

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET  
Potassium sorbate

## Section 1 - Chemical Product and Company Identification

<b>MSDS Name:</b>	Potassium sorbate
<b>Catalog Numbers:</b>	29174-0000, 29174-0010, 29174-1000, 29174-2500
<b>Synonyms:</b>	2,4-Hexadienoic acid, potassium salt; Sorbic acid potassium salt
<b>Company Identification:</b>	Acros Organics BVBA Janssen Pharmaceuticaaan 3a 2440 Geel, Belgium
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## Section 2 - Composition, Information on Ingredients

CAS#	Chemical Name:	%	EINECS#
24634-61-5	Potassium sorbate	99%	246-376-1

Hazard Symbols: XI



Risk Phrases: 36/37/38

## Section 3 - Hazards Identification

## EMERGENCY OVERVIEW

*Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.*

## Potential Health Effects

<b>Eye:</b>	Causes eye irritation.
<b>Skin:</b>	Causes skin irritation. May be harmful if absorbed through the skin.
<b>Ingestion:</b>	May cause irritation of the digestive tract. May be harmful if swallowed.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Causes respiratory tract irritation. May be harmful if inhaled.
<b>Chronic:</b>	No information found.

## Section 4 - First Aid Measures

<b>Eyes:</b>	Flush eyes with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes, occasionally lifting the upper and lower eyelids. Get medical aid.
<b>Skin:</b>	Get medical aid. Flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes while removing contaminated clothing and shoes.
<b>Ingestion:</b>	Get medical aid. Wash mouth out with water.
<b>Inhalation:</b>	Remove from exposure and move to fresh air immediately. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. If breathing is difficult, give oxygen. Get medical aid.
<b>Notes to Physician:</b>	Treat symptomatically and supportively.

### Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures

<b>General Information:</b>	As in any fire, wear a self-contained breathing apparatus in pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent), and full protective gear.
<b>Extinguishing Media:</b>	Use water spray, dry chemical, carbon dioxide, or chemical foam.

### Section 6 - Accidental Release Measures

<b>General Information:</b>	Use proper personal protective equipment as indicated in Section 8.
<b>Spills/Leaks:</b>	Vacuum or sweep up material and place into a suitable disposal container. Do not let this chemical enter the environment.

### Section 7 - Handling and Storage

<b>Handling:</b>	Avoid breathing dust, vapor, mist, or gas. Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid ingestion and inhalation.
<b>Storage:</b>	Store in a cool, dry place. Store in a tightly closed container.

### Section 8 - Exposure Controls, Personal Protection

#### Engineering Controls:

Facilities storing or utilizing this material should be equipped with an eyewash facility and a safety shower. Use adequate ventilation to keep airborne concentrations low.

#### Exposure Limits

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#### Personal Protective Equipment

<b>Eyes:</b>	Wear chemical splash goggles.
<b>Skin:</b>	Wear appropriate protective gloves to prevent skin exposure.
<b>Clothing:</b>	Wear appropriate protective clothing to prevent skin exposure.
<b>Respirators:</b>	Follow the OSHA respirator regulations found in 29 CFR 1910.134 or European Standard EN 149. Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

### Section 9 - Physical and Chemical Properties

**Physical State:** Powder

**Color:** white to light cream

**Odor:** Not available

**pH:** 8-10 (10% aq. sol.)

**Vapor Pressure:** Not available

**Viscosity:** Not available

**Boiling Point:** Not available  
**Freezing/Melting Point:** 270 deg C ( 518.00°F)  
**Autoignition Temperature:** Not available  
**Flash Point:** Not available  
**Explosion Limits: Lower:** Not available  
**Explosion Limits: Upper:** Not available  
**Decomposition Temperature:**  
**Solubility in water:** 58.2 % (20°C)  
**Specific Gravity/Density:**  
**Molecular Formula:** C6H7KO2  
**Molecular Weight:** 150.22

### Section 10 - Stability and Reactivity

**Chemical Stability:** Stable under normal temperatures and pressures.  
**Conditions to Avoid:** Incompatible materials.  
**Incompatibilities with Other Materials** Strong oxidizing agents.  
**Hazardous Decomposition Products** Carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, potassium.  
**Hazardous Polymerization** Has not been reported.

### Section 11 - Toxicological Information

**RTECS#:** CAS# 24634-61-5: WG2170000  
**LD50/LC50:** RTECS: Not available. Other: Oral, rat: LD50 =3800mg/kg  
**Carcinogenicity:** Potassium sorbate - Not listed as a carcinogen by ACGIH, IARC, NTP, or CA Prop 65.  
**Other:** The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated. See actual entry in RTECS for complete information.

### Section 12 - Ecological Information

**Ecotoxicity:** Daphnia: Daphnia: 750mg/L; 48h; .  
Bacteria: Pseudomonas putida: 1000mg/l; 6h; .  
**Other:** Do not empty into drains. Readily biodegradable.  
log Pow: 1.33biodegradability: >95%/8d

### Section 13 - Disposal Considerations

Dispose of in a manner consistent with federal, state, and local regulations.

### Section 14 - Transport Information

	<b>IATA</b>	<b>IMO</b>	<b>RID/ADR</b>
<b>Shipping Name:</b>	Not regulated.	Not regulated.	Not regulated.
<b>Hazard Class:</b>			
<b>UN Number:</b>			
<b>Packing Group:</b>			

### Section 15 - Regulatory Information

#### European/International Regulations

European Labeling in Accordance with EC Directives

Hazard Symbols: XI

Risk Phrases:

R 36/37/38 Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin.

Safety Phrases:

S 26 In case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.

S 37/39 Wear suitable gloves and eye/face protection.

WGK (Water Danger/Protection)

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Canada

CAS# 24634-61-5 is listed on Canada's DSL List

#### **US Federal**

TSCA

CAS# 24634-61-5 is listed on the TSCA Inventory.

### **Section 16 - Other Information**

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