SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Identifier: (5N) 99.999% Holmium Oxide

Product Code: HO-OX-05

CAS Number: 12055-62-8

Relevant identified uses of the substance: Scientific research and development

Supplier details:

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Los Angeles, CA 90024
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Emergency telephone number:
+1 800-424-9300

SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture in accordance with 29 CFR 1910 (OSHA HCS)
The substance is not classified according to the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).
Hazards not otherwise classified

No data available

GHS label elements

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
Health (acute effects) = 1
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:
12055-62-8 Holmium(III) oxide
Identification number(s):
EC number:
235-015-3

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

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.

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:
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.

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

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:
None.
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. 
Penetration time of glove material (in minutes) 
No data available 
Eye protection: 
Safety glasses 
Body protection: 
Protective work clothing 

SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES 

Information on basic physical and chemical properties 
Appearance: 
Form: Powder, lump, or solid in various forms 
Color: Beige 
Odor: Odorless 
Odor threshold: No data available. 

pH: N/A 
Melting point/Melting range: 2360 °C (4280 °F) 
Boiling point/Boiling range: 3900 °C (7052 °F) 
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): 8.36 g/cm³ (69.764 lbs/gal) 
Relative density 
No data available. 

Vapor density 
N/A 

Evaporation rate 
N/A 

Solubility in Water (H₂O): No data available 
Partition coefficient (n-octanol/water): No data available. 

Viscosity: 
Dynamic: N/A 
Kinematic: N/A
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

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.
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.
Do not allow undiluted product or large quantities to reach groundwater, water courses, or sewage systems.
Avoid transfer into the environment.
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, 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
SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Safety, health and environmental regulations/legislation specific for the substance or mixture
GHS label elements
N/A
Hazard pictograms
N/A
Signal word
N/A
Hazard statements
N/A
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)
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.
Chemical safety assessment:
A Chemical Safety Assessment has not been carried out.

16. OTHER INFORMATION

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