



>>Entry Name: Potassium phosphate (K₃PO₄)

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Synonym(s): Tripotassium phosphate, 9CI, 8CI. Potassium orthophosphate (K₃PO₄)

CAS Registry Number: 7778-53-2

Related CAS Registry Numbers(s): 27176-09-6 27176-10-9 36563-87-8 36563-88-9 39041-45-7 62770-61-0

Extra CAS Registry Numbers(s): 16068-46-5

K₃PO₄

Molecular Formula: K₃O₄P

Molecular Weight: 212.266

Accurate Mass: 211.844543

Percentage Composition: K 55.26%; O 30.15%; P 14.59%

Source/Synthesis: Synth. from KO₂ + P₄O₁₀ at 320° → 920°

Use/Importance: Drying agent for basic compounds and their solns. Component of fertilisers

Physical Description: Colourless hygroscopic powder

Solubility: V. sol. H₂O

Other Data: ΔH_f° -1949 kJ mol⁻¹

Aldrich: 34076-6

Fluka: 60492

Sigma: P5629

>>Derivative: Sesquihydrate

CAS Registry Number: 22763-04-8

Source/Synthesis: Synth. by heating the trihydrate at 110-130°

>>Derivative: Trihydrate

CAS Registry Number: 22763-03-7

Source/Synthesis: Cryst. normally at r.t. from satd. soln.

Other Data: *In vacuo* at 20° → 1.5 hydrate. At 300° → anhyd. salt

>>Derivative: Heptahydrate

CAS Registry Number: 22763-02-6

Source/Synthesis: Synth. by gassing satd. aq. soln. with NH₃ at 0°

Other Data: Additionally reported hydrates include the hemihydrate, the monohydrate, and the tetrahydrate

>>Derivative: Tetrakis-H₂O₂ complex

CAS Registry Number: 36563-86-7

Source/Synthesis: Obt. from heptahydrate and 65% H₂O₂ aq.

Other Data: Dec. at *ca.* 90°. *In vacuo* over P₄O₁₀ 1:1 and 1:2 complexes

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