

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

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Section 1 - Product and Company Information

Product Name LITHIUM HYDROXIDE MONOHYDRATE,
99.95%
Product Number 254274
Brand ALDRICH

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Section 2 - Composition/Information on Ingredient

Substance Name	CAS #	SARA 313
LITHIUM HYDROXIDE MONOHYDRATE	1310-66-3	No
Formula	LiOH.H2O	

Section 3 - Hazards Identification

EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

Toxic.

Toxic by inhalation. Causes burns. Harmful if swallowed.

Target organ(s): Central nervous system. Cardiovascular system.

HMIS RATING

HEALTH: 3*

FLAMMABILITY: 0

REACTIVITY: 1

NFPA RATING

HEALTH: 3

FLAMMABILITY: 0

REACTIVITY: 1

*additional chronic hazards present.

For additional information on toxicity, please refer to Section 11.

Section 4 - First Aid Measures

ORAL EXPOSURE

If swallowed, wash out mouth with water provided person is conscious. Call a physician immediately.

INHALATION EXPOSURE

If inhaled, remove to fresh air. If not breathing give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen.

DERMAL EXPOSURE

In case of skin contact, flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing and shoes. Call a physician.

EYE EXPOSURE

In case of contact with eyes, flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes. Assure adequate flushing by separating the eyelids with fingers. Call a physician.

Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

FLASH POINT

N/A

AUTOIGNITION TEMP

N/A

FLAMMABILITY

N/A

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA

Suitable: Carbon dioxide, dry chemical powder, or appropriate foam.

FIREFIGHTING

Protective Equipment: Wear self-contained breathing apparatus and protective clothing to prevent contact with skin and eyes.
Specific Hazard(s): Emits toxic fumes under fire conditions.

Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED IN CASE OF LEAK OR SPILL

Evacuate area.

PROCEDURE(S) OF PERSONAL PRECAUTION(S)

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus, rubber boots, and heavy rubber gloves.

METHODS FOR CLEANING UP

Sweep up, place in a bag and hold for waste disposal. Avoid raising dust. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete.

Section 7 - Handling and Storage

HANDLING

User Exposure: Do not breathe dust. Do not get in eyes, on skin, on clothing. Avoid prolonged or repeated exposure.

STORAGE

Suitable: Keep tightly closed. Store under nitrogen.
Incompatible Materials: Absorbs carbon dioxide from air.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Store under inert gas. Air sensitive.

Section 8 - Exposure Controls / PPE

ENGINEERING CONTROLS

Use only in a chemical fume hood. Safety shower and eye bath.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Respiratory: Government approved respirator.
Hand: Compatible chemical-resistant gloves.
Eye: Chemical safety goggles.

GENERAL HYGIENE MEASURES

Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Discard contaminated shoes. Wash thoroughly after handling.

Section 9 - Physical/Chemical Properties

Appearance	Physical State: Solid Color: White Form: Fine crystals	
Property	Value	At Temperature or Pressure
Molecular Weight	41.96 AMU	
pH	12	
BP/BP Range	N/A	
MP/MP Range	N/A	
Freezing Point	N/A	
Vapor Pressure	N/A	
Vapor Density	N/A	
Saturated Vapor Conc.	N/A	
SG/Density	1.51 g/cm ³	
Bulk Density	N/A	
Odor Threshold	N/A	
Volatile%	N/A	
VOC Content	N/A	
Water Content	N/A	
Solvent Content	N/A	
Evaporation Rate	N/A	
Viscosity	N/A	
Surface Tension	N/A	
Partition Coefficient	N/A	
Decomposition Temp.	N/A	
Flash Point	N/A	
Explosion Limits	N/A	
Flammability	N/A	
Autoignition Temp	N/A	
Refractive Index	N/A	
Optical Rotation	N/A	
Miscellaneous Data	N/A	
Solubility	Solubility in Water: 1 M in H ₂ O, 20°C complete, colorless	

N/A = not available

Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

STABILITY

Stable: Stable.
Conditions of Instability: Absorbs carbon dioxide from air.
Materials to Avoid: Strong oxidizing agents, Strong acids.

HAZARDOUS DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS

Hazardous Decomposition Products: Lithium oxides.

HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION

Hazardous Polymerization: Will not occur

Section 11 - Toxicological Information

ROUTE OF EXPOSURE

Skin Contact: Causes burns.

Skin Absorption: May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.

Eye Contact: Causes burns.

Inhalation: Toxic if inhaled. Material is extremely destructive to the tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract.

Ingestion: Harmful if swallowed.

TARGET ORGAN(S) OR SYSTEM(S)

Central nervous system. Cardiovascular system. Kidneys.

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF EXPOSURE

Large doses of lithium ion have caused dizziness and prostration, and can cause kidney damage if sodium intake is limited. Dehydration, weight loss, dermatological effects, and thyroid disturbances have been reported. Central nervous system effects that include slurred speech, blurred vision, sensory loss, ataxia, and convulsions may occur. Diarrhea, vomiting, and neuromuscular effects such as tremor, clonus, and hyperactive reflexes may occur as a result of repeated exposure to lithium ion. Cyanosis and t-wave inversion have occurred in the breast-fed infants of women receiving lithium carbonate therapy. Material is extremely destructive to tissue of the mucous membranes and upper respiratory tract, eyes, and skin.

Inhalation may result in spasm, inflammation and edema of the larynx and bronchi, chemical pneumonitis, and pulmonary edema.

Symptoms of exposure may include burning sensation, coughing, wheezing, laryngitis, shortness of breath, headache, nausea, and vomiting. To the best

CHRONIC EXPOSURE - TERATOGEN

Result: Lithium and its compounds are possible teratogens by analogy to lithium carbonate which has equivocal human teratogenic data and positive animal teratogenic data.

Section 12 - Ecological Information

No data available.

Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

APPROPRIATE METHOD OF DISPOSAL OF SUBSTANCE OR PREPARATION

Contact a licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material. Dissolve or mix the material with a combustible solvent and burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber. Observe all federal, state, and local environmental regulations.

Section 14 - Transport Information

DOT

Proper Shipping Name: Lithium hydroxide, monohydrate
[or] Lithium hydroxide, solid

UN#: 2680

Class: 8

Packing Group: Packing Group II

Hazard Label: Corrosive

PIH: Not PIH

IATA

Proper Shipping Name: Lithium hydroxide monohydrate
IATA UN Number: 2680
Hazard Class: 8
Packing Group: II

Section 15 - Regulatory Information

EU ADDITIONAL CLASSIFICATION

Symbol of Danger: T
Indication of Danger: Toxic.
R: 22 23 34
Risk Statements: Harmful if swallowed. Toxic by inhalation.
Causes burns.
S: 26 36/37/39 45
Safety Statements: In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice. Wear suitable protective clothing, gloves, and eye/face protection. In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

US CLASSIFICATION AND LABEL TEXT

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US Statements: Target organ(s): Central nervous system. Cardiovascular system.

UNITED STATES REGULATORY INFORMATION

SARA LISTED: No
NOTES: This product is subject to SARA section 313 reporting requirements.

CANADA REGULATORY INFORMATION

WHMIS Classification: This product has been classified in accordance with the hazard criteria of the CPR, and the MSDS contains all the information required by the CPR.
DSL: No
NDSL: No

Section 16 - Other Information

DISCLAIMER

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WARRANTY

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