

## Safety Data Sheet according to WHS Regulations

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Hazardous according to criteria of Australian Safety and Compensation Council.

### 1 Identification

- **Product identifier**
- **Trade name:** VMA by Column Test, REAG 2
- **Article number:** 1896062
- **Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against**  
No further relevant information available.
- **Application of the substance / the mixture** In-Vitro-laboratory reagent or component
- **Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet**
- **Manufacturer/Supplier:**  
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### 2 Hazard(s) Identification

- **Classification of the substance or mixture**  
Skin Corr. 1A H314 Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.  
Eye Dam. 1 H318 Causes serious eye damage.  
STOT SE 3 H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

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- **Label elements**

- **GHS label elements**

The product is classified and labelled according to the Globally Harmonised System (GHS).

- **Hazard pictograms**



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- **Signal word** Danger

- **Hazard-determining components of labelling:**

potassium carbonate

- **Hazard statements**

Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.

May cause respiratory irritation.

- **Precautionary statements**

Do not breathe dusts or mists.

IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.

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.

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Store locked up.

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.



- **Other hazards**
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.

### 3 Composition and Information on Ingredients

- **Chemical characterisation: Mixtures**
- **Description:** Mixture of substances listed below with nonhazardous additions.

- **Dangerous components:**

584-08-7 potassium carbonate

 Eye Dam. 1, H318;  STOT SE 3, H335

25-50%

- **Additional information:** For the wording of the listed hazard phrases refer to section 16.

### 4 First Aid Measures

- **Description of first aid measures**
- **General information:** Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.
- **After inhalation:** In case of unconsciousness place patient stably in side position for transportation.
- **After skin contact:** Immediately wash with water and soap and rinse thoroughly.
- **After eye contact:** Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Then consult a doctor.
- **After swallowing:** Drink plenty of water and provide fresh air. Call for a doctor immediately.
- **Information for doctor:**
- **Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed** No further relevant information available.
- **Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed**  
No further relevant information available.

### 5 Fire Fighting Measures

- **Extinguishing media**
- **Suitable extinguishing agents:** Use fire extinguishing methods suitable to surrounding conditions.
- **Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture** No further relevant information available.
- **Advice for firefighters**
- **Protective equipment:** No special measures required.

### 6 Accidental Release Measures

- **Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures**  
Wear protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.
- **Environmental precautions:**  
Dilute with plenty of water.  
Do not allow to enter sewers/ surface or ground water.
- **Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:**  
Absorb with liquid-binding material (sand, diatomite, acid binders, universal binders, sawdust).  
Use neutralising agent.  
Dispose contaminated material as waste according to item 13.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.
- **Reference to other sections**  
See Section 7 for information on safe handling.

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See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.  
See Section 13 for disposal information.

## 7 Handling and Storage

- **Handling:**
- **Precautions for safe handling**  
Use only in well ventilated areas.  
Keep receptacles tightly sealed.  
Ensure good ventilation/exhaustion at the workplace.  
Prevent formation of aerosols.
- **Information about fire - and explosion protection:** No special measures required.
- **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**
- **Storage:**
- **Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:** No special requirements.
- **Information about storage in one common storage facility:** Not required.
- **Further information about storage conditions:** Keep container tightly sealed.
- **Specific end use(s)** No further relevant information available.

## 8 Exposure controls and personal protection

- **Additional information about design of technical facilities:** No further data; see item 7.
- **Control parameters**
- **Ingredients with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:**  
The product does not contain any relevant quantities of materials with critical values that have to be monitored at the workplace.
- **Additional information:** The lists valid during the making were used as basis.
- **Exposure controls**
- **Personal protective equipment:**
- **General protective and hygienic measures:**  
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.  
Immediately remove all soiled and contaminated clothing  
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.  
Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.
- **Respiratory protection:**  
In case of brief exposure or low pollution use respiratory filter device. In case of intensive or longer exposure use self-contained respiratory protective device.
- **Protection of hands:**



Protective gloves

The glove material has to be impermeable and resistant to the product/ the substance/ the preparation.  
Due to missing tests no recommendation to the glove material can be given for the product/ the preparation/ the chemical mixture.  
Selection of the glove material on consideration of the penetration times, rates of diffusion and the degradation

- **Material of gloves**

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The selection of the suitable gloves does not only depend on the material, but also on further marks of quality and varies from manufacturer to manufacturer. As the product is a preparation of several substances, the resistance of the glove material can not be calculated in advance and has therefore to be checked prior to the application.

· **Penetration time of glove material**

The exact break through time has to be found out by the manufacturer of the protective gloves and has to be observed.

· **Eye protection:**



Tightly sealed goggles

· **Body protection:** Protective work clothing

**9 Physical and Chemical Properties**

· **Information on basic physical and chemical properties**

· **General Information**

· **Appearance:**

Form:	Fluid
Colour:	Colourless
Odour:	Odourless
Odour threshold:	Not determined.

· **pH-value at 20 °C:** 13.2

· **Change in condition**

Melting point/freezing point:	Undetermined.
Initial boiling point and boiling range:	100 °C

· **Flash point:** Not applicable.

· **Flammability (solid, gas):** Not applicable.

· **Ignition temperature:**

Decomposition temperature: Not determined.

· **Auto-ignition temperature:** Product is not selfigniting.

· **Explosive properties:** Product does not present an explosion hazard.

· **Explosion limits:**

Lower:	Not determined.
Upper:	Not determined.

· **Vapour pressure at 20 °C:** 23 hPa

Density at 20 °C:	1.4 g/cm <sup>3</sup>
Relative density	Not determined.
Vapour density	Not determined.
Evaporation rate	Not determined.

· **Solubility in / Miscibility with water:** Fully miscible.

· **Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water:** Not determined.

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- **Viscosity:**
  - Dynamic:** Not determined.
  - Kinematic:** Not determined.
- **Other information** No further relevant information available.

## **10 Stability and Reactivity**

- **Reactivity** No further relevant information available.
- **Chemical stability**
- **Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:** No decomposition if used according to specifications.
- **Possibility of hazardous reactions** Reacts with strong acids and oxidising agents.
- **Conditions to avoid** No further relevant information available.
- **Incompatible materials:** No further relevant information available.
- **Hazardous decomposition products:** No dangerous decomposition products known.

## **11 Toxicological Information**

- **Information on toxicological effects**
- **Acute toxicity**
- **Primary irritant effect:**
- **Skin corrosion/irritation** Strong caustic effect on skin and mucous membranes.
- **Serious eye damage/irritation** Strong caustic effect.
- **Respiratory or skin sensitisation** No sensitising effects known.
- **Additional toxicological information:**

The product shows the following dangers according to the calculation method of the General EU Classification Guidelines for Preparations as issued in the latest version:

Corrosive

Irritant

Swallowing will lead to a strong caustic effect on mouth and throat and to the danger of perforation of esophagus and stomach.

## **12 Ecological Information**

- **Toxicity**
- **Aquatic toxicity:** No further relevant information available.
- **Persistence and degradability** No further relevant information available.
- **Behaviour in environmental systems:**
- **Bioaccumulative potential** No further relevant information available.
- **Mobility in soil** No further relevant information available.
- **Additional ecological information:**
- **General notes:**

Water hazard class 1 (German Regulation) (Self-assessment): slightly hazardous for water

Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities of it to reach ground water, water course or sewage system.

Must not reach sewage water or drainage ditch undiluted or unneutralised.

Rinse off of bigger amounts into drains or the aquatic environment may lead to increased pH-values. A high pH-value harms aquatic organisms. In the dilution of the use-level the pH-value is considerably reduced, so that after the use of the product the aqueous waste, emptied into drains, is only low water-dangerous.
- **Results of PBT and vPvB assessment**
- **PBT:** Not applicable.
- **vPvB:** Not applicable.

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· **Other adverse effects** No further relevant information available.

### 13 Disposal considerations

- **Waste treatment methods**
- **Recommendation**  
Must not be disposed together with household garbage. Do not allow product to reach sewage system.
- **Uncleaned packaging:**
- **Recommendation:** Disposal must be made according to official regulations.
- **Recommended cleansing agents:** Water, if necessary together with cleansing agents.

### 14 Transport information

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| · <b>UN-Number</b>                                                          | Void            |
| · <b>ADG, ADN, IMDG, IATA</b>                                               | Void            |
| · <b>UN proper shipping name</b>                                            | Void            |
| · <b>ADG, ADN, IMDG, IATA</b>                                               | Void            |
| · <b>Transport hazard class(es)</b>                                         |                 |
| · <b>ADG, ADN, IMDG, IATA</b>                                               |                 |
| · <b>Class</b>                                                              | Void            |
| · <b>Packing group</b>                                                      |                 |
| · <b>ADG, IMDG, IATA</b>                                                    | Void            |
| · <b>Environmental hazards:</b>                                             |                 |
| · <b>Marine pollutant:</b>                                                  | No              |
| · <b>Special precautions for user</b>                                       | Not applicable. |
| · <b>Transport in bulk according to Annex II of Marpol and the IBC Code</b> | Not applicable. |
| · <b>UN "Model Regulation":</b>                                             | Void            |

### 15 Regulatory information

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

- **Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances**

All ingredients are listed.

- **Standard for the Uniform Scheduling of Medicines and Poisons**

None of the ingredients is listed.

- **GHS label elements**

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- **Hazard pictograms**



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- **Signal word** *Danger*
- **Hazard-determining components of labelling:**  
*potassium carbonate*
- **Hazard statements**  
*Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.*  
*May cause respiratory irritation.*
- **Precautionary statements**  
*Do not breathe dusts or mists.*  
*IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower.*  
*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.*  
*Store locked up.*  
*Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.*
- **Directive 2012/18/EU**
- **Named dangerous substances - ANNEX I** *None of the ingredients is listed.*
- **Chemical safety assessment:** *A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.*

## **16 Other information**

*This information is based on our present knowledge. However, this shall not constitute a guarantee for any specific product features and shall not establish a legally valid contractual relationship.*

- **Relevant phrases**  
*H318 Causes serious eye damage.*  
*H335 May cause respiratory irritation.*
- **Department issuing SDS:**  
*Bio-Rad Laboratories GmbH*  
*Heidemannstrasse 164*  
*D-80939 Munich*
- **Contact:**  
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- **Abbreviations and acronyms:**  
*RID: Règlement international concernant le transport des marchandises dangereuses par chemin de fer (Regulations Concerning the International Transport of Dangerous Goods by Rail)*  
*IATA-DGR: Dangerous Goods Regulations by the "International Air Transport Association" (IATA)*  
*ICAO: International Civil Aviation Organisation*  
*ICAO-TI: Technical Instructions by the "International Civil Aviation Organisation" (ICAO)*  
*ADR: Accord européen sur le transport des marchandises dangereuses par Route (European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road)*  
*IMDG: International Maritime Code for Dangerous Goods*  
*IATA: International Air Transport Association*  
*EINECS: European Inventory of Existing Commercial Chemical Substances*  
*ELINCS: European List of Notified Chemical Substances*  
*CAS: Chemical Abstracts Service (division of the American Chemical Society)*  
*PBT: Persistent, Bioaccumulative and Toxic*  
*vPvB: very Persistent and very Bioaccumulative*  
*Skin Corr. 1A: Skin corrosion/irritation – Category 1A*  
*Eye Dam. 1: Serious eye damage/eye irritation – Category 1*  
*STOT SE 3: Specific target organ toxicity (single exposure) – Category 3*
- **\* Data compared to the previous version altered.**