects systemic (Inhalation)
Potassium fluoride 7789-23-3 ( >95 )	DNEL = 12mg/m <sup>3</sup>	DNEL = 12mg/m <sup>3</sup>	DNEL = 3mg/m <sup>3</sup>	DNEL = 3mg/m <sup>3</sup>

## Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

See values below.

Component	Fresh water	Fresh water sediment	Water Intermittent	Microorganisms in sewage treatment	Soil (Agriculture)
Potassium fluoride 7789-23-3 ( >95 )	PNEC = 0.89mg/L			PNEC = 51mg/L	PNEC = 11mg/kg soil dw

## 8.2. Exposure controls

### Engineering Measures

Use only under a chemical fume hood. 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 (minimum requirement)
Natural rubber	> 480 minutes	0.6 mm	EN 374	
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 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.

#### 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  
**Recommended Filter type:** 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

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**Environmental exposure controls** Prevent product from entering drains. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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

Physical State	Solid	
Appearance	White	
Odor	Odorless	
Odor Threshold	No data available	
Melting Point/Range	860 °C / 1580 °F	
Softening Point	No data available	
Boiling Point/Range	1505 °C / 2741 °F	@ 760 mmHg
Flammability (liquid)	Not applicable	Solid
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available	
Explosion Limits	No data available	
Flash Point	No information available	Method - No information available
Autoignition Temperature	No data available	
Decomposition Temperature	No data available	
pH	8-9 @ 20°C	50 g/l aq.sol
Viscosity	Not applicable	Solid
Water Solubility	920 g/L @ 18°C	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available	
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)		
Component	log Pow	
Potassium fluoride	-0.77	
Vapor Pressure	No data available	
Density / Specific Gravity	2.48 g/cm3 @20°C	
Bulk Density	No data available	
Vapor Density	Not applicable	Solid
Particle characteristics	No data available	

### 9.2. Other information

Molecular Formula	F K
Molecular Weight	58.09
Oxidizing Properties	Not oxidising
Evaporation Rate	Not applicable - Solid

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

### 10.1. Reactivity

None known, based on information available

### 10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions. Hygroscopic.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

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

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Incompatible products. Excess heat. Avoid dust formation. Exposure to moist air or water.

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

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Strong oxidizing agents. Strong acids. Glass.

## 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Hydrogen fluoride.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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

#### Product Information

##### (a) acute toxicity;

Oral	Category 3
Dermal	Category 3
Inhalation	Category 3

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Potassium fluoride	LD50 = 245 mg/kg ( Rat )	-	-

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 1

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

Respiratory	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met
Skin	Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(f) carcinogenicity; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product

(g) reproductive toxicity; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(h) STOT-single exposure; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Target Organs	None known.
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(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable  
Solid

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

### 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

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## 12.1. Toxicity

### Ecotoxicity effects

Do not empty into drains.

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae
Potassium fluoride	LC50: = 9.3 mg/L, 96h (Ctenopharyngodon idella)		

## 12.2. Persistence and degradability

### Persistence

Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, 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

Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Potassium fluoride	-0.77	No data available

## 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

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## 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.

#### 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.

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### IMDG/IMO



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**14.1. UN number** UN1812  
**14.2. UN proper shipping name** POTASSIUM FLUORIDE, SOLID  
**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)** 6.1  
**14.4. Packing group** III

## ADR

**14.1. UN number** UN1812  
**14.2. UN proper shipping name** POTASSIUM FLUORIDE, SOLID  
**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)** 6.1  
**14.4. Packing group** III

## IATA

**14.1. UN number** UN1812  
**14.2. UN proper shipping name** POTASSIUM FLUORIDE, SOLID  
**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)** 6.1  
**14.4. Packing group** III

**14.5. Environmental hazards** No hazards identified  
**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 fluoride	7789-23-3	232-151-5	-	-	X	X	KE-29114	X	X

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Potassium fluoride	7789-23-3	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

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 fluoride	7789-23-3	-	Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

#### REACH links

<https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach>

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

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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 fluoride	7789-23-3	Not applicable	Not applicable

**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 .

Take note of Directive 2000/39/EC establishing a first list of indicative occupational exposure limit values

## 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 fluoride	WGK1	

Component	France - INRS (Tables of occupational diseases)
Potassium fluoride	Tableaux des maladies professionnelles (TMP) - RG 32

## 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

A Chemical Safety Assessment/Report (CSA/CSR) has been conducted by the manufacturer/importer

## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

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

H301 - Toxic if swallowed

H311 - Toxic in contact with skin

H331 - Toxic if inhaled

H318 - Causes serious eye damage

### 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

**TWA** - Time Weighted Average

**IARC** - International Agency for Research on Cancer  
Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

**LD50** - Lethal Dose 50%

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**LC50** - Lethal Concentration 50%

**NOEC** - No Observed Effect Concentration

**PBT** - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

**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

**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)

## Key literature references and sources for data

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

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

## 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.

## Prepared By

Health, Safety and Environmental Department

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## Revision Summary

New emergency telephone response service provider.

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

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