SAFETY DATA SHEET

SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Name: Niobium Selenide

Product Number: All applicable American Elements product codes, e.g. NB-SE-05-I 05, NB-SE-05-L 05, NB-SE-05-P 05, NB-SE-05-ST 05, NB-SE-05-WF 05

CAS #: 12034-77-4

Relevant identified uses of the substance: Scientific research and development

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SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture
Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008
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.

Classification according to Directive 67/548/EEC or Directive 1999/45/EC
T: Toxic
R23/25: Toxic by inhalation and if swallowed.
N; Dangerous for the environment
R50/53: Very toxic to aquatic organisms, may cause long-term adverse effects in the aquatic environment.
R33: Danger of cumulative effects.

Information concerning particular hazards for human and environment:
N/A
Hazards not otherwise classified
No data available
Label elements
Labelling according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008
The substance is classified and labeled according to the CLP regulation.

Hazard pictograms

GHS06
GHS08
Signal word
Danger

Hazard statements
H301+H331 Toxic if swallowed or if inhaled.
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.

Precautionary statements
P260 Do not breathe dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.
P301+P310 IF SWALLOWED: Immediately call a POISON CENTER/ doctor/...
P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.
P405 Store locked up.
P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/
national/international regulations.

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

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Substances
CAS No. / Substance Name:
12034-77-4 Niobium selenide
Identification number(s):
EC number:
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

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:
Hydrogen selenide
Advice for firefighters
Protective equipment:
Wear self-contained respirator.
Wear fully protective impervious suit.

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:
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.

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

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:
Selenium and selenium compounds (as Se)
mg/m3
ACGIH TLV 0.2
Austria MAK 0.1
Belgium TWA 0.2
Denmark TWA 0.1
Finland TWA 0.1; 0.3-STE
Germany MAK 0.1
Hungary 0.1-STE
Japan OEL 0.1
Korea TLV 0.2
Netherlands MAC-TGG 0.2
Poland TWA 0.1; 0.3-STE
Sweden NGV 0.1
Switzerland MAK-W 0.1  
United Kingdom TWA 0.1  
USA PEL 0.2  
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.  

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.  

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: Powder or solid  
Color: Black  
Odor: Odorless  
Odor threshold: No data available.  

pH: N/A  
Melting point/Melting range: 1316 °C (2401 °F)  
Boiling point/Boiling range: No data available  
Sublimation temperature / start: No data available  

Flash point: N/A  
Flammability (solid, gas)  
No data available.  
Ignition temperature: No data available  
Decomposition temperature: No data available  
Autoignition: No data available.  
Danger of explosion: Product does not present an explosion hazard.  

Explosion limits:  
Lower: No data available  
Upper: No data available  

Vapor pressure: N/A  
Density: No data available  
Relative density  
No data available.  

Vapor density  
N/A
Evaporation rate
N/A
Solubility in Water (H₂O): Insoluble
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): No data available.
Viscosity:
Dynamic: N/A
Kinematic: N/A
Other information
No data available

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
No dangerous reactions known
Conditions to avoid
No data available
Incompatible materials:
Bases
Oxidizing agents
Hazardous decomposition products:
Hydrogen selenide

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:
Irritant to skin and mucous membranes.
Eye irritation or corrosion:
Irritating effect.
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:
Niobium compounds have caused liver damage in animal studies. Niobium metal has caused kidney damage in experimental animals and fibrogenic effects on the lungs of experimental animals. Selenium may cause amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, bronchial irritation, gastrointestinal distress, vasopharyngeal irritation, garlic odor on breath and sweat, metallic taste, pallor, irritability, excessive fatigue, loss of fingernails and hair, pulmonary edema, anemia and weight loss.
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.

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 material to be released to the environment without official permits.
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.
Very toxic for aquatic organisms
Results of PBT and vPvB assessment
PBT:
N/A
vPvB:
N/A
Other adverse effects
No data available

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.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN-Number
DOT, IMDG, IATA
UN3283
UN proper shipping name
DOT
Selenium compound, solid, n.o.s. (Niobium selenide)
IMDG, IATA
SELENIUM COMPOUND, SOLID, N.O.S. (Niobium 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
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. (Niobium selenide), 6.1, III

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 Non-Domestic Substances List (NDSL).
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 contains selenium and is subject to the reporting requirements of section 313 of the
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.

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Safety Data Sheet according to Regulation (EC) No. 1907/2006 (REACH). The above information is
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