

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (3N) 99.9% Zinc Germanium Phosphide Powder

**Product Code:** ZN-GEP-03-P

**CAS Number:** N/A

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

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## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

CLP Classification - Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

Physical hazards:

Substances/mixtures which, in contact with water, emit flammable gases Category 1 (H260)

Health hazards:

Acute oral toxicity Category 2 (H300)

Environmental hazards:

Acute aquatic toxicity Category 1 (H400)

Chronic aquatic toxicity Category 1 (H410)



Signal Word: Danger

Hazard Statements:

H260 - In contact with water releases flammable gases which may ignite spontaneously

H300 - Fatal if swallowed

H410 - Very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects

EUH029 - Contact with water liberates toxic gas

EUH032 - Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas

Precautionary Statements:

P231 + P232 - Handle under inert gas. Protect from moisture

P280 - Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection  
P335 + P334 - Brush off loose particles from skin. Immerse in cool water/ wrap in wet bandages  
P264 - Wash face, hands and any exposed skin thoroughly after handling  
P301 + P310 - IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician  
P330 - Rinse mouth  
Other hazards:  
No information available

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## **SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS**

CAS-No / Component:  
1314-84-7 / Zinc Phosphide  
Germanium Phosphide

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## **SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES**

General Advice:  
Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Immediate medical attention is required.  
Eye Contact:  
In the case of contact with eyes, rinse immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.  
Skin Contact:  
Wash off immediately with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. Immediate medical attention is required.  
Ingestion:  
Do not induce vomiting. Call a physician or Poison Control Center immediately.  
Inhalation:  
Move to fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Do not use mouth-to-mouth method if victim ingested or inhaled the substance; give artificial respiration with the aid of a pocket mask equipped with a one-way valve or other proper respiratory medical device. Immediate medical attention is required.  
Self-Protection of the First Aider:  
Ensure that medical personnel are aware of the material(s) involved, take precautions to protect themselves and prevent spread of contamination.  
Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed:  
None reasonably foreseeable  
Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed:  
Notes to Physician Treat symptomatically.

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## **SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

Extinguishing media  
Suitable Extinguishing Media:  
Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>). Dry chemical. Dry sand.  
Extinguishing media which must not be used for safety reasons:  
Water. Contact with water liberates toxic gas.  
Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture:  
Contact with water liberates toxic gas. Do not allow run-off from fire fighting to enter drains or water courses  
Hazardous Combustion Products:  
Phosphine, oxides of phosphorus, Zinc oxide.

Advice for firefighters:

As in any fire, wear self-contained breathing apparatus pressure-demand, MSHA/NIOSH (approved or equivalent) and full protective gear. Thermal decomposition can lead to release of irritating gases and vapors.

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

Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures:

Ensure adequate ventilation. Use personal protective equipment. Avoid dust formation. Keep people away from and upwind of spill/leak. Evacuate personnel to safe areas.

Environmental precautions:

Do not flush into surface water or sanitary sewer system. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system. Prevent product from entering drains. Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

Methods and material for containment and cleaning up:

Sweep up or vacuum up spillage and collect in suitable container for disposal. Avoid dust formation. Do not expose spill to water.

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

Precautions for safe handling:

Wear personal protective equipment. Do not get in eyes, on skin, or on clothing. Avoid dust formation. Use only under a chemical fume hood. Do not breathe vapors/dust. Do not ingest. Do not allow contact with water.

Hygiene Measures:

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Keep away from food, drink and animal feeding stuffs. Do not eat, drink or smoke when using this product. Remove and wash contaminated clothing before re-use. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities:

Keep away from water.

Specific end use(s):

Use in laboratories

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

Control parameters

Exposure limits

List source(s):

Biological limit values:

This product, as supplied, does not contain any hazardous materials with biological limits established by the region specific regulatory bodies

Monitoring methods:

BS EN 14042:2003 Title Identifier: Workplace atmospheres. Guide for the application and use of procedures for the assessment of exposure to chemical and biological agents. MDHS14/3 General methods for sampling and gravimetric analysis of respirable and inhalable dust

Derived No Effect Level (DNEL):

No information available

Route of exposure:

Oral

Dermal

Inhalation

Predicted No Effect Concentration (PNEC):

No information available

Exposure controls:

Engineering Measures:

Ensure adequate ventilation, especially in confined areas. Wherever possible, engineering control measures such as the isolation or enclosure of the process, the introduction of process or equipment changes to minimise release or contact, and the use of properly designed ventilation systems, should be adopted to control hazardous materials at source

Personal protective equipment

Eye Protection:

Safety glasses with side-shields (European standard - EN 166)

Hand Protection:

Protective gloves

Glove material: Natural rubber, Nitrile rubber, Neoprene, PVC

Breakthrough time: See manufacturer's recommendations

Glove thickness:

EU standard: EN 374

Glove comments: (minimum requirement)

Skin and body protection:

Long sleeved clothing

Respiratory Protection:

When workers are facing concentrations above the exposure limit they must use appropriate certified respirators. To protect the wearer, respiratory protective equipment must be the correct fit and be used and maintained properly

Large scale/emergency use:

Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 136 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced

Recommended Filter type: Particulates filter conforming to EN 143

Small scale/Laboratory use:

Use a NIOSH/MSHA or European Standard EN 149:2001 approved respirator if exposure limits are exceeded or if irritation or other symptoms are experienced.

Recommended half mask:- Particle filtering: EN149:2001

When RPE is used a face piece Fit Test should be conducted

Environmental exposure controls:

Prevent product from entering drains. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system.

Local authorities should be advised if significant spillages cannot be contained.

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## SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Physical State: Powder

Odor: Characteristic

Odor Threshold: No data available

pH: No information available

Melting Point/Range: No data available

Softening Point: No data available

Boiling Point/Range: No data available

Flash Point: No information available

Evaporation Rate: Not applicable

Flammability (solid,gas): No information available

Explosion Limits: No data available

Vapor Pressure: No data available

Vapor Density: Not applicable

Specific Gravity / Density: No data available  
Bulk Density: No data available  
Water Solubility: No information available  
Solubility in other solvents: No information available  
Partition Coefficient (n-octanol/water)  
Autoignition Temperature: No data available  
Decomposition Temperature: No data available  
Viscosity: Not applicable  
Explosive Properties: No information available  
Oxidizing Properties: No information available  
Other information:  
Molecular Formula: ZnGeP2

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## SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Reactivity:  
Yes Contact with acids liberates very toxic gas  
Chemical stability:  
Stable under normal conditions  
Possibility of hazardous reactions:  
Hazardous Polymerization: No information available.  
Hazardous Reactions: None under normal processing.  
Conditions to avoid:  
Exposure to moist air or water. Exposure to moisture.  
Incompatible materials:  
None known.  
Hazardous decomposition products:  
Phosphine. oxides of phosphorus. Zinc oxide

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## SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects  
Product Information:  
(a) acute toxicity;  
Oral Category 2  
Dermal Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
Inhalation Based on available data, the classification criteria are not met  
Component: Zinc phosphide  
LD50 Oral: LD50 = 12 mg/kg ( Rat ); LD50 = 42.6 mg/kg ( Rat )  
LD50 Dermal: LD50 = 2 g/kg ( Rabbit ); LD50 = 1123 mg/kg ( Rat )  
(b) skin corrosion/irritation; No data available  
(c) serious eye damage/irritation; No data available  
(d) respiratory or skin sensitization;  
Respiratory No data available  
Skin No data available  
(e) germ cell mutagenicity; No data available  
(f) carcinogenicity; No data available  
There are no known carcinogenic chemicals in this product  
(g) reproductive toxicity; No data available  
(h) STOT-single exposure; No data available  
(i) STOT-repeated exposure; No data available

Target Organs None known.  
(j) aspiration hazard; Not applicable

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## SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### Toxicity

#### Ecotoxicity effects:

Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment. The product contains following substances which are hazardous for the environment.

#### Persistence and degradability:

No information available

#### Degradability:

Not relevant for inorganic substances.

#### Degradation in sewage treatment plant:

Contains substances known to be hazardous to the environment or not degradable in waste water treatment plants.

#### Bioaccumulative potential:

No information available

#### Mobility in soil:

No information available

#### Results of PBT and vPvB assessment:

No data available for assessment.

#### Other adverse effects:

#### Endocrine Disruptor Information:

This product does not contain any known or suspected endocrine disruptors

#### Persistent Organic Pollutant:

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

#### Ozone Depletion Potential:

This product does not contain any known or suspected substance

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## SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### Waste treatment methods

#### Waste from Residues / Unused Products:

Waste is classified as hazardous. Dispose of in accordance with the European Directives on waste and hazardous waste. Dispose of in accordance with local regulations.

#### Contaminated Packaging:

Dispose of this container to hazardous or special waste collection point. Empty containers retain product residue, (liquid and/or vapor), and can be dangerous. Keep product and empty container away from heat and sources of ignition.

#### European Waste Catalogue (EWC):

According to the European Waste Catalogue, Waste Codes are not product specific, but application specific.

#### Other Information:

Do not dispose of waste into sewer. Waste codes should be assigned by the user based on the application for which the product was used. Can be incinerated, when in compliance with local regulations. Do not let this chemical enter the environment. Do not empty into drains.

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## SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

IMDG/IMO

UN number UN1714

UN proper shipping name ZINC PHOSPHIDE

Transport hazard class(es) 4.3

Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1

Packing group I

ADR

UN number UN1714

UN proper shipping name ZINC PHOSPHIDE

Transport hazard class(es) 4.3

Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1

Packing group I

IATA

UN number UN1714

UN proper shipping name ZINC PHOSPHIDE

Transport hazard class(es) 4.3

Subsidiary Hazard Class 6.1

Packing group I

Environmental hazards:

Dangerous for the environment

Product is a marine pollutant according to the criteria set by IMDG/IMO

Special precautions for user:

No special precautions required

Transport in bulk according to Annex II of MARPOL73/78 and the IBC Code:

Not applicable, packaged goods

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## SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

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

Component: Zinc phosphide

EINECS: 215-244-5

ELINCS: -

NLP

TSCA: X

DSL: -

NDSL: X

PICCS: X

ENCS: X

IECSC: X

AICS: X

KECL: X

WGK Classification Water endangering class = 3 (self classification)

Component: Zinc phosphide

Germany - Water Classification (VwVwS): WGK 3

Germany - TA-Luft Class

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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

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