

# SAFETY DATA SHEET

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## SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

**Product Identifier:** (3N) 99.9% Bismuth Telluride

**Product Code:** BI-TE-03

**CAS Number:** 1304-82-1

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

Supplier details:

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## SECTION 2. HAZARDS IDENTIFICATION

Classification of the substance or mixture

Classification according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008

GHS07

Acute Tox. 4 H302 Harmful if swallowed.

Acute Tox. 4 H312 Harmful in contact with skin.

Acute Tox. 4 H332 Harmful if inhaled.

Skin Irrit. 2 H315 Causes skin irritation.

Eye Irrit. 2A H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

STOT SE 3 H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

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



GHS07

Signal word: Warning



#### Hazard statements

H302+H312+H332 Harmful if swallowed, in contact with skin or if inhaled.

H315 Causes skin irritation.

H319 Causes serious eye irritation.

H335 May cause respiratory irritation.

#### Precautionary statements

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

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

P305+P351+P338 IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.

P304+P340 IF INHALED: Remove victim to fresh air and keep at rest in a position comfortable for breathing.

P405 Store locked up.

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

#### WHMIS classification

D1B - Toxic material causing immediate and serious toxic effects

D2B - Toxic material causing other toxic effects

#### Classification system

HMIS ratings (scale 0-4)

(Hazardous Materials Identification System)

HEALTH 2

FIRE 0

REACTIVITY 1

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

#### Substances

CAS number: 1304-82-1 Description: Bismuth(III) telluride

Identification number(s):

EC number: 215-135-2

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## SECTION 4. FIRST AID MEASURES

#### Description of first aid measures

If inhaled:

Supply patient with fresh air. If required, 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:  
Tellurium dioxide (TeO<sub>2</sub>)  
Bismuth oxide  
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 product to enter drains, sewage systems, or other water courses.  
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  
Handle under dry protective gas.  
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:  
Store away from water/moisture.  
Do not store together with acids.  
Store away from oxidizing agents.  
Further information about storage conditions:  
Store under dry inert gas.  
This product is moisture sensitive.  
Keep container tightly sealed.  
Store in cool, dry conditions  
in well-sealed containers.  
Protect from humidity and water.  
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:  
1304-82-1 Bismuth(III) telluride (100.0%)  
PEL (USA) Long-term value:  $15^* 5^{**} \text{ mg/m}^3$   
undoped \*total dust \*\*respirable fraction  
REL (USA) Long-term value:  $10^* 5^{**} 5^{***} \text{ mg/m}^3$   
undoped : \*total dust, \*\*resp.fract.; \*\*\*Se-doped  
TLV (USA) Long-term value:  $10^* 5^{**} \text{ mg/m}^3$   
\*undoped \*\*Se-doped  
EL (Canada) Long-term value:  $5^* 10^{**} \text{ mg/m}^3$   
\*Se-doped,\*\*undoped  
EV (Canada) Long-term value:  $10 5^* \text{ mg/m}^3$   
\*selenium-doped  
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  
Avoid contact with the eyes and skin.  
Maintain an ergonomically appropriate working environment.  
Breathing equipment:  
Use suitable respirator when high concentrations are present.  
Recommended filter device for short term use:  
Use a respirator with type P100 (USA) or P3 (EN 143) cartridges as a backup to engineering controls.  
Risk assessment should be performed to determine if air-purifying respirators are appropriate. Only



use equipment tested and approved under appropriate government standards.

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

Form: Various forms (powder/flake/crystalline/beads, etc.)

Color: Grey

Odor: Odorless

Odor threshold: No data available.

pH: N/A

Melting point/Melting range: 573 °C (1063 °F)

Boiling point/Boiling range: No data available

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): 7.642 g/cm<sup>3</sup> (63.772 lbs/gal)

Relative density: No data available.

Vapor density: N/A

Evaporation rate: N/A

Solubility in Water (H<sub>2</sub>O): Decomposes

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: Reacts with strong oxidizing agents

Conditions to avoid: No data available

Incompatible materials:

Acids



Water/moisture  
Oxidizing agents

Hazardous decomposition products:  
Tellurium dioxide (TeO<sub>2</sub>)  
Bismuth oxide

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## SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Information on toxicological effects

Acute toxicity:

Harmful if inhaled.

Harmful in contact with skin.

Harmful if swallowed.

Danger through skin absorption.

LD/LC<sub>50</sub> values that are relevant for classification: No data

Skin irritation or corrosion: Causes skin irritation.

Eye irritation or corrosion: Causes serious eye irritation.

Sensitization: No sensitizing effects known.

Germ cell mutagenicity: No effects known.

Carcinogenicity:

ACGIH A4: Not classifiable as a human carcinogen: Inadequate data on which to classify the agent in terms of its carcinogenicity in humans and/or animals.

Reproductive toxicity: No effects known.

Specific target organ system toxicity - repeated exposure: No effects known.

Specific target organ system toxicity - single exposure: May cause respiratory irritation.

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.

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 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

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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. EXPOSURE CONTROLS/PERSONAL PROTECTION

UN-Number  
DOT, IMDG, IATA  
UN3284  
UN proper shipping name  
DOT  
Tellurium compound, n.o.s. (Bismuth(III) telluride)  
IMDG, IATA  
TELLURIUM COMPOUND, N.O.S. (Bismuth(III) telluride)  
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:  
N/A  
Special precautions for user  
Warning: Toxic substances  
EMS Number:  
F-A,S-A  
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":

UN3284, Tellurium compound, n.o.s. (Bismuth(III) telluride), 6.1, 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.

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.

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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.

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