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MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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SECTION V HEALTH HAZARD DATA

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Threshold Limited Value

None established. (ACGIH 1992-93). The probable lethal dose in man lies between 15 and 30 grams (when ingested at one time).

Effects of Overexposure

Direct contact with skin or eyes causes irritation, redness and pain. Large overdoses induce vomiting, extreme cerebral excitement, delirium, convulsions and spasticity of the extensor muscles. Exercise appropriate procedures to minimize potential hazards.

Emergency and First Aid Procedures

EYES: Flush thoroughly with water for at least 15 minutes, lifting lower and upper eyelids occasionally. If irritation develops, get medical attention. **SKIN:** Flush with water, then wash with mild soap and water. **INGESTION:** If swallowed, if conscious, give one or two glasses of water to drink, induce vomiting and call physician. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. **INHALATION:** Remove to fresh air. If symptoms of illness develop, get medical attention.

SECTION VI REACTIVITY DATA

Stability	Unstable	Conditions to Avoid	Excessive temperature and heat. Avoid contact with strong acids.
	Stable	X	

Incompatibility (Materials to Avoid)	Strong oxidizers. Violent reactions have occurred when mixed with chlorate, nitrates and peroxides.
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Hazardous Decomposition Products	Emits highly toxic fumes of cyanides upon decomposition. Oxides of sulfur, nitrogen, carbon and potassium.
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Hazardous Polymerization		Conditions to Avoid
May Occur	Will Not Occur	Not applicable.
	X	

SECTION VII SPILL OR LEAK PROCEDURES

Steps to be taken in case material is released or spilled	Sweep up and place in a suitable container for proper disposal. Flush spill area with water.
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Waste Disposal Method	Discharge, treatment, or disposal may be subject to Federal, State or Local laws. These disposal guidelines are intended for the disposal of catalog-size quantities only.
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Dispose of in an approved incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber or contract with a licensed waste disposal service.

SECTION VIII SPECIAL PROTECTION INFORMATION

Respiration Protection (Specify Type)	None needed in normal laboratory handling. If dusty conditions prevail, work in fume hood or wear an NIOSH/MSHA-approved dust mask.
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Ventilation	Local Exhaust	Recommended if dusty.	Special	No.
	Mechanical (General)	Recommended if dusty.	Other	No.

Protective Gloves	Rubber.	Eye Protection	Chemical safety glasses.
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Other Protective Equipment	Smock, apron, eye wash station, proper gloves, ventilation hood.
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SECTION IX SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

Precautions to be Taken in Handling & Storing	Store in a cool, dry place away from acids or acid fumes. Wash thoroughly after handling. Moisture -sensitive. Becomes wet on exposure to moisture in air.
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Other Precautions	Read label on container before using. Do not wear contact lenses when working with chemicals.
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Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothing.
Remove and wash contaminated clothing.

For laboratory use only. Not for drug, food or household use. Keep out of reach of children.

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SECTION I NAME 24 HOUR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Product	POTASSIUM THIOCYANATE
Chemical Synonyms	Potassium Sulfo cyanate
Formula	KSCN
Unit Size	up to 2.5 Kg.
C.A.S. No.	333-20-0

CHEMTREC
800-424-9300
Day 716-226-6177

NFPA HAZARD RATING
LEAST SLIGHT MODERATE HIGH EXTREME
0 1 2 3 4

Health	2
Fire	0
Reactivity	1

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SECTION II INGREDIENTS OF MIXTURES

Principal Component(s)	%	TLV Units
Potassium Thiocyanate	100%	See Section V.
WARNING! HARMFUL IF SWALLOWED. CAUSES IRRITATION.		
EXPOSURE TO OPEN FLAMES MAY GENERATE POISONOUS		
HYDROGEN SULFIDE AND HYDROGEN CYANIDE GAS. HYGROSCOPIC.		

SECTION III PHYSICAL DATA

Melting Point (°F)	173°C (343°F)	Specific Gravity (H ₂ O = 1)	1.886
Boiling Point (°F)	500°C (932°F)	Percent Volatile by Volume (%)	Non-volatile (NA).
Vapor Pressure (mm Hg)	Negligible as solid.	Evaporation Rate ()	Non-volatile (NA).
Vapor Density (Air=1)	3.36		
Solubility in Water	177 grams per 100 mL. water at 0°C.		
Appearance & Odor	Colorless crystals-hygroscopic; no odor.		

SECTION IV FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARD DATA

Flash Point (Method Used)	Non-flammable (NA).	Flammable Limits in Air % by Volume	N/A	Lower	Upper
Extinguisher Media	Water spray; dry chemical (ABC); carbon dioxide (CO ₂).				

SPECIAL FIREFIGHTING PROCEDURES

In fire conditions, wear a NIOSH/MSHA-approved self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing.

UNUSUAL FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS

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