

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (5N) 99.999% Tetraethoxygermanium

**Product Code:** 4ETOX-GE-05

**CAS Number:** 14165-55-0

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

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## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

GHS Classification in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)

Flammable liquids (Category 3), H226

Skin irritation (Category 2), H315

Eye irritation (Category 2A), H319

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure (Category 3), Respiratory system, H335

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements



Pictogram

Signal word Warning

Hazard statement(s)

H226 Flammable liquid and vapor.

H315 Causes skin irritation.

H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

Precautionary statement(s)

P210 Keep away from heat/sparks/open flames/hot surfaces. - No smoking.

P233 Keep container tightly closed.  
P240 Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.  
P241 Use explosion-proof electrical/ ventilating/ lighting/ equipment.  
P242 Use only non-sparking tools.  
P243 Take precautionary measures against static discharge.  
P261 Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ Vapors/ spray.  
P264 Wash skin thoroughly after handling.  
P271 Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.  
P280 Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.  
P303 + P361 + P353 IF ON SKIN (or hair): Remove/ Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/ shower.  
P304 + P340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.  
P305 + P351 + P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.  
P312 Call a POISON CENTER or doctor/ physician if you feel unwell.  
P321 Specific treatment (see supplemental first aid instructions on this label).  
P332 + P313 If skin irritation occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.  
P337 + P313 If eye irritation persists: Get medical advice/ attention.  
P362 Take off contaminated clothing and wash before reuse.  
P370 + P378 In case of fire: Use dry sand, dry chemical or alcohol-resistant foam for extinction.  
P403 + P233 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep container tightly closed.  
P403 + P235 Store in a well-ventilated place. Keep cool.  
P405 Store locked up.  
P501 Dispose of contents/ container to an approved waste disposal plant.  
2.3 Hazards not otherwise classified (HNOC) or not covered by GHS - none

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## SECTION 3. COMPOSITION/INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

### 3.1 Substances

Synonyms : Tetraethoxygermanium

Formula : C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>20</sub>GeO<sub>4</sub>

Molecular weight : 252.88 g/mol

CAS-No. : 14165-55-0

EC-No. : 238-007-8

Hazardous components

Component Classification Concentration

Germanium(IV) ethoxide

Flam. Liq. 3; Skin Irrit. 2; Eye

Irrit. 2A; STOT SE 3; H226,

H315, H319, H335

<= 100 %

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## SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

### 4.1 Description of first aid measures

General advice

Consult a physician. Show this safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance. Move out of dangerous area.

If inhaled

If breathed in, move person into fresh air. If not breathing, give artificial respiration. Consult a physician.

In case of skin contact

Wash off with soap and plenty of water. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact

Rinse thoroughly with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes and consult a physician.

If swallowed

Do NOT induce vomiting. Never give anything by mouth to an unconscious person. Rinse mouth with water. Consult a physician.

4.2 Most important symptoms and effects, both acute and delayed

The most important known symptoms and effects are described in the labelling (see section 2.2) and/or in section 11

4.3 Indication of any immediate medical attention and special treatment needed

No data available

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## **SECTION 5. FIREFIGHTING MEASURES**

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media

Use water spray, alcohol-resistant foam, dry chemical or carbon dioxide.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture

Carbon oxides, Germanium oxides

5.3 Advice for firefighters

Wear self-contained breathing apparatus for firefighting if necessary.

5.4 Further information

Use water spray to cool unopened containers.

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

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures

Use personal protective equipment. Avoid breathing Vapors, mist or gas. Ensure adequate ventilation.

Remove all

sources of ignition. Evacuate personnel to safe areas. Beware of Vapors accumulating to form explosive

concentrations. Vapors can accumulate in low areas.

For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

6.3 Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up

Contain spillage, and then collect with an electrically protected vacuum cleaner or by wet-brushing and place in

container for disposal according to local regulations (see section 13).

6.4 Reference to other sections

For disposal see section 13.

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

7.1 Precautions for safe handling

Avoid contact with skin and eyes. Avoid inhalation of Vapor or mist.

Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Take measures to prevent the build up of electrostatic charge.

For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities

Keep container tightly closed in a dry and well-ventilated place. Containers which are opened must be carefully

resealed and kept upright to prevent leakage.

Moisture sensitive.

7.3 Specific end use(s)

Apart from the uses mentioned in section 1.2 no other specific uses are stipulated

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

8.1 Control parameters

Components with workplace control parameters

Contains no substances with occupational exposure limit values.

8.2 Exposure controls

Appropriate engineering controls

Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice. Wash hands before breaks and at the end of workday.

Personal protective equipment

Eye/face protection

Face shield and safety glasses Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate

government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU).

Skin protection

Handle with gloves. Gloves must be inspected prior to use. Use proper glove removal technique (without

touching glove's outer surface) to avoid skin contact with this product. Dispose of contaminated gloves after

use in accordance with applicable laws and good laboratory practices. Wash and dry hands.

Body Protection

impervious clothing, Flame retardant antistatic protective clothing., The type of protective equipment must be

selected according to the concentration and amount of the dangerous substance at the specific workplace.

Respiratory protection

Where risk assessment shows air-purifying respirators are appropriate use a full-face respirator with multipurpose

combination (US) or type ABEK (EN 14387) respirator cartridges as a backup to engineering controls.

If the respirator is the sole means of protection, use a full-face supplied air respirator. Use respirators and

components tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or CEN (EU).

Control of environmental exposure

Prevent further leakage or spillage if safe to do so. Do not let product enter drains.

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## **SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES**

#### 9.1 Information on basic physical and chemical properties

- a) Appearance Form: liquid
  - b) Odor No data available
  - c) Odor Threshold No data available
  - d) pH No data available
  - e) Melting point/freezing point  
Melting point/range: -72 °C (-98 °F)
  - f) Initial boiling point and boiling range  
No data available
  - g) Flash point No data available
  - h) Evaporation rate No data available
  - i) Flammability (solid, gas) No data available
  - j) Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits  
No data available
  - k) Vapor pressure No data available
  - l) Vapor density No data available
  - m) Relative density 1.14 g/cm<sup>3</sup> at 25 °C (77 °F)
  - n) Water solubility No data available
  - o) Partition coefficient: noctanol/water  
No data available
  - p) Auto-ignition temperature  
No data available
  - q) Decomposition temperature  
No data available
  - r) Viscosity No data available
  - s) Explosive properties No data available
  - t) Oxidizing properties No data available
- #### 9.2 Other safety information
- No data available
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## SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

- #### 10.1 Reactivity
- No data available
- #### 10.2 Chemical stability
- Stable under recommended storage conditions.
- #### 10.3 Possibility of hazardous reactions
- No data available
- #### 10.4 Conditions to avoid
- Humid air  
Heat, flames and sparks.
- #### 10.5 Incompatible materials
- Strong oxidizing agents
- #### 10.6 Hazardous decomposition products
- Other decomposition products - No data available  
In the event of fire: see section 5

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## SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 11.1 Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity

No data available

Dermal: No data available

No data available

Skin corrosion/irritation

No data available

Serious eye damage/eye irritation

No data available

Respiratory or skin sensitisation

No data available

Germ cell mutagenicity

No data available

Carcinogenicity

IARC: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.

ACGIH: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by ACGIH.

NTP: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a known or anticipated carcinogen by NTP.

OSHA: No component of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as a carcinogen or potential carcinogen by OSHA.

Reproductive toxicity

No data available

No data available

Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure

Inhalation - May cause respiratory irritation.

Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure

No data available

Aspiration hazard

No data available

Additional Information

RTECS: Not available

To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.

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## SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

### 12.1 Toxicity

No data available

### 12.2 Persistence and degradability

No data available

### 12.3 Bioaccumulative potential

No data available

### 12.4 Mobility in soil

No data available

### 12.5 Results of PBT and vPvB assessment

PBT/vPvB assessment not available as chemical safety assessment not required/not conducted

## 12.6 Other adverse effects

No data available

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## SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

### 13.1 Waste treatment methods

#### Product

Burn in a chemical incinerator equipped with an afterburner and scrubber but exert extra care in igniting as this

material is highly flammable. Offer surplus and non-recyclable solutions to a licensed disposal company. Contact a

licensed professional waste disposal service to dispose of this material.

#### Contaminated packaging

Dispose of as unused product.

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## SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

### DOT (US)

UN number: 1993 Class: 3 Packing group: III

Proper shipping name: Flammable liquids, n.o.s. (Germanium(IV) ethoxide)

Reportable Quantity (RQ):

Poison Inhalation Hazard: No

### IMDG

UN number: 1993 Class: 3 Packing group: III EMS-No: F-E, S-E

Proper shipping name: FLAMMABLE LIQUID, N.O.S. (Germanium(IV) ethoxide)

### IATA

UN number: 1993 Class: 3 Packing group: III

Proper shipping name: Flammable liquid, n.o.s. (Germanium(IV) ethoxide)

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## SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

### SARA 302 Components

No chemicals in this material are subject to the reporting requirements of SARA Title III, Section 302.

### SARA 313 Components

This material does not contain any chemical components with known CAS numbers that exceed the threshold (De

Minimis) reporting levels established by SARA Title III, Section 313.

### SARA 311/312 Hazards

Fire Hazard, Acute Health Hazard

### Massachusetts Right To Know Components

No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.

### Pennsylvania Right To Know Components

Germanium(IV) ethoxide

CAS-No.

14165-55-0

### Revision Date

### New Jersey Right To Know Components

Germanium(IV) ethoxide

CAS-No.

14165-55-0

Revision Date

California Prop. 65 Components

This product does not contain any chemicals known to State of California to cause cancer, birth defects, or any other reproductive harm.

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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.