

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

### 1.1. Product identifier

<b>Product Description:</b>	<b>Potassium ethoxide</b>
<b>Cat No. :</b>	<b>14263</b>
<b>Index No</b>	603-041-00-8
<b>CAS No</b>	917-58-8
<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C2 H5 K O
<b>REACH registration number</b>	-

### 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

<b>Company</b>	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

Self-heating substances/mixtures	Category 1 (H251)
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##### Health hazards

Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 1 B (H314)
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## **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**

H251 - Self-heating: may catch fire  
H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage  
EUH014 - Reacts violently with water

## **Precautionary Statements**

P280 - Wear eye protection/ face protection  
P235 + P410 - Keep cool. Protect from sunlight  
P301 + P330 + P331 - IF SWALLOWED: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting  
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  
P210 - Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, sparks, open flames and other ignition sources. No smoking

## **2.3. Other hazards**

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 ethanolate	917-58-8	EEC No. 213-029-0	> 92	Self-heat. 1 (H251) Skin Corr. 1B (H314) (EUH014)

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## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

<b>Eye Contact</b>	Immediate medical attention is required. Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes.
<b>Skin Contact</b>	Wash off immediately with soap and plenty of water while removing all contaminated clothes and shoes. Immediate medical attention is required.
<b>Ingestion</b>	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician immediately.
<b>Inhalation</b>	Remove from exposure, lie down. Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Immediate medical attention is required.
<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 burns by all exposure routes. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation

### 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**

Dry chemical. approved class D extinguishers. clay. sodium carbonate.

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

Water. Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Foam.

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

Flammable. Combustible material.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

None under normal use conditions.

### 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.

## SECTION 6: ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

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

Ensure adequate ventilation.

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## 6.2. Environmental precautions

See Section 12 for additional Ecological Information.

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

Avoid dust formation. Remove all sources of ignition. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal. Do not let this chemical enter the environment.

## 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

Do not breathe dust. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. Handle product only in closed system or provide appropriate exhaust ventilation. Use spark-proof tools and explosion-proof equipment. Use only non-sparking tools.

### **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 in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed. Keep away from heat, sparks and flame. Corrosives area. Flammables area. Keep under nitrogen. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place.

**Technical Rules for Hazardous Substances (TRGS) 510**      Class 4.2  
**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**

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

#### **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)**

No information available

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## Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

No information available.

## 8.2. Exposure controls

### Engineering Measures

Use explosion-proof electrical/ventilating/lighting equipment. 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

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

#### Environmental exposure controls

No information available.

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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

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<b>Physical State</b>	Powder Solid	
<b>Appearance</b>	Light yellow	
<b>Odor</b>	No information available	
<b>Odor Threshold</b>	No data available	
<b>Melting Point/Range</b>	250 °C / 482 °F	
<b>Softening Point</b>	No data available	
<b>Boiling Point/Range</b>	No information available	
<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>	No information available	<b>Method -</b> No information available
<b>Autoignition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>Decomposition Temperature</b>	No data available	
<b>pH</b>	No information available	
<b>Viscosity</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Water Solubility</b>	reacts	
<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No information available	
<b>Density / Specific Gravity</b>	No data available	
<b>Bulk Density</b>	No data available	
<b>Vapor Density</b>	Not applicable	Solid
<b>Particle characteristics</b>	No data available	

## 9.2. Other information

<b>Molecular Formula</b>	C2 H5 K O
<b>Molecular Weight</b>	84.16
<b>Evaporation Rate</b>	Not applicable - Solid

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1. Reactivity Yes

10.2. Chemical stability Moisture sensitive. Air sensitive.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

**Hazardous Polymerization** Hazardous polymerization does not occur.  
**Hazardous Reactions** No information available.

### 10.4. Conditions to avoid

Avoid dust formation. Keep away from open flames, hot surfaces and sources of ignition. Exposure to air. Incompatible products. Exposure to moist air or water.

### 10.5. Incompatible materials

Acids. Strong oxidizing agents. Alcohols. Halogens. Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>).

### 10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

None under normal use conditions.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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

**Product Information** No acute toxicity information is available for this product

**(a) acute toxicity;**

Oral	No data available
Dermal	No data available
Inhalation	No data available

**(b) skin corrosion/irritation;** Category 1 B

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

**(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** No information available.

**(j) aspiration hazard;** Not applicable  
Solid

**Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed**

Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated. Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation.

## 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**

Do not empty into drains. .

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## 12.2. Persistence and degradability

**Persistence** Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.  
**Degradability** Not relevant for inorganic substances.

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 No data available for 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. Empty containers retain product residue, (liquid and/or vapor), and can be dangerous. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

**European Waste Catalogue (EWC)** According to the European Waste Catalog, Waste Codes are not product specific, but application specific.

**Other Information** Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Do not flush to sewer. Can be landfilled or incinerated, when in compliance with local regulations. Do not empty into drains. Large amounts will affect pH and harm aquatic organisms.

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### IMDG/IMO

14.1. UN number UN3206  
14.2. UN proper shipping name ALKALI METAL ALCOHOLATES, SELF-HEATING, CORROSIVE, N.O.S.  
14.3. Transport hazard class(es) 4.2  
**Subsidiary Hazard Class** 8  
14.4. Packing group II

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**14.1. UN number** UN3206  
**14.2. UN proper shipping name** ALKALI METAL ALCOHOLATES, SELF-HEATING, CORROSIVE, N.O.S.  
**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)** 4.2  
**Subsidiary Hazard Class** 8  
**14.4. Packing group** II

## IATA

**14.1. UN number** UN3206  
**14.2. UN proper shipping name** ALKALI METAL ALCOHOLATES, SELF-HEATING, CORROSIVE, N.O.S.\*  
**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)** 4.2  
**Subsidiary Hazard Class** 8  
**14.4. Packing group** II

**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 ethanolate	917-58-8	213-029-0	-	-	X	X	KE-29108	-	-

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Potassium ethanolate	917-58-8	X	ACTIVE	-	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 ethanolate	917-58-8	-	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)

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report

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		Notification	Requirements
Potassium ethanolate	917-58-8	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 .

## 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 ethanolate	WGK1	

## 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

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

## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

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

H251 - Self-heating; may catch fire

H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage

EUH014 - Reacts violently with water

### 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/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 Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

**LD50** - Lethal Dose 50%

**EC50** - Effective Concentration 50%

**POW** - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

**vPvB** - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

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**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

## Revision Date

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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.**

## Disclaimer

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