

Potassium Hydroxide 20%

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SECTION 1: Identification

1.1. Identification

Product form : Mixture
 Product name : Potassium Hydroxide 20%
 Product code : all sizes of 3395 & 3395D

1.2. Recommended use and restrictions on use

Use of the substance/mixture : For laboratory and manufacturing use only
 For professional use only
 Restrictions on use : Not for food, drug or household use

1.3. Supplier

Astral Diagnostics
 Ethos Biosciences, Inc.
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 Logan Township, New Jersey 08085
 United States
 T +1-856-224-0900; +1-800-441-0366 Technical Service; Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM, Eastern US Time
www.ethosbiosciences.com

1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number : 800-424-9300 CHEMTREC (USA) -- 24 Hours/Day, 7 Days/Week

SECTION 2: Hazard(s) identification


2.1. Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS US classification

Acute toxicity (oral) Category 4	H302	Harmful if swallowed
Skin corrosion/irritation Category 1	H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
Serious eye damage/eye irritation Category 1	H318	Causes serious eye damage
Full text of H statements : see section 16		

2.2. GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

GHS US labeling

Hazard pictograms (GHS US) : 

Signal word (GHS US) : Danger

Hazard statements (GHS US) : H302 - Harmful if swallowed
 H314 - Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
 H318 - Causes serious eye damage

Precautionary statements (GHS US) : P260 - Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
 P264 - Wash hands, forearms and face thoroughly after handling.
 P270 - Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product.
 P280 - Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.
 P301+P312 - If swallowed: Call a poison center or doctor if you feel unwell.
 P301+P330+P331 - If swallowed: rinse mouth. Do NOT induce vomiting.
 P303+P361+P353 - If on skin (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse

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skin with water/shower.
P304+P340 - If inhaled: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P305+P351+P338 - IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P310 - Immediately call a poison center or doctor.
P321 - Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instruction on this label).
P330 - Rinse mouth.
P363 - Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
P405 - Store locked up.
P501 - Dispose of contents/container to hazardous or special waste collection point, in accordance with local, regional, national and/or international regulation.

2.3. Other hazards which do not result in classification

No additional information available

2.4. Unknown acute toxicity (GHS US)

No additional information available

SECTION 3: Composition/Information on ingredients

3.1. Substances

Not applicable

3.2. Mixtures

Name	Product identifier	Conc.	GHS US classification
Water	CAS-No.: 7732-18-5	80	Not classified
potassium hydroxide	CAS-No.: 1310-58-3	20	Met. Corr. 1, H290 Acute Tox. 4 (Oral), H302 Skin Corr. 1, H314 Eye Dam. 1, H318

Full text of hazard classes and H-statements : see section 16

SECTION 4: First-aid measures

4.1. Description of first aid measures

First-aid measures general : Call a physician immediately.
First-aid measures after inhalation : Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
First-aid measures after skin contact : Rinse skin with water/shower. Remove/Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Call a physician immediately.
First-aid measures after eye contact : Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing. Call a physician immediately.
First-aid measures after ingestion : Rinse mouth. Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician immediately.

4.2. Most important symptoms and effects (acute and delayed)

Symptoms/effects after inhalation : Although no appropriate human or animal health effects data are known to exist, this material is expected to be an inhalation hazard.
Symptoms/effects after skin contact : Burns.
Symptoms/effects after eye contact : Serious damage to eyes.
Symptoms/effects after ingestion : Burns.

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4.3. Immediate medical attention and special treatment, if necessary

Treat symptomatically.

SECTION 5: Fire-fighting measures

5.1. Suitable (and unsuitable) extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media : Water spray. Dry powder. Foam. Carbon dioxide.
Unsuitable extinguishing media : Do not use a heavy water stream.

5.2. Specific hazards arising from the chemical

Fire hazard : No fire hazard.
Explosion hazard : No direct explosion hazard.
Hazardous decomposition products in case of fire : Toxic fumes may be released.

5.3. Special protective equipment and precautions for fire-fighters

Firefighting instructions : Fight fire from safe distance and protected location. Do not enter fire area without proper protective equipment, including respiratory protection.
Protection during firefighting : Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. Self-contained breathing apparatus. Complete protective clothing.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1. Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

General measures : Stop leak if safe to do so. Notify authorities if product enters sewers or public waters. Absorb spillage to prevent material-damage.

6.1.1. For non-emergency personnel

Protective equipment : Wear recommended personal protective equipment.
Emergency procedures : Ventilate spillage area. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

6.1.2. For emergency responders

Protective equipment : Do not attempt to take action without suitable protective equipment. For further information refer to section 8: "Exposure controls/personal protection".
Emergency procedures : Evacuate unnecessary personnel. Stop leak if safe to do so.

6.2. Environmental precautions

Avoid release to the environment.

6.3. Methods and material for containment and cleaning up

For containment : Absorb spilled material with sand or earth. Contain any spills with dikes or absorbents to prevent migration and entry into sewers or streams. Stop leak, if possible without risk.
Methods for cleaning up : Take up liquid spill into absorbent material.
Other information : Dispose of materials or solid residues at an authorized site.

6.4. Reference to other sections

For further information refer to section 13.

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SECTION 7: Handling and storage

7.1. Precautions for safe handling

Additional hazards when processed	: Not expected to present a significant hazard under anticipated conditions of normal use.
Precautions for safe handling	: Ensure good ventilation of the work station. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray. Wear personal protective equipment.
Hygiene measures	: Wash contaminated clothing before reuse. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Always wash hands after handling the product.

7.2. Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Technical measures	: Keep in a cool, well-ventilated place away from heat.
Storage conditions	: Store locked up.
Packaging materials	: Store always product in container of same material as original container.

SECTION 8: Exposure controls/personal protection

8.1. Control parameters

potassium hydroxide (1310-58-3)	
USA - ACGIH - Occupational Exposure Limits	
Local name	Potassium hydroxide
ACGIH OEL C	2 mg/m ³
Remark (ACGIH)	TLV® Basis: URT, eye, & skin irr
Regulatory reference	ACGIH 2024

8.2. Appropriate engineering controls

Appropriate engineering controls	: Ensure good ventilation of the work station.
Environmental exposure controls	: Avoid release to the environment.

8.3. Individual protection measures/Personal protective equipment

Personal protective equipment:

Wear recommended personal protective equipment.

Hand protection:
Protective gloves
Eye protection:
Safety glasses
Skin and body protection:
Wear suitable protective clothing
Respiratory protection:
In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment

Personal protective equipment symbol(s):



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SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

9.1. Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Physical state	: Liquid
Color	: Colorless
Odor	: No data available
Odor threshold	: No data available
pH	: ≥ 13
Melting point	: Not applicable
Freezing point	: No data available
Boiling point	: No data available
Flash point	: No data available
Relative evaporation rate (butyl acetate=1)	: No data available
Flammability (solid, gas)	: Not applicable.
Vapor pressure	: No data available
Relative vapor density at 20°C	: No data available
Relative density	: No data available
Density	: 1.35 g/ml
Solubility	: No data available
Partition coefficient n-octanol/water (Log Pow)	: No data available
Auto-ignition temperature	: No data available
Decomposition temperature	: No data available
Viscosity, kinematic	: 2.2 mm ² /s
Viscosity, dynamic	: No data available
Explosion limits	: No data available
Explosive properties	: No data available
Oxidizing properties	: No data available

potassium hydroxide	
Boiling point	1327 °C (1013 hPa)
Flash point	Not applicable (solid)
Auto-ignition temperature	Not applicable
Vapor pressure	≤ 0.01 hPa (520 °C)

9.2. Other information

No additional information available

SECTION 10: Stability and reactivity

10.1. Reactivity

The product is non-reactive under normal conditions of use, storage and transport.

10.2. Chemical stability

Stable under normal conditions.

10.3. Possibility of hazardous reactions

No dangerous reactions known under normal conditions of use.

10.4. Conditions to avoid

None under recommended storage and handling conditions (see section 7).

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10.5. Incompatible materials

No additional information available

10.6. Hazardous decomposition products

Under normal conditions of storage and use, hazardous decomposition products should not be produced.

SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1. Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity (oral) : Harmful if swallowed.
Acute toxicity (dermal) : Not classified
Acute toxicity (inhalation) : Not classified

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ATE US (oral)	1665 mg/kg body weight
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potassium hydroxide (1310-58-3)

LD50 oral rat	333 – 388 mg/kg body weight (Equivalent or similar to OECD 425, Rat, Male, Experimental value, Oral, 14 day(s))
ATE US (oral)	333 mg/kg body weight

Skin corrosion/irritation : Causes severe skin burns.
pH: ≥ 13

potassium hydroxide (1310-58-3)

pH	13.5 (0.56 %, 25 °C)
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Serious eye damage/irritation : Causes serious eye damage.
pH: ≥ 13

potassium hydroxide (1310-58-3)

pH	13.5 (0.56 %, 25 °C)
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Respiratory or skin sensitization : Not classified
Germ cell mutagenicity : Not classified
Carcinogenicity : Not classified
Reproductive toxicity : Not classified
STOT-single exposure : Not classified
STOT-repeated exposure : Not classified
Aspiration hazard : Not classified
Viscosity, kinematic : 2.2 mm²/s

potassium hydroxide (1310-58-3)

Viscosity, kinematic	Not applicable (solid)
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Symptoms/effects after inhalation : Although no appropriate human or animal health effects data are known to exist, this material is expected to be an inhalation hazard.

Symptoms/effects after skin contact : Burns.
Symptoms/effects after eye contact : Serious damage to eyes.
Symptoms/effects after ingestion : Burns.

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1. Toxicity

Ecology - general : Before neutralisation, the product may represent a danger to aquatic organisms.

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12.2. Persistence and degradability

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Persistence and degradability	Not rapidly degradable
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potassium hydroxide (1310-58-3)

Persistence and degradability	Biodegradability: not applicable.
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Chemical oxygen demand (COD)	Not applicable (inorganic)
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ThOD	Not applicable (inorganic)
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Water (7732-18-5)

Persistence and degradability	Not rapidly degradable
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12.3. Bioaccumulative potential

potassium hydroxide (1310-58-3)

Bioaccumulative potential	Not bioaccumulative.
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12.4. Mobility in soil

potassium hydroxide (1310-58-3)

Surface tension	No data available in the literature
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Ecology - soil	Low potential for adsorption in soil.
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12.5. Other adverse effects

No additional information available

SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1. Disposal methods

Regional waste regulation	: Disposal must be done according to official regulations.
Waste treatment methods	: Dispose of contents/container in accordance with licensed collector's sorting instructions.
Sewage disposal recommendations	: Disposal must be done according to official regulations.
Product/Packaging disposal recommendations	: Disposal must be done according to official regulations.
Additional information	: Do not re-use empty containers.

SECTION 14: Transport information

In accordance with DOT / TDG / IMDG / IATA

14.1. UN number

UN-No. (DOT)	: UN1814
UN-No. (TDG)	: UN1814
UN-No. (IMDG)	: 1814
UN-No. (IATA)	: 1814

14.2. UN proper shipping name

Proper Shipping Name (DOT)	: Potassium hydroxide, solution
Proper Shipping Name (TDG)	: POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Proper Shipping Name (IMDG)	: POTASSIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION

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Proper Shipping Name (IATA) : Potassium hydroxide solution

14.3. Transport hazard class(es)

DOT

Transport hazard class(es) (DOT) : 8

Hazard labels (DOT) : 8



TDG

Transport hazard class(es) (TDG) : 8

Hazard labels (TDG) : 8



IMDG

Transport hazard class(es) (IMDG) : 8

Hazard labels (IMDG) : 8



IATA

Transport hazard class(es) (IATA) : 8

Hazard labels (IATA) : 8



14.4. Packing group

Packing group (DOT) : II

Packing group (TDG) : II

Packing group (IMDG) : II

Packing group (IATA) : II

14.5. Environmental hazards

Other information : No supplementary information available.

14.6. Special precautions for user

DOT

UN-No.(DOT) : UN1814

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DOT Special Provisions (49 CFR 172.102)	: B2 - MC 300, MC 301, MC 302, MC 303, MC 305, and MC 306 and DOT 406 cargo tanks are not authorized. IB2 - Authorized IBCs: Metal (31A, 31B and 31N); Rigid plastics (31H1 and 31H2); Composite (31HZ1). Additional Requirement: Only liquids with a vapor pressure less than or equal to 110 kPa at 50 C (1.1 bar at 122 F), or 130 kPa at 55 C (1.3 bar at 131 F) are authorized. T7 - 4 178.274(d)(2) Normal..... 178.275(d)(3) TP2 - a. The maximum degree of filling must not exceed the degree of filling determined by the following: (image) Where: tr is the maximum mean bulk temperature during transport, tf is the temperature in degrees celsius of the liquid during filling, and a is the mean coefficient of cubical expansion of the liquid between the mean temperature of the liquid during filling (tf) and the maximum mean bulk temperature during transportation (tr) both in degrees celsius. b. For liquids transported under ambient conditions may be calculated using the formula: (image) Where: d15 and d50 are the densities (in units of mass per unit volume) of the liquid at 15 C (59 F) and 50 C (122 F), respectively.
DOT Packaging Exceptions (49 CFR 173.xxx)	: 154
DOT Packaging Non Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx)	: 202
DOT Packaging Bulk (49 CFR 173.xxx)	: 242
DOT Quantity Limitations Passenger aircraft/rail (49 CFR 173.27)	: 1 L
DOT Quantity Limitations Cargo aircraft only (49 CFR 175.75)	: 30 L
DOT Vessel Stowage Location	: A - The material may be stowed "on deck" or "under deck" on a cargo vessel and on a passenger vessel.
DOT Vessel Stowage Other	: 52 - Stow "separated from" acids

TDG

UN-No. (TDG)	: UN1814
Explosive Limit and Limited Quantity Index	: 1 L
Excepted quantities (TDG)	: E2
Passenger Carrying Road Vehicle or Passenger Carrying Railway Vehicle Index	: 1 L
Emergency Response Guide (ERG) Number	: 154

IMDG

Limited quantities (IMDG)	: 1 L
Excepted quantities (IMDG)	: E2
Packing instructions (IMDG)	: P001
IBC packing instructions (IMDG)	: IBC02
Tank instructions (IMDG)	: T7
Tank special provisions (IMDG)	: TP2
EmS-No. (Fire)	: F-A - FIRE SCHEDULE Alfa - GENERAL FIRE SCHEDULE
EmS-No. (Spillage)	: S-B - SPILLAGE SCHEDULE Bravo - CORROSIVE SUBSTANCES
Stowage category (IMDG)	: A
Segregation (IMDG)	: SGG18, SG35
Properties and observations (IMDG)	: Colourless liquid. Reacts with ammonium salts, evolving ammonia gas. Corrosive to aluminium, zinc and tin. Causes burns to skin, eyes and mucous membranes. Reacts violently with acids.

IATA

PCA Excepted quantities (IATA)	: E2
PCA Limited quantities (IATA)	: Y840
PCA limited quantity max net quantity (IATA)	: 0.5L
PCA packing instructions (IATA)	: 851
PCA max net quantity (IATA)	: 1L
CAO packing instructions (IATA)	: 855
CAO max net quantity (IATA)	: 30L
Special provision (IATA)	: A3, A803
ERG code (IATA)	: 8L

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14.7. Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL 73/78 and the IBC Code

Not applicable

SECTION 15: Regulatory information

15.1. US Federal regulations

All components of this product are present and listed as Active on the United States Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) inventory, except for:

potassium hydroxide	CAS-No. 1310-58-3	20%
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This product or mixture is not known to contain a toxic chemical or chemicals in excess of the applicable de minimis concentration as specified in 40 CFR §372.38(a) subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 and 40 CFR Part 372.

15.2. International regulations

CANADA

Water (7732-18-5)

Listed on the Canadian DSL (Domestic Substances List)

EU-Regulations

No additional information available

National regulations

Water (7732-18-5)

Listed on INSQ (Mexican National Inventory of Chemical Substances)

15.3. US State regulations

California Proposition 65 - This product does not contain any substances known to the state of California to cause cancer, developmental and/or reproductive harm

SECTION 16: Other information

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Full text of hazard classes and H-statements

H290	May be corrosive to metals
H302	Harmful if swallowed
H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
H318	Causes serious eye damage

NFPA health hazard

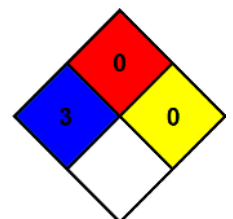
: 3 - Materials that, under emergency conditions, can cause serious or permanent injury.

NFPA fire hazard

: 0 - Materials that will not burn under typical fire conditions, including intrinsically noncombustible materials such as concrete, stone, and sand.

NFPA reactivity

: 0 - Material that in themselves are normally stable, even under fire conditions.



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