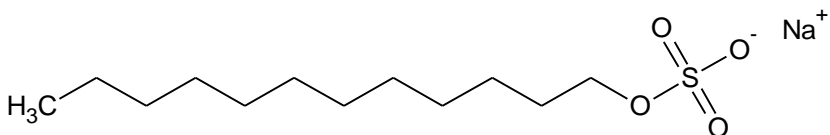
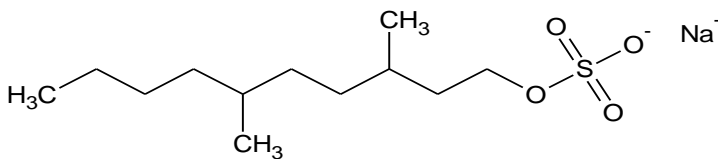
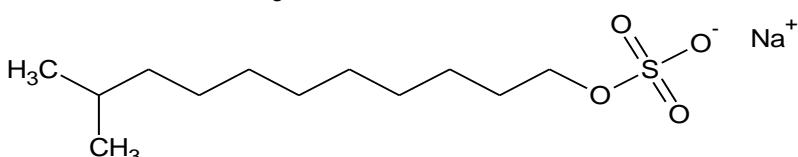
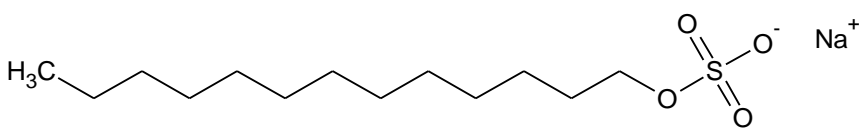
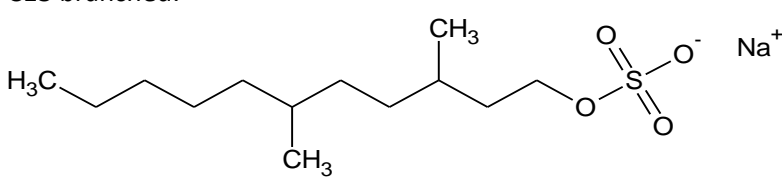
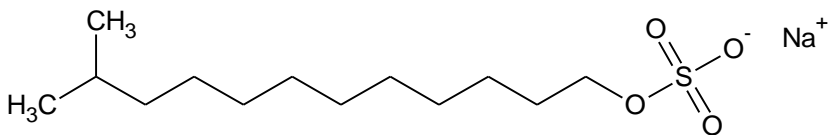


### Sodium alkyl sulfate (C12-13 AS)

This Product Safety Summary is intended to provide a general overview of the chemical substance in the context of ICCA Global Product Strategy. The information in the Summary is basic information and is not intended to provide emergency response, medical or treatment information.

#### 1. Chemical Identity

Name	Sulfuric acid, mono C12-13 branched & linear alkyl esters sodium salts
CAS Number	1231880-35-5
Molecular Formula	UVCB substance (substances of Unknown or Variable composition, Complex reaction products or Biological materials), no univocal molecular formula available
Structural Formulas (examples)	<p>C12 linear:</p>  <p>C12 branched:</p>   <p>C13 linear:</p>  <p>C13 branched:</p>  



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### 2. Use and Applications

Alkyl sulfates, and specifically, C12-13 AS, are common components in washing and cleaning products.

### 3. Physical/Chemical Properties

C12-13 AS is a white odorless powder. The substance is a flammable solid when technically brought to a granular or solid form. The flammability was tested with a powder of 1.67 % water content. The substance has a hygroscopic character and is solely marketed in a non solid or non granular form (as paste with 73.2 % water). This form is not flammable.

Property	Value
Physical state	Organic solid, powder
Relative density	1.0389 at 20 °C (substance containing 73.2% water)
Melting point	Decomposition at 100 °C at 1013 hPa
Boiling point	187 °C at 1010 hPa (estimated)
Flammability	Non flammable
Explosive properties	Non explosive
Self-ignition temperature	>302 °C (estimated)
Vapor pressure	<0.18 Pa at 25 °C
Water solubility	>500 g/l at 20 °C and pH 7
Octanol/water partition coefficient (log Kow)	0.68 (measured)

### 4. Human Health Safety Assessment

#### ➤ Consumer

Consumers will only come in contact with the substance in mixtures. The concentration of the substance in these mixtures is below the level which would give rise to concern. When used as recommended all mixtures do not pose a risk for consumers. Nevertheless, consumers should always read product information before use and follow the label/ use instructions.



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### ➤ Worker (at P&G)

Only qualified and trained workers handle the neat substance. Each manufacturing facility offers a thorough training program for employees and appropriate work processes, as well as safety equipment (goggles and gloves) in place to limit unnecessary exposure. Safety showers and eye-wash stations are accessible nearby. Workers have been trained to follow the safety measures in the Extended Safety Data Sheet (eSDS).

Effect Assessment	Result
Acute Toxicity oral/ dermal	Harmful if swallowed Based on the available data not considered to be acutely toxic when in contact with skin
Irritation skin/ eye	Causes skin irritation Causes serious eye damage
Sensitization	Based on the available data not considered to cause allergic skin reaction
Toxicity after repeated exposure	Based on the available data not considered to cause damage to organs through prolonged or repeated oral exposure
Mutagenicity	Based on the available data not considered to cause genetic defects
Carcinogenicity	Based on the available data not considered to cause cancer
Toxicity for reproduction	Based on the available data not considered to damage fertility or the unborn child

### 5. Environmental Safety Assessment

Extensive aquatic toxicity and environmental fate testing showed that C12-13 AS does not have to be considered as harmful for the environment, since the concentrations of the substance present in the environment are considered to be negligible, due to its ready biodegradability and an its expected low accumulation potential in the food chain.

Effect Assessment	Result
Aquatic Toxicity	Based on available data the substance is not classified as harmful for the environment
Biodegradation	Readily biodegradable
PBT/ vPvB conclusion	Not persistent in the environment, not bioaccumulating in organisms and not toxic (PBT) nor very persistent and very bioaccumulating (vPvB)



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### **Risk Assessment**

As demonstrated in the hazard assessment C12-13 AS is considered to be readily biodegradable and is therefore removed from waste water during waste water treatment processes. Remaining amounts reaching surface waters are further diluted and removed by biological degradation processes. Degradation was demonstrated in water/sediment studies using analogous substances. Further, the substance is not expected to accumulate in the food chain. Nevertheless, an exposure assessment for all identified uses was conducted and resulted in a negligible risk for the environment. Consequently, all identified uses of the substance are considered to be safe for the environment.

### **6. Exposure**

#### **Consumer**

C12-13 AS is a substance of widespread use. Exposures via inhalation and/ or dermal contact are the primary routes of exposure to C12-13 AS that are anticipated for the worker population. Exposure can occur either in a C12-13 AS manufacturing facility or in the various industrial facilities that use C12-13 AS. Those working with C12-13 AS in industrial operations could be exposed during maintenance, sampling, testing, or other procedures.

The general public may come in contact with C12-13 AS contained in mixtures like washing and cleaning products. The main exposure route is via skin contact or after accidental swallowing

#### **Environment**

Due to its numerous uses by the general public and its industrial uses C12-13 AS has to be considered as a substance that is released to waste water treatment plants. Releases may occur at production and industrial handling sites (preparation, handling, storage of substance) and from consumer homes, for example in laundry products. The neat substance is only handled at production sites or manufacturing facilities and releases to the environment are highly controlled.

When released to waste water treatment plants after consumer use, the substance undergoes rapid biodegradation.

Due to the low vapor pressure the substance is not volatile and emission into air can be excluded.

### **7. Risk Management Recommendations (for manufacturing plant workers)**

When using chemicals make sure that there is adequate ventilation. Always use appropriate chemical resistant gloves to protect your hands and skin and always wear eye protection such as chemical goggles. Do not eat, drink, or smoke where chemicals are handled, processed, or stored. Wash hands and skin following contact. If the substance gets into your eyes, rinse eyes thoroughly for at least 15 minutes with tap water and seek medical attention.

All effluent releases that may contain the substance must be directed to a (municipal) waste water treatment plant that removes the substance from the final releases to the receiving water. Releases to air are not expected and therefore no specific recommendations are required.

### 8. EU REACH Status

This substance has been registered under the European REACH Regulation EC/1907/2006.

### 9. Classification and Labeling

Under GHS substances are classified according to their physical, health, and environmental hazards. The hazards are communicated via specific labels and the (M)SDS. GHS attempts to standardize hazard communication so that the intended audience (workers, consumers, transport workers, and emergency responders) can better understand the hazards of the chemicals in use.

#### Labeling according to EU GHS/ CLP

UN GHS is the basis for country specific GHS labeling.

This GPS Safety Summary implements the legal obligations for classification, labeling and packaging (CLP, EU GHS) as laid down in the EU directive 1272/2008 and its amendments as in force at time of compilation. This is an adaptation of the general UN GHS implementation which may be adapted to country specific demands. Hence the classification presented in this document may differ from classifications applied in non EU countries.



**Signal word:** Danger

#### Hazard statements:

H302: Harmful if swallowed

H315: Causes skin irritation

H318: Causes serious eye damage

### 10. Conclusion

As a result of the hazard assessment and PBT/ vPvB assessment it is found that C12-13 AS is not considered to be a PBT/ vPvB.

It was demonstrated that the substance does not pose any unacceptable risks to the environment. The substance is readily biodegradable, not bioaccumulating and not classified as harmful to aquatic life.

C12-13 AS is harmful if swallowed. Contact with the undiluted substance may cause irritation to the skin and damage the eyes. When handling neat substance, workers should follow standard safety measures and refer to current Safety Data Sheet.



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Based on its toxicity concerning human health a risk to the general public is not anticipated as consumer will usually not come into contact with the neat substance and substance concentrations in consumer products are below a level which would give rise to any concern.

### 11. Contact Information

For further information on this substance or product safety summaries in general, please contact us via email at [reachfhc.im@pg.com](mailto:reachfhc.im@pg.com) or visit our website at

<http://www.pgproductsafety.com/productsafety/icca-gps.shtml>

Additional information on the ICCA global product strategy can be found here: <http://www.icca-chem.org/en/Home/ICCA-initiatives/global-product-strategy/>

IFA GESTIS-database on hazardous substances: <http://www.dguv.de/ifa/en/gestis/stoffdb/index.jsp>

### 12. Date of Issue

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### 13. Disclaimer

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