SECTION 1: Identification of the substance/mixture and of the company/undertaking

1.1 Product identifiers

Product name: Tellurium

Product Number: 264865
Brand: Aldrich
CAS-No.: 13494-80-9

1.2 Relevant identified uses of the substance or mixture and uses advised against

Identified uses: Laboratory chemicals, Synthesis of substances

1.3 Details of the supplier of the safety data sheet

Company: Sigma-Aldrich Inc.
3050 SPRUCE ST
ST. LOUIS MO 63103
UNITED STATES

Telephone: +1 314 771-5765
Fax: +1 800 325-5052

1.4 Emergency telephone

Emergency Phone #: 800-424-9300 CHEMTREC (USA) +1-703-527-3887 CHEMTREC (International) 24 Hours/day; 7 Days/week

SECTION 2: Hazards identification

2.1 Classification of the substance or mixture

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

Acute toxicity, Inhalation (Category 4), H332
Skin sensitization (Sub-category 1B), H317
Reproductive toxicity (Category 1B), H360
Long-term (chronic) aquatic hazard (Category 4), H413

For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

2.2 GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

Pictogram

Signal word: Danger
Hazard statement(s)
H317  May cause an allergic skin reaction.
H332  Harmful if inhaled.
H360  May damage fertility or the unborn child.
H413  May cause long lasting harmful effects to aquatic life.

Precautionary statement(s)
P201  Obtain special instructions before use.
P202  Do not handle until all safety precautions have been read and understood.
P261  Avoid breathing dust/ fume/ gas/ mist/ vapors/ spray.
P271  Use only outdoors or in a well-ventilated area.
P272  Contaminated work clothing must not be allowed out of the workplace.
P273  Avoid release to the environment.
P280  Wear protective gloves/ protective clothing/ eye protection/ face protection.
P302 + P352  IF ON SKIN: Wash with plenty of soap and water.
P304 + P340 + P312  IF INHALED: Remove person to fresh air and keep comfortable for breathing. Call a POISON CENTER/ doctor if you feel unwell.
P308 + P313  IF exposed or concerned: Get medical advice/ attention.
P333 + P313  If skin irritation or rash occurs: Get medical advice/ attention.
P363  Wash contaminated clothing before reuse.
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

SECTION 3: Composition/information on ingredients

3.1 Substances

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<th>Concentration</th>
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<td>Acute Tox. 4; Skin Sens. 1B; Repr. 1B; Aquatic Chronic 4; H332, H317, H360, H413</td>
<td>&lt;= 100 %</td>
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For the full text of the H-Statements mentioned in this Section, see Section 16.

SECTION 4: First aid measures

4.1 Description of first-aid measures

General advice
Show this material safety data sheet to the doctor in attendance.
If inhaled
After inhalation: fresh air. Immediately call in physician. If breathing stops: immediately apply artificial respiration, if necessary also oxygen.

In case of skin contact
In case of skin contact: Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water/shower. Consult a physician.

In case of eye contact
After eye contact: rinse out with plenty of water. Call in ophthalmologist. Remove contact lenses.

If swallowed
After swallowing: immediately make victim drink water (two glasses at most). 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

SECTION 5: Firefighting measures

5.1 Extinguishing media

Suitable extinguishing media
Use extinguishing measures that are appropriate to local circumstances and the surrounding environment.

Unsuitable extinguishing media
For this substance/mixture no limitations of extinguishing agents are given.

5.2 Special hazards arising from the substance or mixture
Tellurium oxides
Not combustible.
Ambient fire may liberate hazardous vapours.

5.3 Advice for firefighters
Stay in danger area only with self-contained breathing apparatus. Prevent skin contact by keeping a safe distance or by wearing suitable protective clothing.

5.4 Further information
Prevent fire extinguishing water from contaminating surface water or the ground water system.

SECTION 6: Accidental release measures

6.1 Personal precautions, protective equipment and emergency procedures
Advice for non-emergency personnel: Avoid inhalation of dusts. Avoid substance contact. Ensure adequate ventilation. Evacuate the danger area, observe emergency procedures, consult an expert.
For personal protection see section 8.

6.2 Environmental precautions
Do not let product enter drains.
6.3 **Methods and materials for containment and cleaning up**
Cover drains. Collect, bind, and pump off spills. Observe possible material restrictions (see sections 7 and 10). Take up carefully. Dispose of properly. Clean up affected area. Avoid generation of dusts.

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**

**Advice on safe handling**
Work under hood. Do not inhale substance/mixture.

**Hygiene measures**
Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance. For precautions see section 2.2.

7.2 **Conditions for safe storage, including any incompatibilities**

**Storage conditions**
Tightly closed. Dry. Keep in a well-ventilated place. Keep locked up or in an area accessible only to qualified or authorized persons.

**Storage class**
Storage class (TRGS 510): 6.1D: Non-combustible, acute toxic Cat.3 / toxic hazardous materials or hazardous materials causing chronic effects

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**

**Ingredients with workplace control parameters**

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<td>tellurium</td>
<td>13494-80-9</td>
<td>TWA</td>
<td>0.1 mg/m³</td>
<td>USA. Occupational Exposure Limits (OSHA) - Table Z-1 Limits for Air Contaminants</td>
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<td>PEL</td>
<td>0.1 mg/m³</td>
<td>California permissible exposure limits for chemical contaminants (Title 8, Article 107)</td>
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8.2 **Exposure controls**

**Appropriate engineering controls**
Immediately change contaminated clothing. Apply preventive skin protection. Wash hands and face after working with substance.
Personal protective equipment

**Eye/face protection**
Use equipment for eye protection tested and approved under appropriate government standards such as NIOSH (US) or EN 166(EU). Safety glasses

**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.

Full contact
Material: Nitrile rubber
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
Break through time: 480 min
Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

Splash contact
Material: Nitrile rubber
Minimum layer thickness: 0.11 mm
Break through time: 480 min
Material tested: Dermatril® (KCL 740 / Aldrich Z677272, Size M)

data source: KCL GmbH, D-36124 Eichenzell, phone +49 (0)6659 87300, e-mail sales@kcl.de, test method: EN374
If used in solution, or mixed with other substances, and under conditions which differ from EN 374, contact the supplier of the EC approved gloves. This recommendation is advisory only and must be evaluated by an industrial hygienist and safety officer familiar with the specific situation of anticipated use by our customers. It should not be construed as offering an approval for any specific use scenario.

**Body Protection**
protective clothing

**Respiratory protection**
required when dusts are generated.
Our recommendations on filtering respiratory protection are based on the following standards: DIN EN 143, DIN 14387 and other accompanying standards relating to the used respiratory protection system.

**Control of environmental exposure**
Do not let product enter drains.

### SECTION 9: Physical and chemical properties

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

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<td>Appearance</td>
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<td>pH</td>
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<td>Melting point/freezing point</td>
<td>Melting point/range: 450 ºC (842 ºF) - lit.</td>
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f) **Initial boiling point**
   and boiling range  
   990 °C 1814 °F - lit.

g) **Flash point**  
   ()Not applicable

h) **Evaporation rate**  
   No data available

i) **Flammability (solid, gas)**  
   The product is not flammable.

j) **Upper/lower flammability or explosive limits**  
   No data available

k) **Vapor pressure**  
   No data available

l) **Vapor density**  
   No data available

m) **Density**  
   6.24 g/mL at 25 °C (77 °F) - lit.
   Relative density  
   6.232

n) **Water solubility**  
   0.0017 g/l at 20 °C (68 °F) - OECD Test Guideline 105 - slightly soluble

o) **Partition coefficient: n-octanol/water**  
   Not applicable for inorganic substances

p) **Autoignition temperature**  
   No data available

q) **Decomposition temperature**  
   No data available

r) **Viscosity**  
   No data available

s) **Explosive properties**  
   No data available

t) **Oxidizing properties**  
   none

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**  
   The product is chemically stable under standard ambient conditions (room temperature).

10.3 **Possibility of hazardous reactions**  
   No data available

10.4 **Conditions to avoid**  
   no information available

10.5 **Incompatible materials**  
   Zinc, cadmium, Sodium/sodium oxides, Potassium, Strong acids, Strong bases, Halogens

10.6 **Hazardous decomposition products**  
   In the event of fire: see section 5
SECTION 11: Toxicological information

11.1 Information on toxicological effects

**Acute toxicity**
LD50 Oral - Rat - male and female - > 5,000 mg/kg  
(OECD Test Guideline 401)
LC50 Inhalation - Rat - male and female - 4 h - > 2.42 mg/l - aerosol  
(OECD Test Guideline 403)
Dermal: No data available

**Skin corrosion/irritation**
Skin - reconstructed human epidermis (RhE)  
Result: No skin irritation  
(OECD Test Guideline 439)

**Serious eye damage/eye irritation**
Eyes - Chicken eye  
Result: No eye irritation  
(OECD Test Guideline 438)

**Respiratory or skin sensitization**
Local lymph node assay (LLNA) - Mouse  
Result: positive  
(OECD Test Guideline 429)

**Germ cell mutagenicity**
Test Type: Ames test  
Test system: Escherichia coli/Salmonella typhimurium  
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 471  
Result: negative
Test Type: In vitro mammalian cell gene mutation test  
Test system: mouse lymphoma cells  
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 476  
Result: negative
Test Type: Chromosome aberration test in vitro  
Test system: Chinese hamster lung cells  
Metabolic activation: with and without metabolic activation  
Method: OECD Test Guideline 473  
Result: negative

**Carcinogenicity**
IARC: No ingredient of this product present at levels greater than or equal to 0.1% is identified as probable, possible or confirmed human carcinogen by IARC.
NTP: No ingredient 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 on OSHA’s list of regulated carcinogens.

**Reproductive toxicity**
May damage the unborn child.

**Specific target organ toxicity - single exposure**
No data available
Specific target organ toxicity - repeated exposure
No data available

Aspiration hazard
No data available

11.2 Additional Information
Repeated dose toxicity - Rat - male and female - Oral - 13 Weeks - NOAEL (No observed adverse effect level) - >= 100 mg/kg

RTECS: WY2625000
Nausea, Headache, Vomiting, Central nervous system depression
To the best of our knowledge, the chemical, physical, and toxicological properties have not been thoroughly investigated.
The following applies to tellurium compounds in general: after oral uptake, the compound is mostly reduced to metallic tellurium and subsequently eliminated with the faeces (blue-grey). After inhalation or ingestion: metallic taste, dryness in mouth. Possible in extreme cases: gastrointestinal complaints, cyanosis, unconsciousness, collapse, in some cases risk of liver and kidney damage.

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

Stomach - Irregularities - Based on Human Evidence

SECTION 12: Ecological information

12.1 Toxicity
Toxicity to fish semi-static test LC50 - Oncorhynchus mykiss (rainbow trout) - > 100 mg/l - 96 h (OECD Test Guideline 203)
Toxicity to daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates static test EC50 - Daphnia magna (Water flea) - 5.79 mg/l - 48 h (OECD Test Guideline 202)
Toxicity to algae static test ErC50 - Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata - > 11.7 mg/l - 72 h (OECD Test Guideline 201)
Toxicity to bacteria static test EC50 - activated sludge - 320 mg/l - 3 h (OECD Test Guideline 209)

12.2 Persistence and degradability
The methods for determining biodegradability are not applicable to inorganic substances.

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 **Endocrine disrupting properties**  
No data available

12.7 **Other adverse effects**  
No data available

### SECTION 13: Disposal considerations

13.1 **Waste treatment methods**

**Product**  
Waste material must be disposed of in accordance with the national and local regulations. Leave chemicals in original containers. No mixing with other waste. Handle uncleaned containers like the product itself. See www.retrologistik.com for processes regarding the return of chemicals and containers, or contact us there if you have further questions.

### SECTION 14: Transport information

**DOT (US)**  
Not dangerous goods

**IMDG**  
Not dangerous goods

**IATA**  
Not dangerous goods

**Further information**  
Not classified as dangerous in the meaning of transport regulations.

### SECTION 15: Regulatory information

**SARA 302 Components**  
This material does not contain any components with a section 302 EHS TPQ.

**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**  
Acute Health Hazard, Chronic Health Hazard

**Massachusetts Right To Know Components**  
No components are subject to the Massachusetts Right to Know Act.
SECTION 16: Other information

Further information
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. Sigma-Aldrich Corporation and its Affiliates shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or from contact with the above product. See www.sigma-aldrich.com and/or the reverse side of invoice or packing slip for additional terms and conditions of sale.

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