

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (3N) 99.9% Germanium Antimony Telluride

**Product Code:** GE-SBTE-03-C

**CAS Number:** 243854-63-9

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

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## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

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

GHS07

Acute Tox. 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.

Acute Tox. 4 H332 Harmful if inhaled.

Hazards not otherwise classified

No data available

GHS label elements

GHS label elements, including precautionary statements

Hazard pictograms



Signal word

Warning

Hazard statements

H302+H332 Harmful if swallowed or if inhaled.

Precautionary statements

P261

Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

P264

Wash thoroughly after handling.

P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing.

P301+P312 IF SWALLOWED: Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/.../if you feel unwell.

P312

Call a POISON CENTER/doctor/.../if you feel unwell.

P501

Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/national/international regulations.

WHMIS classification

D1B - Toxic material causing immediate and serious toxic effects

Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

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**

Product name: Germanium antimony telluride

Formula:  $\text{Ge}_2\text{Sb}_2\text{Te}_5$

CAS #: 7440-56-4/7440-36-0/13494-80-9

Molecular weight: 1026.80

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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:

Toxic 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.

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.

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:

No data available

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

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.

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: Target/Sheet

Color: Grey

Odor: Odorless

Odor threshold: No data available.

pH: N/A

Melting point/Melting range: No data available

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

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

No dangerous reactions known

Conditions to avoid

No data available

Incompatible materials:

No data available

Hazardous decomposition products:

Toxic metal oxide fume

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## **SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION**

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity:

Harmful if inhaled.

Harmful 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:

Sensitization possible through skin contact.

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:

Antimony compounds may cause metallic taste, gastrointestinal disturbances, vomiting, diarrhea, dizziness and systemic poisoning. Chronic exposure may cause liver and kidney damage. Dermatitis and eczematous skin eruptions may result from skin contact.

Tellurium is converted in the body to dimethyl telluride which imparts a garlic-like odor to the breath and sweat. Heavy exposure may result in headache, drowsiness, metallic taste, loss of appetite, nausea, tremors, convulsions, and respiratory arrest.

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

Ecotoxicological effects:

Remark:

Toxic for aquatic organisms

Additional ecological information:

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

Toxic for aquatic organisms

Do not allow product to reach groundwater, water courses, or sewage systems.

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

Also poisonous for fish and plankton in water bodies.

Toxic to aquatic life.

May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

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

Not a hazardous material for transportation.

UN-Number

DOT, IMDG, IATA

None

UN proper shipping name

DOT, IMDG, IATA

None

Transport hazard class(es)

DOT, ADR, IMDG, IATA

Class

None

Packing group

DOT, IMDG, IATA

None

Environmental hazards:

Environmentally hazardous substance, solid

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:

Not dangerous according to the above specifications.

DOT

Marine Pollutant (DOT):

No

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## SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

National regulations

This product is not listed in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Toxic Substances Control Act Chemical Substance Inventory. Use of this product is restricted to research and development only.

This product must be used by or directly under the supervision of a technically qualified individual as defined by TSCA. This product must not be used for commercial purposes or in formulations for commercial purposes.

Germanium Antimony Telluride

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 antimony and 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 1997-2019 AMERICAN ELEMENTS. LICENSED GRANTED TO MAKE UNLIMITED PAPER COPIES FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY.