

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (3N) 99.9% Samarium Cobalt (SmCo5) Powder

**Product Code:** SM-CO-03-P

**CAS Number:** 12017-68-4

**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

GHS02 Flame

Flam. Sol. 2 H228 Flammable solid.

GHS08 Health hazard

Resp. Sens. 1 H334 May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

GHS07

Skin Sens. 1 H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.

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



GHS02

GHS08

Signal word

Danger

Hazard statements

H228 Flammable solid.

H334 May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

H317 May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Precautionary statements

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

P284 In case of inadequate ventilation wear respiratory protection.

P261 Avoid breathing dust/fume/gas/mist/vapors/spray.

P280 Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection.

P363 Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.

P501 Dispose of contents/container in accordance with local/regional/  
national/international regulations.

WHMIS classification

B4 - Flammable solid

D2A - Very toxic material causing other toxic effects

Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH

FIRE

REACTIVITY

1

2

2

Health (acute effects) = 1

Flammability = 2

Physical Hazard = 2

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:

12017-68-4 Samarium cobalt

Identification number(s):

EC number:

234-625-7

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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  
Special powder for metal fires. Do not use water.  
For safety reasons unsuitable extinguishing agents  
Water  
Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture  
If this product is involved in a fire, the following can be released:  
Metal oxide fume  
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  
Keep away from ignition sources  
Environmental precautions:  
Do not allow material to be released to the environment without official permits.  
Methods and materials for containment and cleanup:  
Keep away from ignition sources.  
Dispose of contaminated material as waste according to section 13.  
Ensure adequate ventilation.  
Prevention of secondary hazards:  
Keep away from ignition sources.  
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.  
Prevent formation of dust.  
Information about protection against explosions and fires:  
Protect against electrostatic charges.  
Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities  
Requirements to be met by storerooms and receptacles:  
Store in a cool location.  
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**

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:  
Cobalt, elemental & inorganic compounds, as Co  
mg/m<sup>3</sup>  
ACGIH TLV 0.02; Confirmed animal carcinogen  
Austria Carcinogen  
Belgium TWA 0.05  
Denmark TWA 0.05  
Finland TWA 0.05 (skin)  
Germany Carcinogen  
Hungary TWA 0.1; 0.2-STEL  
Japan OEL 0.05; 2B Carcinogen  
Korea TLV 0.02; Confirmed animal carcinogen  
Ireland TWA 0.1  
Netherlands MAC-TGG 0.05  
Norway TWA 0.05  
Poland TWA 0.05; 0.2-STEL  
Russia 0.5-STEL  
Sweden NGV 0.05  
Switzerland MAK-W 0.1; Carcinogen  
United Kingdom TWA 0.1  
USA PEL 0.1 (dust and fume)  
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.

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

Odor: Odorless

Odor threshold: No data available.

pH: N/A

Melting point/Melting range: 1325 °C (2417 °F)

Boiling point/Boiling range: No data available

Sublimation temperature / start: No data available

Flash point: N/A

Flammability (solid, gas)

Highly flammable.

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: No data available

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:

None known.

No data available

Hazardous decomposition products:

Metal oxide fume

Toxic 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:

Irritant to skin and mucous membranes.

Eye irritation or corrosion:

Irritating effect.

Sensitization:

May cause allergy or asthma symptoms or breathing difficulties if inhaled.

May cause an allergic skin reaction.

Germ cell mutagenicity:

No effects known.

Carcinogenicity:

IARC-2B: Possibly carcinogenic to humans: limited evidence in humans in the absence of sufficient evidence in experimental animals.

ACGIH A3: Animal carcinogen: Agent is carcinogenic in experimental animals at a relatively high dose, by route(s) of administration, at site(s), of histologic type(s), or by mechanism(s) not considered relevant to worker exposure. Available epidemiologic studies do not confirm an increased risk of cancer in exposed humans.

Available evidence suggests that the agent is not likely to cause cancer in humans except under uncommon or unlikely routes or levels of exposure.

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:

Lanthanons can cause delayed blood clotting leading to hemorrhages.

Exposure may also lead to sensitivity to heat, itching, increased awareness of odor and taste, and liver damage.

Cobalt is an experimental neoplastigen and tumorigen. It is an experimental carcinogen of the connective tissue and lungs. Cobalt metal and inorganic compounds are classified as an animal carcinogen by the ACGIH. Ingestion may cause burning in the mouth, esophagus, and stomach.

Inhalation of dusts and fumes may cause irritation of the respiratory tract and labored breathing and coughing. Sensitization, nausea, flushing of the face and ringing in the ears is also possible.

Chronic ingestion may result in pericardial effusion, polycardial effusion, polycythemia, cardiac failure, vomiting, convulsions and thyroid enlargement.

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.

Carcinogenic categories

OSHA-Ca (Occupational Safety & Health Administration)

Substance is not listed.

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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, IMDG, IATA

UN3089

UN proper shipping name

DOT

Metal powders, flammable, n.o.s. (Samarium cobalt powder)

IMDG, IATA

METAL POWDER, FLAMMABLE, N.O.S. (Samarium cobalt powder)

Transport hazard class(es)

DOT

Class

4.1 Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives.

Label

4.1

Class

4.1 (F3) Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives

Label

4.1

IMDG, IATA

Class

4.1 Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives.

Label

4.1

Packing group

DOT, IMDG, IATA

III

Environmental hazards:

N/A

Special precautions for user

Warning: Flammable solids, self-reactive substances and solid desensitised explosives

Segregation groups

Heavy metals and their salts (including their organometallic compounds), powdered metals

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":

UN3089, Metal powders, flammable, n.o.s. (Samarium cobalt powder), 4.1, III

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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.

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 cobalt 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 1997-2022 AMERICAN ELEMENTS. LICENSED GRANTED TO MAKE UNLIMITED PAPER COPIES FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY.