

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (4N) 99.99% Bismuth Selenide

**Product Code:** BI-SE-04

**CAS Number:** 12068-69-8

**Relevant identified uses of the substance:** Scientific research and development

Supplier details:

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## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

GHS06 Skull and crossbones

Acute Tox. 3 H301 Toxic if swallowed.

Acute Tox. 3 H331 Toxic if inhaled.

GHS08 Health hazard

STOT RE 2 H373 May cause damage to the central nervous system, the liver and the digestive system through prolonged or repeated exposure. Route of exposure: Oral, Inhalative.

Hazards not otherwise classified

No data available

GHS label elements

The product is classified and labeled in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Hazard pictograms



GHS06 GHS08

Signal word: Danger

#### Hazard statements

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#### WHMIS classification

D1A - Very toxic material causing immediate and serious toxic effects

#### Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH

FIRE

REACTIVITY

2

0

1

Health (acute effects) = 2

Flammability = 0

Physical Hazard = 1

Other hazards

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: N/A

vPvB: N/A

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## SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

#### Substances

CAS No. / Substance Name:

12068-69-8 Bismuth(III) selenide

Identification number(s):

EC number: 235-104-7

Index number: 034-002-00-8

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## SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### Description of first aid measures

##### General information

Immediately remove any clothing soiled by the product.

Remove breathing apparatus only after contaminated clothing has been completely removed.

In case of irregular breathing or respiratory arrest provide artificial respiration.

If inhaled:

Supply patient with fresh air. If not breathing, provide artificial respiration. Keep patient warm.

Seek immediate medical advice.

In case of skin contact:

Immediately wash with soap and water; rinse thoroughly.

Seek immediate medical advice.

In case of eye contact:

Rinse opened eye for several minutes under running water. Consult a physician.

If swallowed:

Do not induce vomiting; immediately call for medical help.

Information for doctor

Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

No data available

Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

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## **SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing agents

Product is not flammable. Use fire-fighting measures that suit the surrounding fire.

Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:

Metal oxide fume

Selenium dioxide (SeO<sub>2</sub>)

Advice for firefighters

Protective equipment:

Wear self-contained respirator.

Wear fully protective impervious suit.

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## **SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES**

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment. Keep unprotected persons away.

Ensure adequate ventilation

Environmental precautions:

Do not allow product to enter drains, sewage systems, or other water courses.

Methods and materials for containment and cleanup:

Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to section 13.

Ensure adequate ventilation.

Prevention of secondary hazards:

No special measures required.

Reference to other sections

See Section 7 for information on safe handling

See Section 8 for information on personal protection equipment.

See Section 13 for disposal information.

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## **SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE**

Handling

Precautions for safe handling

Keep container tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry place in tightly closed containers.  
Ensure good ventilation at the workplace.  
Open and handle container with care.  
Information about protection against explosions and fires:  
The product is not flammable  
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities  
Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:  
No special requirements.  
Information about storage in one common storage facility:  
Store away from oxidizing agents.  
Further information about storage conditions:  
Keep container tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry conditions in well-sealed containers.  
Specific end use(s)  
No data available

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## **SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION**

Additional information about design of technical systems:  
Properly operating chemical fume hood designed for hazardous chemicals and having an average face velocity of at least 100 feet per minute.  
Control parameters  
Components with limit values that require monitoring at the workplace:  
None.  
Additional information: No data  
Exposure controls  
Personal protective equipment  
Follow typical protective and hygienic practices for handling chemicals.  
Keep away from foodstuffs, beverages and feed.  
Remove all soiled and contaminated clothing immediately.  
Wash hands before breaks and at the end of work.  
Store protective clothing separately.  
Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.  
Breathing equipment:  
Use self-contained respiratory protective device in emergency situations.  
Recommended filter device for short term use:  
Use a respirator with type P100 (USA) or P3 (EN 143) cartridges as a backup to engineering controls.  
Risk assessment should be performed to determine if air-purifying respirators are appropriate. Only use equipment tested and approved under appropriate government standards.  
Protection of hands: Impervious gloves  
Inspect gloves prior to use.  
Suitability of gloves should be determined both by material and quality, the latter of which may vary by manufacturer.  
Material of gloves  
Nitrile rubber, NBR  
Penetration time of glove material (in minutes)  
480  
Glove thickness  
0.11 mm  
Eye protection: Safety glasses  
Body protection: Protective work clothing.

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## SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Information on basic physical and chemical properties

Appearance:

Form: Pieces or various forms

Color: Grey

Odor: No data available

Odor threshold: No data available.

pH: N/A

Melting point/Melting range: 710 °C (1310 °F)

Boiling point/Boiling range: No data available

Sublimation temperature / start: No data available

Flammability (solid, gas): No data available.

Ignition temperature: No data available

Decomposition temperature: No data available

Autoignition: No data available.

Danger of explosion: No data available.

Explosion limits:

Lower: No data available

Upper: No data available

Vapor pressure: N/A

Density at 20 °C (68 °F): 6.82 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (56.913 lbs/gal)

Relative density: No data available.

Vapor density: N/A

Evaporation rate: N/A

Solubility in Water (H<sub>2</sub>O): Insoluble

Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): No data available.

Viscosity:

Dynamic: N/A

Kinematic: N/A

Other information

No data available

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## SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity

No data available

Chemical stability

Stable under recommended storage conditions.

Thermal decomposition / conditions to be avoided:

Decomposition will not occur if used and stored according to specifications.

Possibility of hazardous reactions

Reacts with strong oxidizing agents

Conditions to avoid

No data available

Incompatible materials:

Oxidizing agents

Hazardous decomposition products:

Metal oxide fume

Selenium dioxide (SeO<sub>2</sub>)

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## SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity:

Toxic if inhaled.

Toxic if swallowed.

LD/LC50 values that are relevant for classification: No data

Skin irritation or corrosion: May cause irritation

Eye irritation or corrosion: May cause irritation

Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.

Germ cell mutagenicity: No effects known.

Carcinogenicity:

No classification data on carcinogenic properties of this material is available from the EPA, IARC, NTP, OSHA or ACGIH.

Reproductive toxicity: No effects known.

Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure:

May cause damage to the central nervous system, the liver and the digestive system through prolonged or repeated exposure. Route of exposure: Oral, Inhalative.

Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure: No effects known.

Aspiration hazard: No effects known.

Subacute to chronic toxicity: No effects known.

Additional toxicological information:

To the best of our knowledge the acute and chronic toxicity of this substance is not fully known.

Carcinogenic categories

OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)

Substance is not listed.

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## SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Toxicity

Aquatic toxicity:

No data available

Persistence and degradability

No data available

Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

Mobility in soil

No data available

Ecotoxicological effects:

Remark:

Very toxic for aquatic organisms

Additional ecological information:

Do not allow product to reach groundwater, water courses, or sewage systems, even in small quantities.

Danger to drinking water if even extremely small quantities leak into the ground.

Also poisonous for fish and plankton in water bodies.

May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

Avoid transfer into the environment.

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Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT: N/A

vPvB: N/A  
Other adverse effects  
No data available

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## SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Waste treatment methods  
Recommendation  
Consult official regulations to ensure proper disposal.  
Uncleaned packagings:  
Recommendation:  
Disposal must be made according to official regulations.

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## SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN-Number  
DOT, IMDG, IATA  
UN3283  
UN proper shipping name  
DOT  
Selenium compound, solid, n.o.s. (Bismuth(III) selenide)  
IMDG, IATA  
SELENIUM COMPOUND, SOLID, N.O.S. (Bismuth(III) selenide)  
Transport hazard class(es)  
DOT  
Class  
6.1 Toxic substances.  
Label  
6.1  
Class  
6.1 (T5) Toxic substances  
Label  
6.1  
IMDG, IATA  
Class  
6.1 Toxic substances.  
Label  
6.1  
Packing group  
DOT, IMDG, IATA  
III  
Environmental hazards:  
Environmentally hazardous substance, solid  
Special precautions for user  
Warning: Toxic substances  
EMS Number:  
F-A,S-A  
Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code  
N/A  
Transport/Additional information:  
DOT

Marine Pollutant (DOT):

No

UN "Model Regulation":

UN3283, Selenium compound, solid, n.o.s. (Bismuth(III) selenide), 6.1, III

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## SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture

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National regulations

All components of this product are listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical substance Inventory.

All components of this product are listed on the Canadian Domestic Substances List (DSL).

SARA Section 313 (specific toxic chemical listings)

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California Proposition 65

Prop 65 - Chemicals known to cause cancer

Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity

Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, female

Substance is not listed.

Prop 65 - Developmental toxicity, male

Substance is not listed.

Information about limitation of use:

For use only by technically qualified individuals.

This product is subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act of 1986 and 40CFR372.

Other regulations, limitations and prohibitive regulations

Substance of Very High Concern (SVHC) according to the REACH Regulations (EC) No. 1907/2006.

Substance is not listed.

The conditions of restrictions according to Article 67 and Annex XVII of the Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH) for the manufacturing, placing on the market and use must be observed.

Substance is not listed.

Annex XIV of the REACH Regulations (requiring Authorisation for use)  
Substance is not listed.  
Chemical safety assessment:  
A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

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## 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Safety Data Sheet according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH). The above information is believed to be correct but does not purport to be all inclusive and shall be used only as a guide. The information in this document is based on the present state of our knowledge and is applicable to the product with regard to appropriate safety precautions. It does not represent any guarantee of the properties of the product. American Elements shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale. COPYRIGHT 1997-2022 AMERICAN ELEMENTS. LICENSED GRANTED TO MAKE UNLIMITED PAPER COPIES FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY.