# FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC. Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)

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#### SECTION 1 — CHEMICAL PRODUCT AND COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

### **Barium Hydroxide**

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#### SECTION 2 — COMPOSITION, INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Barium hydroxide

CAS#: 12230-71-6

#### **SECTION 3 — HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION**

White, crystalline powder.

Toxic by ingestion as barium. Ingestion could be fatal. All soluble barium compounds are poisonous if swallowed and cause nausea, vomiting, stomach pains, and diarrhea.

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Health-3 Flammability-0 Reactivity-0

Exposure-3
Storage-1

0 is low hazard, 3 is high hazard

#### **SECTION 4 — FIRST AID MEASURES**

Call a physician and seek medical attention for further treatment, observation, and support after first aid.

Inhalation: Remove to fresh air at once. If breathing has stopped, give artificial respiration immediately.

Eye or External: Immediately flush with fresh water for at least 15 minutes.

Internal: Induce vomiting. After vomiting, give a mixture of 1 Tbs. magnesium sulfate in one cup of water. Call a physician or poison control at once.

#### **SECTION 5 — FIRE FIGHTING MEASURES**

Nonflammable solid. NFPA Code

None established

#### **SECTION 6 — ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Restrict unprotected personnel from the area. Avoid creating dust. Sweep up the spill, place in a sealed bag or container, and dispose. Ventilate area and wash spill site after material pickup is complete. See Sections 8 and 13 for further information.

#### **SECTION 7 — HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Flinn Suggested Chemical Storage Pattern: Inorganic #4. Store with hydroxides, oxides, silicates, and carbonates. Use and dispense in a hood. Store in a cool, dry place.

Keep container tightly closed. Store in Flinn Chem-Saf Bag.

#### SECTION 8 — EXPOSURE CONTROLS, PERSONAL PROTECTION

Avoid contact with eyes, skin, and clothing. Wear chemical splash goggles, chemical-resistant gloves, and chemical-resistant apron. Use ventilation to keep airborne concentrations below exposure limits. Always wear a NIOSH-approved respirator with proper cartridges or a positive pressure, air-supplied respirator when handling this material in emergency situations (spill or fire). Exposure guidelines: TWA 0.5 mg/m³ (as Ba) (OSHA)

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#### **SECTION 9 — PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

White, crystalline powder.

0.1M barium hydroxide: 3.2%

Solubility: Soluble in water and alcohol.

Boiling point: 78 °C

Melting point: 78 °C

Specific gravity: 2.2

Formula: Ba(OH)<sub>2</sub> 8H<sub>2</sub>O Formula weight: 315.50

#### **SECTION 10 — STABILITY AND REACTIVITY**

Avoid contact with acids.

Shelf life: Poor, absorbs carbon dioxide from the air.

#### **SECTION 11 — TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Acute effects: Highly toxic, corrosive. ORL-RAT  $LD_{50}$ : N.A. Chronic effects: N.A. IHL-RAT  $LC_{50}$ : N.A. Target organs: Heart, kidneys, GI system, bone marrow, spleen, and SKN-RBT  $LD_{50}$ : N.A. SKN-RBT  $LD_{50}$ : N.A.

liver.

N.A. = Not available, not all health aspects of this substance have been fully investigated.

#### **SECTION 12 — ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Data not yet available.

#### SECTION 13 — DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Please review all federal, state and local regulations that may apply, before proceeding. Flinn Suggested Disposal Method #27h is one option.

#### **SECTION 14 — TRANSPORT INFORMATION**

Shipping name: Barium Compounds, N.O.S. Hazard class: 6.1, keep away from food

UN number: UN1564 N/A = Not applicable

#### **SECTION 15 — REGULATORY INFORMATION**

TSCA-listed, EINECS-listed (241-234-5), RCRA D002, D005.

#### **SECTION 16 — OTHER INFORMATION**

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