

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Name:** Hafnium Oxide Powder

**Product Number:** All applicable American Elements product codes, e.g. HF-OX-02-P , HF-OX-03-P , HF-OX-04-P , HF-OX-05-P

**CAS #:** 12055-23-1

**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

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

The substance is not classified as hazardous to health or the environment according to the CLP regulation.

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC

N/A

Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment:

No data available

Hazards not otherwise classified

No data available

Label elements

Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

N/A

Hazard pictograms

N/A

Signal word

N/A

Hazard statements

N/A

WHMIS classification

Not controlled  
Classification system  
HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)  
(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH

FIRE

REACTIVITY

1

0

0

Health (acute effects) = 1

Flammability = 0

Physical Hazard = 0

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:

12055-23-1 Hafnium(IV) oxide

Identification number(s):

EC number:

235-013-2

Additional information:

Hafnium is routinely found with a low level of zirconium since separation of the two elements is difficult.

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

Description of first aid measures

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:

Seek medical treatment.

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

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 material to be released to the environment without official permits.

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

Do not allow material to penetrate the ground or soil.

Methods and materials for containment and cleanup:

Pick up mechanically.

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.

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:

12055-23-1 Hafnium(IV) oxide (100.0%)

PEL (USA) Long-term value: 0.5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
as Hf

REL (USA) Long-term value: 0.5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
as Hf

TLV (USA) Long-term value: 0.5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
as Hf

EL (Canada) Long-term value: 0.5 mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
as Hf

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.

Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.

Breathing equipment:

Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.

Recommended filter device for short term use:

Use a respirator with type N95 (USA) or PE (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)

No data available

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  
Color: Off-white  
Odor: Odorless  
Odor threshold: No data available.  
pH: N/A  
Melting point/Melting range: 2774 °C (5025 °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): 9.68 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (80.78 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

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## **SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity:

No effects known.

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: No effects known.

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.

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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

Additional ecological information:

Do not allow material to be released to the environment without official permits.

Avoid transfer into the environment.

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, ADN, IMDG, IATA  
N/A  
UN proper shipping name  
DOT, ADN, IMDG, IATA  
N/A  
Transport hazard class(es)  
DOT, ADR, ADN, IMDG, IATA  
Class  
N/A  
Packing group  
DOT, IMDG, IATA  
N/A  
Environmental hazards: N/A  
Special precautions for user  
N/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

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## **SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION**

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture  
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)  
Substance is not listed.  
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.  
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.  
REACH - Pre-registered substances  
Substance is listed.  
Chemical safety assessment:  
A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

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## **SECTION 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 1997-2021 AMERICAN ELEMENTS. LICENSED GRANTED TO MAKE UNLIMITED PAPER COPIES FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY.