

according to Regulation UK SI 2019/758 and UK SI 2020/1577 as amended

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

#### 1.1. Product identifier

Product Description: Potassium selenite

Cat No.: 39436

 Index No
 034-002-00-8

 CAS No
 10431-47-7

 Molecular Formula
 K2 SeO3

#### 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

Avocado Research Chemicals Ltd. (Part of Thermo Fisher Scientific)

Shore Road, Heysham Lancashire, LA3 2XY, United Kingdom

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1.4. Emergency telephone number

For information **US** call: 001-800-227-6701 / **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 - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567

#### **Physical hazards**

Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met

## **Health hazards**

Acute oral toxicity Category 3 (H301)

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Acute Inhalation Toxicity - Dusts and Mists
Specific target organ toxicity - (repeated exposure)

Category 3 (H331)
Category 2 (H373)

Environmental hazards

Acute aquatic toxicity

Category 1 (H400)

Category 1 (H410)

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

#### 2.2. Label elements

Chronic aquatic toxicity



Signal Word

**Danger** 

#### **Hazard Statements**

H373 - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

H410 - Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

H301 + H331 - Toxic if swallowed or if inhaled

## **Precautionary Statements**

P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling

P301 + P310 - IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

P304 + P340 - IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing

P311 - Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician

P403 + P233 - Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed

P260 - Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray

#### 2.3. Other hazards

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

## **SECTION 3: COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

#### 3.1. Substances

Component	CAS No	EC No	Weight %	CLP Classification - According to GB-CLP Regulations UK SI 2019/720 and UK SI 2020/1567
Potassium selenite	10431-47-7	EEC No. 233-909-8	<=100	Acute Tox. 3 (H301) Acute Tox. 3 (H331) STOT RE 2 (H373) Aquatic Acute 1 (H400) Aquatic Chronic 1 (H410)

Full text of Hazard Statements: see section 16

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4.1. Description of first aid measures

**General Advice** Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is

required.

Eye Contact In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical

advice. Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15

minutes.

**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** Remove to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Do not use mouth-to-mouth

method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device.

Immediate medical attention is required.

Self-Protection of the First Aider 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

None reasonably foreseeable.

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

Not combustible.

Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons

No information available.

5.2. Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Do not allow run-off from fire-fighting to enter drains or water courses.

#### **Hazardous Combustion Products**

Selenium oxide, 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 as required. Avoid dust formation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

#### 6.2. Environmental precautions

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Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained. Should not be released into the environment.

## 6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Sweep up and shovel into suitable containers 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/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid dust formation. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe (dust, vapor, mist, gas). Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance.

## **Hygiene Measures**

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing and gloves, including the inside, before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and after work.

Class 6.1D

#### 7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Store under an inert atmosphere. Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Protect from moisture.

Technical Rules for Hazardous Substances (TRGS) 510 Storage Class (LGK) (Germany)

#### 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 Work Exposure Limits, Fourth edition. Published 2020.

Component	The United Kingdom	European Union	Ireland
Potassium selenite	STEL: 0.3 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 15 min		
	TWA: 0.1 mg/m <sup>3</sup> 8 hr		1

#### **Biological limit values**

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

## Derived No Effect Level (DNEL) / Derived Minimum Effect Level (DMEL)

No information available

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#### **Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)**

No information available.

#### 8.2. Exposure controls

#### **Engineering Measures**

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas.

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** Wear safety glasses with side shields (or goggles) (European standard - EN 166)

Hand Protection Protective gloves

Glove material Natural rubber Nitrile rubber	Breakthrough time See manufacturers recommendations	Glove thickness	<b>EU standard</b> EN 374	Glove comments (minimum requirement)
Neoprene				
PVC				

Skin and body protection Long sleeved clothing.

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.

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

Environmental exposure controls Prevent product from entering drains. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water

system. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

(with decomposition)

## **SECTION 9: PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

#### 9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical State Solid

**Appearance** White

Odor No information available
Odor Threshold No data available
Melting Point/Range 875 °C / 1607 °F

Softening Point No data available

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Solid

Solid

Boiling Point/Range No information available

Flammability (liquid) Not applicable

Flammability (solid,gas)

No information available

Explosion Limits No data available

Flash Point No information available Method - No information available

Autoignition Temperature No data available Decomposition Temperature No data available

pH No data available
No information available

Viscosity Not applicable

Water Solubility Soluble in water

Solubility in other solvents No information available

Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)

Vapor Pressure No data available

Density / Specific Gravity 2.851 g/cm3 @ 20 °C

Bulk Density No data available

Vapor Density Not applicable Solid

Particle characteristics No data available

9.2. Other information

Molecular Formula K2 SeO3 Molecular Weight 205.16

Evaporation Rate Not applicable - Solid

## **SECTION 10: STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

10.1. Reactivity

None known, based on information available

10.2. Chemical stability

Hygroscopic.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

Hazardous PolymerizationNo information available.Hazardous ReactionsNone under normal processing.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

Exposure to moist air or water.

10.5. Incompatible materials

Oxidizing agent.

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Selenium oxide. Potassium oxides.

## **SECTION 11: TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

## 11.1. Information on hazard classes as defined in Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

## **Product Information**

(a) acute toxicity;

Oral Category 3
Dermal No data available
Inhalation Category 3

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(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; Category 2

Target Organs Liver.

(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable

Solid

Symptoms / effects,both acute and No information available.

delayed

11.2. Information on other hazards

**Endocrine Disrupting Properties** Assess endocrine disrupting properties for human health. This product does not contain any

known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

## **SECTION 12: ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

12.1. Toxicity

**Ecotoxicity effects**Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic

environment. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment. May cause long-term adverse effects in the environment. Do not allow

material to contaminate ground water system.

12.2. Persistence and degradability Product contains heavy metals. Discharge into the environment must be avoided. Special

pre-treatment is necessary

Persistence based on information available, May persist.

Degradability Not relevant for inorganic substances.

**Degradation in sewage**Not relevant for inorganic substances.

Contains substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste

**treatment plant** water treatment plants.

**12.3. Bioaccumulative potential** May have some potential to bioaccumulate

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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. Endocrine disrupting

properties

Endocrine Disruptor Information This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

12.7. Other adverse effects

Persistent Organic Pollutant Ozone Depletion Potential This product does not contain any known or suspected substance This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

## **SECTION 13: DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS**

13.1. Waste treatment methods

Waste from Residues/Unused

**Products** 

Should not be released into the environment. 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 Catalog, Waste Codes are not product specific, but

application specific.

Other Information Do not flush to 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

14.1. UN number
14.2. UN proper shipping name
Technical Shipping Name
UN2630
SELENATES
(Potassium selenite)

**Technical Shipping Name** (Potassium s **3. Transport hazard class(es)** 6.1

**14.3. Transport hazard class(es)** 6.1 **14.4. Packing group** I

<u>ADR</u>

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14.3. Transport hazard class(es) 6.1

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14.4. Packing group

14.5. Environmental hazards Dangerous for the environment

Product is a marine pollutant according to the criteria set by IMDG/IMO

No special precautions required. 14.6. Special precautions for user

14.7. Maritime transport in bulk Not applicable, packaged goods

according to IMO instruments

## **SECTION 15: REGULATORY INFORMATION**

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

#### **International Inventories**

Europe (EINECS/ELINCS/NLP), China (IECSC), Taiwan (TCSI), Korea (KECL), Japan (ENCS), Japan (ISHL), Canada (DSL/NDSL), Australia (AICS), New Zealand (NZIoC), Philippines (PICCS). US EPA (TSCA) - Toxic Substances Control Act, (40 CFR Part 710)

Component	CAS No	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP	IECSC	TCSI	KECL	ENCS	ISHL
Potassium selenite	10431-47-7	233-909-8	-	-	-	X	KE-29189	X	Х
Component	CAS No	TSCA	notific	ventory ation - Inactive	DSL	NDSL	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Potassium selenite	10431-47-7	Х	INAC	TIVE	-	X	-	-	Х

Legend: X - Listed '-' - Not Listed KECL - NIER number or KE number (http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do)

#### Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Component	CAS No	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization		REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Potassium selenite	10431-47-7	-	Use restricted. See item 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

#### **REACH links**

https://echa.europa.eu/substances-restricted-under-reach

#### Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC)

Component	CAS No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) -	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) -
		Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident	Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report
		Notification	Requirements
Potassium selenite	10431-47-7	Not applicable	Not applicable

Regulation (EC) No 649/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 July 2012 concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals

Not applicable

Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)? Not applicable

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 .

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#### **National Regulations**

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

**WGK Classification** 

Water endangering class = 3 (self classification)

#### 15.2. Chemical safety assessment

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

## **SECTION 16: OTHER INFORMATION**

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

H301 - Toxic if swallowed

H331 - Toxic if inhaled

H373 - May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure

H400 - Very toxic to aquatic life

H410 - Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

#### Legend

**CAS** - Chemical Abstracts Service

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

**ENCS** - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic

Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

**KECL** - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

NZIoC - New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals

WEL - Workplace Exposure Limit

**ACGIH** - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

**DNEL** - Derived No Effect Level

RPE - Respiratory Protective Equipment

LC50 - Lethal Concentration 50%

NOEC - No Observed Effect Concentration

PBT - Persistent, Bioaccumulative, Toxic

TWA - Time Weighted Average

IARC - International Agency for Research on Cancer

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC)

LD50 - Lethal Dose 50%

Substances List

EC50 - Effective Concentration 50%

POW - Partition coefficient Octanol:Water

vPvB - very Persistent, very Bioaccumulative

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

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 Compound)

#### Key literature references and sources for data

https://echa.europa.eu/information-on-chemicals

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.

Chemical incident response training.

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**Revision Summary** New emergency telephone response service provider.

This safety data sheet complies with Regulation UK SI 2019/758 and UK SI 2020/1577 as amended.

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