

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

### 1.1. Product identifier

**Product Description:** Buffer solution pH 10, Carbonate buffer  
**Cat No. :** 258600000; 258600010; 258605000  
**Synonyms** None

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

**Recommended Use** Laboratory chemicals.  
**Uses advised against** 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** [bege1.sdsdesk@thermofisher.com](mailto:bege1.sdsdesk@thermofisher.com)

### 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

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

##### Health hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

##### Environmental hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

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## 2.2. Label elements

None required

EUH210 - Safety data sheet available on request

## 2.3. Other hazards

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.2. Mixtures

Component	CAS No	EC No	Weight %	CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567
Water	7732-18-5	231-791-2	97.5	-
Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid, disodium salt dihydrate	6381-92-6	613-386-6	1.0	Acute Tox. 4 (H332) STOT RE 2 (H373)
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	EEC No. 209-529-3	0.6	Skin Irrit. 2 (H315) Eye Irrit. 2 (H319) STOT SE 3 (H335)
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	215-181-3	0.5	Acute Tox. 4 (H302) Skin Corr. 1A (H314) Eye Dam. 1 (H318)
Potassium Borate	12228-88-5		0.4	-

Component	Specific concentration limits (SCL's)	M-Factor	Component notes
Potassium hydroxide	Skin Corr. 1A (H314) :: C>=5% Skin Corr. 1B (H314) :: 2%<=C<5% Eye Irrit. 2 (H319) :: 0.5%<=C<2% Skin Irrit. 2 (H315) :: 0.5%<=C<2%	-	-

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

## SECTION 4: FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1. Description of first aid measures

#### Eye Contact

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

#### Skin Contact

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Get medical attention

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immediately if symptoms occur.

**Ingestion** Clean mouth with water and drink afterwards plenty of water. Get medical attention if symptoms occur.

**Inhalation** Remove to fresh air. Get medical attention immediately if symptoms occur.

**Self-Protection of the First Aider** No special precautions required.

## **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**

None known.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

None known.

### **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**

Use personal protective equipment as required. Ensure adequate ventilation.

### **6.2. Environmental precautions**

Should not be released into the environment.

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

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers for disposal.

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

Refer to protective measures listed in Sections 8 and 13.

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## SECTION 7: HANDLING AND STORAGE

### 7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Avoid contact with skin, eyes or clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Ensure adequate ventilation.

### 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 12  
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 hydroxide	WEL - 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> STEL		STEL: 2 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min

#### 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)

See table for values

Component	Acute effects local (Inhalation)	Acute effects systemic (Inhalation)	Chronic effects local (Inhalation)	Chronic effects systemic (Inhalation)
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3 ( 0.5 )			DNEL = 1mg/m <sup>3</sup>	

#### Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

No information available.

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## 8.2. Exposure controls

### Engineering Measures

None under normal use conditions.

### Personal protective equipment

**Eye Protection** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or 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** Long sleeved clothing.

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 are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced  
**Recommended Filter type:** Particle filter

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

**Environmental exposure controls** No information available.

## SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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

<b>Physical State</b>	Liquid	
<b>Appearance</b>	Colorless	
<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>	No information available	
<b>Flammability (liquid)</b>	No data available	
<b>Flammability (solid,gas)</b>	Not applicable	Liquid
<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>	10	
<b>Viscosity</b>	No data available	
<b>Water Solubility</b>	Soluble	

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<b>Solubility in other solvents</b>	No information available	
<b>Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)</b>		
<b>Component</b>	<b>log Pow</b>	
Potassium hydroxide	0.83	
<b>Vapor Pressure</b>	No data available	
<b>Density / Specific Gravity</b>	No data available	
<b>Bulk Density</b>	Not applicable	Liquid
<b>Vapor Density</b>	No data available	(Air = 1.0)
<b>Particle characteristics</b>	Not applicable (liquid)	

## 9.2. Other information

**Evaporation Rate** No information available

## SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

**10.1. Reactivity** None known, based on information available

**10.2. Chemical stability** Stable under normal conditions.

### 10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

**Hazardous Polymerization** No information available.  
**Hazardous Reactions** None under normal processing.

**10.4. Conditions to avoid** None known.

**10.5. Incompatible materials** None known.

**10.6. Hazardous decomposition products** None known.

## SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 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** 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
Water	-	-	-
Potassium carbonate	> 2000 mg/kg ( Rat )	LD50 > 2000 mg/kg ( Rabbit )	LC50 > 4.96 mg/L ( Rat ) 4.5 h
Potassium hydroxide	LD50 = 333-384 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

Component	Test method	Test species	Study result
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3 ( 0.5 )	OECD Test Guideline 406	guinea pig	non-sensitising

(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; No data available

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

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

### 12.1. Toxicity

Ecotoxicity effects

Component	Freshwater Fish	Water Flea	Freshwater Algae
Potassium carbonate	LC50 <510 mg/L/96h (Pimephales promelas)	LC50: = 630 mg/L, 48h (Ceriodaphnia dubia)	

### 12.2. Persistence and degradability

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

**12.3. Bioaccumulative potential** Bioaccumulation is unlikely

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Component	log Pow	Bioconcentration factor (BCF)
Potassium hydroxide	0.83	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

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 Ozone Depletion Potential

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance  
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## SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1. Waste treatment methods

#### Waste from Residues/Unused Products

Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

#### Contaminated Packaging

Empty remaining contents. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations. Do not re-use empty containers.

#### 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.

## SECTION 14: TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### IMDG/IMO

Not regulated

#### 14.1. UN number

#### 14.2. UN proper shipping name

#### 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

#### 14.4. Packing group

### ADR

Not regulated

#### 14.1. UN number

#### 14.2. UN proper shipping name

#### 14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

#### 14.4. Packing group

### IATA

Not regulated



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**14.1. UN number**

**14.2. UN proper shipping name**

**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)**

**14.4. Packing group**

**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
Water	7732-18-5	231-791-2	-	-	X	X	KE-35400	X	-
Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid, disodium salt dihydrate	6381-92-6	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	209-529-3	-	-	X	X	KE-29083	X	X
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	215-181-3	-	-	X	X	KE-29139	X	X
Potassium Borate	12228-88-5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Component	CAS No	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	DSL	NDSL	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Water	7732-18-5	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X
Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid, disodium salt dihydrate	6381-92-6	-	-	X	-	X	X	X
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	X	ACTIVE	X	-	X	X	X
Potassium Borate	12228-88-5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**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)
Water	7732-18-5	-	-	-
Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid, disodium salt dihydrate	6381-92-6	-	-	-
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	-	-	-
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	-	Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)	-
Potassium Borate	12228-88-5	-	-	-

**REACH links**

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

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## 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
Water	7732-18-5	Not applicable	Not applicable
Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid, disodium salt dihydrate	6381-92-6	Not applicable	Not applicable
Potassium carbonate	584-08-7	Not applicable	Not applicable
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	Not applicable	Not applicable
Potassium Borate	12228-88-5	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

Water endangering class = 1 (self classification)

Component	Germany - Water Classification (AwSV)	Germany - TA-Luft Class
Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid, disodium salt dihydrate	WGK2	
Potassium carbonate	WGK1	
Potassium hydroxide	WGK1	

Component	France - INRS (Tables of occupational diseases)
Potassium carbonate	Tableaux des maladies professionnelles (TMP) - RG 58,RG 67

Component	Switzerland - Ordinance on the Reduction of Risk from handling of hazardous substances preparation (SR 814.81)	Switzerland - Ordinance on Incentive Taxes on Volatile Organic Compounds (OVOC)	Switzerland - Ordinance of the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure
Ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid, disodium salt dihydrate 6381-92-6 ( 1.0 )	Prohibited and Restricted Substances		
Potassium hydroxide 1310-58-3 ( 0.5 )	Prohibited and Restricted Substances		

## 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

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

## SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION

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

H302 - Harmful if swallowed  
H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage  
H315 - Causes skin irritation  
H318 - Causes serious eye damage  
H319 - Causes serious eye irritation  
H332 - Harmful if inhaled  
H335 - May cause respiratory irritation

## 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.

**Creation Date** 09-Dec-2009  
**Revision Date** 29-Sep-2023  
**Revision Summary** Not applicable.

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

### **Disclaimer**

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