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

1.1. Product identifier

Product Description:	Potassium thiocyanate
Cat No. :	424230000; 424230025; 424230050; 424235000
Synonyms	Potassium rhodanide
CAS-No	333-20-0
EC-No.	206-370-1
Molecular Formula	C K N S

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	Acros Organics BVBA Janssen Pharmaceuticaaan 3a 2440 Geel, Belgium
E-mail address	begel.sdsdesk@thermofisher.com

1.4. Emergency telephone number

For information **US** call: 001-800-ACROS-01 / **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 - Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Physical hazards

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

Health hazards

Acute oral toxicity	Category 4
Acute dermal toxicity	Category 4
Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists	Category 4

Environmental hazards

Chronic aquatic toxicity	Category 3
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Classification according to EU Directives 67/548/EEC or 1999/45/EC

Symbol(s)	Xn - Harmful
R-phrases(s)	R32 - Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas R20/21/22 - Harmful by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed R52/53 - Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment

SECTION 2: HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

For the full text of the R-phrases and H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16

2.2. Label elements**Signal Word****Warning****Hazard Statements**

H412 - Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects
H302 - Harmful if swallowed
H332 - Harmful if inhaled
H312 - Harmful in contact with skin
EUH032 - Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas

Precautionary Statements

P280 - Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection
P302 + P352 - IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water
P273 - Avoid release to the environment
P233 - Keep container tightly closed
P301 + P312 - IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell
P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing

2.3. Other hazards

No information available.

SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**3.1. Substances**

Component	CAS-No	EC-No.	Weight %	CLP Classification - Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008	DSD Classification - 67/548/EEC
Potassium thiocyanate	333-20-0	EEC No. 206-370-1	>95	Acute Tox. 4 (H302) Acute Tox. 4 (H312) Acute Tox. 4 (H332) Aquatic Chronic 3 (H412) (EUH032)	Xn; R20/21/22 R32 R52-53

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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.
Immediate medical attention is required.

Skin Contact

Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.

Ingestion

Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.

Inhalation

Move to fresh air. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Do not use mouth-to-mouth resuscitation if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; induce artificial respiration with a respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.

Protection of First-aiders

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

. Metabolism may release cyanide, which may result in headache, dizziness, weakness, collapse, unconsciousness, and possible death. May cause cyanosis (bluish discoloration of skin due to deficient oxygenation of the blood)..

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

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

Nitrogen oxides (NOx), Sulfur oxides, Potassium oxides.

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**

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

6.2. Environmental precautions

Should not be released into the environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container 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**

Wear personal protective equipment. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid ingestion and inhalation. Avoid dust formation.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Keep away from acids.

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 Containing the workplace exposure limits (WELs) for use with the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations (COSHH) 2002 (as amended). Updated by September 2006 official press release and October 2007 Supplement.

IRE - 2010 Code of Practice for the Safety, Health and Welfare at Work (Chemical Agents) Regulations 2001. Published by the Health and Safety Authority.

Component	European Union	The United Kingdom	France	Belgium	Spain
Potassium thiocyanate		STEL: 15 mg/m ³ 15 min TWA: 5 mg/m ³ 8 hr Skin	TWA / VME: 5 mg/m ³ (8 heures). Peau		

Component	Italy	Germany	Portugal	The Netherlands	Finland
Potassium thiocyanate		TWA: 2 mg/m ³ (8 Stunden). MAK Höhepunkt: 2 mg/m ³ Haut			

Component	Austria	Denmark	Switzerland	Poland	Norway
Potassium thiocyanate					TWA: 5 mg/m ³ 8 timer Skin

Component	Bulgaria	Croatia	Ireland	Cyprus	Czech Republic
Potassium thiocyanate			Skin		

Biological limit values

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

Monitoring methods

BS EN 14042:2003 Title Identifier: Workplace atmospheres. Guide for the application and use of procedures for the assessment of exposure to chemical and biological agents.

MDHS14/3 General methods for sampling and gravimetric analysis of respirable and inhalable dust

Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) No information available.

Route of exposure	Acute effects (local)	Acute effects (systemic)	Chronic effects (local)	Chronic effects (systemic)
Oral Dermal Inhalation				

Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC) No information available.

8.2. Exposure controls

Engineering Measures

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**

Safety glasses with side-shields (European standard - EN 166)

Hand Protection

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	EU standard	Glove comments
Natural rubber	> 480 minutes	0.6 mm	EN 374	As tested under EN374-3 Determination of Resistance to Permeation by Chemicals
Nitrile rubber				
Neoprene				
PVC				

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.

Skin and body protection

Wear appropriate protective gloves and clothing to prevent skin exposure

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.

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice

Environmental exposure controls

Prevent product from entering drains.

SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

Appearance	Colorless - White	
Physical State	Crystalline, Solid.	
Odor	odorless	
Odor Threshold	No data available	
pH	5.3-8.7	5% aq.solution
Melting Point/Range	170 - 179°C / 338 - 354.2°F	
Softening Point	No data available	
Boiling Point/Range	Decomposes	
Flash Point	No information available.	Method - No information available.

Evaporation Rate	Not applicable	Solid
Flammability (solid,gas)	No information available.	
Explosion Limits	No data available.	

Vapor Pressure	<1 hPa @ 20 °C	
Vapor Density	Not applicable	Solid
Specific Gravity / Density	1.886	
Bulk Density	750 - 1000 kg/m ³	
Water Solubility	2170 g/L (20°C)	
Solubility in other solvents	No information available.	

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)

Autoignition Temperature	Not applicable	
Decomposition temperature	500 °C	
Viscosity	Not applicable	Solid
Explosive Properties	No information available.	
Oxidizing Properties	Not oxidising	

9.2. Other information

Molecular Formula	C K N S
Molecular Weight	97.18

SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

10.1. Reactivity

None known, based on information available.

10.2. Chemical stability

Light sensitive. Moisture sensitive. Air sensitive.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

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

10.4. Conditions to avoid

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

10.5. Incompatible materials

Strong oxidizing agents. Acids. Strong bases.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Nitrogen oxides (NO_x), Sulfur oxides, Potassium oxides.

SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Product Information

(a) acute toxicity;	
Oral	Category 4
Dermal	Category 4
Inhalation	Category 4

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Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Potassium thiocyanate	854 mg/kg (Rat)		

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available

(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 None known.

(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable
Solid

Symptoms / effects, both acute and delayed Metabolism may release cyanide, which may result in headache, dizziness, weakness, collapse, unconsciousness, and possible death. May cause cyanosis (bluish discoloration of skin due to deficient oxygenation of the blood)..

SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

12.1. Toxicity

Ecotoxicity effects

Harmful 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	Microtox
Potassium thiocyanate	Oncorhynchus mykiss: LC50: 11 mg/l/96h	Daphnia Magna: EC50: 2.8 mg/l/96h		

12.2. Persistence and degradability

Persistence

Degradability

Readily biodegradable
Soluble in water, Persistence is unlikely, based on information available.
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. Other adverse effects

Endocrine Disruptor Information Persistent Organic Pollutant

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors
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 Catalogue, Waste Codes are not product specific, but application specific.

Other Information

Do not dispose of waste into 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

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

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. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable, packaged goods

SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

International Inventories

X = listed

Component	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	TSCA	DSL	NDSL	PICCS	ENCS	CHINA	AICS	KECL
Potassium thiocyanate	206-370-1	-		X	X	-	X	X	X	X	X

National Regulations

Potassium thiocyanate

Component	Germany - Water Classification (VwVwS)	Germany - TA-Luft Class
Potassium thiocyanate	WGK 1	

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

Take note of Dir 94/33/EC on the protection of young people at work

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

15.2. Chemical safety assessment

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

SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION**Full text of R-phrases referred to under sections 2 and 3**

R32 - Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas

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R52/53 - Harmful to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment

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

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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 - China Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

KECL - Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

WEL - Workplace Exposure Limit

ACGIH - American Conference of Industrial Hygiene

DNEL - Derived No Effect Level

RPE - Respiratory Protective Equipment

LC50 - Lethal Concentration 50%

NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration

PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

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

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

DSL/NDL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

ENCS - Japan Existing and New Chemical Substances

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

TWA - Time Weighted Average

IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer

PNEC - Predicted No Effect Concentration

LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%

EC50 - Effective Concentration 50%

POW - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

vPvB - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

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 Compounds

Key literature references and sources for data

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.

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