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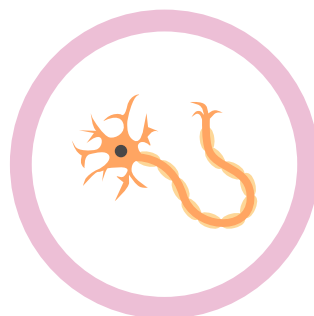


SOAPS



Potassium hydroxide is used to make liquid soaps. Potassium compounds are also used in fertilisers.

IN OUR BODIES



In humans, potassium ions regulate blood pressure and transmission of nerve impulses.

RADIOACTIVITY



The potassium-40 isotope causes low level radioactivity in bananas, and in humans and animals.