

SAFETY DATA SHEET

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1. Identification

Product Name Sodium borohydride, 12% aqueous solution, (VenPure™ solution), contains 40% NaOH

Cat No. : AC448510000; AC448510025; AC448511000; AC448515000

Synonyms SBH; Sodium tetrahydroborate

Recommended Use Laboratory chemicals.

Uses advised against Food, drug, pesticide or biocidal product use.

Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company

Importer/Distributor

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2. Hazard(s) identification

Classification

WHMIS 2015 Classification

This product is hazardous in accordance with the Canada Hazardous Products Act (HPA) and Hazardous Products Regulation (HPR), as amended (SOR/2022-272)

Corrosive to metals	Category 1
Acute oral toxicity	Category 4
Skin Corrosion/Irritation	Category 1 A
Serious Eye Damage/Eye Irritation	Category 1
Reproductive Toxicity	Category 1B
Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure)	Category 3
Target Organs - Respiratory system.	
Physical Hazards Not Otherwise Classified	Category 1
Reacts violently with water	

Label Elements

Signal Word

Danger

Hazard Statements

May be corrosive to metals
Harmful if swallowed
Causes severe skin burns and eye damage
May cause respiratory irritation
May damage fertility. May damage the unborn child
Reacts violently with water



Precautionary Statements

Prevention

Do not allow contact with water
Keep container tightly closed
Obtain special instructions before use
Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood
Keep only in original packaging
Do not breathe dust/fumes/gas/mist/vapours/spray
Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling
Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product
Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area
Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection

Response

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water or shower
IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing
IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing
Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor
Rinse mouth
Do NOT induce vomiting
Wash contaminated clothing before reuse
Absorb spillage to prevent material damage

Storage

Store locked up
Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed
Store in corrosive resistant polypropylene container with a resistant inliner
Store in a dry place

Disposal

Dispose of contents/container to an approved waste disposal plant

3. Composition/Information on Ingredients

Component	CAS-No	Weight %
Water	7732-18-5	30 - 50
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	30 - 50
Sodium borohydride	16940-66-2	10 - 20

4. First-aid measures

General Advice	Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.
Eye Contact	Rinse immediately with plenty of water, also under the eyelids, for at least 15 minutes. In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.
Skin Contact	Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.
Inhalation	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. Remove to fresh air. Immediate medical attention is required.
Ingestion	Do NOT induce vomiting. Call a physician or poison control center immediately.
Most important symptoms/effects	Causes burns by all exposure routes. Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated: Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation
Notes to Physician	Treat symptomatically

5. Fire-fighting measures

Suitable Extinguishing Media	CO ₂ , dry chemical, dry sand, alcohol-resistant foam.
Unsuitable Extinguishing Media	No information available
Flash Point	No information available
Method -	No information available
Autoignition Temperature	No information available
Explosion Limits	
Upper	No data available
Lower	No data available
Sensitivity to Mechanical Impact	No information available
Sensitivity to Static Discharge	No information available

Specific Hazards Arising from the Chemical

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors. The product causes burns of eyes, skin and mucous membranes. Reacts violently with water.

Hazardous Combustion Products

Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

Protective Equipment and Precautions 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.

NFPA

Health
3

Flammability
1

Instability
2

Physical hazards
N/A W

6. Accidental release measures

Personal Precautions	Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment as required. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak.
Environmental Precautions	Should not be released into the environment. Do not flush into surface water or sanitary

sewer system.

Methods for Containment and Clean Up Soak up with inert absorbent material. Keep in suitable, closed containers for disposal. Do not expose spill to water.

7. Handling and storage

Handling Wear personal protective equipment/face protection. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe mist/vapors/spray. Do not ingest. If swallowed then seek immediate medical assistance. Do not allow contact with water.

Storage. Keep containers tightly closed in a dry, cool and well-ventilated place. Corrosives area. Keep under nitrogen. Keep away from water or moist air. Incompatible Materials. Strong oxidizing agents.

8. Exposure controls / personal protection

Exposure Guidelines

Component	Alberta	British Columbia	Ontario TWAEV	Quebec
Sodium hydroxide	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	CEV: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³

Component	Manitoba	New Brunswick	Newfoundland and Labrador	Nova Scotia
Sodium hydroxide	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³

Component	Nunavut	Prince Edward Island	Saskatchewan	Yukon
Sodium hydroxide	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³

Component	ACGIH TLV	OSHA PEL	NIOSH
Sodium hydroxide 1310-73-2 (30 - 50)	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³	Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³ TWA: 2 mg/m ³	IDLH: 10 mg/m ³ Ceiling: 2 mg/m ³

Legend

ACGIH - American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

OSHA - Occupational Safety and Health Administration

NIOSH: NIOSH - National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Engineering Measures

Use only under a chemical fume hood. Ensure that eyewash stations and safety showers are close to the workstation location. 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

Goggles

Hand Protection

Protective gloves

Glove material	Breakthrough time	Glove thickness	Glove comments
Neoprene	> 480 minutes	0.45 mm	As tested under EN374-3
Butyl rubber	> 480 minutes	0.35 mm	Determination of Resistance to Permeation by Chemicals

Inspect gloves before use. observe the instructions regarding permeability and breakthrough time which are provided by the supplier of the gloves. (Refer to manufacturer/supplier for information) gloves are suitable for the task: Chemical compatibility,

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. gloves with care avoiding skin contamination.

Respiratory Protection

In case of mist, spray or aerosol exposure wear suitable personal respiratory protection and protective suit.
To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly

Recommended Filter type: Particulates filter conforming to EN 143

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

Environmental exposure controls

Prevent product from entering drains.

Hygiene Measures

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

9. Physical and chemical properties

Appearance

Physical State	Liquid
Color	Clear
Odor	Odorless
Odor Threshold	No information available

Property	Values	Remarks	Method
Melting Point/Range	No data available		
Softening Point	No data available		
Boiling Point/Range	130 - 135 °C / 266 - 275 °F		
Flash Point	No information available	Method -	No information available
Flammability (liquid)	No data available		
Flammability (solid,gas)	Not applicable	Liquid	
Explosion Limits	No data available		
Autoignition Temperature	No data available		
Decomposition Temperature	No data available		
pH	14		
Viscosity	60.43 mPa.s at 20 °C		
Water Solubility	Completely soluble		
Solubility in other solvents	No information available		
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)			
Vapor Pressure	No data available		
Density / Specific Gravity	1.4		
Bulk Density	Not applicable	Liquid	
Vapor Density	No data available	(Air = 1.0)	
Particle characteristics	Not applicable (liquid)		

Other Information

Molecular Formula	B H4 Na
Molecular Weight	37.82

10. Stability and reactivity

Reactive Hazard	Yes
Stability	Stable under normal conditions.

Conditions to Avoid Incompatible products. Excess heat. Temperatures above 40°C. Exposure to moist air or water. Exposure to moisture.

Incompatible Materials Strong oxidizing agents

Hazardous Decomposition Products Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors

Hazardous Polymerization Hazardous polymerization does not occur.

Hazardous Reactions None under normal processing. Reacts violently with water.

11. Toxicological information

Information on expected route of exposure

Inhalation Not an expected route of exposure.
Ingestion May be harmful if swallowed.
Eyes Avoid contact with eyes. Corrosive to the eyes and may cause severe damage including blindness. Risk of serious damage to eyes.
Skin Avoid contact with skin. Causes burns. Skin Corrosion/Irritation. Contact with moist skin may cause skin burns. Harmful in contact with skin.

Toxicology data for the components

Component	LD50 Oral	LD50 Dermal	LC50 Inhalation
Water	-	-	-
Sodium hydroxide	140 - 340 mg/kg (Rat)	1350 mg/kg (Rabbit)	-
Sodium borohydride	57 mg/kg (Rat)	>2000 mg/kg (Rabbit)	LC50 > 5.18 mg/L (Rat) 1 h

Toxicologically Synergistic Products No information available

(b) skin corrosion/irritation; Category 1 A

(c) serious eye damage/irritation; Category 1

(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;
Respiratory No data available
Skin No data available

(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available

(f) carcinogenicity;

The table below indicates whether each agency has listed any ingredient as a carcinogen

Component	CAS-No	IARC	NTP	ACGIH	OSHA	Mexico
Water	7732-18-5	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed
Sodium borohydride	16940-66-2	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed	Not listed

(g) reproductive toxicity; Category 1B

Reproductive Effects Product is or contains a chemical which is a known or suspected reproductive hazard.

(h) STOT-single exposure; No data available

(i) STOT-repeated exposure; No data available

Target Organs None known.

(j) aspiration hazard; No data available

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

Symptoms / effects,both acute and delayed Product is a corrosive material. Use of gastric lavage or emesis is contraindicated. Possible perforation of stomach or esophagus should be investigated. Ingestion causes severe swelling, severe damage to the delicate tissue and danger of perforation.

Other Adverse Effects The toxicological properties have not been fully investigated.

Endocrine Disrupting Properties This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors.

12. Ecological information

Ecotoxicity

Do not empty into drains. Contains a substance which is: Harmful to aquatic organisms. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

Component	Freshwater Algae	Freshwater Fish	Microtox	Water Flea
Sodium hydroxide	Not listed	LC50 = 45.4 mg/L, 96h static (Oncorhynchus mykiss)	Not listed	Not listed

Persistence and Degradability Soluble in water Persistence is unlikely based on information available.

Bioaccumulation/ Accumulation No information available.

Mobility . Will likely be mobile in the environment due to its water solubility.

13. Disposal considerations

Waste Disposal Methods Chemical waste generators must determine whether a discarded chemical is classified as a hazardous waste. Chemical waste generators must also consult local, regional, and national hazardous waste regulations to ensure complete and accurate classification.

14. Transport information

DOT

UN-No UN3320
Proper Shipping Name SODIUM BOROHYDRIDE AND SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Hazard Class 8
Packing Group II

TDG

UN-No UN3320
Proper Shipping Name SODIUM BOROHYDRIDE AND SODIUM HYDROXIDE SOLUTION
Hazard Class 8
Packing Group II

IATA

UN-No UN3320
Proper Shipping Name Sodium borohydride and sodium hydroxide solution
Hazard Class 8
Packing Group II

IMDG/IMO

UN-No	UN3320
Proper Shipping Name	Sodium borohydride and sodium hydroxide solution
Hazard Class	8
Packing Group	II

15. Regulatory information

International Inventories

Component	CAS-No	DSL	NDSL	TSCA	TSCA Inventory notification - Active-Inactive	EINECS	ELINCS	NLP
Water	7732-18-5	X	-	X	ACTIVE	231-791-2	-	-
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	X	-	X	ACTIVE	215-185-5	-	-
Sodium borohydride	16940-66-2	X	-	X	ACTIVE	241-004-4	-	-

Component	CAS-No	IECSC	KECL	ENCS	ISHL	TCSI	AICS	NZIoC	PICCS
Water	7732-18-5	X	KE-35400	X	-	X	X	X	X
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	X	KE-31487	X	X	X	X	X	X
Sodium borohydride	16940-66-2	X	KE-31365	X	X	X	X	X	X

Legend:

X - Listed '-' - Not listed

KECL - NIER number or KE number (<http://ncis.nier.go.kr/en/main.do>)

DSL/NDSL - Canadian Domestic Substances List/Non-Domestic Substances List

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

EINECS/ELINCS - European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances/EU List of Notified Chemical Substances

IECSC - Chinese Inventory of Existing Chemical Substances

KECL - Korean Existing and Evaluated Chemical Substances

ENCS - Japanese Existing and New Chemical Substances

AICS - Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances

PICCS - Philippines Inventory of Chemicals and Chemical Substances

Canada

SDS in compliance with provisions of information as set out in Canadian Standard - Part 4, Schedule 1 and 2 of the Hazardous Products Regulations (HPR) and its amendments and meets the requirements of the HPR (Paragraph 13(1)(a) of the revised Hazardous Products Act (HPA)).

Other International Regulations

Authorisation/Restrictions according to EU REACH

Component	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XIV - Substances Subject to Authorization	REACH (1907/2006) - Annex XVII - Restrictions on Certain Dangerous Substances	REACH Regulation (EC 1907/2006) article 59 - Candidate List of Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC)
Sodium hydroxide	-	Use restricted. See entry 75. (see link for restriction details)	-

REACH links

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

Contains component(s) that meet a 'definition' of per & poly fluoroalkyl substance (PFAS)?

Not applicable

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

Component	CAS-No	OECD HPV	Persistent Organic Pollutant	Ozone Depletion Potential	Restriction of Hazardous

					Substances (RoHS)
Water	7732-18-5	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Sodium borohydride	16940-66-2	Listed	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

Component	CAS-No	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Major Accident Notification	Seveso III Directive (2012/18/EC) - Qualifying Quantities for Safety Report Requirements	Rotterdam Convention (PIC)	Basel Convention (Hazardous Waste)
Water	7732-18-5	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Annex I - Y35
Sodium borohydride	16940-66-2	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

16. Other information

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