# Introduction to KLARA product database for Chemical inventory takers

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# Learning outcomes

- How to search for chemical data.
- How to perform a chemical inventory.
- Updating the register adding and discarding chemicals.
- Transfer of chemicals between rooms / cabinets.
- Handling of rooms / cabinets.
- Create reports.

We recommend that you work in parallel with the KLARA system while reading this document. Use your KI ID to log in and investigate the system without saving changes. Contact your chemicals representative if you have any questions.

In addition, there is a KLARA - Manual for inventory staff available in the KLARA system.



This introduction to the KLARA product database does **not** replace the need for attending the course "KLARA inventory" held by EcoOnline (more information under <a href="https://staff.ki.se/courses-by-the-environment-safety-and-security-unit">https://staff.ki.se/courses-by-the-environment-safety-and-security-unit</a>).

# **Background**

### Why do we need the KLARA system?

All organizations and companies are obliged by law to keep a register of chemical products that may pose a risk to health and / or the environment.

KLARA helps us keep order and find chemicals. Therefore, the use of KLARA can also lead to reduced purchases.

The result of all this is a safe working environment.

### What can you do in KLARA?

- Search for safety information of chemical products including Safety Data Sheets.
- Keep a chemical register (to know the amount of chemicals in stock and the storage location).
- Perform chemical inventories.
- Create lists and reports for e.g., high risk chemicals or flammables.
- Conduct risk assessments.

### Which chemicals should be registered?

At the Karolinska Institutet, all chemicals, including those that are not classified as dangerous, should be registered in KLARA.

Kits, cell media, buffers and all gas containers should be registered. *Exceptions:* 

Narcotic drugs and other pharmaceuticals should not be registered in KLARA. Antibodies and proteins do not need to be registered unless they are mixed with chemicals (e.g., sodium azide often used as a preservative).

More information on the **Staff portal** under **Chemical safety** (<a href="https://staff.ki.se/chemical-safety">https://staff.ki.se/chemical-safety</a>).

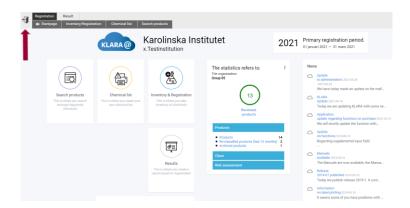
Please check also special rules for handling chemicals under Documents.

# How to search for chemical data

Go to KLARA's start page at

https://secure.port.se/alphaquest/app\_kikem/pcmain.cfm .

Log into KLARA with your KI ID and click the "1" sign.



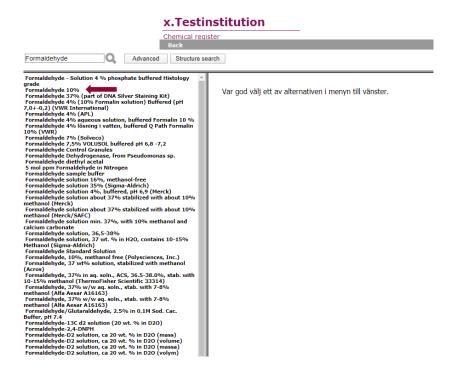
### Go to "Chemical register".



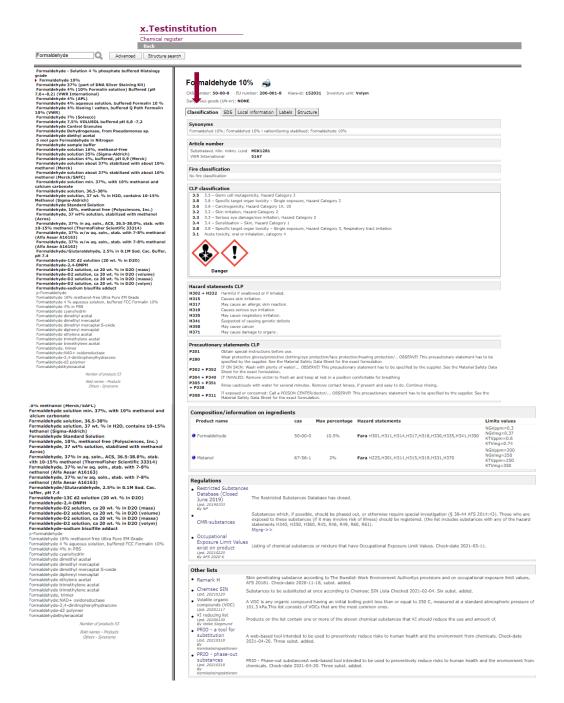
And "Search for products" by name, CAS number or article number.



Test the search-tool by searching for "Formaldehyde". The hit list that comes up includes all chemicals with formaldehyde as part of their name. Choose formaldehyde 10%.



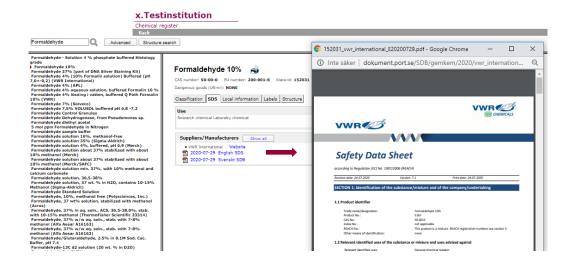
You will get the safety information for that product and information about regulations which are relevant for handling that product under the "Classification" tab.



Under the "SDS" tab you can find all registered Safety Data Sheets from different suppliers. To see all, click "Show all".



Select the Safety Data Sheet you want to read, and the document will open.

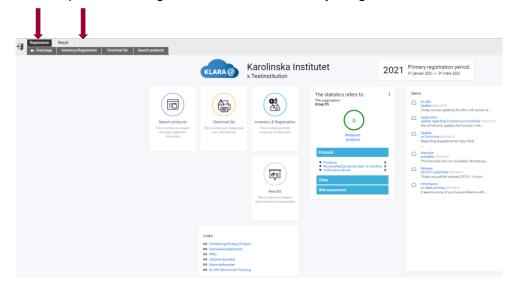


Under the "Local Information" tab, you can find information about which department has registered the product together with contact information.

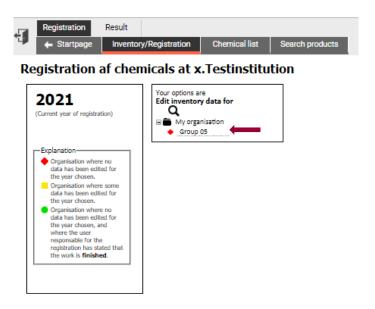


# How to perform a chemical inventory

Log into KLARA with your personal log in. The following window will come up. Go to "Registration" and "Inventory/Registration".



Choose your group, and you will get a chemical list for your group.



If you log into KLARA for the first time in a new year the following window will pop up:



Copy all data from the last registration. Most of the chemicals will be the same as during the previous year. Now you need only to update those chemicals that are consumed or have been purchased.

Choose your group again, and under "Products" you will get a chemical list for your group.



On the left side you find rooms / cabinets / shelfs. On the right side you find a list over the chemicals you registered last year in a particular storage. Some of the chemicals are marked with a colour or a sign:

Products in red are included in KI's reducing list for chemicals which should be phased out.

Products in grey are archived e.g., old chemicals with no valid SDS.

Sign " Tor substances or mixtures containing substances which are considered especially dangerous.

### How to update and register chemicals

Now you can update chemicals already in stock or register chemicals which are new for your group.

For **already registered chemicals** you click on the name of the chemical in the list.

For **new chemicals** you enter the name or parts of name with \* (English and Swedish name), CAS number, KLARA ID or article number of the chemical in the window on the right side. Choose in the hit list the chemical you want to register.



Both options will open a new window.



If you do an inventory you choose under "New record" Inventory (only available when the inventory is open once a year) or if you want to register a purchased chemical outside of inventory periods, you choose Purchase.



You can now update the amount and the supplier of a chemical. If you use bar code, you need to have one line per bottle / container.

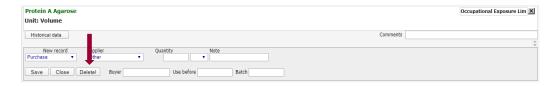
If the supplier is not in the short list over suppliers choose under "Supplier" Other and "Save".



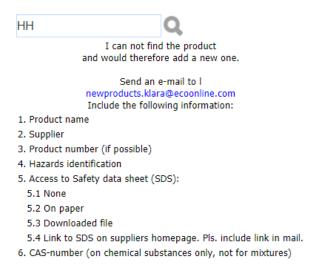
Then you click "Change", and you will get up a Supplier register where you can choose additional suppliers and "Save".



If you choose the wrong product, you could easily delete your new product.



If you want to register a new chemical which is not yet in the data base, the following window will come up:



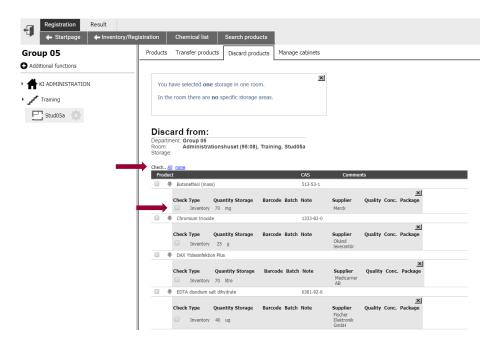
Please send an email to <a href="mailto:newproducts.klara@ecoonline.com">newproducts.klara@ecoonline.com</a> together with the requested information. For the registration of this product, you have to wait until EcoOnline has updated the data base accordingly.

### How to discard chemicals

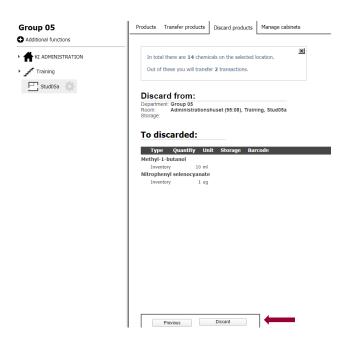
Go to "Discard products".



You can mark all chemicals in that storage or a specific chemical to discard. Then click "Next".

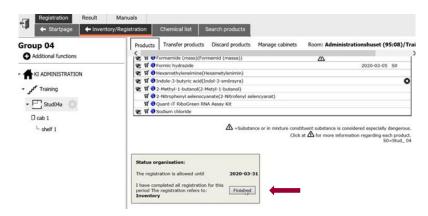


A new window will open, and you have to confirm your choice by clicking "Discard".



### How to finish the inventory

If the inventory is done, click "Finished".



Then you have to clarify if you are done for now and you will continue later or if your annual inventory is completed.



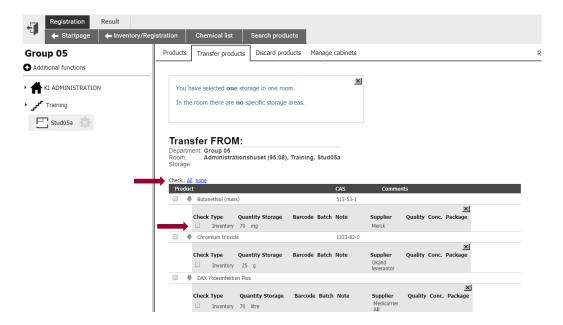
If you by mistake choose the wrong option, please contact your departmental chemicals representative.

# How to transfer chemicals

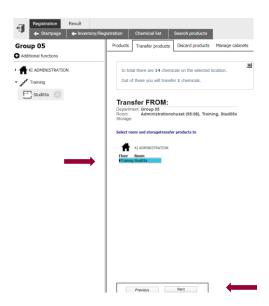
Go to "Transfer products".



You can mark all chemicals in that storage or a specific chemical to transfer. Then click "Next".



A new window will open, you have to choose the new storage place and click "Next".



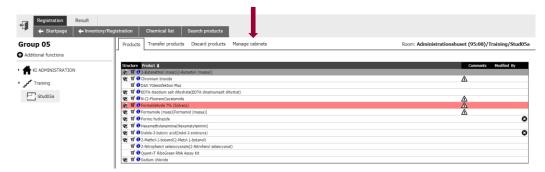
A new window will open, and you have to confirm your choice by clicking "Transfer".



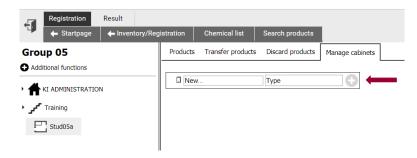
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### Handling of cabinets

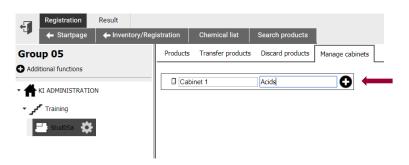
Add a new cabinet or shelf: Go to "Manage cabinets".



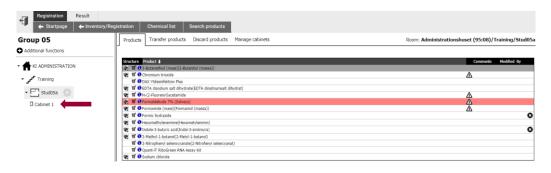
Insert the name of a new cabinet or shelf. You can even add what type of storage it is (e.g., acids).



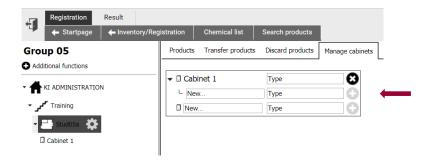
And click on the "+" sign.



The new cabinet will show up on the left side.



In the same way you can also add shelves in your cabinet 1.



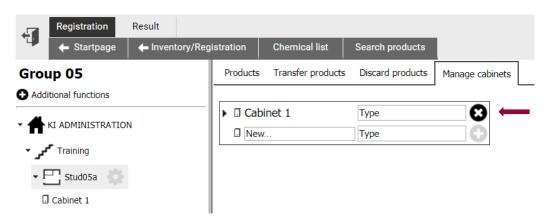
Insert the name of a new shelf and click on the "+" sign.



#### Remove cabinets or shelves:

You can take away cabinets or shelves in a similar way as you add them. Note that you can only discard a storage if you have no chemicals registered in the cabinet or shelf anymore.

Go to "Manage cabinets" and click on the "x" sign. The "x" sign will only show up if the storage is empty.



### Handling of rooms

#### Connect rooms:

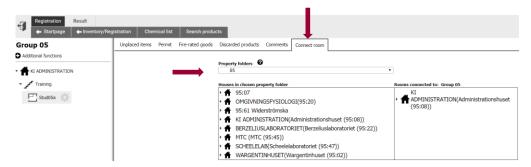
Go to Additional functions.



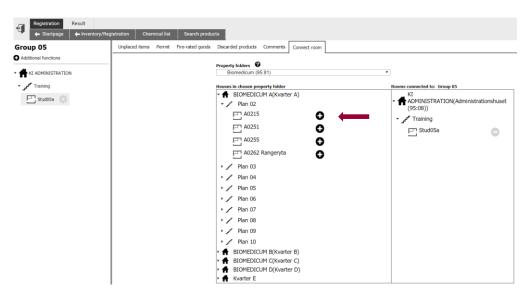
A new window opens with various functions. In this short introduction we will only talk about the "Connect room" function. The other functions

(Unplaced items, Permit, Fire-rated goods or Discarded products) will be discussed in detail in the course held by EcoOnline.

Go to "Connect room". First, select the "Property folder" that contains the house you are looking for. Once you have selected your property folder, houses included in this folder are presented in the left-hand box.



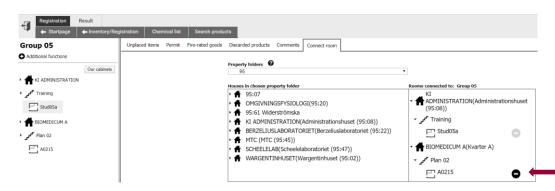
To find the room you want to connect, click on appropriate house name and floor plan. Click the plus button to connect the room. If you cannot find the room in the list, please contact your departmental administrator.



In the right-hand box all the rooms that are connected to your department / group are presented.

#### Disconnect rooms:

If you want to disconnect a room, click on the "-" sign. Note that you may only disconnect a room if it is empty.



## Other functions

### **Chemical lists**

There are two possibilities to create chemical lists.

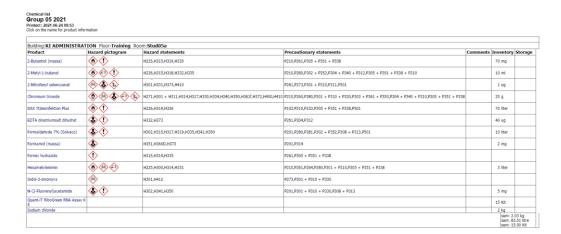
1. To print out lists with your chemicals in a certain storage, you can use the functions under the "gearwheel" next to the storage.



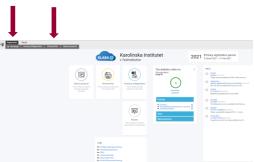
Click the "gearwheel" and choose "Chemical list".



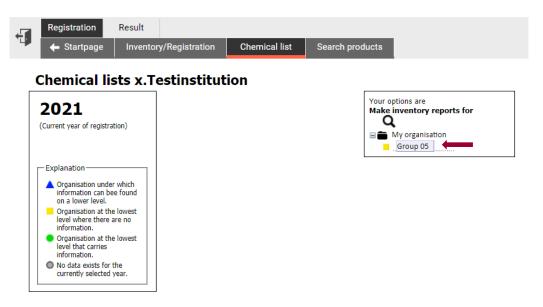
A chemical list will come up for that storage. The information you get in that list is defined by EcoOnline.



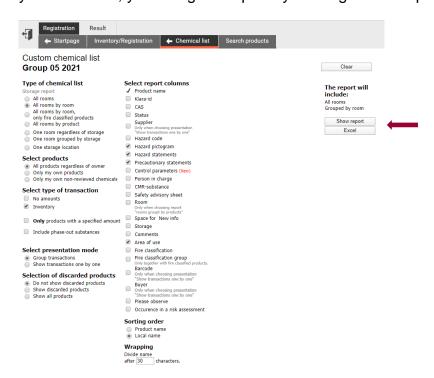
2. If you want to define an own list, go to "Registration" and "Chemical list".



### Choose your group.



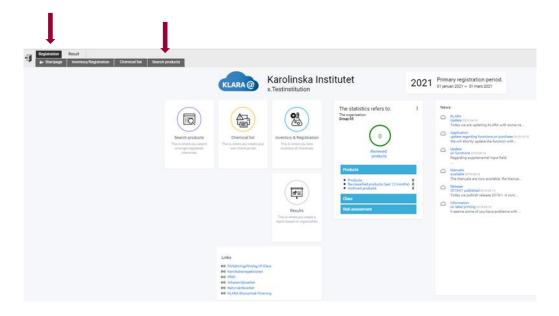
A new window will open. Here you have to do the selection for the list by yourself. For example, you can choose to get a full list of your chemicals or a list with chemicals organized by room/storage. When you have done your selection, you can get a report by clicking "Show report" or "Excel".



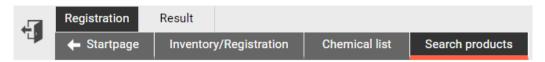
### Search for your chemicals

You have 2 different approaches to search for your chemicals. You can look for the storage location of a particular chemical and you can look for the storage place of chemicals that are on different reference lists.

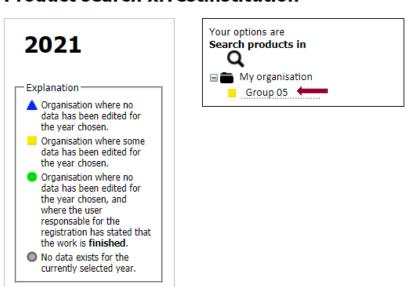
To search for chemicals in your register, go to "Registration" and "Search products".



### Choose your group.



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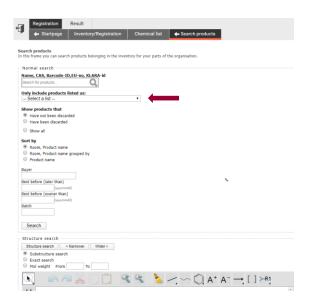
Now you can either search for a storage place for a chemical or select a reference list to see which chemicals you have according to that list.

To search for the storage location of a particular chemical put the name of the chemical in "Search for products" and click the " sign. On the right side you get a list with the storage information.

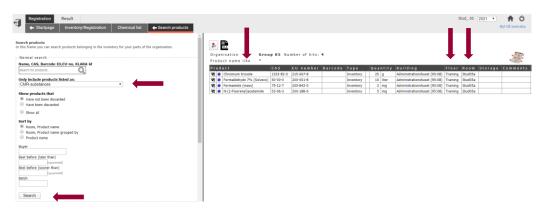


More information about "Structure search" in the course held by EcoOnline.

To search for the storage location of chemicals that are on a reference list select the reference list you are interested in.



You are able to choose a varity of reference lists, e.g., CMR-substances, A- and B-classed chemicals, Medical examination needed, Peroxid forming chemicals etc. If you have chemicals coming up by searching with such a list you may need a permit or take action in variuos ways.



There is a second option to get lists over all CMR chemicals, A and B chemicals etc. by searching under "Result" and "Organization" or "Substances".



More details about the function "Result" in the course held by EcoOnline.

Note that changes you make in the register will be seen first the next day because the system is updating during the night.

### Some final comments

- Register all your chemicals in KLARA preferably after they were delivered or during the annual inventory.
- Make sure all your products in KLARA have the latest SDS and are classified according to CLP.
- Update the register continuously during the year with "purchase" and "discard products".
- Perform the annual inventory in the beginning of each calendar year.
- In correlation to the inventory, discard unused (old) chemicals.
- Create lists to check if you have any chemicals that require permits, if you have CMR products, or if you need to do medical check-ups.
- Make sure all rooms in KLARA are labelled correct with room numbers.
- Make sure that all chemicals are stored according to KI routines / rules and that the storage places have correct labels.

Good luck!!