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Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

# Potassium Ferrocyanide Potassium Ferrocyanide Flinn Scientific, Inc. P.O. Box 219, Batavia, IL 60510 (800) 452-1261 Chemtrec Emergency Phone Number: (800) 424-10156 SECTION 2 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION This chemical is considered nonhazardous according to GHS classifications for the Hazard Communication Standard. Treat all laboratory chemicals with caution. Although this material is considered to be nonhazardous, unpredictable reactions among chemicals are always possible. Prudent laboratory practices should be observed.

# SECTION 3 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Component Name	CAS Number	Formula	Formula Weight	Concentration
Potassium ferrocyanide trihydrate	14459-95- 1	K <sub>4</sub> Fe(CN) <sub>6</sub> •3H <sub>2</sub> O	422.41	
Synonyms: Potassium hexacyanoferrate(II); Yellow prussiate of potash				

# SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES

Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

If inhaled: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

**If in eyes:** Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses if present and easy to do so. Continue rinsing.

**If on skin:** Wash with plenty of water.

If swallowed: Rinse mouth. Call a POISON CENTER or physician if you feel unwell.

# SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES

Nonflammable solid. NFPA Code

When heated to decomposition, may emit toxic fumes.

None established

In case of fire: Use a tri-class dry chemical fire extinguisher.

# SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Sweep up, place in sealed bag or container and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

### SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #7. Store with arsenates, cyanides and cyanates.

Effloresces on exposure to air. Keep container tightly closed and store in a Flinn Chem-Saf<sup>TM</sup> bag, in a cool dry place.

# SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Wear protective gloves, protective clothing, and eye protection. Wash hands thoroughly after handling.

### SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Lemon-yellow crystals or powder. Odorless. Boiling point: 400 °C (decomposes)

Soluble: Water. Insoluble in alcohol. Melting point: ~70 °C

Specific gravity: 1.853

# SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Effloresces on exposure to air. Avoid strongly heating. If heated or in contact with concentrated acids, substance emits poisonous HCN gas. Avoid contact with strong acids, strong oxidizers, nitrate and nitrite salts, ammonia or sodium chromate.

Shelf life: Fair to poor, efflorescent. See Section 7 for further information.

### SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Acute effects: N.A. ORL-RAT LD<sub>50</sub>: 3613 mg/kg

Chronic effects: N.A. IHL-RAT LC<sub>50</sub>: N.A. Target organs: N.A. SKN-RBT LD<sub>50</sub>: N.A.

### SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Data not yet available.

## SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply before proceeding.

Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #14 is one option.

## SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION

Shipping name: Not regulated. Hazard class: N/A. UN number: N/A.

### SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (237-722-2).

# SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION

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N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

N/A = Not applicable

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