

Safety data sheet

Safe Work Australia - Code of Practice



Nessler's Reagent

article number: **8132**
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SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifier

Identification of the substance	Nessler's Reagent
Article number	8132
Registration number (REACH)	not relevant (mixture)

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses:	laboratory chemical laboratory and analytical use
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1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

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1.4 Emergency telephone number

Emergency information service **Poison Centre Munich: +49/(0)89 19240**

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification acc. to GHS

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Section	Hazard class	Hazard class and category	Hazard statement
2.16	substance or mixture corrosive to metals	(Met. Corr. 1)	H290
3.10	acute toxicity (oral)	(Acute Tox. 3)	H301
3.1D	acute toxicity (dermal)	(Acute Tox. 3)	H311
3.1I	acute toxicity (inhal.)	(Acute Tox. 4)	H332
3.2	skin corrosion/irritation	(Skin Corr. 1A)	H314
3.3	serious eye damage/eye irritation	(Eye Dam. 1)	H318
3.9	specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure	(STOT RE 2)	H373
4.1C	hazardous to the aquatic environment - chronic hazard	(Aquatic Chronic 3)	H412

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2.2 Label elements

Labelling GHS

Signal word

Danger

Pictograms

GHS05, GHS06,
GHS08



Hazard statements

H290	May be corrosive to metals
H301+H311	Toxic if swallowed or in contact with skin
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
H332	Harmful if inhaled
H373	May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure
H412	Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

Precautionary statements

Precautionary statements - prevention

P260	Do not breathe dusts or mists.
P280	Wear protective gloves/protective clothing.

Precautionary statements - response

P301+P310	IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/physician.
P302+P352	IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

Hazardous ingredients for labelling:

Potassium hydroxide, Mercury(II) potassium iodide

Labelling of packages where the contents do not exceed 125 ml

Signal word: **Danger**

Symbol(s)



H301+H311	Toxic if swallowed or in contact with skin.
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H412	Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.
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P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
contains:	Potassium hydroxide, Mercury(II) potassium iodide

2.3 Other hazards

There is no additional information.

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SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.2 Mixtures

Description of the mixture

Composition/information on ingredients.

Name of substance	Identifier	wt %	Classification acc. to 1272/2008/EC	Pictograms	Specific Conc. Limits	M-Factors
Potassium hydroxide	CAS No 1310-58-3 EC No 215-181-3 Index No 019-002-00-8 REACH Reg. No 01-2119487136-33-xxxx	10 – 25	Met. Corr. 1 / H290 Acute Tox. 4 / H302 Skin Corr. 1A / H314 Eye Dam. 1 / H318	 	Skin Corr. 1A; H314: C ≥ 5 % Skin Corr. 1B; H314: 2 % ≤ C < 5 % Skin Irrit. 2; H315: 0.5 % ≤ C < 2 % Eye Dam. 1; H318: C ≥ 2 % Eye Irrit. 2; H319: 0.5 % ≤ C < 2 %	
Mercury(II) potassium iodide	CAS No 7783-33-7 EC No 231-990-4 Index No 080-002-00-6	< 2.5	Acute Tox. 2 / H300 Acute Tox. 1 / H310 Acute Tox. 2 / H330 STOT RE 2 / H373 Aquatic Acute 1 / H400 Aquatic Chronic 1 / H410	  	STOT RE 2; H373: C ≥ 0.1 %	

Remarks

For full text of Hazard- and EU Hazard-statements: see SECTION 16.

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first aid measures



General notes

Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Self-protection of the first aider.

Following inhalation

Provide fresh air. In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical advice.

Following skin contact

After contact with skin, wash immediately with plenty of water. Immediate medical treatment required because corrosive injuries that are not treated are hard to cure.

Following eye contact

In case of contact with eyes flush immediately with plenty of flowing water for 10 to 15 minutes holding eyelids apart and consult an ophthalmologist. Protect uninjured eye.

Following ingestion

Rinse mouth immediately and drink plenty of water. Call a physician immediately. If swallowed danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach (strong corrosive effects).

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4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

Corrosion, Cardiac arrhythmias, Circulatory collapse, Diarrhoea, Risk of blindness, Corneal opacity, Nausea, Gastric perforation, Risk of serious damage to eyes, Central nervous system

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

none

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media



Suitable extinguishing media

Co-ordinate fire-fighting measures to the fire surroundings
water spray, foam, dry extinguishing powder, carbon dioxide (CO₂)

Unsuitable extinguishing media

water jet

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

None.

Hazardous combustion products

May produce toxic fumes of carbon monoxide if burning.

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Do not allow firefighting water to enter drains or water courses. Fight fire with normal precautions from a reasonable distance. Wear self-contained breathing apparatus. Wear full chemical protective clothing.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures



For non-emergency personnel

Use personal protective equipment as required. Avoid contact with skin, eyes and clothes. Do not breathe vapour/spray.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Keep away from drains, surface and ground water. Retain contaminated washing water and dispose of it.

6.3 Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

Advices on how to contain a spill

Covering of drains.

Advices on how to clean up a spill

Absorb with liquid-binding material (e.g. sand, diatomaceous earth, acid- or universal binding agents).

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Other information relating to spills and releases

Place in appropriate containers for disposal.

6.4 Reference to other sections

Hazardous combustion products: see section 5. Personal protective equipment: see section 8. Incompatible materials: see section 10. Disposal considerations: see section 13.

SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Handle and open container with care. Provide adequate ventilation. Clear contaminated areas thoroughly.

Advice on general occupational hygiene

When using do not eat or drink. Thorough skin-cleansing after handling the product.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep container tightly closed.

Incompatible substances or mixtures

Observe hints for combined storage.

Consideration of other advice

Store locked up.

- **Ventilation requirements**

Use local and general ventilation.

- **Specific designs for storage rooms or vessels**

Recommended storage temperature: 15 – 25 °C.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

No information available.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1 Control parameters

National limit values

Occupational exposure limit values (Workplace Exposure Limits)

Country	Name of agent	CAS No	Notation	Identifier	TWA [ppm]	TWA [mg/m ³]	STEL [ppm]	STEL [mg/m ³]	Source
AU	potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3		WES					WES

Notation

STEL Short-term exposure limit: a limit value above which exposure should not occur and which is related to a 15-minute period (unless otherwise specified)

TWA Time-weighted average (long-term exposure limit): measured or calculated in relation to a reference period of 8 hours time-weighted average (unless otherwise specified)

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Relevant DNELs/DMELs/PNECs and other threshold levels

- relevant DNELs of components of the mixture

Name of substance	CAS No	End-point	Threshold level	Protection goal, route of exposure	Used in	Exposure time
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	DNEL	1 mg/m ³	human, inhalatory	worker (industry)	chronic - local effects

8.2 Exposure controls

Individual protection measures (personal protective equipment)

Eye/face protection



Use safety goggle with side protection. Wear face protection.

Skin protection



- hand protection

Wear suitable gloves. Chemical protection gloves are suitable, which are tested according to EN 374. Check leak-tightness/impermeability prior to use. For special purposes, it is recommended to check the resistance to chemicals of the protective gloves mentioned above together with the supplier of these gloves.

- type of material

NBR (Nitrile rubber)

- material thickness

>0,11 mm

- breakthrough times of the glove material

>480 minutes (permeation: level 6)

- other protection measures

Take recovery periods for skin regeneration. Preventive skin protection (barrier creams/ointments) is recommended.

Respiratory protection



Respiratory protection necessary at: Aerosol or mist formation. Type: Hg-P3 (combined filters against mercury vapour and particles, colour code: Red/White).

Environmental exposure controls

Keep away from drains, surface and ground water.

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SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical state	liquid (fluid)
Colour	yellow
Odour	odourless
Odour threshold	No data available

Other physical and chemical parameters

pH (value)	This information is not available.
Melting point/freezing point	not determined
Initial boiling point and boiling range	This information is not available.
Flash point	not determined
Evaporation rate	no data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	not relevant (fluid)
<u>Explosive limits</u>	
• lower explosion limit (LEL)	this information is not available
• upper explosion limit (UEL)	this information is not available
Explosion limits of dust clouds	not relevant
Vapour pressure	23 hPa at 20 °C
Density	1.16 g/cm ³ at 20 °C
Vapour density	This information is not available.
Bulk density	Not applicable
Relative density	Information on this property is not available.
<u>Solubility(ies)</u>	
Water solubility	miscible in any proportion
<u>Partition coefficient</u>	
n-octanol/water (log KOW)	This information is not available.
Auto-ignition temperature	Information on this property is not available.
Decomposition temperature	no data available
Viscosity	not determined
Explosive properties	Shall not be classified as explosive
Oxidising properties	none

9.2 Other information

There is no additional information.

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SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1 Reactivity

Substance or mixture corrosive to metals.

10.2 Chemical stability

The material is stable under normal ambient and anticipated storage and handling conditions of temperature and pressure.

10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions

Ammonium compounds, Alkaline earth metal, Strong oxidiser, Nitro compound, Metals, Hydrocarbons, Halogenated hydrocarbons, Strong acid, Phosphorus

10.4 Conditions to avoid

There are no specific conditions known which have to be avoided.

10.5 Incompatible materials

different metals

10.6 Hazardous decomposition products

Hazardous combustion products: see section 5.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

• Acute toxicity of components of the mixture

Name of substance	CAS No	Exposure route	ATE
Potassium hydroxide	1310-58-3	oral	333 mg/kg
Mercury(II) potassium iodide	7783-33-7	oral	5 mg/kg
Mercury(II) potassium iodide	7783-33-7	dermal	5 mg/kg
Mercury(II) potassium iodide	7783-33-7	inhalation: dust/mist	0.05 mg/l/4h

Skin corrosion/irritation

Causes severe burns.

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

Causes serious eye damage.

Respiratory or skin sensitisation

Shall not be classified as a respiratory or skin sensitiser.

Summary of evaluation of the CMR properties

Shall not be classified as germ cell mutagenic, carcinogenic nor as a reproductive toxicant

• Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

Shall not be classified as a specific target organ toxicant (single exposure).

• Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

May cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated exposure.

Aspiration hazard

Shall not be classified as presenting an aspiration hazard.

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Symptoms related to the physical, chemical and toxicological characteristics

- **If swallowed**

If swallowed danger of perforation of the esophagus and the stomach (strong corrosive effects)

- **If in eyes**

causes burns, Causes serious eye damage, risk of blindness

- **If inhaled**

Irritating to respiratory system

- **If on skin**

causes severe burns, causes poorly healing wounds

Other information

None

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity

Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

Aquatic toxicity (chronic)

May cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.

12.2 Process of degradability

Data are not available.

12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

Data are not available.

12.4 Mobility in soil

Data are not available.

12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

Data are not available.

12.6 Other adverse effects

Data are not available.

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 Waste treatment methods



This material and its container must be disposed of as hazardous waste. Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

Sewage disposal-relevant information

Do not empty into drains. Avoid release to the environment. Refer to special instructions/safety data sheets.

Waste treatment of containers/packagings

It is a dangerous waste; only packagings which are approved (e.g. acc. to ADR) may be used.

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13.2 Relevant provisions relating to waste

The allocation of waste identity numbers/waste descriptions must be carried out according to the EEC, specific to the industry and process.

13.3 Remarks

Waste shall be separated into the categories that can be handled separately by the local or national waste management facilities. Please consider the relevant national or regional provisions.

SECTION 14: Transport information

14.1	UN number	2922
14.2	UN proper shipping name	CORROSIVE LIQUID, TOXIC, N.O.S.
	Hazardous ingredients	Potassium hydroxide, Mercury(II) potassium iodide
14.3	Transport hazard class(es)	 
	Class	8 (corrosive substances)
14.4	Packing group	II (substance presenting medium danger)
14.5	Environmental hazards	none (non-environmentally hazardous acc. to the dangerous goods regulations)
14.6	Special precautions for user	
		Provisions for dangerous goods (ADR) should be complied within the premises.
14.7	Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL and the IBC Code	
		The cargo is not intended to be carried in bulk.
14.8	Information for each of the UN Model Regulations	
	• Transport of dangerous goods by road, rail and inland waterway (ADR/RID/ADN)	
	UN number	2922
	Proper shipping name	CORROSIVE LIQUID, TOXIC, N.O.S.
	Particulars in the transport document	UN2922, CORROSIVE LIQUID, TOXIC, N.O.S., (contains: Potassium hydroxide, Mercury(II) potassium iodide), 8 (6.1), II, (E)
	Class	8
	Classification code	CT1
	Packing group	II
	Danger label(s)	8+6.1

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Special provisions (SP)	274, 802(ADN)
Excepted quantities (EQ)	E2
Limited quantities (LQ)	1 L
Transport category (TC)	2
Tunnel restriction code (TRC)	E
Hazard identification No	86
Emergency Action Code	2X

• International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG)

UN number	2922
Proper shipping name	CORROSIVE LIQUID, TOXIC, N.O.S.
Particulars in the shipper's declaration	UN2922, CORROSIVE LIQUID, TOXIC, N.O.S., (contains: Potassium hydroxide, Mercury(II) potassium iodide), 8 (6.1), II
Class	8
Subsidiary risk(s)	6.1
Marine pollutant	-
Packing group	II
Danger label(s)	8+6.1



Special provisions (SP)	274
Excepted quantities (EQ)	E2
Limited quantities (LQ)	1 L
EmS	F-A, S-B
Stowage category	B

• International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO-IATA/DGR)

UN number	2922
Proper shipping name	Corrosive liquid, toxic, n.o.s.
Particulars in the shipper's declaration	UN2922, Corrosive liquid, toxic, n.o.s., (contains: Potassium hydroxide, Mercury(II) potassium iodide), 8 (6.1), II
Class	8
Subsidiary risk(s)	6.1
Packing group	II

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Danger label(s) 8+6.1



Special provisions (SP) A3

Excepted quantities (EQ) E2

Limited quantities (LQ) 0,5 L

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

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

National inventories

Country	National inventories	Status
AU	AICS	all ingredients are listed
CA	DSL	all ingredients are listed
CN	IECSC	all ingredients are listed
EU	ECSI	all ingredients are listed
EU	REACH Reg.	not all ingredients are listed
JP	CSCL-ENCS	not all ingredients are listed
KR	KECI	all ingredients are listed
MX	INSQ	all ingredients are listed
NZ	NZIoC	all ingredients are listed
PH	PICCS	all ingredients are listed
TR	CICR	not all ingredients are listed
TW	TCSI	all ingredients are listed
US	TSCA	all ingredients are listed

Legend

AICS	Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances
CICR	Chemical Inventory and Control Regulation
CSCL-ENCS	List of Existing and New Chemical Substances (CSCL-ENCS)
DSL	Domestic Substances List (DSL)
ECSI	EC Substance Inventory (EINECS, ELINCS, NLP)
IECSC	Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances Produced or Imported in China
INSQ	National Inventory of Chemical Substances
KECI	Korea Existing Chemicals Inventory
NZIoC	New Zealand Inventory of Chemicals
PICCS	Philippine Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances
REACH Reg.	REACH registered substances
TCSI	Taiwan Chemical Substance Inventory
TSCA	Toxic Substance Control Act

15.2 Chemical Safety Assessment

Chemical safety assessments for substances in this mixture were not carried out.

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SECTION 16: Other information

Abbreviations and acronyms

Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
Acute Tox.	acute toxicity
ADN	Accord européen relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par voies de navigation intérieures (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Inland Waterways)
ADR	Accord européen relatif au transport international des marchandises dangereuses par route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)
Aquatic Acute	hazardous to the aquatic environment - acute hazard
Aquatic Chronic	hazardous to the aquatic environment - chronic hazard
ATE	Acute Toxicity Estimate
CAS	Chemical Abstracts Service (service that maintains the most comprehensive list of chemical substances)
CMR	Carcinogenic, Mutagenic or toxic for Reproduction
DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (see IATA/DGR)
DMEL	Derived Minimal Effect Level
DNEL	Derived No-Effect Level
EC No	The EC Inventory (EINECS, ELINCS and the NLP-list) is the source for the seven-digit EC number, an identifier of substances commercially available within the EU (European Union)
EINECS	European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances
ELINCS	European List of Notified Chemical Substances
EmS	Emergency Schedule
Eye Dam.	seriously damaging to the eye
Eye Irrit.	irritant to the eye
GHS	"Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals" developed by the United Nations
IATA	International Air Transport Association
IATA/DGR	Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA)
ICAO	International Civil Aviation Organization
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code
index No	the Index number is the identification code given to the substance in Part 3 of Annex VI to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008
MARPOL	International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (abbr. of "Marine Pollutant")
Met. Corr.	substance or mixture corrosive to metals
NLP	No-Longer Polymer
PBT	Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic
PNEC	Predicted No-Effect Concentration
ppm	parts per million
REACH	Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals
RID	Règlement concernant le transport International ferroviaire des marchandises Dangereuses (Regulations concerning the International carriage of Dangerous goods by Rail)

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Abbr.	Descriptions of used abbreviations
Skin Corr.	corrosive to skin
Skin Irrit.	irritant to skin
STEL	short-term exposure limit
STOT RE	specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure
TWA	time-weighted average
vPvB	very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative
WES	Safe Work Australia: Workplace exposure standards for airborne conatminants

Key literature references and sources for data

- UN Recommendations on the Transport of Dangerous Good
- Dangerous Goods Regulations (DGR) for the air transport (IATA)
- International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code (IMDG)

List of relevant phrases (code and full text as stated in chapter 2 and 3)

Code	Text
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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
H412	harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects

Disclaimer

The above information describes exclusively the safety requirements of the product and is based on our present-day knowledge. The information is intended to give you advice about the safe handling of the product named in this safety data sheet, for storage, processing, transport and disposal. The information cannot be transferred to other products. In the case of mixing the product with other products or in the case of processing, the information on this safety data sheet is not necessarily valid for the new made-up material.