SAFETY DATA SHEET
according to the (US) Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200)

SECTION 1. Identification

Product identifier

Product number: 105545
Product name: Potassium hydroxide solution 47% for analysis EMSURE®

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

Identified uses: Reagent for analysis, Chemical production

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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United States of America | General Inquiries: +1-978-715-4321 |
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+1-703-527-3887 CHEMTREC (International)
24 Hours/day; 7 Days/week

SECTION 2. Hazards identification

GHS Classification

Corrosive to Metals, Category 1, H290
Acute toxicity, Category 4, Oral, H302
Skin corrosion, Category 1A, H314
Serious eye damage, Category 1, H318

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

GHS-Labeling

Hazard pictograms

Signal Word
Danger

Hazard Statements
H290 May be corrosive to metals.
H302 Harmful if swallowed.
H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

Precautionary Statements
P234 Keep only in original container.
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.
P270 Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. 
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection. 
P301 + P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell. 
P301 + P330 + P331 IF SWALLOWED: Rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting. 
P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. 
Rinse skin with water/ shower. 
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. 
P321 Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label). 
P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. 
P390 Absorb spillage to prevent material damage. 
P405 Store locked up. 
P406 Store in corrosive resistant stainless steel container with a resistant inner liner. 
P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant. 

Other hazards 
None known.

SECTION 3. Composition/information on ingredients

Chemical nature Aqueous solution

Hazardous ingredients

Chemical Name (Concentration)

CAS-No. 

potassium hydroxide (>= 30 % - < 50 % )
1310-58-3

Exact percentages are being withheld as a trade secret.

SECTION 4. First aid measures

Description of first-aid measures

General advice 
First aider needs to protect himself.

Inhalation
After inhalation: fresh air. Call in physician.

Skin contact
After skin contact: wash off with plenty of water. Remove contaminated clothing. Call a physician 
immediately.

Eye contact
After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Immediately call in ophthalmologist.

Ingestion
After swallowing: make victim drink water (two glasses at most), avoid vomiting (risk of 
perforation!). Call a physician immediately. Do not attempt to neutralize.

Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person.
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed
Irritation and corrosion, Cough, Shortness of breath, Vomiting, pain, collapse, death
Drying-out effect resulting in rough and chapped skin.
Risk of corneal clouding.
Risk of blindness!

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed
No information available.

SECTION 5. Fire-fighting measures

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.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture
Not combustible.
Ambient fire may liberate hazardous vapors.

Advice for firefighters
Special protective equipment for fire-fighters
Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

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

SECTION 6. Accidental release measures

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures
Advice for non-emergency personnel: Avoid substance contact. Do not breathe vapors, aerosols. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.

Advice for emergency responders: Protective equipment see section 8.

Environmental precautions
Do not empty into drains.

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 with liquid-absorbent and neutralizing material (e.g. Chemizorb® OH⁻, Art. No. 101596).
Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area.

SECTION 7. Handling and storage

Precautions for safe handling
Observe label precautions.
CONDITIONS FOR SAFE STORAGE, INCLUDING ANY INCOMPATIBILITIES

Requirements for storage areas and containers
No aluminum, tin, or zinc containers.

Tightly closed.

Store at +5°C to +30°C (+41°F to +86°F).

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

Exposure limit(s)

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Engineering measures
Technical measures and appropriate working operations should be given priority over the use of personal protective equipment.

Individual protection measures
Protective clothing should be selected specifically for the workplace, depending on concentration and quantity of the hazardous substances handled. The chemical resistance of the protective equipment should be inquired at the respective supplier.

Hygiene measures
Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply skin-protective barrier cream. Wash hands and face after working with substance.

Eye/face protection
Tightly fitting safety goggles

Hand protection
Chemical-resistant, impervious gloves complying with an approved standard should be worn at all times when handling chemical products if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary.

Other protective equipment:
protective clothing

Respiratory protection
required when vapors/aerosols are generated.
Use a properly fitted, air-purifying or air-fed respirator complying with an approved standard if a risk assessment indicates this is necessary. Respirator selection must be based on known or anticipated exposure levels, the hazards of the product and the safe working limits of the selected respirator.

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

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SECTION 10. Stability and reactivity

Reactivity
See below

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

Possibility of hazardous reactions
Risk of explosion with:
Violent reactions possible with:
azides, Strong acids, anhydrides, Hydrocarbons, nonmetallic oxides, phosphorus, organic nitro compounds, halogen oxides, nonmetallic oxyhalides, Halogenated hydrocarbon, halogen-halogen compounds, halogens, Alkaline earth metals, ammonium compounds, Light metals, Metals
Gives off hydrogen by reaction with metals.

Conditions to avoid
no information available

Incompatible materials
animal/vegetable tissues, glass, various plastics, Metals

Hazardous decomposition products
no information available

SECTION 11. Toxicological information

Information on toxicological effects

Likely route of exposure
Eye contact, Skin contact

Target Organs
Eyes
Skin
Respiratory system
Cornea

Acute oral toxicity
Acute toxicity estimate: 708.51 mg/kg
Calculation method

absorption
Symptoms: Pain, shock, Vomiting, oedema, collapse, death. If ingested, severe burns of the mouth and throat, as well as a danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach.

Acute inhalation toxicity
Symptoms: burns of mucous membranes, Cough, Shortness of breath, Possible damages:, damage of respiratory tract, Inhalation may lead to the formation of oedemas in the respiratory tract.
**Skin irritation**
Drying-out effect resulting in rough and chapped skin. Mixture causes severe burns.

**Eye irritation**
Risk of corneal clouding. Mixture causes serious eye damage. Risk of blindness!

**Specific target organ systemic toxicity - single exposure**
The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, single exposure.

**Specific target organ systemic toxicity - repeated exposure**
The substance or mixture is not classified as specific target organ toxicant, repeated exposure.

**Aspiration hazard**
Regarding the available data the classification criteria are not fulfilled.

**Carcinogenicity**

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**Further information**
Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

**Ingredients**

*potassium hydroxide*

**Acute oral toxicity**
LD50 Rat: 333 mg/kg
OECD Test Guideline 425

**Skin irritation**
Rabbit
Result: Causes burns.
(IUCLID)

In vitro study
Result: Corrosive
OECD Test Guideline 431

**Eye irritation**
Rabbit
Result: Causes serious eye damage.
OECD Test Guideline 405
Sensitization
Sensitization test: Guinea pig
Result: negative
(IUCLID)

Germ cell mutagenicity
Genotoxicity in vitro
Ames test
Escherichia coli
Result: negative
(IUCLID)

SECTION 12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity
No information available.

Persistence and degradability
Biodegradability

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

Bioaccumulative potential
No information available.

Mobility in soil
No information available.

Additional ecological information
Biological effects:
Harmful effect due to pH shift. Forms corrosive mixtures with water even if diluted.
Neutralization possible in waste water treatment plants.
Discharge into the environment must be avoided.

Ingredients

potassium hydroxide

Toxicity to fish
LC50 Gambusia affinis (Mosquito fish): 80 mg/l; 96 h (IUCLID)

Toxicity to bacteria
EC50 Photobacterium phosphoreum; 15 min (External MSDS)

Biodegradability

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

PBT/vPvB: Not applicable for inorganic substances
SECTION 13. Disposal considerations

The information presented only applies to the material as supplied. The identification based on characteristic(s) or listing may not apply if the material has been used or otherwise contaminated. It is the responsibility of the waste generator to determine the toxicity and physical properties of the material generated to determine the proper waste identification and disposal methods in compliance with applicable regulations. Disposal should be in accordance with applicable regional, national and local laws and regulations.

SECTION 14. Transport information

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SECTION 15. Regulatory information

United States of America

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.

SARA 302
No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.
Clean Water Act
The following Hazardous Substances are listed under the U.S. CleanWater Act, Section 311, Table 116.4A:

Ingredients
potassium hydroxide

The following Hazardous Chemicals are listed under the U.S. CleanWater Act, Section 311, Table 117.3:

Ingredients
potassium hydroxide

DEA List I
Not listed

DEA List II
Not listed

US State Regulations

Massachusetts Right To Know
Ingredients
potassium hydroxide

Pennsylvania Right To Know
Ingredients
potassium hydroxide

New Jersey Right To Know
Ingredients
potassium hydroxide

California Prop 65 Components
This product does not contain any chemicals known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth, or any other reproductive defects.

Notification status
TSCA: All components of the product are listed in the TSCA-inventory.

DSL: All components of this product are on the Canadian DSL.

KOREA: Not in compliance with the inventory

SECTION 16. Other information

Training advice
Provide adequate information, instruction and training for operators.
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Full text of H-Statements referred to under sections 2 and 3.  
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H318 Causes serious eye damage.

Key or legend to abbreviations and acronyms used in the safety data sheet  
Used abbreviations and acronyms can be looked up at www.wikipedia.org.

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